Many children rely on school meals for breakfast and lunch during the week but go home to little or no meals on the weekends. The Houston Food Bank’s Backpack Buddy program works to fill the weekend gap for chronically hungry children by providing nutritious, child-friendly food for children to take home over the weekend during the school year and during summer.

If you are interested in receiving a bag, please contact your local school for participation.

For more information visit houstonfoodbank.org/backpackbuddy

1 in 5 children in Houston Food Bank’s 18-county service area is food insecure

339,988 bags of food distributed to kids through the Backpack Buddy program in Fiscal Year ’21 (July 2020 - June 2021)

2,039,928 million meals provided to kids through the Backpack Buddy program in FY21

707 unique sites and Houston Food Bank partners distributed bags

$2.99 per bag cost for Houston Food Bank to fill a bag with 6 meals for a child

$108 donation for a school year’s worth of meals over the weekend for a child

Our Mission: Food for better lives. Our Vision: A world that doesn’t need food banks.
A gift of $10 provides access to 30 meals for someone in the community
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