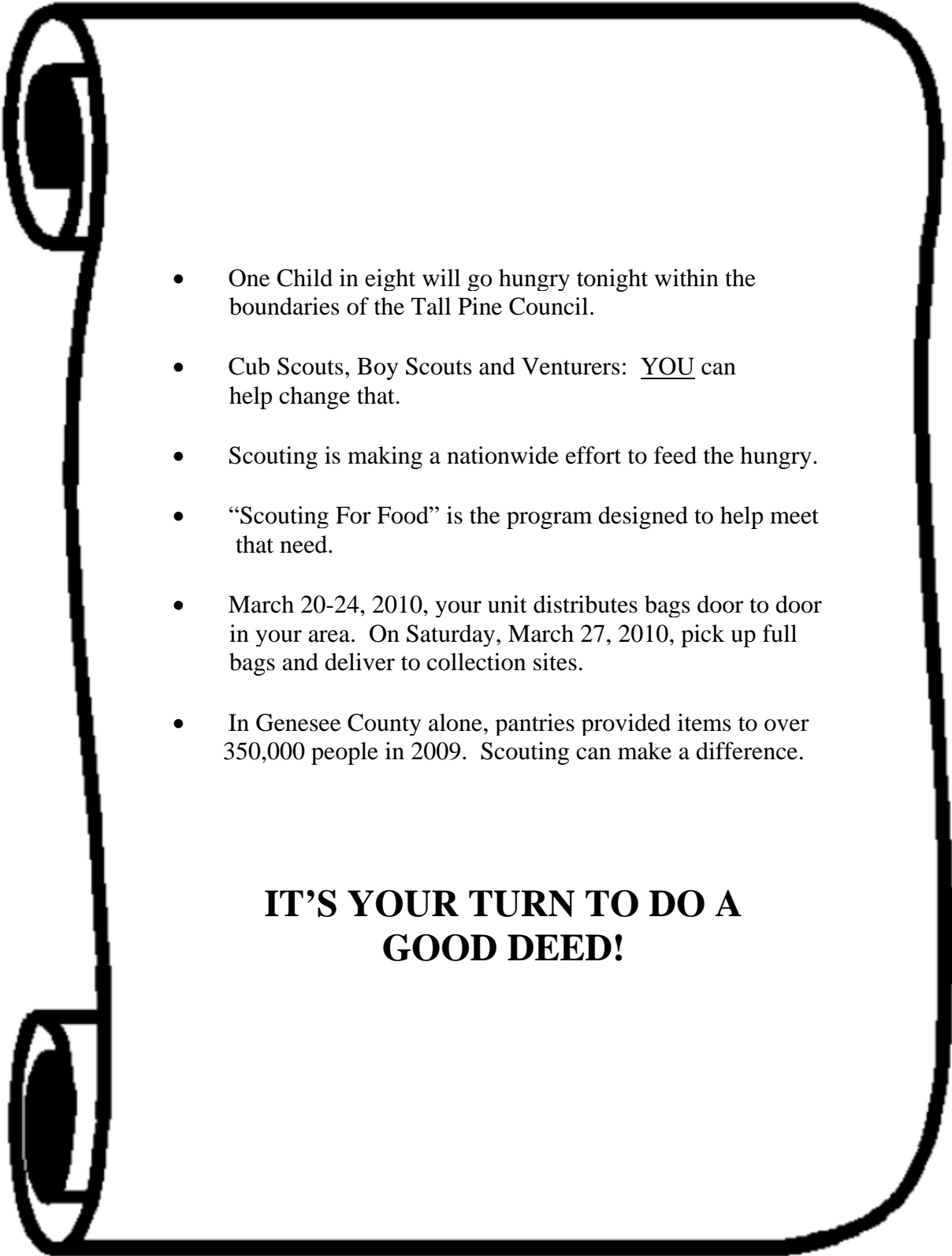


Tall Pine Council

2010 Unit Planning Guide



**23rd Year of our National Good Turn
Distribution March 20th-24th
Pick Up March 27th, 9:00 A.M.**

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- One Child in eight will go hungry tonight within the boundaries of the Tall Pine Council.
 - Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts and Venturers: YOU can help change that.
 - Scouting is making a nationwide effort to feed the hungry.
 - “Scouting For Food” is the program designed to help meet that need.
 - March 20-24, 2010, your unit distributes bags door to door in your area. On Saturday, March 27, 2010, pick up full bags and deliver to collection sites.
 - In Genesee County alone, pantries provided items to over 350,000 people in 2009. Scouting can make a difference.

**IT’S YOUR TURN TO DO A
GOOD DEED!**

THE UNIT SCOUTING FOR FOOD COORDINATOR

The unit's Scouting for Food Coordinator is selected by the unit committee and is given the following responsibilities:

- Securing the commitment of unit leadership and Scout or Explorer Participation
- Fill out the official unit participation commitment.
- Participating in the territory assignments at the February Roundtable
- Attending the February or March Roundtable to receive materials and instructions.
- Securing adequate adult supervision and transportation for the distribution and collection of bags in the unit's assigned territory.

SCOUTING FOR FOOD PROGRAM IDEAS

Units may wish to take time after Scouting for Food by completing one or more of the following project ideas:

- Spend a few minutes at the unit meeting discussing the boys' impressions of this Good Turn. Relate Scouting for Food to the Cub Scout Promise, Motto, and the Law of the Pack, or Scout Oath or Promise and Scout Law.
- Cub Scouts might draw posters showing their part in the project for display at your next pack meeting. You may also want to display them in churches, stores, and schools.
- Have your Boy Scouts take plenty of action photographs of individuals or the whole unit. Make a picture display of what your troop had done. Then give photographs to the troop historian for permanent storage.
- Your pack may develop a skit describing participation in Scouting for Food which might be part of your next pack meeting.
- Plan a way for your unit to continue participating in a local food drive. There will always be a need.

