## Fill the Bus!

## Help Us Make a Difference for Families in Need

Dear Parent,

Starting next week through November 16th our school will be collecting canned goods and dry goods to donate to the local food pantry. Our food drive will help hungry families in our community.

Did you know that in 2017, more than 4.5 million children benefited from food pantry services? Community food drives like ours help make sure those children and their families can get emergency food assistance when they need it.

Please give what you can. One grocery bag of food can provide as many as 11 meals. Every single donation helps, and together we hope our combined donations will make a real difference for those in need. The food pantry is asking for nutritious canned and dry goods. Here are some suggestions:

Canned vegetables Dried beans Fruit canned in its own juices **Applesauce** Canned soups Beef stew Canned tuna Canned chicken 100% fruit juices **Pasta** Rice Condiments like ketchup and salad dressing Nuts Peanut butter Multigrain and low-sugar cereals Granola bars

Donations will be collected each morning at the school entrance.
Thank you for your help!
Sincerely,
Southside Elementary