

## Beach Cleanup

Central Jersey Sewa volunteers and leads participated in the Clean Ocean Action's Beach Sweeps event. As part of the Beach Sweeps program is to keep the beaches free from debris. Central Jersey Sewa volunteers participated at Bradley, Keansburg & Seagirt beaches and volunteers. The Beach Sweeps was held at over 60 locations throughout New Jersey, and this will be an addition to 2021 summer activities.



## Food Drive

Sewa Leads and volunteers have planned and executed yet another food drive to feed the homeless .140 burritos were prepared with the utmost care and attention in the grounds of KKWC. Leads heated the tortillas, packed them with rice, beans, mayonnaise, cheese, lettuce, bell peppers, cheese, and corn. Each lunch bag had a packet of chips, a banana, tissue, and 2 burritos. These bagged lunches were dropped off United Methodist Church at New Brunswick. The churchgoers and church volunteers/employees were extremely impressed and the food that was prepared and donated by the LEADS.



## Chapter Highlights

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- ❖ Food Drive(s)

## Team Highlights

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## Volunteer(s) Spotlight

### RAM MALLADI



Ram Malladi Ji is self-employed and owns his local business. He has been a core supporter of Sewa Diwali since its inception in 2018. Since March of this year he has donated over 50 cases of fresh fruits, vegetables, and bakery products. His kindness has made such a difference in the lives of the underprivileged. His grandiose celebration for his son's 21 birthday, was by food donations to Rise Food Pantry in Hightstown, NJ. His kindness and generosity in making a difference in the community is unmatched and beyond appreciation.





### Food Pantry Donations

With the continued support & donations from Mr. Ram Malladi, Chesterfield Sewa team delivered food to two off the local food banks

1. 6 cases of Red Bell Peppers & 2 cases of Butter Nut to Rise Food Pantry, Hightown.
2. 6 cases of Collard Greens to Chester County Food Bank.





### Desk Building

Sewa Leads volunteered to build desks, for children in need and were donated to different locations in New Jersey. It was not an easy but the leads showed determination and great team work in finishing the desks. Kudos to Shubransh Joshi, Vijay Laroia, Sidhanrth Ponram, Manas Gupta, Ashish Manavarth, Ramya Lakshmi, Siddharth Ravi, Chanel Kumar, Arush Bhardwaj and Tanya Sriram, who have spent a long day outdoors in the cold and build these desks.



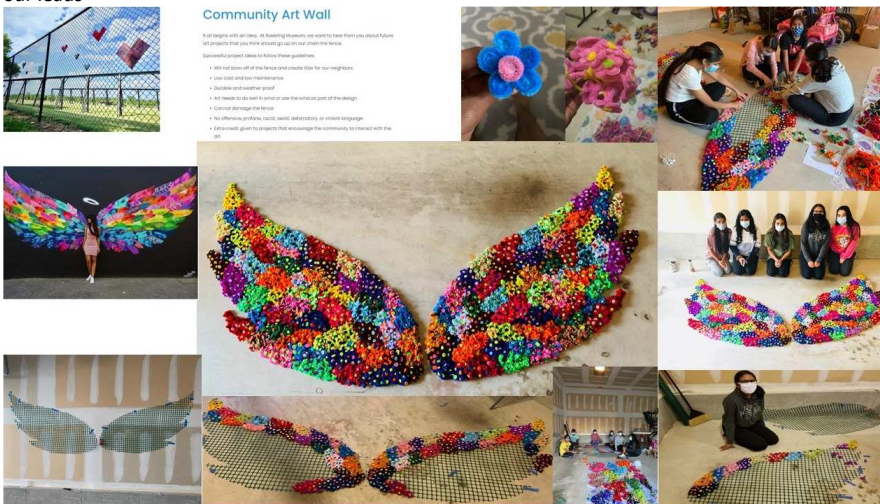
### Trunk Or Treat

Our Edison Leads Sidharth, Manas, Shreya, Raashi, and Tanya have organized Trunk or Treat @ The Woodbridge Mall with the help of Ritesh Ji. It was a fun event conducted in the spirit of Halloween. The visitors stopped by took part in the costume contest, participated in the games and collected the candy bags.



### Roebling Museum Fence Art

In response to Roebling Museum's call for community Art on chain link fence, the Chesterfield Leads presented the Wing Art idea. Upon approval from the Museum, 25 leads worked together to create more than 2500 flowers using craft pipe cleaners. They spent over 200 hours in total to make the flowers and attach them to a plastic mesh sheet, which was cut into the shape of wings. The project will be installed on the fence of the Roebling Museum in Florence as part of their outdoor art exhibit. Its an amazing piece of creativity shown by our leads



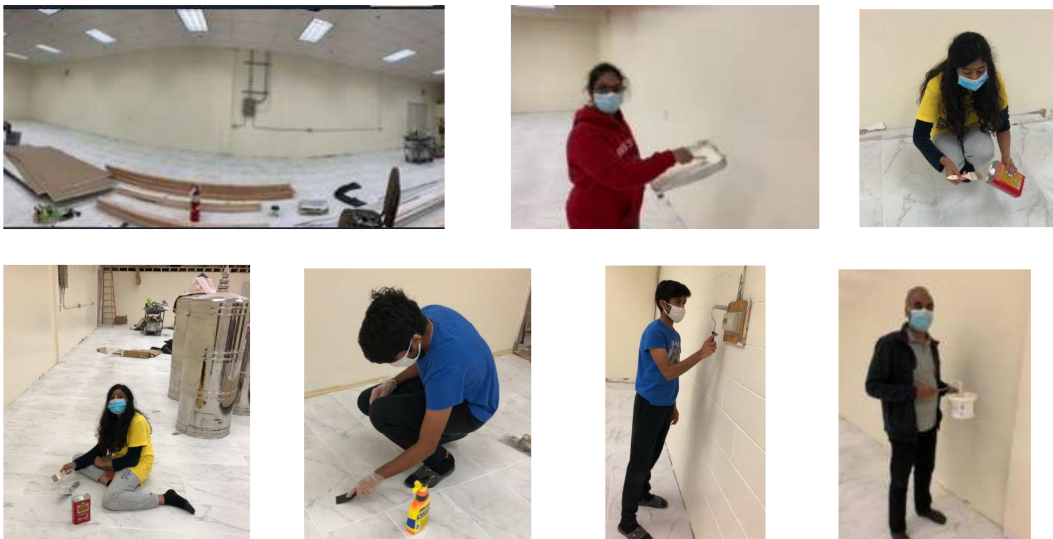
### Community Clean up

25 Chesterfield Sewa volunteers cleaned-up 2.5 mile stretch of White Pine Road as part of the community fall cleanup. This is an ongoing activity for the past two years with the commitment and enthusiasm displayed by the Chesterfield Sewa leads and volunteers to keep they community clean.



### Temple Painting & Clean up

Our leads and parent volunteers gave a fresh look to the Radha Gopinath Temple walls by cleaning up and paintings the walls. The temple management and priest were extremely impressed at the meticulously painted walls, while our leads were happy and satisfied to learn a new skill.





Sewa International Central NJ Chapter's registrations for the 2020-2021 LEAD program has received an overwhelming response, Increasing our head count to 132(~40 more than 2019-2020). Below are the enrollments by location

Chesterfield - 49

Cherry Hill - 11

Edison - 38

Monroe - 25

Somerset - 9

#### Up Coming Events

- SewaDiwali food Drive
- Treat for Troops

#### Communication Channels

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