

FIGHTING CHILD HUNGER

We believe no child should be hungry, so we're fighting child hunger through community and school partnerships.

THE ISSUE:



Children face a Weekend Food Gap

Over 100,000 children in the Twin Cities live in food insecurity - they don't always know if they will have food for their next meal. While these children have access to meals when at school during the week, the weekends present a gap when kids often go hungry. The Sheridan Story's mission is to fight child hunger by closing the weekend food gap.

OUR APPROACH:



Formation of a Community Network

The Sheridan Story takes a unique approach to fighting child hunger: we mobilize the community to partner with local schools. Each school is sponsored by a community group that provides funding for the weekend food program and volunteers to distribute the food to kids on Fridays. The Sheridan Story's goal is to give kids food while facilitating a community-to-school relationship that we encourage to grow beyond the weekend food program.

OUR ROLE:



Manage logistics and operations

The Sheridan Story is the logistical and operational arm of the program. We first develop and support the community-to-school partnerships. We then source, pack, manage inventory, store and deliver the food to the schools. We free up our community partners to do what they want to do - build a relationship with the school and give food to kids who are hungry.

THE IMPACT:



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Attentive Learners

Children who are hungry struggle to learn and pay attention in class – not just on Monday mornings, but all week long. Students who live in food insecurity but participate in a weekend food program show significant improvement in their grades, test scores, attendance, social interactions with peers and adults, self-esteem and more.

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