

Port Chester



Today's Weather
70° Broken Clouds
Humidity: 94 %



Real life. Real care.

- Home
- NEWS
- SPORTS
- SCHOOLS
- NEIGHBORS
- EVENTS
- OPINION
- OUR TOWN

Real Estate Wheels Fashion Wellness Food Home

Port Chester Church Feeds Families In Need

by Ryan Villarreal 08/12/11

Tweet 2 Like Confirm 1 0



Reverend Carmen Ortiz organizes food distribution at her church once a month.

Photo credit: Ryan Villarreal

PORT CHESTER, N.Y. -- Reverend Carmen Margarita Ortiz stood in the parking lot of Summerfield United Methodist Church Thursday afternoon as pallets of fresh corn, flour and bottled tea were unloaded from a truck and distributed to families lined halfway up the block along King Street.

"There is a need in the community," said Ortiz. "People are hungry."

The food is provided by the [Food Bank For Westchester](#), while Ortiz's church provides the location for the drop-off and manages the distribution of food, which she organizes once a month.

Ortiz said she has been running the food program for about a year and recently has been distributing food to roughly 500 families who are struggling financially every month.

"If you're standing in the line, that means you need it," said Ortiz.

Ortiz said it gives her a feeling of completeness to provide food for people in need, but at the same time it highlights social disparities.

"If people would be more God-centered, there would be enough food for everybody," she said.

GO TEAM!

Maid Brigade salutes Maria Ayora

MOST POPULAR

- River Safe From Sleepy Hollow South Only
- Flash Flood Watch Posted for Westchester
- Suburban Dad: A Plague of Chickens is His Name
- New Port Chester Schools Super Gets Ready to Open
- Port Chester Kid Learns And Has Fun At The Library

Maid Brigade
YOUR HOME. CLEANER.

VISIT US ONLINE
914.741.0552

green·clean
CERTIFIED

What do you think about the work Reverend Ortiz is doing in the community?

More: [Neighbors](#) , [News](#) , [Charity](#) , [Hunger](#) , [Poverty](#) , [Summerfield United Methodist Church](#) , [Food Bank For Westchester](#)

NEIGHBORS



Port Chester Kid Learns And Has Fun At The Library

Flash Flood Watch Posted for Westchester

Heavy rains have prompted the National Weather Service to issue a Flash Flood Watch for Westchester County through Monday...



From Incarceration to Employment in Port Chester



Sue Pastore Knows Where in Port Chester

Join or Sign In to Comment

Tweet 2 Like Confirm 1 0

Around Our Towns

Dobbs Ferry	Eastchester
Greenwich	Harrison
Mamaroneck	New Rochelle
Rye	Scarsdale
Tarrytown	White Plains

See All of Our Towns >

The Daily Port Chester on Facebook

Like Confirm

You like Page · Ir
You like Page · Ir

45 people like **The Daily Port Chester**. 44 people like **The Daily Port Chester**.

Facebook social plugin

We want to hear from

YOU

Send Us Your News Tips, Announcements, Story Ideas.

Contact

Ryan Villarreal
rvillarreal@TheDailyPortChester.com

100 YEARS 1912 2012

Arthur Murray

Grande Ballroom of Greenwich
6 Lewis Street, Greenwich CT

Give the gift of dance, click here for details!

HUDSON VALLEY

June 14 ~ September 4

Shakespeare FESTIVAL

LOCAL HERO

Jim Perry



Town building inspector lends a hand in all aspects of local safety.

Brought to you by 

David Liebman, The Handyman Inc.



**RUNNING FOR OFFICE?
WANT YOUR
COMMUNITY TO KNOW?**

Advertise with us and reach your voters!



Get Going in the Right Direction.



CNR Wholesale Etc. LLC
The Cottage of New Rochelle

LEARN MORE ▶



Tell Your Neighbors About Your Organization

With a few easy clicks you can include FOR FREE all the information your neighbors need about your organization.

SIGN UP TODAY





Interested in
Advertising with us?

[Find Out More >](#)



TheDaily
Port Chester

Your Home Town Online -
Dedicated to the Neighbors
Who Make Port Chester Special

[Learn About Us](#) [Contact Us](#)

Find us on:



- [News](#)
- [Sports](#)
- [Schools](#)
- [Neighbors](#)
- [Events](#)
- [Opinion](#)
- [Our Town](#)
- [Real Estate](#)
- [Wheels](#)
- [Fashion](#)
- [Wellness](#)
- [Food](#)
- [Home & Garden](#)



Main Street Connect is a national community news company. We're dedicated to producing high-quality, local news and information, and sharing the voices of our readers with the community at large.

Visit us at www.mainstreetconnect.us.

[About Us](#) [Advertise with Us](#) [Careers](#)

[Visit Other MSC Sites](#)

