

<u>Donations Requested for</u> Festa Summer Lunch Camp – 2024



Now in its 18th year, the Festa Free Summer Lunch Camp welcomes children facing poverty from culturally diverse backgrounds to join us daily for friendship, recreation, reading support, special activities, and a nutritious, free lunch. Summer Lunch Camp helps children who receive free or reduced lunch at school while school is not in session by serving free lunch and facilitating camp activities including entrepreneurial learning, special guests, outdoor games and activities and opportunities to create lasting relationships! This program combats suburban poverty by providing children with a safe space to grow, learn, and be part of a supportive and positive community.

Donations of non-perishable food kits are crucial to feeding children who arrive at camp without having eaten, or to children who have not yet registered and were not planned for. Non-perishable lunches are also used when the daily provided lunches run out.

Please consider donating these healthy non-perishable items:

Listed in order of priority:

Option 1. Donate Non-Perishable Meal Kits: Please include one of each of the items below per kit:

a. Main dish:

Option 1: Chicken lunch pack – includes canned chicken and crackers with relish or mayo – found in the aisle with canned meats.

Option 2: (Vegetarian) Protein or energy bar: Please make sure the bar does not contain meat products.

- **b.** Individual Fruit Cup or Applesauce Cup, preferably in fruit juice or light syrup (please NO Jell-O, fruit snacks, or any products with gelatin)
- c. Granola Bar
- d. Small (8 oz) water bottle

Directions: Place each kit in a gallon-size Ziploc bag and mark the date on the bag with a Sharpie. IF you choose the vegetarian main course option, please also mark the bag with a **"V."**

Option 2. Donate Individual sized portions of the following:

- Crackers with Peanut Butter or Cheese inside – whole grain/wheat preferred
- Pretzels and Cheese
- Breakfast Cereal (individual serving boxes
 - low in sugar)

- Beef Jerky Sticks (NO Pork please)
- Dried Fruit
- Trail Mix, Pretzels, Goldfish, Cheez-Its (NO chips please)
- Small water bottles

Please NO "junk food" or items containing gelatin, marshmallows, or pork products

Please drop off items at church by May 26

Or call the Festa Office at 614-586-7939 to make drop-off arrangements.

Questions? Please call 614-586-7939 or email volunteer@wearefesta.org...Thank You!