



## **MEDIA ADVISORY**

### **Chief Seattle Council Boy Scouts of America**

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### **Please Come to our Scouting for Food Drive:**

**WHO:** Chief Seattle Council, Boy Scouts of America  
(Clallam, Jefferson, King, Kitsap, and north Mason counties)

**WHAT:** Scouting for Food Drive

**WHEN:** Saturday- March 18, 2017, \_\_\_\_ a.m. - \_\_\_\_ p.m. [insert/update your own info]

**WHERE:** [insert Food Bank/Pantry name and address] Phone: [insert phone]  
Boy Scout Volunteer Site Coordinator [\_\_\_\_\_] cell: [\_\_\_\_\_]

### **MORE INFORMATION: Boy Scouts Team up to Fight Hunger**

(Seattle, WA, 03/1/17) — In an effort to increase community participation in serving others, the Boy Scouts of America are teaming up with local residents in the fight against hunger. This weekend, Saturday, March 11<sup>th</sup> Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts from the Chief Seattle Council will disperse door hangers around their neighborhoods to ask the community for their help with food donations, and to leave donated items on their doorstep to be collected the following Saturday to be transported to a local food bank (Saturday, March 18<sup>th</sup>). Through partnerships with more than 30 local food banks and pantries, the Scouting for Food drive provides approximately 60,000 pounds of food annually to needy families. This community service project is designed to help fill the shelves of neighborhood food banks at a time of year when needs are high and supplies are low.

“The concept of serving other people at all times, as stated in our Scout Oath, is something we emphasize with both the youth and adults in our programs,” said Mike Quirk, Chief Seattle Council CEO. “Scouting for Food is meant to include everyone in the community; you don’t have to be a member of Scouting to help in the fight against hunger.”

It is estimated that nationally 48 million American households live in homes that experience hunger: where meals are frequently skipped or who go without food for a whole day. Through the combined efforts of local residents, neighborhood food banks and the Boy Scouts of America, hungry families will know that their community cares by providing meals for them to eat.