

Scouting for Food

October 21st - October 28th 2017

Unit Coordinator Guide

Boy Scouts of America, Stonewall Jackson Area Council





Dear Scouting Volunteers:

It is our pleasure to serve as a co-chairs for the 2017 Scouting for Food service project. As you know, a central value of the Scouting program is that of service, found easily in the Scout Oath to "Help other people at all times." It is likewise our duty as volunteers in the Boy Scouts of America to ensure that each and every Scout has the opportunity to engage in service projects with meaning and profound impact-- and Scouting for Food is this type of project.

One in five people in our community struggle with the daily need of wholesome and nutritious meals. When Scouts go into our neighborhoods and collect food, they are truly helping those in need while developing a lifelong virtue of community service. Last year Scouts provided more than 18,699 meals to help the community. With our goal of 100% Scout participation in this year's effort, the food banks in Virginia are sure to have well-stocked shelves.

The Boy Scouts of America has a strong tradition of teaching community service in the Virginia community. While Scouts are working in our neighborhoods to collect food for the hungry, we will be helping Virginia learn about the third point of the Scout Law, "Helpful", as we, too, will be working to collect food and motivate our communities.

It is my privilege to support Scouting in this important service project and character building program. Thank you for being a Scouting volunteer, and thank you for organizing your unit in the Scouting for Food project!

Yours in Scouting,

Mike Jackman
Scouting For Food Chairman, Stonewall Jackson Area Council



An Overview of Scouting for Food 2017

Who helps make Scouting for Food possible?

Our Scouts, their friends and families, and strategic partners.

What is Scouting for Food?

Scouting for Food is the nation's largest single-day food drive which began as a Scout's service project in St. Louis in 1985 and was adopted by the National Organization in 1988.

Where does the donated food go?

After the Scouts collect bags filled with canned/non-perishable foods, they deliver them to a local drop-off location where volunteers sort and box food to be delivered to local food pantries. Your donated food will help feed people in counties of Monticello, Valley, Southern, and Massanutten districts.

Why do we participate in Scouting for Food?

As an organization, the Boy Scouts teaches youth the value of helping others and to give back to their communities. By collecting food for people in need, Scouts are fulfilling the Scout Oath and Slogan of "doing a good turn daily" and "helping other people."

Please contact with your District Scouting for Food Chair or visit <http://www.bsa-sjac.org/SFF> for more information

Valley – Kevin Jones - wmlee20908@yahoo.com

Massanutten – Brian Walton – dbrianwalton@gmail.com

Southern – Tom Greenwood – tag474@aol.com

Monticello – Cub Packs – Betsy Snider - betsy.snider6@gmail.com

Monticello – Troops/Crew – Jenifer Smith – marlinn01@yahoo.com



Scouting for Food Unit Coordinator Position Description



- Secure a commitment from your unit to participate in Scouting for Food by October 1st
- Sign your unit up for a specific area of coverage at your October Roundtable. Make sure you identify gated communities to your district's chair. Make sure the area you sign up for is the right size for your unit.
- Pick up the Scouting for Food bags and supplies at your October District Roundtable.
- Distribute detailed instructions and copies of the map of your assigned area to each den or patrol. Distribute the appropriate number of bags to each of the leaders and drivers in your unit.
- Instruct the leaders to distribute their bags on Saturday, October 21st. **It is important that the bags go out on that day in order to coincide with our publicity efforts.** Do not hang bags on or put them in mailboxes. Use yard signs appropriately in neighborhoods and areas that are permitted and will not be collected by HOA or law enforcement.
- Make sure that the bags are collected on Saturday, October 28th. If it is at all possible, it is best to have the same Scouts collect the bags in the area that they distributed the bags. Have Scouts carry empty bags with them and knock on doors that have not placed a food bag outside and ask them to participate. If your unit needs help collecting, please contact your District Scouting for Food Chair.
- Remind your Scouts and volunteers not to begin the collection of bags until 9:00am to ensure that people have time to put the bags on their doorsteps.
- If at all possible, re-visit the areas assigned to your unit at least one time in the early afternoon in order to avoid missing bags. Please make sure the bags are delivered to your district's designated collection site as soon as possible.
- Make sure your units know to log onto the Journey to Excellence Service Hours website and log the service for the number of Scouts and adults who participated in Scouting for Food. Units need to include the time you spent on Scouting for Food.



Here is all you need to do to ensure a successful Scouting for Food!

Scouting for Food

Unit Kick-off Meeting Agenda

Be prepared to lead a 5-10 Minute presentation to inspire your Scouts and Parents

- Have a map with your Scouting for Food area blown up & copies for all families/Scouts with their assigned area highlighted
- With the map have your contact information and schedule for both Saturdays.
- Pre-assign streets/neighborhood areas for each family. Scouts should work in pairs.
- Rehearse your presentation prior to the meeting
- Remind Scouts to wear their uniform!

As Attendees arrive:

- Greet them & mark every 5th person with a dot sticker on their shirt
- Give each Scout/family a copy of the map with their assigned streets/ neighborhoods highlighted

Your presentation:

1. *Why do we do Scouting for Food?*

- Every day in our community 20% of us seek food assistance.
- Scouting for Food helps to ensure our neighbors and their families will have an adequate food supply.

2. *What can we do to help make this important project successful?*

- We need 100% family support for Scouting for Food!
- Set a goal of 15 bags of food collected by each Scout
- Scouts that place the bags on the first Saturday should return to same house to collect on the second Saturday. This avoids missing household and neighborhoods.



3. Collection Tips

- If there isn't a bag outside, knock at the door with a bag in hand and offer another chance to participate.
- Arrange for a collection box at places of worship, schools, home owner's association, Apartment/Condo clubhouses and offices.

