

SCOUTING FOR FOOD SATURDAY FEBRUARY 14TH GUIDELINES

DESCRIPTION: Rio Grande District and Smith's Food & Drug Centers are sponsoring a food drive to benefit Roadrunner Food Bank. Scouts will distribute bags to homes sometime between February 7th and 11th. Bags will be collected on Saturday February 14th.

BAGS: Units should plan to pick up their bags and flyers at the JAN 8th Roundtable. Bags and flyers not picked up at the Round Table can be picked up at the Scout Center [5841 Office Boulevard NE, Albuquerque, NM] starting on January 9th. Each unit will be assigned a specific area to collect food in. A map will be provided showing the area. This is to ensure that multiple units do not collect from the same homes.

BAG DISTRIBUTION TO HOMES: Scouts may deliver the bags to homes in their designated area anytime between Saturday, February 7th and Wednesday, February 11th. Scouts should knock on the doors and leave the bag and flyer with the homeowner. If no one answers, bags can be tied onto door knobs. **Last Year, units that knocked on doors received 3 times as much food as units that just left the bags on the knobs.** It is recommended that this be done by Dens/Patrols. **DO NOT LEAVE BAGS AT HOMES WITH "NO SOLICITATION" SIGNS POSTED.**

BAG COLLECTION: Food bags must be collected Saturday, February 14th, between 9 A.M. and 1 P.M. Food should be brought to the central collection point – LDS Stake House at 4500 Seven Bar Loop Road [corner of Ellison Drive and Golf Course] – by 2 P.M. Roadrunner Food Bank will take the food to their warehouse by 3 P.M.

INSERT A SKETCH MAP SHOWING THE LOCATION OF THE COLLECTION POINT

DATA COLLECTION: Please record when you drop the food off at the collection point: [1] Den/Patrol and Pack/Troop, [2] number of scouts and adults participating, and [3] number of bags of food collected.

GENERAL GUIDELINES:

1. **Follow youth protection guidelines.** Use the buddy system and be safety conscious. Scouts are never to ride in the back of pick-ups and should always wear safety belts while riding in a vehicle. Remind boys to **ALWAYS** stay in sight of the adults in charge and **NEVER** enter anyone's home under any circumstances.

2. Scouts are encouraged to be in uniform when distributing the bags and collecting the food. Scouts are friendly and courteous to everyone they meet. Thank people even if they don't contribute. **Remember: You represent Scouting to the community. Make a good impression.**