# Hands with Cans Inc. **Program Logistics - Schools**

#### 1. Mission:

- a. With extreme inflation in the United States, many families are unable to provide enough food for their families to eat each day. We hope to provide for those that need help NOW. There has NEVER BEEN A GREATER NEED THAN NOW!
- b. Hands with Cans is a non-profit organization that provides high energy food drives for the Charlotte metro area. We are different from other food campaigns since we look to serve the hungry YEAR-ROUND. We also distribute collected items to established local food charities. We serve primarily churches, businesses, and schools. Our stated goal is to provide 10 million non-perishable food items (cans etc.) in 10 years.
- c. We are starting our mission in the Union County, NC area. Our wish is that in five years, Union County is known nationally as the leader in caring for those that are hungry and need food to feed their families.
- 2. Stated Purpose(s)
  - a. Participants are encouraged to bring a non-perishable food item each day of the campaign. We believe that we feel better about ourselves individually and as a team when we are actively serving others.
- 3. Participants: All grade levels each requiring a Team Coordinator
- 4. Campaign Starting and Ending Date: Proposed: TBD
- 5. Prizes will be announced prior to the beginning of "THE BIG GIVE"
- 6. School Competitors will be: TBD
- 7. Program:
  - a. The school will provide the School Media Director with campaign info for promotion purposes. Weekly email updates will be encouraged throughout the campaign. Progress data provided by HWC inc.
  - b. Each Homeroom or First Class in the school day will act as the designated class of donors.
  - c. Each Class of Donors will have a Team Lead, preferably a teacher or their responsible designate.
  - d. Each Team Lead will set-up their account (see "sign-up" link on handswithcans.org main menu)
  - e. Each Team and student will set a goal for donations.
  - f. Each Team Lead will assign a spokesperson / cheerleader for the class. Cheerleader will keep the class up to date on competition status.
  - g. At the <u>end of each day (or week)</u>, Team Lead will record the number of items donated by their respective classrooms. Team Leads will record the number of collected items on the website each day throughout the campaign period.
  - Individual donors (high school, leads etc) can record their individual and team donation on a daily basis.
    Results of previous day records will be sent to the leads so they can share with class spokesperson / cheerleader that will continue to promote campaign.
  - i. Donation Pickups with be coordinated thru the staff at HWC and will typically take place on a weekly basis.
  - j. Each student will be given a coin box to use when collecting loose change (preferably quarters) during the campaign. Team Leads can instruct where to store boxes during the campaign. We encourage one quarter per item donated to offset admin and distribution costs.
  - k. Competing Schools will come together for an assembly to conclude the campaign.
- 8. Website and Phone App: Under construction during the early part of 2024, we encourage all donors (high school and above), to download phone app. Website is handswithcans.org and is a subsidiary of OTHERS1st Inc.
- 9. Sponsors: OTHERS1st administrators are always actively looking for sponsors and advertisers for our various campaigns.

- 10. Partnership Network: Hands with Cans will work with a variety of non-profit organizations that need help. Our primary network includes (in North Carolina: Feeding America, 2<sup>nd</sup> Harvest Foodbank of the Carolinas, Common Heart and Heart for Monroe.
- 11. All photos are to be taken and posted with a spirit of positivity and school spirit.
- 12. Non-Perishable Items that are in need:



**Proteins** Beans, Tuna, Soup, Meat, Pasta, Peanut Butter



Breakfast Whole Grain Cereal, Oatmeal, Grits



### Whole Grain Pasta & Rice

#### Fruits & Vegetables No Heavy Syrup,

No Salt Added

# Infants & Kids

Pedialyte, Infant Cereal, Mac & Cheese Cups, Fruit Cups, 100% Juice Boxes, Diapers, Wipes



Healthy Snacks Raisins, Granola Bars, Fruit Pouches

## **Hygiene Items**

Hand Sanitizer, Soap, Toothbrushes, Toothpaste, Shampoo, Deodorant Pasta Sauce



Seniors Nutritional Shakes Adult Hygiene Products

# Household

Paper Towels, Toilet Paper, Tissues, Masks, Disinfectant Wipes, Bleach, Trash Bags, Cleaning Solution

There Has Never Been a Greater Need Than Today to Help Feed People in Need



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