

BIRCHWOOD AREA FOOD PANTRY

Serving the Village of Birchwood and the Towns of Birchwood, Cedar Lake, Doyle, Edgewater, Long Lake, Oak Grove, Wilson, Stone Lake, Atlanta, Sand Lake, Exeland, Couderay, Radisson, Meteor and Weirgor.

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A warm "Hello" to you, our friends and benefactors,

It's that time of year when we come to you and ask for your continued support of our community Food Pantry.

Over the past year the Pantry has supplied food on a continual basis, month after month to many of our friends and neighbors in the Birchwood area who are in need. We are pleased to offer you the opportunity to support the Pantry in this effort by donating the much needed funds that will enable us to continue this good work right here in our own community.

This year the Rice Lake Community Health Foundation has named the Birchwood Area Food Pantry as a recipient of a matching fund grant. For every \$1.00 we are able to raise through cash donations, the Foundation will match at \$1.50 up to \$10,000.00. This means total donations of at least \$6,666.67 will enable the Pantry to receive a \$10,000.00 match. Please see coupon below for donation details.

As you know the need is great right here in our community. Our numbers continue to grow; more and more of the working poor are finding their way to us for help. Several families are working 2 and 3 jobs and still find it difficult to feed their families. Some of our families in need are unable to work for a variety of reasons. We are so blessed to be able to serve the community in their time of need.

We provide food assistance for approximately 300 neighbors of all ages each month, including children, adults and seniors. We are distributing over 12,000 pounds of food monthly, at a cost of over \$5,000.00. We appreciate all the support you have given us; without you we could not help all of our neighbors in need. Please let us continue to serve our community through your generous donations.

Our Kids Weekend Food Program has more than doubled in number of participants since we started 7 years ago. We cannot thank the Back Pack pals enough for sponsoring a child in this wonderful program. You are making a big difference in the lives of so many. Thank You!

With our sincere thanks for your contribution,
The Birchwood Area Food Pantry

Make your check payable to R.L.C.H.F. (Rice Lake Community Health Foundation) and mark in the memo line: The Birchwood Area Food Pantry. Mail your check before December 31 to The Birchwood Area Food Pantry, Inc., P.O. Box 201, Birchwood, WI 54817. We will forward your check to the Foundation for credit. Please make all donations after 12/31/17 to The Birchwood Area Food Pantry.

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