



Scouting for Food: Unit Instructions



This year, our collection date is the full month of April, 2021. This is the time of year the food pantries run out of the food donated during the holiday season, and with all the need in our communities, the pantries need to be refilled.

1. Choose a SFF Food Drive Coordinator for your unit no later than mid-March.
2. Decide if your Unit will pursue the *standard version* of Scouting for Food (door to door) or will be set up within the *storefront version*.

Standard Version of SFF:

1. Collection bags and inserts will be available at the council office with 2 weeks' notice.
2. Distribute bags and inserts in your area.
 - a. Don't put bags in anyone's mailbox (this is against the law)
 - b. Hang bags on front doors securely.
3. Food collection should start after 9 am.
 - a. Scouts should wear their uniforms.
 - b. Several Scouts should work together.
 - c. All youth must travel with an adult.
 - d. Scouts should *never* enter any house.
3. Count the number of collected items and drop off at a food pantry of your choice.
 - a. Record items collected on the [collection report](#) form
4. Don't forget to log your service hours! All the food collected stays LOCAL.

Storefront Version of SFF:

1. Review grocery stores who have agreed to coordinate with LaSalle Council. List complete by Feb 30, 2021.
2. Product suggestions slips will be available at the council office with 2 weeks' notice.
3. Choose location and book with LaSalle Council staff (Meredith)
4. Review location specific guidelines
 - a. Scouts should wear their uniforms
 - b. Several Scouts should work together
 - c. Scouts should wear masks at all times
 - d. Scouts should not obstruct entrance or exits
 - e. Scouts should not follow customers through store
5. Count the number of collected items and drop off at a food pantry of your choice.
 - a. Record items collected on the [collection report](#) form
6. Don't forget to log your service hours! All the food collected stays LOCAL.