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Chattahoochee District
Scouting for Food Program
BSA Atlanta Area Council



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Chattahoochee Scout District Successfully Completes Scouting for Food Drive.
348 Scouts Teamed Up to Collect and Deliver More than 23,100 Food Items to Local Food Banks.

ALPHARETTA, GA – April 1, 2008 – Chattahoochee Scout District (BSA – Atlanta Area Council) Each year Chattahoochee District asks its Cub Packs, Scout Troops, Venturing Crews, Explorers and Sea Scouts to voluntarily participate in the annual Atlanta Area Council BSA food drive program called Scouting for Food. The program is part of a national BSA Service to Community initiative specifically designed for scouting units interested in addressing hunger in their communities.

Area Food Banks are constantly challenged to meet the household demands that temporary economic issues place on families in our communities. Barbara Duffy, Director of North Fulton Community Charities (NFCC), the area's largest Food Bank, points out that "Food Bank organizations in Atlanta tend to be community specific. We greatly depend on and appreciate the volunteer service efforts provided by local groups like the Scouts."

"You'd be surprised at how innovative Scouts get when it comes to collecting food" comments Howard Lovejoy, Chattahoochee Scout District Commission Chair. "The results this year were outstanding and show the commitment scouts and scout parents make to give back to the community." Over a five month period, 348 scouts accomplished collecting more than 23,100 food items and delivered them to nine (9) local food distribution groups. These organizations include: NFCC, St. Michael's Catholic Church, The Lord's Pantry, Community Action Center, Raintree Village, and Cherokee Seniors Home, Manna from Heaven, Jars of Clay and Norcross Cooperative Ministry.

For more information about District Scouting for Food please visit the SFF web page under 'Events' at Chattahoochee District web site www.cdbsa.org for program information and contact names.

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About BSA Chattahoochee District. The greater Atlanta area Scouting program is coordinated by the Atlanta Area Council, and the area is divided into districts. The Chattahoochee District roughly covers the cities of Roswell and Sandy Springs and supports the activities of about 42 units of Boy Scouts, Cub Scouts, and Venture Scouts. www.cdbsa.org

About BSA Atlanta Area Council The Atlanta Area Council covers 13 metro-Atlanta Counties: Carroll, Cherokee, Clayton, Cobb, DeKalb, Douglas, Fulton, Gwinnett, Haralson, Newton, Paulding, Pickens, and Rockdale. The Atlanta Area Council operations are a catalyst for policy, planning, information, and most important, the stimulation and inspiration that mobilizes our tremendous area resources.