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Addabbo partners with two local food pantries for Valentine's Day drive

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Now that the holidays have come and gone, State Senator Joseph P. Addabbo, Jr. wants to remind everyone that there are members of the community that are still in need. That is why Addabbo has spearheaded a Valentine's Day food drive for the Zion Tabernacle Food Pantry in Ozone Park and the Sacred Heart Food Pantry in Glendale.

Addabbo will be collecting items for the food drive at his District Office in Howard Beach, located at 159-53 102nd Street, and his Middle Village office located at 66-85 73rd Place, until Tuesday, February 13th. On Wednesday, February 14 — Valentine's Day — Addabbo will go to both pantries and drop off all of the donated items.

Both the Zion Tabernacle Food Pantry and the Sacred Heart Food Pantry are in need of traditional food pantry items such as canned goods, dry foods like pastas, sugar, flour, food seasonings, and other nonperishable food items.

In addition to food, both Zion Tabernacle and Sacred Heart are also in need of household items, cleaning supplies like detergent to wash clothes, diapers, and toiletries to help the Puerto Rican refugees from Hurricane Maria in the area and local residents who are in need of assistance.

"The community is great at coming together to help the less fortunate during the holiday season, but now that the holidays have passed, there is still a need. That is why I partnered with these local food pantries for this Valentine's Day food drive," **Addabbo said.** "We will be collecting food donations as well as cleaning supplies and toiletries at my district office in Howard Beach and my Middle Village office. There will be no better day to spread the love to those in need than on Valentine's Day."

For more information on the food drive, call Addabbo's Howard Beach office at 718-738-1111 or the Middle Village office at 718-497-1630.