

**College and High School Students Working with Hunger Free Northbrook to Host
the Third Annual “Students Helping Students” Campaign
Sunday, July 17th from 10 am to 2 pm
Westmoor Elementary 2500 Cherry Lane, Northbrook**

Hunger exists in every community in America and Northbrook is no exception. There are 400 students in the Northbrook public schools who are on the free or reduced lunch program and are food insecure. Hunger Free Northbrook, a program of Hunger Resource Network (a Northbrook-based non-profit organization, hungerresourcenetwork.org), is currently serving 160 of the 400 students across the twelve public elementary and middle schools in Northbrook.

Local college and high school students have decided to help these 160 students in a special way this summer.

Samantha Mallahan, a senior pre-med student at Vanderbilt University and Raquel Press, a senior at Glenbrook North High School are leading a team to help their neighbors in need.

With a goal of collecting at least one bag of personal care items per student, Sam, Raquel and their team members are hosting the third annual “Students Helping Students” event in the Westmoor Elementary School parking lot, 2500 Cherry Lane, Northbrook on Sunday, July 17th from 10 am – 2 pm.

They have a few simple requests for those who would like to help:

- 1) Purchase the list of essential household items and some fun snacks found [here](#); please follow the contents and packaging guidelines ([Fun Bag Contents](#)). Total cost is \$25-30.
- 2) Bring the bag to Westmoor Elementary School, 2500 Cherry Lane, Northbrook between 10 am and 2 pm on Sunday, July 17th and meet Raquel and her college and high school team members who will be joining her to collect the bags and keep score!
- 3) Please spread the word. We need your help to reach the goal of 200 bags!

- 4) Note: if you prefer to have us put the items together for you, no problem! Simply go to hungerresourcenetwork.org and click on the “Donate” button to contribute \$25-30 for each bag. Please add “HFN-PCB” (for Hunger Free Northbrook-Personal Care Bag) in the comment section.

To help us reach our goal of 200 bags, the Children and Family Ministry team from The Village Church of Northbrook are collecting items and donations during the month of July, then assembling the bags during a family event at the end of the month. We are grateful to the Village Church for their community outreach and passion to serve their Northbrook neighbors in need.

And some additional support to make our goal! Tonya Romin, Director of Internship Development with Northwestern Mutual, has engaged her group of summer interns to collect the items and put together as many bags as possible for the July 17th event. Many thanks to Tonya and the Northwestern Mutual summer interns!

Please look for the team’s fun and engaging posts on the Hunger Resource Network Facebook and Instagram pages and join us on Sunday, July 17th.

The personal care bags will be distributed to the students and their families in August through the schools. Any questions about the program may be directed to Sam or Raquel via their social media pages or via Hunger Resource Network (hungerresourcenetwork.org). Thanks in advance for your generosity.