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THE SALVATION ARMY OFFERS FREE SUMMER FEEDING PROGRAM

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WHAT: The Salvation Army is once again providing a Summer Feeding Program. We will feed children 18 and younger during the summer months starting Wednesday, June 6th until Thursday, July 26, 2018.

WHEN Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays

WHERE **Ripley Apartments, 339 S.E. Lawrence**
Paradise Plaza, 1110 SW Powell St.
Deer Creek Housing Units, 423 SE Winfield

WHY Through a generous donation from several businesses the Topeka Salvation Army will once again be handing out sack lunches at the three (3) above locations during part of the summer months.

Nutrition is an essential component to combat food insecurity in children. During the summer months many children go hungry because school is no longer there to provide hot, nutritious meals. The Salvation Army is there during the summer to provide a nutritious lunch for children in disadvantaged areas. Major Lee Ann Burkett, corps officer of The Salvation Army states, "Food is a basic human need that we provide at The Salvation Army through our food pantry and community meal program year-round. Being able to expand services to feed children this summer is not only a great opportunity, but our responsibility in feeding all the children of our community."

Mobile Feeding Sites

Starting Wednesday, June 6th through Thursday, July 26, The Salvation Army's mobile canteen will be at three (3) locations to feed children 18 years and younger for FREE. The Salvation Army will deliver meals to the three (3) locations in their mobile canteen.

The feeding program is FREE for children 18 years and younger, but The Salvation Army is asking parents to accompany younger children to the three (3) sites for safety reasons.

INTERVIEWS Available with the following individuals:

- Major Lee Ann Burkett, corps officer, The Salvation Army, 785-233-9648
- Shelley Robertson, Development Director, The Salvation Army, 785-233-9648 ext. 309



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PHOTO OPPS

Any of the locations above on the various dates. The canteen is parked at The Salvation Army, 1320 SE 6th St. at all times.

ABOUT THE SALVATION ARMY

The Salvation Army is a religious and charitable organization that has been meeting human needs since 1865. The Salvation Army's mission is to preach the gospel of Jesus Christ and to meet human needs in His name without discrimination. The Salvation Army provides many program and services for the needy including social services, alcohol and drug rehabilitation, transitional housing, violence prevention classes and recreational activities.

In Shawnee County, The Salvation Army has been assisting families and individuals since 1886. Our social service program includes community evening meal, food pantry, rent/utility assistance, clothing, disaster relief, and supportive services for men and women available through our Veteran's Services. Worship services are every Sunday morning well as weekly bible study, character building programs for children, weekly women's ministry and monthly men's ministry groups.

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