



Manawa Project Backpack

Our Mission

Stamping Out Hunger in Area Schools One Student At A Time

Background

In today's difficult economic times, an increasing number of parents are finding it hard to provide sufficient food for their families. Free or reduced cost breakfasts and lunches at schools have helped relieve parents of part of this economic burden, but many children still go hungry during their weekends away from school. Project Backpack was launched in 2010 by Shepherd of the Lakes church in Waupaca to help these children in need. Manawa School District just got added to the other 13 schools in April 2016. We serve currently 40 kids, but have a much larger need we need to fill.

How Project Backpack Works

Each Friday afternoon (or the last day of the school week), participating school children receive a backpack filled with healthy food and snacks. On Monday (or the first day of the school week), the child returns the empty backpack to their school to be restocked with food for the following Friday.

Backpacks include food for nutritious meals and snacks for the weekend. For longer weekends due to school vacations, additional items will be added to the backpacks

Who Can Participate?

Possible participants are identified by teachers, guidance counselors and school social workers; Then their parents are invited by letter to take part in the program.

To ensure confidentiality, only a select number of school employees are aware of the names of the participants. No one within Project Backpack is aware of who is participating, unless they choose, for some reason, to identify themselves.

Thanks to our sponsors here in Manawa

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You too could be added. Plus there are many ways to help

Ask about other ways to sponsor or volunteer

Ask for the sheet of volunteers positions.

It takes a community to make this program happen!

**Manawa Project Backpack
2016-2017**

**Currently serving 40 students at a cost of \$170 for the 36 weeks =
\$6800.00**

**Add the cost of 1 loaf of bread and 1- ½ gallon of 1 or 2% milk for 36
weeks for a cost of \$5040.00**

Total cost of 40 students for 36 weeks = \$11840.00

**We estimate next school year 2017-18 we could serve 50 kids for a
total cost of \$ 15,000.00**

**Please help by pledging to sponsor one student fully food / milk and
bread for a year for \$300.00 donation**

Or

**Please help by pledging to sponsor one student backpack food for a
year for \$170.00 donation**

Or

**Please help by pledging to sponsor one student bread and milk for a
year for \$130.00 donation**

Or break it down more

**Donating \$25.00 a month for a year to cover a student food and milk
and bread.**

**Take the last donation of \$25.00 a month... could you give up \$5.77 a
week to help one student?**

All Donations are tax deductible.

**Make checks payable to SDM-Manawa PB Team to cover student
food,milk, bread. Or just food.**

Or

**Make checks payable to SDM-Manawa PB Team / Milk and Bread to
cover Milk and Bread fund for Manawa Project Backpack program
and mail to:**

School District of Manawa-Manawa PB Team

**800 Beech Street
Manawa WI 54949**