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Serving Families with Care & Concern

Elizabethport Presbyterian Center, Inc.

History -- Founded by Rev. Joseph Garlic, Jr., in 1965, civil rights leader as an agency of the Presbyterian Church, USA. to address social inequity.

Facility – State-of-the-art 30,000 sq. ft. building in the port section of Elizabeth completed in 2011. Federally qualified health center leases and operates out of the second floor.

Services and Programs -

- **Early Education** program for 90 three and four year old children and their families.
- After School tutoring program with Central Presbyterian Church
- **Summer Youth programs**, including on-site joint camp with Restore Ministries, summer reading challenge, and sponsoring and transporting youth to Camp Johnsonburg.
- **Community Education,** including the importance of completing the Census, Covid awareness in multiple languages and testing and vaccination on-site.
- **Food Pantry,** serving 3,000 people every month, many of whom are new immigrants who are non-English speaking.
- Senior Services, including senior outreach to link seniors to all eligible programs, Spanish speaking and African American senior clubs, which meet in person and remotely when necessary.
- Ad Hoc Responses to Crises Assisting families displaced by fire or flooding. Recent GoFundMe campaign to help victim of road rage incident with uncovered hospital bills.

Volunteer Opportunities

- Food Pantry Assistance Boxing, delivering and distributing food.
- **ESL Classes** Either leading or assisting.
- Cataloguing Library Books A flood damaged much of our book collection
- **Board of Directors** We need additional Directors from the churches.