



## BackPack Weekend Food Program, Inc.

The BackPack Weekend Food Program is the outgrowth of an extensive study of the nutritional needs of school-aged children in Gaston County over the weekend especially during the school year. Hunger and improper nourishment interferes with a child's development, education, and socialization. Students who come to school hungry cannot learn.

The BackPack Weekend Food Program is designed to create partnerships between local churches or organizations and a school to provide selected students a bag of non-perishable, nutritious food that they can eat over the weekend. The students selected for the program are recommended by school counselors, social workers, teachers, school nurses and principals.

South Point Baptist will be starting its 5th year with the BackPack Program this coming school year. This last year we were able to provide 9 children with food from the BPWFP. It takes many volunteers from our church to successfully provide the food each week during the school year. Please see the different volunteer opportunities below, and fill out the form checking the volunteer position(s) that you are interested in being a part of.

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- ◇ **I would like to pay for a student's food for the 2019/2020 school year.** Name \_\_\_\_\_  
\$298 per student. Please make check payable to SPBC with BackPack Program written on memo line.
  - ◇ **I can pick up the food for a month's supply in Gastonia.** Name \_\_\_\_\_  
This is a *once a month* volunteer position, which is done on a rotation basis. Must be done at a specific time on either Tuesday or Wednesday (we will be assigned a day once the school year starts).
  - ◇ **I can take the food to the school once a week.** Name \_\_\_\_\_  
This is a *weekly* volunteer position, which is done on a rotation basis. Deliveries are done on Thursday mornings most weeks, during holidays or breaks from school the day may change. We will be assigned a school once the school year starts.
  - ◇ **I want to help pack the BPWFP bags.** Name \_\_\_\_\_  
This is a *once a month* volunteer position, which is done on a rotation basis. Normally done on the first Tuesday each month here at SPBC at 6:00pm on the bottom floor of the Education Building.
  - ◇ **I want to help inventory and keep the room organized for the BPWFP.** Name \_\_\_\_\_  
This is a *once a month* volunteer position. You will work with a volunteer that does this each month, this volunteer will keep in contact with you about times and dates you are needed.