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A joint effort between the Youth Group at the First Presbyterian Church of Newton and Race's Farm in Blirstown will result in full bellies for many hungry families this Thanksgiving. Youth group members, ranging in age from sixth through twelfth grade, recently gathered in the kitchen at the First Presbyterian church to roll out dough, slice apples, and mix ingredients for more than 150 pumpkin and apple pies which will be given to Sussex County families through Project Self-Sufficiency's Thanksgiving food distribution effort. Apples for the massive undertaking were donated by Race's Farm in Blirstown, which has contributed produce to the youth group project for many years.



"The Youth Group has been making pies for Project Self-Sufficiency for the past seven years," noted Colleen Duffy, Associate for Family Nurture at the First Presbyterian Church. "It has become a tradition and the kids love serving the community in this way year after year."

Project Self-Sufficiency distributes complete Thanksgiving dinners to hundreds of local families each November. "Project Self-Sufficiency has depended on volunteers since its inception in 1986, and we are very grateful to the Youth Group at the First Presbyterian Church for identifying a need and working together to create these delicious, home baked pies for our participants," commented Deborah Berry-Toon, Executive Director of Project Self-Sufficiency.

