



FOOD CHECKOUT DAY 2018 ANNUAL SCHOOL FOOD DRIVE



Presented by the Cook County Farm Bureau® benefiting Ronald McDonald House Charities® of Chicagoland and Northwest Indiana (RMHC®-CNI)

WHAT: Join us in a Community Service school project by donating food, supplies and pop tabs to our 8th annual school food drive. This program is part of our Food Checkout Day which highlights the safe and nutritious food that farmers grow. Through Farm Bureau's partnership with RMHC-CNI, volunteers and supporters are able to keep families of hospitalized children together in a 'home away from home'.

We are collecting **easy-to-prepare meals and snacks** for families staying at the 5 Chicagoland Houses who are limited on time. Canned soup, canned pasta meals (**please no canned vegetables or beans**), macaroni and cheese **cups**, boxes of individually wrapped cookies, chips and breakfast bars, coffee (regular and k-cups), and bottled water are all great items to donate. The House could also use cleaning supplies (some made from agriculture-related products) such as, napkins, laundry detergent, paper towels, Kleenex, toilet paper, and garbage bags. The Ronald McDonald Care Mobile® could use tooth brushes (individually wrapped) and toothpaste.

WHEN: January 16 - February 1, 2018

WHO: Grade Schools, High Schools, Student Council, or other school activities groups.

Schools donating the greatest supply will receive a recognition plaque for your school. All participating schools will be rewarded with an Amazon gift card as a small thank you.



Soup, mac-n-cheese cups



Household products



Individually wrapped snacks & bottled water



Individually wrapped toothbrushes & toothpaste

DROP OFF DATE: February 1st, 2018
at Ronald McDonald House® near Advocate Children's Hospital
4410 W 93rd Street, Oak Lawn, IL 60453
3:00-5:00 p.m. (pick up available if needed)

Some of last year's participants include:

St. Rita of Cascia H.S. – Chicago
Most Holy Redeemer – Evergreen Park
Dore School – CPS

Southwest School – Evergreen Park
Haugan School – CPS
St. John Fisher – Chicago

Proviso West H.S. Key Club – Hillside
St. Germaine – Oak Lawn
Komarek School – Riverside