

Good Turn for America Project 2013: Scouting for Food

WHEN:

Saturday, March 16, 2013 Scouts will distribute cards throughout our communities. Saturday March 23, 2013 – Scouts pick up bags of food starting at 9:00 a.m.

HOW CAN YOU HELP?

Hunger is a problem we can do something about by working together. Scouting for Food is a starting point. It is an example of Scouting's long-standing commitment to community service.

OUR ROLE:

The Boy Scouts of America will make a difference by organizing a food collection campaign, which helps the needy and demonstrates to Scouts the highest ideals of the Scouting movement through a practical and dramatic experience in the principle of the daily "Good Turn."

WHAT TO DO:

Packs, Troops, Teams and Crews make arrangements with legitimate community distribution food agencies that warehouse and distribute the food to the needy at no cost. Emphasis is on non-perishable food most needed for nutrition, such as peanut butter, baby formula, complete packaged meals, and such canned goods as tuna, chunky soups, stews, meats, fruits, and vegetables.

HOW TO DO IT - EACH UNIT:

- 1) Names a Good Turn for America Unit Coordinator.
- 2) Submit this Good Turn for America Commitment form to the DeVos Family Center for Scouting, 3213 Walker Avenue, NW, Grand Rapids, MI 49544-9775, or fill out on line at www.michiganscouting.org/PresidentFord
- 3) Organizes specific bag drops and collection points and obtains approval from local units for drop and collection areas to avoid duplicated efforts.
- 4) Picks up food cards at the district March Roundtable
- 5) Distributes food cards Saturday, March 16, 2013 or before March 22nd to predetermined neighborhood residents.

DO NOT LEAVE CARDS ON MAIL BOXES!!!

- 6) Collects food items in bags starting at 9:00 a.m. on Saturday, March 23, 2013 and deliver full food bags to predetermined legitimate food banks or pantries.
- 7) Files the 2013 Good Turn for America Unit Report.
- 8) Receive special patch for your participation.

QUESTIONS: Call Bill Payne, Council Activity Chair at 231-755-6663 or email bill@bmclab.com or Ron Willett, Council Program Director at 616-785-2662 x216 or email Ronald.Willett@scouting.org

2013 GOOD TURN FOR AMERICA COMMITMENT

PACK TROOP CREW TEAM UNIT NO. _____ DISTRICT _____

GOOD TURN FOR AMERICA UNIT COORDINATOR

NAME: _____

STREET: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

TELEPHONE: () _____ - _____

Cards requested _____

Our unit will participate in the Good Turn for America Project on March 16th and 23rd. We hope to collect _____ cans of food and hope to have _____ (the number) youth from the unit participate.

Clip and Mail, Fax, or signup online at

<http://www.michiganscouting.org/PresidentFord>:

President Gerald R. Ford Council, Boy Scouts of America

Attn. Scouting for Food

3213 Walker Avenue NW

Grand Rapids, MI 49544-9775

Fax 1-616-785-0835

By March 9, 2013