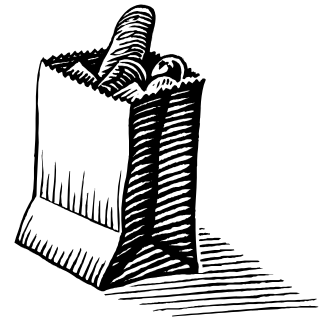


SCOUTING FOR FOOD PACK 731



Scouting For Food is a food drive to support the local food bank, which provides food to needy families across southern Anne Arundel County – families who depend on the generosity of their neighbors during tough times. Your job as a Cub Scout is to collect canned and other nonperishable food from neighbors and deliver the food to the food bank. The official collection day for Scouting For Food is Saturday, March 1.

Here is what you do:

Step 1. Distribute the bags

Go to houses in your neighborhood. Wear your Scout uniform. Bring a wagon and the official SFF bags. Explain that you are collecting food for the Anne Arundel County Food Bank and give a plastic bag. You can take the food now or come back on the morning of Saturday, March 1. If the neighbor isn't home and you decide to leave a bag, leave a note explaining who you are, too! Personal contact has been proven to dramatically increase donations.

Sample note to leave if neighbor isn't home:

Hello! My name is _____. I am a Cub Scout with Pack 731, and we are collecting food for the County Food Bank. All the canned and nonperishable food we collect will be distributed to hungry families in southern Anne Arundel County. Collection day is the morning of Saturday, March 1. You can leave the food on your doorstep in this bag, or I can ring your doorbell that morning. Thank you for helping!

Step 2. Collect the food

On the morning of Saturday, March 1, go around the neighborhood collecting the food bags. Wear your Scout uniform. Take a wagon to carry the food. Pick up the bags that neighbors have left on their porches. If a neighbor didn't leave a bag outside, knock on the door and talk to someone. If they make a donation, thank them very much.

Step 3. Deliver the food

When you have collected all the food, you need to get it to the food bank. There are 3 ways to do this.

Method 1: Deliver it to the County Food Bank in Crownsville: Saturday, March 1, from 9am to 3pm.

It's only a 15-minute drive to the food bank at the old Crownsville Hospital site, across from the county fairground. There should be a sign directing you to their building (directions: Crownsville Road to Marbury Road, through the stop signs, to the large building on the right, pull up to the loading dock). Boy Scouts and adults will help to weigh and organize the food.

Method 2: Drop the food at a pack drop-off point no later than 1 p.m. on Saturday, March 3.

- 1508 Farlow Ave , Molly Weems, 410-721-4895
- 1534 Elwyn Dr., Sue Conant, 410-721-2049

Method 3: If you collect the food after Saturday, March 1, you can drop the collected food at the Crofton public library at any time. There is a food collection barrel just inside the main sliding doors in the lobby.