

Birchwood

area food pantry

VOLUNTEER NEWS!

Winter 2023

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BACKPACK PROGRAM

As we come to the close of 2022, we have had some horrific weather! School was closed Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, the 14th through the 16th of December. It was the first time in eleven years that the Backpack did not get distributed and had to be rolled over to Monday. That meant the Christmas distribution had to be rolled over to Wednesday, the 21st of December! But with the tremendous cooperation of many of our volunteers, we had everything sent home with the kids, including a Christmas stocking. The Christmas stockings were made by members of Our Saviors Lutheran Church and filled by members of Grace Lutheran Church. They included coloring books, pencils, markers, toiletries, candy and I'm not sure what all else! They were very festive and added an extra spark to our Christmas distribution! A big thank you to both churches for their wonderful contribution. Also, a big thank you to all of our Backpack volunteers, you're doing a terrific job!



Jo Hank - Secretary Birchwood school

Holly Herland

REMEMBER WHEN



DID YOU KNOW

- In the 4th quarter of 2022, our donors contributed sufficient funds that we received the \$10,000 matching grant from the Rice Lake Community Health Foundation.
- In the past 12 months, our volunteers worked more than 4,800 hours to reduce food insecurity in our area.

THE THRIVENT CHALLENGE

Susan and Jerry Janetski accepted the Thrivent Challenge to collect at least 500 food products for a local food shelf of their choice. As a result of their effort, the Birchwood Area Food Pantry received more than 700 items of food and a \$1,000 check from Thrivent.



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REMINDER TO ATTENDED



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

During the holidays, I watched a TV program entitled 'The Gift.' The hour-long show, hosted by Steve Hartman, demonstrated how one act of kindness could lead to more and could eventually positively impact many, many people. The show featured several regular people who are making a huge difference in the lives of many strangers. It occurred to me that any of our volunteers could have been featured as a result of what they do for the Birchwood Area Food Pantry. I know this because I routinely witness the empathy and energy our volunteers bring to us on a regular basis. You should be very proud of your efforts. I know I am. The work you do is helping us toward our mission of reducing food insecurity in our area. Thank you and keep up the GREAT work!

Roger Menk

	TRUCK DELIVERY DAYS		BAKE SALES DAYS
	DISTRIBUTION DAYS TAKE AND BAKE PROGRAM		SHARING TABLE DAYS
	BOARD MEETINGS		

* Check our website for future events and updates at:
birchwoodareafoodpantry.com/volunteer



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2023 VOLUNTEER CALENDAR

January						
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