

Serving children at Goodview, Huddleston, Moneta, and Montvale Elementary Schools
and Staunton River Middle School

March
2023

FOOD FOR KIDS

Weekend Pack-A-Sack Program

MARCH 15, 2023



Mark your calendar for SML Gives on **March 15, 2023**. This is an online event to support the work of **FOOD FOR KIDS**. Any time between **12:00 a.m. and 11:59 p.m.** go to smlgives.org, click on "Food For Kids" and then click "Donate". Your donation will be processed through our PayPal account. You are also invited to the SML Pavilion in Downtown Moneta

that day from 11:00 a.m.- 2:00 p.m. to make your donation in person. Of course, donations by mail are always welcome; simply indicate on your check memo "SML Gives". Over 20 other non-profits will be participating in this event, coordinated by our friends at SML Good Neighbors.

At **FOOD FOR KIDS** we work to keep our food costs below \$10 a bag, but with 480+ children on our list, our expenses are significant: **\$10 a week, \$40 a month or \$360 a year per child**. Only with your help can we continue to feed these hungry children.

APRIL 28, 2023



Hickory Hill Vineyards and Winery will be hosting a **CHARITY CHEERS EVENT** on **FRIDAY, APRIL 28, 2023**. Bring a lawn chair and picnic. Enjoy the wines of Hickory Hill while singing along with the SML Boomer Band. Gates open at **6:00 p.m.**

RAIN DATE: Saturday, April 29, 2023

Tickets are **\$25**, available online only at smlwine.com, scroll to "Events". Gate fee and a percentage of all sales will go to **FOOD FOR KIDS**.



JUNE 17, 2023

The SML Fraternal Order of Eagles Auxiliary will be hosting a **STEEL DRUM FUNDRAISER CONCERT** on **SATURDAY, JUNE 17, 2023** from **3:00-5:00 p.m.** The fundraiser will benefit both **FOOD FOR KIDS** and Lake Christian Ministries. As the date get closer, more information will be posted on our web-site and on our Facebook page.



A few of the recent grants and donors we would like to recognize are:



The Plymale Foundation



Susan Tinsley accepts a check
from Moneta Food Lion
Manager John Novitsky.



New Prospect Church

Micah 6:8 Grant

Additional monetary and peanut butter donors we would like to recognize are:

Bedford Presbyterian, Bethlehem UMC, Bethlehem United Women in Faith, Emmaus UMC, Flint Hill Baptist, Main Street UMC, Quaker Baptist, Saunders Grove Church of the Brethren, SML Civitans and Smith Mountain Flowers.



WAYS TO HELP

Monetary donations are always welcome. Our estimated cost to support one child is **\$10 a week, \$40 a month** or **\$360 a year**. Donations may be mailed to the address below, or made securely through **PayPal** on our website or Facebook page. **FOOD FOR KIDS** is a 501(c) (3) non-profit organization.

Groups and organizations can consider having a collection drive for one or more of our needed food items. Please contact Lynda Imirie at (540) 493-2117 to receive more information on group collections.

Also, we are still an active participant with Kroger Community Rewards (participant #93093 or FL894). This program is linked to your Kroger card and is free to join and participate in.

If you need to take a required minimum distribution from your IRA for this year, consider making a Qualified Charitable Distribution to **FOOD FOR KIDS.** For more info, please contact our Food For Kids' Treasurer at carolyn.kidd@gmail.com.



When many of our packing volunteers are away and there are 485 food bags to pack, we go to Plans B, C and D! And, since schools are delayed for 2 hours because of the possibility of icy roads, we were lucky enough to have 3 middle school kids, 2 high schoolers, a mom, and a dad come to our rescue. It was a beautiful thing to see!

Kids helping kids.



DRIVERS NEEDED

We are still in need drivers with trucks that can go to BJ's and/or Feeding America to pick up food orders once a month and/or drivers willing to deliver the packed food bags to the elementary schools weekly. Anyone interested please contact our driver coordinator, **Alan Milne** at milfam99@gmail.com.

If your church, civic organization or business would like more information about **FOOD FOR KIDS**, or would like a speaker to come and tell our story, please contact our President, Susan Tinsley at (540) 330-9584 or our PR Coordinator Lynda Imirie at (540) 493-2117.

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