Donate Lunches with Love

food gatherers

About:

The children, families, and individuals we serve are in need of ready-to-grab bags with a variety of lunch choices. Whether you assemble five bags or 50, Lunches with Love are a helpful resource for our partner food pantries. **Ready to donate? Drop-off hours 9am-4:45pm Monday-Friday at 1 Carrot Way, Ann Arbor.**

Decorating your bag:

- Please use a **standard size paper lunch bag without handles**
- Please **no stickers**
- Please no holiday messages
- Please no religious messages on or inside the bag (such as prayers or bible verses)
- Have fun and be creative. Drawings and kind words, like “Have a great day!” are encouraged

What to add:

We appreciate healthy options that contain whole grains and are low in sodium and added sugar. **Non-perishables only. Please do NOT include flatware.**

- (1) Main dish that is nonperishable and easy to eat, such as:
  - Pop-top soup or pasta meals
  - Tuna or chicken salad lunch kit
- (2) Sides or snacks, such as:
  - Dried fruit
  - Applesauce
  - Fruit cup
  - Crackers
  - Granola bar
  - Popcorn
  - Protein bar
- (1) Bottled water

Important to note:

Lunches packed by different donors may be given to the same family, so **it’s important to only include the number of items listed.** If you have extra food, feel free to donate it separately!



Food Guidelines:

- All food must be store-bought and in the original, unopened packaging.
- All food must be individually-wrapped with its original label and list of ingredients
  - (for example, please do not buy a large bag of chips and put them into smaller bags).
- Food items must have a list of ingredients on each item
  - (brands we suggest: Simply Nature, Motts, Dole, Captain Wafers, Pepperidge Farm)
- All food must be non-perishable and in-date, with an expiration date at least six months from the date you build bags.
- Please ensure that individuals participating in building Lunches with Love bags are free of any illness or communicable disease and thoroughly wash their hands with hot, soapy water before beginning.

Questions? Email info@foodgatherers.org or call 734-761-2796.

Lunches with Love Samples









Sample A.

(1) Main dish
- StarKist tuna salad lunch kit

(2) Sides or snacks
- Kirkland organic applesauce pouch
- Simple Nature veggie chips

(1) Bottled water



Sample B.

(1) Main dish
- Idahoan mashed potatoes

(2) Sides or snacks
- Kirkland peanuts or granola bar
- Motts applesauce

(1) 100% juice

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