



helping today building hope for tomorrow

**Friends of
South End Community Outreach Ministries (SECOM)
Newsletter
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Dear Friends,

It's hard to believe that the 4th of July is next week already. Hope that your summer is in full swing and you have some fun activities planned.

With the possible exception of the year-end holiday season, summer has a tendency to be a little busier here than at other times of the year. Since our clients don't take summer vacations, they continue to need SECOM's services. Combine that with their children being out of school and there are more mouths to feed and more frequently.

I'm always conflicted when the building and grounds are buzzing with activity. There is an excitement in the air when people are able to take a brief break from their routine and have an opportunity to learn something new or get some food for their family. However, the flip side is that they need us to make it possible. Poverty never takes a holiday.

If you are interested in how SECOM is spending its summer vacation, I'll share a few pictures with you.



Preschool session during Infant & Child Pantry



Keeping the pantry shelves filled



The garden takes shape

Want to see more? Go to www.secomministries.org/news-recent-events.html

So poverty may never take a holiday, but sometimes it does take a momentary break
Thank you for making it possible

Best Regards,

Robert Heys
Development Director

P.S. Mildred tells me that we are very low on personal care items. If your organization would like to do a drive for SECOM, we would be grateful. Our list of needs are: shampoo, toothpaste, laundry detergent, hand soap and cleaning products for the home. Thanks for keeping us in mind for your summer giving.

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