

VOLUNTEERS

HOW CAN YOU HELP?

Set up a collection site at your place of work.
or at a sponsoring site.

Purchase needed items for children.

Volunteer to help collect items for our programs.

Help with publicity (newspaper / radio).

Help write "thank you" cards to the community.

Help pack items for families.

Help sort items at our warehouse.

Make signs.

Donate money.

Join our core group who meet regularly
to plan our programs.

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Reedsburg Area Helping Hands, Inc.
a totally volunteer
non-profit organization 501(C)3

Founded in 1998, Reedsburg Area Helping Hands (RAHH) became a "sister" organization of the Sauk County Giving Tree, a group that helped families in need during Christmas. With no resources and a handful of volunteers, RAHH grew into a non-profit 501(c) 3 organization funded by the community in which we live. It now has year-round programs to help families in the Reedsburg Area.

QUESTIONS

Who is served? Children from families of limited income or from families who may be having an unusually difficult year and who live in the Reedsburg School District.

How are referrals made? Through schools, churches and human services agencies.

How are people helped? Through four major programs. (described on the following page) and during family emergency situations throughout the year.

Who helps? Volunteers—along with businesses, churches, and civic organizations. Volunteers are always needed to help with setup, collection and distribution of seasonal items. Collection boxes and jars are placed throughout the community during our four major drives. Donations are accepted throughout the year.

How Many Are Helped? In 1998 (our first year) 170 children in 50 families were helped. In recent years, we have served as many as 500 children in about 200 families.

PROGRAMS

SCHOOL SUPPLY PROGRAM

This program provides school supplies (backpacks, glue sticks, book bags, pencil pouches, erasers, scissors, calculators, pencils, markers, pens, rulers, binders, notebooks, paper) for the Reedsburg School District to distribute to families who are unable to afford these supplies which are needed during the school year. The collection takes place in August.

MILK PROGRAM

Monetary donations are made to the Reedsburg School District to purchase milk for those who can't afford it for the students' morning milk break. This program is year-round.

MITTEN (Christmas) PROGRAM

In mid-December we try to provide clothing needed for the winter months, along with a family dinner and a toy to the children of families-in-need.

SPRING (Easter) BASKET PROGRAM

Personal hygiene items, candy, and small gifts for children are given to families at Easter time.