

Troop 158 – Scouting for Food Safety and Operating Plan (Neighbor's Porch Collection)

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Promotion Before 11/14 and Food Collection Method on 11/14

Using the **Contactless Neighbor's Porch Food Drive** model:

Before 11/14, spread the word about the food drive with flyers, emails, social media and yard signs in the neighborhoods where the **Troop 158** is assigned. Maps will be provided, and routes highlighted to ensure no overlap with Troop 159, Pack 1160 and Pack 160.

Scouts dropping of flyers door-to-door before the food collection day will wear masks and their class A uniform, keep a social distance of six feet from all others except their own family, will only travel in their own family car, will not knock on doors or seek face-to-face conversations with people at the homes. Hand sanitizer will be available and used frequently.

On 11/14, scouts picking up food from homes in their assigned neighborhoods will wear masks, gloves, and their class A uniform, keep a social distance of six feet from all others except their own family, will only travel in their own family car, will not knock on doors or seek face-to-face conversations with people at the homes. Hand sanitizer will be available and used frequently.

Community of Faith Food Pantry (Community of Faith United Methodist Church

13224 Franklin Farm Rd, Herndon, VA 20171; POC: Rob Vaughn, 703-620-1977

<http://cofumc.org/> has requested that all food items be presorted, according to the following:

- **Beans - Dry and Canned (no green Beans)**
- **Cereal**
- **Fruit**
- **Mac & Cheese**
- **Soup**
- **Pasta**
- **Tomato Products**
- **Tuna/Meat**
- **Vegetables**

Presorting is an OPTIONAL activity and should be conducted by adults, not scouts, to minimize risk.

Please report to the Troop SFF Coordinator (Virna Dapic) the following information:

- **The number of bags collected,**
- **The number of youth and adult volunteers who participated in all aspects of the food drive**

Please track and report service hours served by the youth and adult volunteers for Journey to Excellence.

We will host a VIRTUAL Scouting for Food kick-off for our Troop 158 on November 8th explaining the details of our plan.

Food Drop Off at the Community of Faith

Food drop-offs will be no-contact, with three (or four) families setting up a collection point on a single day at two separate shifts: 10 am – 12 pm and 12pm-2 pm. Drop-off traffic will be managed by assigning an approximately equal number of Scouts for each “time-slot”. Drivers bringing donations to a drop-off site, and their passengers, are required to wear face masks. Families will be asked to put the food to be dropped off in the trunk of their car and food will be removed from the trunk by the family managing the drop-off location.

There will be 4 separate drop-off stations located in the parking lot of Community of Faith. Scouts will be directing traffic to one of the 4 stations. Each station requires 2 scouts. The sub-stations will be approximately 20 feet apart and the perimeter of each sub-station will be marked with tape or chalk. Only one family unit at a time would be allowed to be at (i.e., managing) a given sub-station (excluding the family in their vehicle dropping off food). Youth Protection Policies will be followed and 2 adult leaders must be present at all times (i.e., only families with Adult Leaders would manage the drop off location).

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[http://cofumc.org/Safety measures at food pantry](http://cofumc.org/Safety%20measures%20at%20food%20pantry)

Procedure at food pantry

Troop 158 will direct cars at the location, to one of 4 drop stations and will unload the food at those stations. All activities will take place outdoors only.

Health and Safety

We will perform our “Scouting for Food” campaign in general accordance with the 2020 NCAC Scouting for Food Campaign - Scouting for Food Safety Protocols (summarized as follows).

Our priority will be the safety of our Scouts and any other event participants. Health and safety standards will include **strict mask wearing by the family managing the drop-off location, keeping social distance, grouping by families, staying in small groups and out of crowds and out of poorly ventilated crowded spaces. Drivers bringing donations to a drop-off site, and their passengers, wear face masks.**

Scouts or Scouters who are medically vulnerable or who have members of their household who are medically vulnerable may assist the SFF coordinator remotely by helping to promote the drive.

Before the Drop Off:

- (1) We will review state and local guidelines for our drop off – they will be followed. We will check the latest advice from the NCAC and get permission from our chartering organization for the event. Our activities described above meet these guidelines.
- (2) We will ask prospective participants to exclude themselves and stay at home if they (a) are at high-risk for COVID-19 under CDC guidelines (e.g. diabetes, hypertension, or any heart or lung condition), (b) have a fever, cough, loss of taste, headaches, or breathing irregularities, (c) have had a recent exposure to someone with COVID-19, or (d) have had a recent positive test for the virus (the “Health Risk Conditions”).
- (3) We will recommend that everyone that has a cellphone install the COVIDWISE app for contact tracing.
- (4) Assemble needed safety materials: masks for those who may not have one, hand sanitizer, a handwashing station (if feasible), and cones/tape/ropes or other ways to mark proper distancing.
- (5) Our Scouting for Food Safety Monitor (**Virna Dapic**) will take charge of and ensure compliance with all protocols.

During the Drop Off

- (1) Masks shall always be worn. They should be effective (no bandanas) and tightly fit over the mouth and nose.
- (2) Hand sanitizer (at least 60% alcohol) shall always be available, and a handwashing station set up if practicable. Both the sanitizer and the handwashing should last at least 20 seconds and be done frequently when handling food products. The safety monitor (or his designee) will recommend and supervise use when appropriate.
- (3) All participants shall strive to maintain a social distance of at least six feet, using planned operations that minimize close and person-to-person contact. Visitors, such as those dropping off or picking up food, should similarly be kept at a safe distance.
- (4) There shall be limited or no sharing of items such as tools, but if they are shared they shall be cleaned with antiseptic wipes or alcohol between users.
- (5) If food and drink are needed, they shall be self-contained, such as self-packed lunches, personal water bottles, disposable utensils, and separately prepared and packaged individual portions.
- (6) Any participant who exhibits any symptoms of COVID-19 during the event shall be immediately separated and isolated, and arrangements made to send them home or for medical care.

After the Drop Off

- (1) All participants should monitor themselves for symptoms of COVID-19 for 14 days after the drop off and report to their leaders if they experience any such symptoms. During this time, they should avoid contact with high-risk individuals.
- (2) If there are any participant reports of symptoms or a positive test for COVID-19 within 14 days of the drop off, leaders shall complete an Incident report (www.scouting.org/health-and-safety/incident-report/) and contact their District Executive.