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Holmen's Hope is all about building community through service.

We are extending an invitation to you and/or your business to partner with us in raising money for the Holmen's Hope – Weekend Backpack Program.

Holmen's Hope is a non-profit organization serving the over 20,000 individuals and families in the Holmen School District. In the past we have hosted a monthly Community Dinner Holmen's Hope serving over 200 people with a free meal on the last Tuesday of the month at the Holmen American Legion. We are currently looking at our options to begin this again. Holmen's Hope also serves 60+ sack lunches three times a week to three different locations in the summer. Currently we are in the midst of our Weekend Backpack Program that assembles bags of non-perishable food items on Fridays to over 60 children identified by the school district as children in need. These children are on the free and reduced breakfast and lunches and without the backpacks, may go hungry on the weekends. Each bag costs \$5-6.00 per week, per student for a total of \$200 per child to feed for the entire school year. We estimate that the Weekend Backpack Program will cost \$14,000 unless this cost is offset by food and monetary donations.

Holmen's Hope is sponsoring a Chili Cook-off competition fundraiser on Saturday, February 4, 2022, from 12:00pm until 3:00pm at the Holmen American Legion. The fundraiser includes competitors to cook their favorite chili recipes for the public to come and taste their dish and cast monetary votes. The competitors will be competing for prize money and the People's Choice Award. All monetary votes will go to the Holmen's Hope fundraiser as well as the proceeds from the bucket raffle, silent auction, and sales from the hotdogs, soda, and water.

The cost for the public is \$5, and children ages 4 and under are free.

We hope that you will partner with the Holmen's Hope by donating cash and/or items for the bucket raffle and silent auction.

Please indicate how you wish to partner with Holmen's Hope:

\_\_\_\_\_ I would like to donate cash by writing a check to: Holmen's Hope. Please mail your donation gift to Holmen's Hope, PO Box 675, Holmen, WI 54636. **(Event Sponsorships \$500-\$1,000; Corporate/Individual Sponsorships \$200.00)**

\_\_\_\_\_ I would like to donate items for the bucket raffle and/or silent auction. Please call Patty at 608-399-1458 if you wish to have someone come and pick up your item or items.

\_\_\_\_\_ By partnering with Holmen's Hope, I give permission to be recognized on the Thank You board at the event.

We hope you will invite all your friends, family, co-workers, and/or employees to our Chili Cook- Off fundraiser.

Thank you,

Holmen's Hope Board of Directors

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