

Troop 16 Food Pantry Service Project – Help Needed

Dear Troop 16 Families,

Over the past few years, scouts and parents from Troop 16 have had the opportunity to help the Food Pantry at First United Church during food drives and other special occasions. We are now able to expand this relationship to help with cardboard recycling.

Each week the food pantry receives a large number of donations and, as a result, a large number of cardboard boxes. Rather than dispose of these in the dumpster at the church, the Food Pantry has made an arrangement with the Jewel in River Forest to include this cardboard with their stock of recyclable material.

Every Friday evening from 6:30 to 7:15, just prior to our troop meeting, there will be an opportunity for 4 to 8 scouts to help bundle the material and deliver it to Jewel. This is a great opportunity to help another organization associated with our sponsoring institution and provide service to the community. Scouts may sign up for this activity at any of our troop meetings.

In addition to the scouts we would like to have two adult volunteers available to guide the activity each Friday. Many of our parents have expressed an interest in helping with service projects and we hope a number of different people will be able to volunteer for one or more Friday's throughout the year. Your commitment is only for the Friday you plan to attend, however you are more than welcome to sign for as many dates as you would like.

If you would to assist, please contact the troop's coordinator, Mary Herner, at turtle848@hotmail.com or (708) 848-9338.

Thank you all in advance for assisting with this important aspect of the Troop's program.