

Have-a-Heart
Food & Supply Drive
to benefit the
Traverse City High School Food Pantry

Monday, February 14th – Friday, February 18th

CHiPA encourages The Children's House community to "Have-a-Heart" this Valentine's Day and donate to the Traverse City High School Food Pantry. The TCHS Food Pantry is a student-led initiative, providing food and supplies for homeless students and those in residential transition. With roughly one third of the student population falling in this category, the food pantry ensures that each student, regardless of their residential status, has the food and supplies they need for daily living. The TCHS Food Pantry stocks non-perishable food and personal hygiene items, which are small, portable (easily carried in backpacks), easy to use, require little or no preparation, and have teen appeal.

Suggested donation items include the following:

- **Canned Ready Meals** (prepared pasta meals, stews, etc.)
- **Quick to Prepare Meals** (boxed pizza kits, Chinese meal kits, etc.)
- **Cereal**
- **Snack Size Foods**
- **Paper Products** (toilet tissue, facial tissue, etc.)
- **Laundry Detergent**
- **Personal Hygiene Products** (toothbrushes, toothpaste, deodorant, soap, travel size shampoo/conditioner, small lotions, feminine products, etc.)
- **Small Hostess Gifts** (students appreciate the opportunity to gift small items to the families who lend them a place to rest their heads – small bags of cookies, etc.)

Donations will be collected **Monday, February 14th** through **Friday, February 18th**. For your convenience, volunteers will be available to collect your items during morning and afternoon carline, throughout the week. Donations may also be placed in a donation box, located in the main lobby.

Please feel free to contact Heather Theophilus (heathbird@aol.com / 709-0169) with any questions. For more information regarding the TCHS Food Pantry, please refer to the following article:

<http://record-eagle.com/ourtown/x511770046/Students-direct-food-pantry-at-TC-High-School>

CHiPA thanks you for your generous and heartfelt support!

