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Utah Scouting's Feed Utah Food Drive Postponed Due to Covid-19

For the health and safety of our community and Scouts

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Salt Lake City - The Boy Scouts of America (BSA) has been committed to feeding Utah's hungry for years. Drive spokesman, Brett Sutherland said, "One in seven Utah children don't know where their next meal will come from." As a youth forward organization this has always been a major concern for us.

Like so many of you, we have spent the last several days and weeks learning about the coronavirus (COVID-19) and how it is impacting our world. After careful consideration with our partners, we have determined for the health and safety of our Scouts and the community, we are postponing the Scouting Feed Utah Food Drive until the Fall.

As you may know the food drive had been scheduled for Saturday, March 21st with door hangers and bags already starting to be delivered to homes. Due to the postponement, we ask anyone with bags and hangers to hold onto them for future pick up. We will continue to deliver the remaining bags and hangers when we reschedule the drive.

It is important to note that local pantry's and collection centers are still asking for donations. Brett Sutherland says, "many pantries are running low and need community help through this unprecedented time." To find out where to donate food in your local community please go to <http://www.feedutah2020.org/>

We would like to thank all our committed partners, Associated Food Stores, Utah National Guard, JustServe, UPS and the Utah Trucking Association. We remain committed to this tremendous cause and look forward to continuing our efforts to solve Utah's hunger challenges.

About the Boy Scouts of America

The Boy Scouts of America provides the nation's foremost youth program of character development and values-based leadership training, which helps young people be "Prepared. For Life.®" The Scouting organization is composed of nearly 2.2 million youth members between the ages of 5 and 20 and approximately 800,000 volunteers in local councils throughout the United States and its territories. For more information on the Boy Scouts of America, please visit www.scouting.org.

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