## **UNIT Dos AND Don't**

- Your unit should work only its assigned territory unless you clear it with your District Captain. It's crucial that your unit covers its assigned area thoroughly!
- On boundary streets, collect only on your designated side of the street (unless given other instructions by your SFF District Captain.)
- Skip apartment units/houses with controlled access and/or "no solicitation" rules.
- Collect from private homes only. Do not solicit in front of grocery stores or other commercial establishments unless you receive their approval.
- Be certain Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts are adequately supervised. They should be <u>in uniform</u> and should travel in groups of <u>two or more with 2 deep</u> <u>leadership!</u>
- Collection bags can be distributed door-to-door, placed in or on the front door at every house. Do not put them in or on the mailboxes as this violates a federal law. Scouts must also be careful not to trample plants and bushes.
- <u>It is strongly recommended</u> you include in <u>each</u> bag, a note giving your Scout Unit number, a contact name & phone number <u>from your</u> Unit, to personally handle missed bags or other issues. More bags distributed means more food collected!
- Food should be collected on February 10th, the **second** Saturday in February, beginning **no earlier** than **9 AM**. **Starting too early results in many missed bags!!** Collect the food in the same area where you distributed bags and be sure that you cover the entire area. Check each house where a bag was left. Bags not collected by the Units create a "**bad**" image of Scouting. It is a good idea to make a second sweep over your area. This helps assure, you got all the donations.

## BSA policy states that Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts <u>NEVER</u> ride in the back of an open truck, or hanging out of open car or van doors!! WEAR SEAT BELTS!

Remember to check all collected items—throw out bulging cans and opened containers. When in doubt, throw it out!! Better safe than sorry!!

- Count or weigh all items. (This is a great activity for a group of parents.) It is essential that the total count or weight of food items collected, and the pantry location, is recorded on the "Tally Form."
- > DO NOT LEAVE YOUR COLLECTED FOOD ITEMS OUT OF UNTIL SOMEONE FROM THE PANTRY IS THERE TO RECEIVE YOUR DELIVERY!!
- Tally Forms need to be filled out and turned in. Please refer to the tally form for more details on information needed.

Problems and questions should be directed to your District Captain. District Captains' names & telephone numbers can be obtained from the Scout Office or the Council Website, <a href="https://www.indianwaters.org">www.indianwaters.org</a>
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