



# ROTARY CLUB OF SOUTH SHORE

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## District Grant #P-2807

### Weekend Food Backpack Program

This is an interim report regarding the Weekend Food Backpack Program (District Grant #P-2807) for providing weekend food for twelve children attending PS 74 Future Leaders Elementary School located at 211 Daniel Low Terrace, Staten Island, NY 10301. The school serves almost exclusively poor families (88% qualify for free school nourishment).

The District Grant has helped these poor families get through the weekends with supplemental nourishment. During the school week the school provides not only free breakfasts and lunches but also after school hot meals, all of which are unavailable on weekends.

To date the program has provided the selected children 14 weekends of nourishment. South Shore Rotary has kept within budget [see attached receipts] spending \$1641.75 to cover the 14 weekends. Weekly expenditures averaging \$117/week.

SSR varies the food that is purchased over the month so that there is a variety. There are a few pieces of fresh produce weekly as well as breakfast oatmeal or cold cereal, snacks, e.g., granola bars, peanut butter and jelly, and dinner components, e.g., spaghetti sauce and pasta, canned ham, rice, beans, canned veggies, etc.

In addition to the foods that were purchased additional foods have been donated by South Shore Rotary members. When the school's parent coordinator called and asked if new winter coats were available for a few struggling kids we provided five new coats, independent of the grant.

The feedback we get from the school's parent coordinator is positive. The families are appreciative. With a little more food in their bellies the children are in a better position to learn and act out less.

Submitted: Michael Kormanik, Administrator of District Grant P-2807

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