

THANK YOU

It takes a village...

Thank you for joining us today. Our first three seasons have been brought to us solely because of the kindness and willingness of others.

OUR LOCATION HOSTS, AN INCREDIBLE GIFT.

The Sea Shell Resort / The Hughes Family
2023 & 2022 Season

First United Methodist Churches of LBI
2020 - Present

Barry's Do Me A Flavor / Nicole & Barry Baxter
2021 Season

MUCH GRATITUDE

Thank you to our amazing volunteer team of 75+ and all those supporting this mission. We owe so much gratitude to so many people... its hard to keep up. Please visit our website www.compassioncafelbi.org where we list extraordinary gifts of time, talent and treasures.

Compassion Cafe's mission is to provide meaningful employment and job training for adolescents and adults with disabilities.



Visit CompassionCafeLBI.org to learn more or to make a donation online.



Compassion Cafe is a registered public charity. All purchases and donations go directly to the mission of providing meaningful employment to persons with disabilities.

COMPASSION CAFE

An extraordinarily *special* non-profit



SUMMER 2023 HOST
THE SEA SHELL
Oceanfront at Centre Street
BEACH HAVEN

MONDAY - THURSDAY

7:00 - 11:00 a.m.

(thru September 14)

2022 STAFF



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THE STORY OF COMPASSION CAFE

SEASON THREE

On behalf of our Board of Trustees, Volunteer Team, Staff families and an entire community, we welcome you to our third season. I hope your visit with us today allows you to spend some time to soak in and marvel in this humble mission. I trust you were greeted with a smile and served with confidence...maybe you'll even be delighted by one of our many performances. Know that your presence today provides hope and possibilities for paid employment to 70+ people with special needs. Thus far, we've been able to say "YES" to all who seek employment with us. You might even notice we sometimes have over 30 extraordinary people working on the same shift, wanting to interact with you. We know we are overstaffed. Payroll at \$14.50/hr for over 70 employees makes no business sense for a little cafe. And since 2020, we've been in awe of the support from so many endorsing and supporting this mission and our vision to include all.

We pay no rent and in an unimaginable act of kindness, are graciously hosted here at the Sea Shell and at our off-site home base, Terrace United Methodist Church. It was Barry's on Centre Street who first took a chance on this "free-to-us" host location idea; endorsing what was only a crazy and lofty dream my fellow co-founder, Erin, and I had. The spark that ignited that first season continues to fuel our mission's success. We are so appreciative of the financial support from near and far and the positive coverage & reviews by all, including TD Bank, MSNBC and the Today Show. Beach Haven and its neighbors have opened their arms to love on Compassion Cafe, creating a volunteer corp nearing 100 and being our frequent customers and biggest fans. Grab our weekly newsletter and get to know us like they do.

A grateful parent told me at the end of last season: "Compassion Cafe is like the Field of Dreams for our kids. You built it and they come." We see first-hand that it doesn't end with putting on a uniform, receiving that paycheck, or even learning work skills. This Field of Dreams job creates a sense of belonging, of value and purpose, and all the things that typically come from work: fun, friends, challenges, socialization, and equality. Seeing that in person is the very best gift we can create for you, our customers. After all, to quote another CC fan: "Let's be honest, being here makes us all better people."

Compassion Cafe is a really special place. We'd love to hear why you think so too. We hope you will tell others about Compassion Cafe and come back and see us again and again.

From the hearts of this mission to yours,



Sue Sharkey, Co-founder and Board of Trustees President

OUR MENU

DRINKS

Hot Coffee.....	\$3.50
Hot Tea.....	\$2.50
Cold Brew.....	\$4.50
Apple Juice.....	\$2.50
Water Bottle.....	\$1.00

FOOD

Bagel w/Cream Cheese or Butter.....	\$3.50
Assorted Muffins & Pastries.....	\$3.50
Assorted Quiche.....	\$7.00
"Dessert for Breakfast" Carrot Cake.....	\$7.00
Yogurt.....	\$2.25
Assorted Fruit.....	prices vary

DOG BAKERY

HANDMADE BY OUR STAFF

Peanut Butter Wheat Thins.....	\$3.75/box
Icing-Dipped Milk Bones.....	\$1.00

MERCHANDISE

Ceramic Mugs, locally made.....	\$37.00
Travel Tumblers.....	\$20.00
Hats.....	\$18.00
T-Shirts & Sweatshirts.....	\$20.00 + up
Miscellaneous.....	prices vary

(Sorry... prices subject to increase.)