Addabbo hosting Valentine's Day food drive for local pantries

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rice, canned fruits and vegetables, soups, stews, chili, cereals, and other nonperishable food items

Drop food donations off at Addabbo's:
Middle Village Office located at 66-85 73rd Place
AND
Howard Beach Office at 159-53 102nd Street
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Subway at Atlas Park at 8000 Cooper Avenue
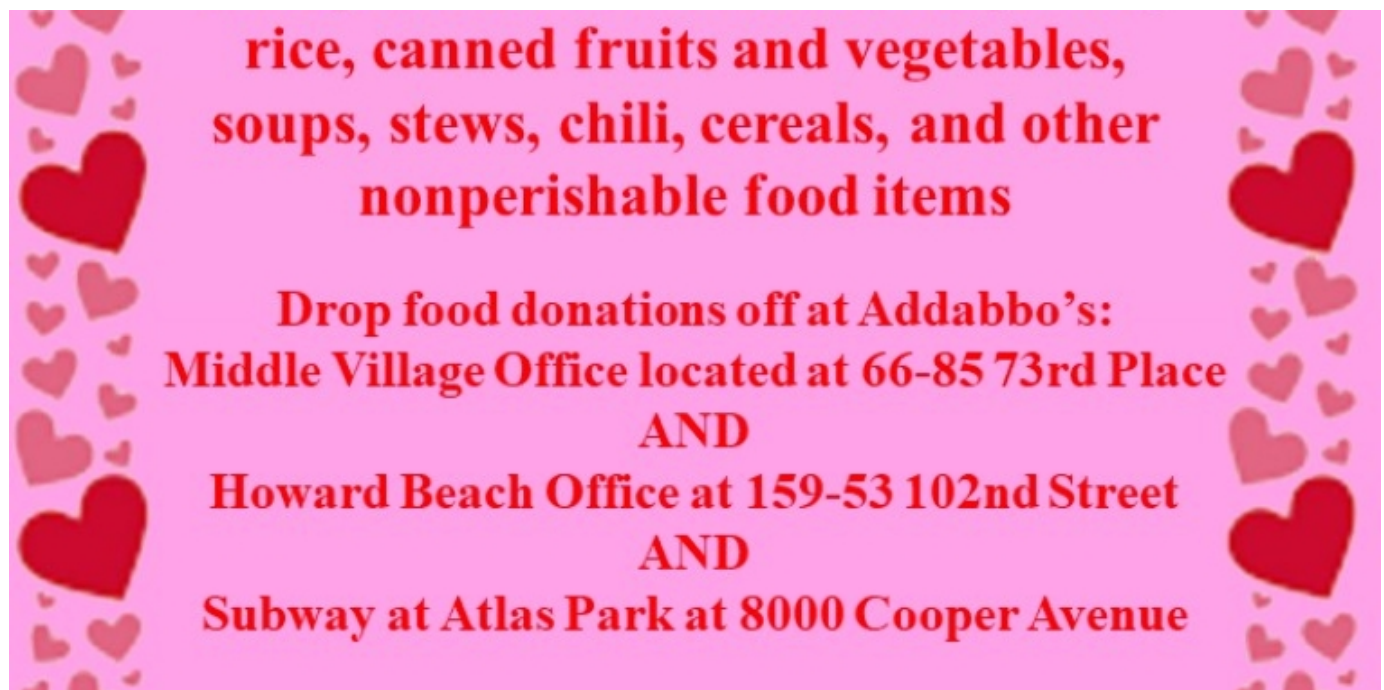
Valentine's Day is a holiday where we show our love for one another, and State Senator Joseph P. Addabbo, Jr. wants to spread the love to some local food pantries through a food drive.

From now until Valentine's Day, two of Addabbo's district offices — in Middle Village and Howard Beach — will be safe drop-off locations for the food drive. After the drive is complete, Addabbo will bring the donated food to two local food pantries, practicing all safety measures, the one with Our Lady of Grace in Howard Beach and the Sacred Heart

pantry in Glendale.

"Our local shelters typically experience an influx of donations during the holiday season, with Thanksgiving and Christmas being traditional times when people donate," Addabbo said. "But the shelters need food all year round. My hopes are that this food drive can provide supplies to the food shelters during a time when they are usually low on stock."

Non-perishable items that are needed include:

- Canned vegetables and fruit;

- Cereals;

- Crackers and snacks;

- Pasta and rice;

- Soups, stews and chili;

- Cooking oil;

- Dried herbs and spices; and

- Additional non-perishable foods.

Addabbo's Middle Village office is located at 66-85 73rd Place in Middle Village, and the Howard Beach office is located at 159-53 102nd Street in Howard Beach. Both offices will be collecting food through Friday, February 12, in order to be delivered to the food pantries after the Valentine's Day holiday. Safety measures and protocols, such as the wearing of masks, will be followed.

"On a holiday that preaches love, I ask that you look in your hearts and bring some food to be donated to those less fortunate," Addabbo added. "Together we can make a real impact in

people's lives."

For more information on the food drive, contact Addabbo's office at 718-738-1111.