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**19<sup>th</sup> Annual National Association of Letter Carriers Food Drive  
Saturday, May 14, 2011**

**Who:** Letter carriers throughout Oregon and Clark County, Wash., will join with letter carriers across America to collect donations of nonperishable food from their postal customers during the annual National Association of Letter Carriers “Stamp Out Hunger” Food Drive.

**What:** Letter Carriers Food Drive is the largest one-day food drive in Oregon and in the nation. All donations received here will be distributed to those in need in Central Oregon. On **Saturday, May 14**, letter carriers and volunteers will collect nonperishable food donations left by mailboxes along their routes and take them to their local station. Last year’s NALC Food Drive generated **94,432 pounds** of food from postal customers in Central Oregon.

**When: Saturday, May 14 (always the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of the year!)**

**Where:** Food can be set out the morning of May 14 to be picked up by letter carriers and other volunteers working with them. Food can also be dropped off at all post offices in the area, all Albertsons Stores in Bend and Redmond, Shop Smart in LaPine, Crooked River Ranch Fire Hall and Mailboxes Etc.

**How to participate:**

- 1) During the second week of May, watch your mailbox for two special items:
  - a card, announcing the National Association of Letter Carriers Food Drive and
  - a plastic food-drive bag, sponsored by Wells Fargo Bank
- 2) Fill the bag with nutritious, nonperishable food such as tuna fish, peanut butter, soups, stews, chili, canned fruits, vegetables, beans, rice and pasta.
  - Do **NOT** include glass items, homemade items or previously opened containers.
- 3) Place the filled bag **by your mailbox** on the morning of **Saturday, May 14**.
- 4) Go to facebook <http://apps.facebook.com/causes/592991> to join the cause and Campbell’s Soup will donate 1 can of food, up to 1 million pounds for every person who joins.
- 5) Adopt a Letter Carrier: Volunteer for an hour or a day to follow your local letter carrier on their route to help pick up food and get it to the Post Office the day of the food drive! Contact your local Post Office to coordinate times and routes for your local carrier!

The NALC food drive is made possible by support from the U.S. Postal Service and the National Association of Letter Carriers.

History/Mission: NeighborImpact seeks to change the course of each family’s future by giving them the tools they need to succeed. NeighborImpact’s tool box includes Head Start, weatherization, home repair, energy and rent assistance, financial

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skills building, savings programs, assisting parents to find child care, tutoring homeless children, providing emergency and transitional housing to homeless families, home buyer education and feeding the hungry.

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