



Together We're Fighting Hunger

BACKPACK PROGRAM

The Greater Baton Rouge Food Bank Backpack Program is an outreach donor-funded program designed to help fill the void for low-income children who are at risk of missing meals over the weekend or during holidays when they are not in school receiving free or reduced price lunches through the National School Lunch Program. Backpacks are filled with 10-12 nutritious food items and then distributed to at-risk children enrolled in the program in select elementary schools. The backpacks are discreetly sent home with children in pre-K through fifth grade on Friday and returned back to school empty on Monday morning. While the program does receive some funding from individuals, the program is in large part made possible through grants and corporate donations. To learn more, contact Charlene Guarisco Montelaro at (225) 359-9940.

HOW YOU CAN HELP **3 WAYS TO GET INVOLVED**

DONATE

CONSIDER MAKING A FINANCIAL GIFT TO HELP SUPPORT THE PROGRAM

FOOD DRIVE

HOST A FOOD DRIVE TO BENEFIT THE BACKPACK PROGRAM

VOLUNTEER

GET A FEW FRIENDS TOGETHER AT THE FOOD BANK TO HELP PACK BAGS