

"Too many of our children living in west central Wisconsin are food insecure. These children struggle to have three healthy meals every day, especially when school meals are not available. Research indicates that hungry children have lower academic achievement because they have difficulty concentrating." (http://www.fmpfoodbank.org/kids_meals.phtml retrieved 6/2018)

A local group of Cameron community members and Cameron area churches are partnering with the Cameron School District to provide a "Comet Care Pack" program. This idea starting growing about 2 years ago, during a small group teacher's meeting where there was a discussion about programs started by other school districts The teachers read about other districts' students who were struggling to learn and how their school districts began a program to help provide healthy food for these students over the weekend. The stories moved the participating teachers and motivated them to begin the process of finding out what could be done for our students in need. The "Comet Care Pack" was born from this discussion and is now becoming a reality. As a community, we can work towards providing nutritional food this coming October to our local students.

The "Comet Care Pack" is a program that provides kid-friendly, non-perishable food for Cameron School students at no cost to them. Nutritious items from a variety of food groups will be distributed at the end of each school week to students in the Cameron School District. For the 2018-2019 school year, we will begin offering this program to our Kindergarten students. As the program's funding grows, we hope to offer "Comet Care Packs" to other grades.

We will be ordering the food from Feed My People Food Bank, which is located in Eau Claire. It takes approximately \$85.00 per year to provide a child with a weekly "Comet Care Pack". We are looking to start this program this Fall and any donations will help to make this a sustainable program.

Cameron School District "Comet Care Pack"

"Our mission is to help end child hunger in our Cameron School District one Comet Care Pack at a time."

If you would like to donate money for this program, please send it to the address below.

Comet Care Pack

Living Water Church

11 N. 1st St.

Cameron WI 54822

If you are sending a check, PLEASE make it payable to: LIVING WATER CHURCH
On the MEMO line PLEASE put "Comet Care Pack"

Donations in any amount will be used to help support a child in need of this program.