Did you know food insecurity is a health, education and financial stability problem?

In fact, one in five children experiences hunger and is unsure of where their next meal is coming from. The current pandemic has only intensified food insecurity for individuals and families across Maricopa County.

To address this challenge, Valley of the Sun United Way created the Pantry Packs program to serve local children and their families. Pantry Packs have a set menu of “shelf-stable pantry items” that help families stretch their food dollars.

United Way supplies the packs and partners with local schools, which help to identify families that have the highest need. Participating schools are located in South and Southwest Phoenix, Maryvale and Guadalupe and have Free and Reduced Lunch eligibility rates of 81% to 99%. The program will provide 1,500 Pantry Packs to students, every month, during the current school year.

We can create Mighty Change with your help!

Corporations, foundations, groups, and individuals can sponsor a Pantry Pack program once, or more throughout the school year. Sponsorship covers the cost of food items, assembly, and delivery to the schools. In addition to sponsorship, your organization can assist in assembly of Pantry Packs as a volunteer activity (the ideal number of volunteers for this activity is 20-30). Sponsorship Investment: $5,500

Thank you for your support!
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