4. Saturday, October 21st.

- **Wear your uniform**
- Meet at unit assembly location for instructions and refreshments
- Go to your assigned neighborhood to distribute bags
- Call your unit leader when you have completed your assigned area

5. Saturday, October 28th.

- **Wear your uniform**
- Meet at unit assembly location for instructions and refreshments
- After 9:00AM, return to your assigned neighborhood to collect bags
- Deliver your bags to the designated collection site with total bag count
- Report your volunteer hours by Logging into the Journey to Excellence service hours' website.
- Prepare your unit's participation roster and turn-in at the same time you drop-off your bags at the collection site.

6. Recognition!

- Every Scout that participates in Scouting for Food will get a Scouting for Food patch!



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2017 Collection Sites & Local Contacts

This list is by no means complete, please give your District Chair any locations, and their information, that should be added

Verona Community Food Pantry

68 Dick Huff Lane Verona, VA 24482 540 430-2844
Wed and Thu, 9:00am-11:30 am and Tue, 4:30pm-6:00pm

Verona United Methodist Church

406 Lee Highway Verona, VA 24482-0047 540 248-7777

Tue, 9:00-11:00am and second and fourth Thu, 6:00-8:00pm

First Presbyterian Church/Staunton

100 E Frederick St Staunton, VA 24401-3668 540 886-0704

Mon through Thurs, 9:00 to 12:00noon

Linden Heights Baptist Church

371 Linden Dr Staunton, VA 24401-5044 540 886-1138

Thu, 11:00am-12:00noon - please call by Wed

Marquis Memorial United Methodist Church

1614 W Beverley St Staunton, VA 24401-3003

Wed, 9:00-11:00am

Staunton Seventh Day Adventist Church

1000 Coalter St. Staunton, VA 24401 540 886-8081

Tue, 9:00am-12:00noon

Valley Mission

1513 W Beverley St Staunton, VA 24401-3002540 886-4673

Meals served Mon-Fri, 7:00am, 12:00noon, and 5:30pm, and Sat and Sun, 10:00am - 4:00pm

Central United Methodist Church

14 N. Lewis St. PO Box 953 Staunton, VA 24402-0953540 886-3441

Wed, 10:00-11:30am

Trinity Episcopal Church

214 W Beverly Street PO Box 208 Staunton, VA 24402-0208 540 886-9132

Mon through Fri, 11:30am-12:15pm

First Baptist Church

406 W Frederick St Staunton, VA 24401-3330 540 886-8333

Third and fourth Thu, 9:00-10:30am

Allen Chapel A. M. E. Church

936 Sudbury St Staunton, VA 24401-4069 540 886-2210

Second Thu, 5:00-6:30pm

Fishersville United Methodist Church

1600 Jefferson Hwy. Fishersville, VA 22939-1049 540 942-9355

Tue, 12:00noon-2:00pm

Bethany United Methodist

3700 Lee Highway Weyers Cave, VA 24486 540 234-8880

Mon, 4:00-6:00pm

Cornerstone Church of Augusta

1156 Tinkling Spring Rd Staunton, VA 24401-6822 540 324-0705

Thu, 2:00-4:30pm by appointment

Crimora United Methodist Church

1691 New Hope Crimora Rd Crimora, VA 24431
540 943-2847

Second and fourth Thu, 4:00-7:00pm

Churchville Community Food Pantry

17 Buffalo Gap Road Churchville, VA 24421-0022
540 885-3009

Third Tue, 7:00-8:30pm **Helping Hands Food Pantry
@ Mint Spring UMC**

58 Mint Spring Circle PO Box 34 Staunton, VA
24401 540 337-3507

Fourth Thu, 4:00-6:00pm

ERMA Food Pantry

300 4th Ave. Grottoes, VA 24441-0063 540 249-
5893

Mon, 6:30pm (closed on fifth Mon)

Main Street United Methodist Church 10.9 miles
601 W Main St Waynesboro, VA 22980-4303 540
949-8098

Mon through Thu, 9:30-11:00am

Blue Ridge Chapel Church of the Brethren

19 Browns Ln Waynesboro, VA 22980-8915 540
949-6915

Second Tue, 9:00-11:30am

Shiloh Baptist Church

234 Shiloh Ave Waynesboro, VA 22980-3916 540
942-2635

Third Wed, 8:00am-1:00pm

West Waynesboro Church of Christ

2212 Cortland St Waynesboro, VA 22980-2006 540
949-8670

Second and fourth Mon, 9:30-11:30am

First Presbyterian Church/Waynesboro

249 South Wayne Ave. PO Box 877 Waynesboro,
VA 22980-0647

540 949-8366

Second and fourth Thu, 2:00-4:00pm

Massie Memorial COGIC

1101 Albemarle Ave. Waynesboro, VA 22980 540
949-8998

The Blue Ridge Area Food Bank will be stationing trucks at various locations throughout the Council on pick up day, please look for a communication from your District Scouting For Food Chair for details on their locations



Unit Report & Patch Order Form

District: _____ Pack #: _____ Troop #: _____ Crew #: _____

Our unit collected _____ pounds of food (1 bag = 10lbs)

Food bags were dropped off at _____ Food Bank.

If the bags were not dropped off at a Food Bank, please indicate where food was dropped off:

The following youth participated in Scouting for Food and should receive the Scouting for Food participation patch (please print, use back of sheet if necessary):

Total Scouts: _____

_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
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_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

Youth Hours: _____

Adult Hours: _____

Unit Coordinator: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Total Service Hours: _____

Reported to JTE site? _____

Please turn this form in to your District Scouting For Food Chair no later than your November District Roundtable, patches will be distributed at your December District Roundtable

