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## NORTHERN NEW JERSEY COUNCIL

### Three Rivers District Scouting For Food Saturday, March 11, 2017

Each day, families in our area struggle to put food on the table. Parents skip meals so their children can eat; seniors must choose between buying groceries or the medication they need; children go to bed hungry. We need your help to assist these families in our communities. We are asking every Pack, Troop and Crew in our District to participate in this year's **Scouting for Food Service Project**.

#### *Do A Good Turn Daily*

*Do your part to help our neighbors in need by participating in the annual Scouting For Food Drive. Each month, NJ food pantries provide assistance to over 500,000 families. Do your part to stomp out hunger.*

Scouting for Food is BSA's annual food drive. As a District, we coordinate this large effort; however, your Unit may choose to participate more often. Through a generous donation from Shop Rite (The Wakefern Corporation), printed plastic supermarket bags are available for each unit. Bags and instruction sheets may be picked up at the NNJC office, although any bag will do. Each Scout should visit 10-15 homes in their community and distribute bags to their neighbors on or about March 4<sup>th</sup>. The Scout should then return on Saturday, March 11<sup>th</sup> to collect the food bags. Scouts should be in uniform and use the buddy system when visiting homes. Recommended food items are printed on the bag, along with instructions for the recipient.

All bags must be picked up on Saturday, March 11<sup>th</sup> after 9:00am. Collected items may be delivered between 9am and 4pm to either the **Center for Food Action** (224 Midland Avenue in Saddle Brook) or the **Bergen County Police & Fire Academy** (281 Camp Gaw Road in Mahwah). All food collected will be donated to the **Center** for Food Action which has 8 locations throughout Bergen County. CFA will distribute it to needy families in our area. All Units are welcome to help sort and repack food at either location.

As you conduct your drive, do not forget to record and log your service hours for JTE  
<http://www.nnjbsa.org/service-hours/56573>.

The needs in our area are great, especially now, we hope your unit will participate. For more information, please contact Mark Wrightington, Scouting for Food Coordinator at [MarksMadness331@aol.com](mailto:MarksMadness331@aol.com).

