

FOOD BANK



OF SIOUXLAND INC.

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Soon, we will be launching our TWELTH YEAR of our **BackPack Program: Food for Kids** and we're looking for volunteer groups to help assemble food sacks.

Your help is needed more than ever! Last year we added two schools and this year we are adding one more, bringing the total number of area elementary schools served to NINE. We expect to assemble a minimum of 2,000 food sacks each week for the participating schools (Bryant, Hunt, Irving, Liberty, Loess Hills, Riverside, and Unity in Sioux City, Harney and Lewis & Clark in South Sioux City). As a very small staff, we know we will need the support and assistance of volunteer groups in our community. We are hoping you will consider lending a helping hand. This can be a great opportunity to get youth groups, church groups, or adult, school, or sports groups involved and offer an opportunity to help hungry children.

Group size needs to be **10-15 people expecting to fill around 650+ sacks.** The work will be done here in our warehouse. The typical schedule will call for assembly to happen on Monday, Tuesday, and/or Wednesday, either during the workday or in the evening, depending upon the wishes of each group of volunteers.

Please read the **Volunteer Guidelines**, which will provide additional details about the work we are doing. The "leader" or contact person for your group will **need to sign and return this form on behalf of the group** (before signing up your group). Please make sure to share the guidelines with others in your group prior to volunteering.

***Volunteer sign-up begins at 8:30 AM
on Tuesday, September 5, 2017 (the day after Labor Day)
Slots fill quickly on a first come, first serve basis!***

If you can help feed Siouxland's hungry children, call me at (712) 255-9741 on Tuesday, September 5!

A couple things we've learned over the years during scheduling:

1. Please review your volunteer guidelines sheet (attached), sign it, and return it to me (before Tuesday, September 5 if possible). This does not guarantee your volunteer spot, but it does allow the sign up process to go more smoothly (and gives me a heads up that your group is interested!).
2. Please check with your group about dates and times (Mondays, Tuesdays, or Wednesdays, October through mid-May) or availability (example: Tuesdays evenings, but not Mondays) in mind when you call.
3. For Tuesday, September 5: I cannot accept reservations through email or voicemail. If I can't answer the phone, leave a message with your name and number. I will return phone calls in the order I receive them.

Please feel free to share this call for volunteers with others groups in the community. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me. I hope to hear from you soon!

Gratefully,

Debbie Hubbard, Program and Administrative Coordinator

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