

May Outreach of the Month

Food Packing with the Islamic Center

Give a Little to Make a Big Impact



Food Packing at the Islamic Center
Oct. 2022.

You'd be surprised at how far we can stretch a dollar." This statement appears on the [Kids Coalition Against Hunger](#) (KCAH) website. For 35 cents, and with our labor, KCAH can provide a highly nutritious meal that is acceptable to the broad diversity of ethnic tastes and religious differences around the world. Beginning in 2015, ULC has partnered with our friends at the Islamic Center to host Food Packing events. Volunteers from our communities raise funds to purchase dehydrated food materials that are measured and sealed in shelf stable packets. Each event packs a minimum of 10,000 meals which are then distributed – one-third stay local (typically, we donate them to the MSU Student Food Bank), one-third are used internationally, and one-third are stored for use in response to domestic crises.

We are invited to participate in the Food Packing event this fall. It is planned for Sunday, Oct. 13 and will be hosted this year by the Islamic Center (located next door to ULC). So, please mark your calendars and plan to join us (this is a bye week for MSU football). More details will be available in the fall.

We also need your help now. It costs \$3,500 to sponsor the event (10,000 meals x \$0.35/meal). Our ULC share is one-half, or \$1,750. Below are some amounts that you might consider donating toward this event:

\$3.50 buys a food packet (10 meals per packet)

\$35 buys 100 meals

\$50 sponsors one volunteer

\$200 sponsors a family of volunteers (kids as young as kindergarten age can volunteer!)

To donate, you can write a check to University Lutheran Church, or you can donate electronically at the ULC website www.ulcel.org via PayPal or a credit card. Please include "Food Packing" in the memo/notes. We are grateful for this congregation's continued support of this event that brings our two communities together to feed hungry people.

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