UNIT MECHANICS

- **All units should know their assigned territory.**
- **All members, both youth and adult should be in uniform.**
- **Determine an assembly location and time for March 20st and March 27th**

ON SATURDAY MARCH 20th :

DO NOT HANG BAGS ON MAIL BOXES

- Collection bags with instructions should be distributed beginning at 9:00 A.M.
- Assemble at meeting place early enough to brief adults and distribute bags.
- Have enough vehicles for the number of youth participating to cover area.
- All youth should travel in groups of two (buddy system).
- Vehicles should stay as close to the youth as possible. It is advisable for adults to be on the streets.
- Bags should be distributed to residents only. Avoid businesses or apartment dwellings with no solicitation rules.

ON SATURDAY, MARCH 27th:

- Food must be collected beginning at 9:00 A.M. from the same area you distributed bags.
- Food should be turned in at your collection station between 9:00 A.M. and 12:00 Noon.
- Assemble at your meeting place. Review plans for the day.
- If an empty bag is still hanging on the doorknob collect it as well as the full bags.
- **If there is no bag at the door, ring bell or knock. If no answer, go to the next house.**
- **Do not enter any homes – EVEN IF INVITED.**
- Adult Scouters will be at collection stations to assist in unloading and counting or weighing of items collected.

UNIT COLLECTION TIPS

- Work your assigned territory only.
- On boundary streets, collect on your side of the street only unless you are given other instructions.
- Skip apartments with no solicitation rules or controlled access. Skip businesses.
- Collection bags with instructions should be distributed to households on Saturday, March 20th, beginning at 9:00 A.M.
- When delivering bags, put them on the door. **DO NOT PUT BAGS IN MAIL BOXES.**
- Food should be collected on Saturday, March 27th, from the same area you distributed the bags.
- Turn in your collected food bags at designated food collection sites between 9:00 A.M. and 12:00 Noon.
- When collecting donations on March 27th, if nothing is left on the doorstep or porch, ask your youth to knock on the door to see if the household has a food donation. (optional)
- Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts and Venturers should be instructed to remain outside homes. **Do not enter any home to pick-up food – EVEN IF INVITED.**
- Be sure that Scouts are in uniform and all youth travel in groups of **two** or more and are adequately supervised.
- If you have any questions, call your district Scouting for Food chair.

DISTRICT SCOUTING FOR FOOD CHAIRMEN

North Star	Mae Waldron	810-610-8553
Blue Heron	Larry Mickle	810-516-0046
New Horizons	Gail Polehna	810-603-2838
Shiawassee	Bill and Debbie Brooks	989-288-3601

2010 DROP-OFF LOCATIONS

Salvation Army of Owosso
VG's Burton (Court St.)
VG's Clio (Mill St.)
VG's Fenton (Silver Pkwy.)
Ace Hardware of Grand Blanc

Please consult your district Scouting for Food chair if your unit will be dropping off at a location other than those listed above.

COLLECTION REPORTS

Collections reports need to be filled out and either turned in at one of the above collection points at drop off, your District Chairman or to the Scout Service Center by April 9th. This will allow us to track the total poundage of food brought in through the drive. Please fill out the report using full names.

If you would like to fax the report in the fax number is (810) 235-5052.

GOOD TURN FOR AMERICA

The national Good Turn for America initiative would love to know the service that your unit is doing in the community not only with Scouting For Food, but also your unit service projects and Eagle projects. In order to report these hours go to www.goodturnforamerica.org and click on 'units'. From there you will want to select 'data collection help' and 'unit's service project'. This will take you to the log in page. If you have not previously used the site it will ask for your unit ID. This ID can be obtained from Claudia at the Scout Service Center if your unit does not know theirs.

Key Points

- 1. Use the Buddy Plan**
- 2. Do not hang bags on or put bags in mailboxes!**
- 3. Pick-up bags and secure your area at your February and March Roundtables.**
- 4. If no bag is at the door on collection day, KNOCK on the door, many people forget to set their bags out.**
- 5. Sweep your area again after you have gone through it the first time, many people forget to set their bags out by 9:00 AM and do it later.**
- 6. Appoint a crew to follow up on calls for bags that were missed in your area, many people forget to set their bags out.**
- 7. If your unit is dropping food to a local food bank, make sure you call in the weight to your district chairman on March 27th.**
- 8. Turn in your unit collection sheet with your food on March 27th or to the Scout Service Center by April 9th.**

Scouting For Food Collection Report & Roster

Please fill out completely using full names and turn in to your district Scouting For Food Chairperson or fax it in to Ann Norris at (810) 235-5052.

No patches will be distributed without a completed and turned in collection report/roster.

District: _____ Unit (Type & #): _____

Unit Scouting For Food Coordinator: _____

Location of Food Drop Off: _____ Total Weight: _____

Youth Participants:

1 _____	13 _____	25 _____
2 _____	14 _____	26 _____
3 _____	15 _____	27 _____
4 _____	16 _____	28 _____
5 _____	17 _____	29 _____
6 _____	18 _____	30 _____
7 _____	19 _____	31 _____
8 _____	20 _____	32 _____
9 _____	21 _____	33 _____
10 _____	22 _____	34 _____
11 _____	23 _____	35 _____
12 _____	24 _____	36 _____

Adult Participants:

1 _____	4 _____	7 _____
2 _____	5 _____	8 _____
3 _____	6 _____	9 _____