

The Great Read 2018 Food Supply Drive

In the spirit of Martin Luther King Jr.'s initiatives of giving and peace, please consider bringing one or more of the supplies needed below to The Great Read opening event on February 1 at 6:00 PM at White Oak Library Romeoville Branch and/or the closing event on February 28 at 6:00 PM Joliet Public Library Black Road Branch. Donations benefit Bags of Hope, Morningstar Mission of Joliet and St. John Food Pantry. No expired food, please.

Bags of Hope

A not-for-profit organization dedicated to ensuring students do not go hungry outside school. Each week a backpack filled with food is sent home with students from area schools in Joliet, Lockport and Plainfield. Requested items:

- Canned fruit
- Canned vegetables
- Chili
- Individual snacks (granola bars, cereal bars, etc.)
- Jelly
- Macaroni and Cheese
- Oatmeal
- Pasta
- Pasta sauce (no glass)
- Peanut butter
- Ramen noodles
- Soup
- Tuna

Morningstar Mission

Provides food for the hungry, clothing for the needy and shelter for the homeless for all ages in Joliet and Will County. Requested items:

- Bar soap
- Canned soups
- Canned vegetables
- Cereal
- Disposable razors
- Flour
- Hand soap
- Jello
- Jelly or jam
- Laundry soap
- Lotion
- Napkins
- Oatmeal
- Pancake mix
- Paper towels
- Peanut butter
- Salad dressing
- Shampoo
- Spaghetti noodles
- Spaghetti sauce
- Spices
- Sugar
- Syrup
- Tissues
- Toilet paper
- Toothbrushes
- Toothpaste

St. John Lutheran Church Food Pantry

A first responder to food insecurity in Will County that serves with dignity and grace. They do accept food donations, but items most in need are personal care items.

- Bar soap
- Cotton swabs
- Deodorant
- Floss
- Hand lotion
- Napkins
- Paper plates
- Paper Towels
- Shaving cream
- Shower liquid soap
- Tampons
- Tissue
- Toilet paper
- Toothbrushes
- Toothpaste
- Women's sanitary pads