

## PRESS RELEASE

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### **WOODBINE MAKES APPLICATION TO USDA FOR \$38,000 FOR PHASE III OF THE WOODBINE FOOD DISTRIBUTION CENTER RENOVATIONS**

**Woodbine**—Mayor William Pikolycky is pleased to announce that the Borough of Woodbine has made application to the United State Department of Agriculture—Rural Development (USDA-RD) Community Facilities Program for funding in the amount of \$38,000 for Phase 3 of the Woodbine Food Distribution Center Renovations.

This phase would provide funding for additional facility upgrades and equipment purchases for the first floor of the Public Safety Building including HVCA upgrades and handicapped accessibility improvements.

The USDA-RD had previously awarded the Borough funding in the amount of approximately \$75,000 for facility improvements to this building under Phases 1 and 2 of these renovations, which included other upgrades and improvements to the first floor, and which were designed to provide better accessibility and to better facilitate the building's use as a food pantry.

The food distribution activities are managed by the First Baptist Church of Woodbine which provides non-perishable food products to those in need in the community. The food is provided in partnership with the Community Food Bank of New Jersey -- an organization dedicated to fighting hunger and poverty in New Jersey by assisting those in need by filling the emptiness caused by hunger with the basic human essentials that people need to survive.

"This is Phase 3 of three phases", added Mayor Pikolycky. "Funding for this third phase application will complete our upgrades to this facility which also serves as our Public Safety Building."

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