

## HAAM OFF SITE PROJECTS

Any individual or group can complete any of the following projects for volunteer service hours. Just pick a project, follow the simple instructions and drop off at HAAM. Contact the volunteer coordinator if you need to have a verification of volunteer service hours signed. It's that simple!

# Off-site Projects

**Diapers/Pull-Ups** Purchase or collect large packages of diapers or pull-ups.

- You will also need large brown paper lunch bags.
- Split up the diaper packages.
- Put 12 diapers in each brown bag.
- Mark sizes on the bag using a black sharpie (ex. Size 1,2,3,4,5,6 or Pull-ups).



**Rice and Beans** Purchase or collect rice and beans and quart size freezer bags.

- Put 2 cups of either rice or beans in each bag.
- Seal bags tightly.



### Children's Nutrition Packs

Purchase or collect small sizes of food items.

One of each item is put into a gallon size zip top bag.

- Miniature Box Cereal
- Package of Instant Oatmeal
- Nuts
- Bottled Water
- Whole Grain Crackers
- Animal Crackers
- Pretzels
- Granola Bars
- Raisins



### Children's Books

Collect gently used or new books for our spring and summer reading program.

Sort all books into 4 categories and box.

-Toddler    -Beginning Readers    -Chapter Books    -Middle/High School



**Blessing Bag for the Homeless** - Community members who are homeless can utilize the HAAM shower facilities and receive a basic hygiene pack. Travel sizes are recommended. Package one of each in a gallon sized bag. Fold packet into a bath towel. Tie together with twine.

- Bath towel
- Shampoo
- Hand and/or Body Lotion
- 5 Band-Aids
- 1 Toothbrush
- Toothpaste
- 1 Razor
- Shaving Cream
- Tissues
- Hand Sanitizer
- Bar Soap
- Comb
- 2 sets of Plastic Cutlery wrapped in a napkin or pre-packed set.



**Family Hygiene Pack** - These packs are given with our family food orders processed through the HAAM food pantry. All items can be bagged in a plastic grocery bag. Full size items are recommended. **Suggested items are: 3 Rolls Toilet Paper, 1 Full Size Bar Soap, 1 Tube Toothpaste, 2 Toothbrushes, 1 Bottle Shampoo, 1 stick of Deodorant.**

**HAAM Bean Soup** - One of HAAM's favorites! Go to [www.haaministries.org](http://www.haaministries.org) for complete instructions.



**Laundry Detergent Recipe** - 1 bar of Ivory soap or Fels-Naptha, 1 cup Arm & Hammer Super Washing Soda and 1/2 cup of Borax. Grate soap until powdered, then mix all ingredients together. Place into a zip top plastic bag. Please include label with directions for use on the package. Include on **LABEL: (for top-load washing machines only)** For light load, use 1 tablespoon. For heavy load or heavily soiled load, use 2 tablespoons. Yields: 3 cups; approximately 40 loads.

## Enjoy baking?

HAAM has almost 100 volunteers that volunteer weekly. Each day brings a new group of volunteers. These dedicated volunteers arrive week after week to assist HAAM's many departments such as the Food Pantry, Social Services, Job Center, Education, Special Projects and the Resale Store. We would not be able to run the day to day operations without them.



In an effort to recognize our volunteers for their continued dedication we enjoy providing refreshments to them on special recognized holidays. We welcome junior volunteers to bake up a batch of cookies, cupcakes or whatever your favorite baked good is.

Valentines week

Volunteer Appreciation week - Usually in April

Halloween week

Thanksgiving week

Christmas - Usually the week prior to Christmas

## Story Time



Here at HAAM we see approximately 65 clients a day. It is a first come first serve basis and wait times can sometimes be long especially for little ones. During spring break and summer HAAM offers a story time for children who are waiting with their family in the lobby. Each child will receive a free book courtesy of our Resale Store. Junior volunteer readers are needed Monday -Thursday from 10:00 am - 12:00 p.m. At least 2 readers are needed each day.

## Food Drive

In 2017, 29,318 families received food from HAAM. We welcome you or your group to host a food drive to collect canned goods and non-perishable food items. This is a service project that can be done throughout the year.



## Boy and Girl Scouts

HAAM has had Scouts working towards particular awards and badges volunteer to build items such as book shelves and organizers. Please contact the volunteer coordinator for ideas and suggestions.

## Back to School

HAAM's Back to School drive provides basic school supplies for school-aged children from families needing assistance. You or your group can collect school supplies or participate in the sorting, sacking and distribution of the supplies. We begin collecting supplies in June. Sign up early if you want to volunteer since we have a limited number of junior volunteer spots available.

## Summer opportunities for Middle and High School Students

We offer a limited number of opportunities for High School students to volunteer in our Client Service department. Some duties include filing, making copies and mailings. Middle School students can participate in opportunities in the food pantry and special projects.



## Holiday - Seasons of Sharing



Seasons of Sharing provides food baskets and toys during Thanksgiving and Christmas to families in need. Ways you can help:

### Seasons of Sharing Thanksgiving

- Collect and donate selected food menu items
- Sign up for sorting, sacking and distribution of food baskets.

### Giving Tree at Deerbrook Mall

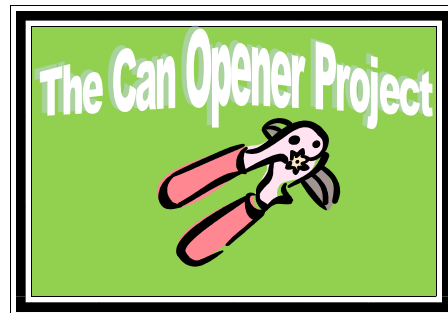
- Sign up your group to host the Giving Tree. Mall shoppers select an angel(s) from the tree that has a child's age printed on it, purchase a toy and return it to the table. Volunteers are needed daily for 14 days beginning the day after Thanksgiving. Host times are noon - 8:00 p.m. Most volunteer groups work in rotating shifts.

### Seasons of Sharing Christmas

- Collect and donate selected food menu items
- Sign up for sorting, sacking and distribution of food baskets.

### Empty Stocking Toy Drive

- Collect and donate toys.
- Sign up for sorting, sacking and distribution of toys. This is held at an off-site location.



Please donate an unused can opener to the HAAM Food Pantry located in the HAAM Social Services building, 1302 First Street in Humble. Hours of operation Monday through Thursday are 9 am to 3 pm.

## HOW TO FIND US

**Individual or group volunteer opportunities please contact:**

Cathy Schrof, Volunteer Coordinator  
Monday—Thursday 9:00-3:30  
281-446-3663 x 120 or [cschrof@haaministries.org](mailto:cschrof@haaministries.org)

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A great way to continue to spread the word about HAAM to your family and friends.

**Visit the HAAM website** for valuable information, view pictures of community partners and be informed of upcoming events.

You can even download fliers, make monetary donations and much more!