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Local Volunteer Charlie Bristol Honored for 30+ Years of Tackling Food Insecurity in Greater Concord

CONCORD, NH, September 10, 2025 - The Capital Region Food Program (CRFP) is proud to announce the induction of longtime volunteer Charlie Bristol into the Mark E. Manus Honor Society, recognizing over three decades of extraordinary service and commitment to the organization's mission of reducing hunger in the Greater Concord area.

Established in 1995 by the CRFP Board of Trustees, the [Mark E. Manus Honor Society](#) pays tribute to individuals whose exceptional contributions have significantly shaped the organization's legacy and impact. Inductees are selected through a thoughtful and deliberate process led by a committee of CRFP leaders, including a member of the Manus family.

"Throughout his association with CRFP, Charlie has been a tremendous supporter, ambassador, advocate and champion of our mission, which is combatting hunger and assisting those in our community struggling with food insecurity," says Maria Manus Painchaud, a member of the nomination committee. "Charlie's unyielding commitment is evident not only through his longevity, but clearly by his actions and contributions to the well-being of the organization and those we serve."

Charlie began volunteering with CRFP in the early 1990s for the annual Holiday Food Basket Project. He was quickly recruited to the Board of Trustees, where he served as Secretary for 30 years. Today, he continues to volunteer on the Technology Committee, where he applies his extensive IT expertise to further support the organization's sustainability and growth efforts.

In his remarks at the induction, he reflected on the transformation of CRFP and the enduring spirit of collaboration that defines it. "Since joining the organization, I have had the honor and privilege to work with many remarkable people that have inspired me," said Bristol. "Perhaps the most amazing thing has been to watch the organization grow and adapt in the face of an everchanging social and economic climate. Everyone continues to ask how we can better serve our evolving community and create an organization that continues to meet those needs."

CRFP extends its heartfelt gratitude for his dedicated service and congratulates him on this well-deserved honor. His dedication continues to leave a lasting impact on both the organization and the community.

To learn more about the Capital Region Food Program and its impact on the community, please visit www.capitalregionfoodprogram.org.



About Capital Region Food Program

Capital Region Food Program (CRFP) is a private, not-for-profit organization whose mission is to help reduce hunger in the Greater Concord area through year-round distribution of food to individuals and families. Since 1974 this has been accomplished by securing financial donations and in-kind services and by coordination, collaboration, and cooperation with other community distribution and service agencies.

The CRFP distributes the equivalent of over 110 tons of food annually through two initiatives. Forty (40) tons of food is distributed through the Year Round Distribution Project which is distributed eleven times each year to over 30 local agencies. The equivalent of 70 tons of food is distributed through the program's Holiday Project.

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