

Empty Bowls 2020

Dear Colleagues,

It's that time of year again for our annual tradition at NFA to help the many hungry people in our area, and we need **you** to make it a success. For those of you who are new to the NFA community, **Empty Bowls** is a national network of volunteer efforts to provide hunger relief. All proceeds go to the Food Bank of the Hudson Valley, the main food supplier to local food pantries and soup kitchens in our community.

Mr. Joshua Lipira and his ceramics students will be making one-of-a-kind ceramic bowls. Members of the Empty Bowls Committee will be getting the supplies ready; their senior students will be setting up, serving, and clearing. The gracious ladies of the cafeteria will be making several delicious soups, and Mr. Jim Morrison and his culinary students will be baking up some trays of their tempting brownies. All other parts of the meal and door prizes are donated by area businesses, and this year we will again be raffling some beautiful baskets made by our own faculty and staff.

On Thursday, April 2nd from 5:00 to 7:00 in the NFA Main Cafeteria, we will serve a simple meal of soup, bread, salad, and fruit while being serenaded. The donation for each meal is **\$18** – but **you keep the bowl** to remind you all year that there are plenty among us who face empty bowls each day.

We will have a limited number of bowls available so **tickets will be sold on a first come, first served basis**. If you are unable to attend, we will gratefully accept your donation to help fill the many empty bowls in our community. **Note that tickets do sell out for the event.**

Please use the tear-off form below to order your tickets and/or make a contribution in the form of a **CHECK payable to the Food Bank of the Hudson Valley** – tax deductible! (If you'd like to merge your contribution with another colleague, one of you could write the check.) You can place your order in **Ms. Pilar Treus' or Ms. Diane Visconti's** mailbox in NFA's main office. **Thank you for your continued support of this event.**

2020 NFA Empty Bowls committee

Name _____

To guarantee a spot, please check all that apply:

_____ I have enclosed a check for \$ _____ made payable to the Hudson Valley Food Bank

_____ I can come and will receive a bowl at the event.

_____ I can't make the dinner this year, but here is my contribution of \$ _____

_____ Please save a bowl for pick up after the event.

_____ Please send ticket to me at _____

* Please note that tickets cannot be mailed to street addresses, but only through interschool mail. All other tickets will be held at the door. ***Please specify, thank you.*** Also: **If event is sold out, tickets will NOT be sold at the door.**