

## **SALINE HIGH SCHOOL NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY (NHS) SUPPORTS SALINE AREA SOCIAL SERVICE BY HOSTING 14th ANNUAL FOOD DRIVE**

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Saline, MI – In partnership with Saline Area Social Service, the Saline High School National Honor Society is calling on the community to help make sure no one goes hungry in the Saline Area School District this holiday season.

On December 13th, The Saline High School National Honor Society is hosting its 14th annual Food Drive. Once all of the donations are gathered, the Saline High School NHS will deliver all of the items to Saline Area Social Service, benefiting hundreds of our neighbors in need. While many may not notice, an average of 300-400 local Saline residents seek and receive direct aid from Saline Area Social Service each month.

“Each year, the Saline NHS members demonstrate true character, compassion and concern for their community with this event,” says Mark Messmore, the Saline National Honor Society Advisor. “I am always so proud and humbled by their commitment and hard work on this worthwhile project that makes Saline a better place for everyone to work and live.”

In the upcoming week, NHS will distribute paper bags to many homes in the Saline area for each household to fill with Paper, Boxed, and Canned Food Items, such as toilet paper, facial tissues, aluminum foil, cereal and canned items -- including fruit, vegetables and meat.

Once bags are filled, residents are asked to leave the bags at their front doors, and the Saline High School NHS will collect all of the bags on Saturday, December 13th from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

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“Last year, even in strong snowstorms, more than 10,000 items were donated to Saline Area Social Service. We couldn’t be more humbled by the community’s generosity and the dedication of the Saline High School NHS to lead this food drive year after year,” says Saline Area Social Service Executive Director Jamail Aikens.

To learn more about Saline Area Social Service, or if you’d like to provide additional donations or volunteer, visit [salinesocialservice.com](http://salinesocialservice.com) or follow us on Facebook.

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#### About Saline Area Social Service

Saline Area Social Service (SASS) is a non-profit organization that plays a central role in assisting members of the Saline community in need. It is the only organization in Saline that provides comprehensive services to its neighbors that not only include obtaining food, clothing and household goods, but also informational services, referrals and short or long term aid.

For over 50 years, SASS has assisted families and individuals living within the Saline Area School District who fall within the financial guidelines of the District. It provides service to 300-400 people every month -- including children that account for 35-40% its families.

Seniors living on meager fixed incomes represent another 25%. Website:

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