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Atlantic City Distributes Close to 800 Turkeys to Residents During Multiple Giveaway Events

ATLANTIC CITY, N.J. (November 25, 2026) – Just ahead of Thanksgiving, Mayor Marty Small, Sr and the City of Atlantic City helped put holiday meals on the table for local families by distributing hundreds of turkeys through three separate community giveaways organized with the Atlantic City Fire Department, Atlantic City Police Department and the City's Health and Human Services Department, along with community organizations.

The first giveaway took place Monday, November 23, at Atlantic City Fire Station 1. Mayor Small partnered with Atlantic City Professional Firefighters Local 8 and Jersey Shore Federal Credit Union to distribute the first 250 turkeys, with sides and Thanksgiving fixings to residents. Firefighters and volunteers handed out the food, ensuring families could take home the makings of a holiday meal.

On Tuesday, November 24, Mayor Small and the City's Health and Human Services Department hosted a Thanksgiving Food Box Distribution in the Sheila Y. Oliver Plaza at City Hall. In partnership with the City's Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Office and Brody International, the event provided residents with 500 food boxes, 400 of them containing a turkey and another 100 a ham, along with traditional Thanksgiving sides and fixings.

Also on Tuesday, the Atlantic City Police Department held a separate turkey giveaway at the Atlantic City Police Athletic League (PAL) building. Police officers handed out more than 100 turkeys to local residents, continuing the department's commitment to building relationships and supporting the community beyond its public safety responsibilities.

“Thanksgiving is about looking out for one another and making sure our neighbors know they are not forgotten,” said Mayor Small. “We're proud to have distributed hundreds of meals through the work of our City departments and community partners. I want to thank our firefighters, police officers, staff, volunteers and everyone who helped us make a positive difference for families right here in the Great City of Atlantic City.”

In addition to the three giveaway events, the City's Senior Services Division continued its annual tradition of bringing Thanksgiving directly to older residents. The division delivered hot meals from Kelsey's to senior residential buildings throughout Atlantic City, making sure seniors could enjoy a holiday meal without having to leave home.

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