



MERCY CENTER

A Profile in Mercy: Norma Adamitis



At the encouragement of a close friend, Norma Adamitis began volunteering at Mercy Center's Food Pantry during the Thanksgiving of 2006. She has been a bi-weekly volunteer with us ever since. She credits her long tenure to the pure joy she receives in providing sustenance to others.

On Wednesdays and Fridays, Norma "is being useful" as she stocks and organizes the food items and helps clients fulfill their grocery lists. She is sensitive to the needs of those who come to rely on us for food and does what she can to make things easier. Transportation to and from the pantry, and transporting groceries home, is often a challenge for clients. Norma does her best to manage portion sizes so the bags are easier to carry home. Her top priority is making sure that those that need food, get it.

"Mercy Center is a fantastic organization; everyone is kind and I can feel the love and care everyone has for our clients." Norma spreads her love around the community. In addition to her time at Mercy Center, she is involved with various other organizations. As a Eucharistic Minister with St. Mary's in Deal, she delivers communion to house bound communicants. At St. Teresa's Missionary of Charity, she assists in the distribution of food to those in need.

While keeping extremely busy with her volunteer duties, Norma still finds time to have fun. She enjoys reading, crossword puzzles, taking walks and the occasional trip to Atlantic City. She has a playful side as well, as evidenced by the vibrant purple streak in her hair. "I love coloring my hair for special occasions!"

If you are interested in being a volunteer, Norma wants you to "come, learn and give of yourself." She is living proof that giving to others will lead to great personal fulfillment.

To learn about volunteer opportunities at Mercy Center, please call (732) 774-9397 ext. 121.