

December 14, 2023

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 community organization serving the over 20,000 individuals and families in the Holmen School District. During the summer, Holmen's Hope serves 60+ sack lunches three times a week to three different locations in Holmen. Currently we are in the midst of our Weekend Backpack Program that assembles bags of nonperishable food items on Fridays for 55-60 children identified by the school district as children in need. Each bag costs about \$6.00 per week, per student for a total of \$210 per child to feed for the entire school year. We estimate that the Weekend Backpack Program will cost \$12,000 this school year unless this cost is offset by food and monetary donations.

Holmen's Hope is sponsoring a Chili Cook-off competition fundraiser on Saturday, February 10, 2024, from 12:00pm until 3:00pm at the Holmen American Legion. The fundraiser includes competitors cooking their favorite chili recipes for the public to come and taste and cast monetary votes for their favorite. The competitors will be competing for prize money and the 1st, 2nd, 3rd place and People's Choice awards. 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 helping sponsor the fundraising event 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 monetarily by writing a check to: <u>Holmen's Hope</u>. 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 via our website, Facebook, and/or 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