The CCEA Care Box Ministry aims to help the most vulnerable in our community, specifically children and seniors, who do not have the ability to come into the CCEA Complex to receive goods. We have partnered with Chesapeake City Elementary School to identify students at risk of food insecurity to provide them with weekly care packages to take home each

Care Box Ministry



Friday. These care packages provide nutritious meals and snacks for the student for the weekend. We make the care packages at regular intervals throughout the school year and deliver them to the school, who distributes them through a backpack program to the identified students. In addition, every other month, we make care packages of shelf-stable foods for registered seniors at the Canal Town Apartments. These items help the residents "expand their pantry" beyond their limited income.

If you are interested in donating specifically for the care box ministry, we are happy to receive your donations, either of non-perishable food items or money to purchase these products. Requested items are single-serve meals that can be easily prepared, such as Hormel microwave meals, canned ravioli, soups, macaroni and cheese cups, etc. We also request fruit cups, veggie cups, applesauce, and other individually-packaged cereals and snack items (like trail mix, granola bars, and more) for both of these groups that receive care boxes. We enjoy putting these packages together with a personal touch, considering items that the students or seniors would enjoy and that they can easily prepare on their own. Our goal is to make each person feel valued and cared for, as well as nourished.