



# NEWSLETTER

## SEWA International - North Jersey

### Track Updates

#### Soup Kitchen

Volunteers had Orientation on March 30th and next Orientation is in May 2017. Soup kitchen appreciated the donations, especially this time of the year, since most donations come in during the holiday time and they start to run low during this time.



#### Sponsor a Child

It was suggested to all the chapter karyakartas to consider sponsor a child, one per earning member of the family. We put a target of sponsoring 25 new children for the first quarter.

#### Family Services

No Updates

### Holi Celebration

#### Sanatan Mandir, Parsippany – Sunday, March 12<sup>th</sup>

Upon intimation from Sanatan Mandir, Parsippany, Sewa and HSS families joined Holi celebration. Some of our volunteers served at the parking lot directing the traffic. Temple management appreciated our help and participation.



### Sewa Exhibit at School Anniversary

#### Ukrainian Church, Parsippany – Sunday, March 25<sup>th</sup>

North Jersey Sewa put up an exhibit at the annual function of Sanatan mandir School, conducted at Ukrainian Church. Many people visited our booth and signed up as volunteers.



## Clean Roads and Parks

Sewa has adopted Rt. 46 in Parsippany. All the contractual formalities have been completed. Safety training has been scheduled for April 7th 4:30 to 5:30 PM.

## Contact Database

Contact database is being built for three counties, Morris, Passaic and Bergen. Only Bergen county is pending. Total six volunteers are working. Initially we will run a pilot mail campaign for small number of contacts. Based on the results we will plan for bigger campaign.

## Media Team Update

New York Team has shared their list of about 1000 families to be added to our chapter contacts list.

## Volunteer Orientation at Soup Kitchen

### Morristown – Thursday, March 30<sup>th</sup>

Sewa Volunteers underwent orientation class at the Community Soup Kitchen of Morristown. Though 39 Sewa Volunteers registered only 27 could attend because it was a working day. This was the first batch and second batch will commence on May 11<sup>th</sup>. We also delivered food for the month of March.

North Jersey Chapter of Sewa adopted this community Soup Kitchen. We deliver food and other items every month collected from approximately 30 families. In addition to the food delivery, our volunteers go and serve there.



## UPCOMING EVENTS

### Highway Cleanup - Safety training

Safety training for Sewa volunteers for highway cleanup has been scheduled for April 7th 4:30 PM at 21 Kanouse Lane, Montville, NJ. A trainer from Department of Transportation and Council of Clean Communities of NJ will be coming to train the volunteers. This is the final step pending for Sewa team to schedule the actual cleanup. Sewa team has adopted Rt. 46 in Parsippany, NJ.

## Get Inspired – Internships for College Students and Fresh Graduates

Sewa North Jersey has launched Get Inspired - Summer Internship program for College Students and fresh graduates.

Here is the posting: [https://docs.google.com/document/d/1nDZvouqu5K9CujtH54VF-LPqBRQZ6doaKC-SRaf5Q\\_c/pub](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1nDZvouqu5K9CujtH54VF-LPqBRQZ6doaKC-SRaf5Q_c/pub)

## Lead – Summer Volunteer Program for High School and Middle School Children

Sewa North Jersey is going to launch Lead - Summer Volunteer Program for high school and middle school children. Program is going to be formally declared in a week.

## Eleventh Sewa National Conference

Sewa USA 11th national conference is going to be held in Houston on May 6-7, 2017. All Sewa organizers are invited to participate. It would be a great opportunity to meet other chapters, national team and know each other and exchange ideas. Interested people can contact the the following numbers.

## Please visit our chapter website and face book pages:

<https://sewausa.org/chapter/NorthJersey/NorthJersey-overview>

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*This month's quotation:*



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*Om Sarve Bhavantu Sukbinah*