Volunteers Sought as Thousands of Pounds of Free Groceries to be Distributed to Area Residents

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Aberdeen, WA - More than $40,000 worth of free food and goods to be given away in a single day as numerous Grays Harbor churches, businesses, community organizations, and governments unite to bring hope to local needy children

and their families on Sept. 18.
More than 35 area churches as well as numerous local businesses and community organizations are uniting to serve thousands of honored guests with more than $40,000 worth of free food and goods during Grays Harbor?s first ever Convoy of Hope outreach on Saturday, Sept. 18.
The free outreach to local needy children and their families will be held at 10 a.m., rain or shine, at Olympic Stadium in Hoquiam. No identification is required. Groceries will be distributed on a first-come, first-served basis while supplies last.
For event information or to volunteer, call (360) 591-6168 or www.graysharborconvoy.org

To find out more about Convoy of Hope, www.convoyofhope.org

The goal of the Convoy of Hope outreach is to reach out to Grays Harbor children and families by meeting some of their most basic needs. In addition to thousands of pounds of free groceries being distributed, guests can also take advantage of a health fair including medical, dental and optical screening; family photo portraits; haircuts; games and activities for children; and live entertainment. And it's all FREE!

"We are prepared to serve thousands of people" said local Convoy Coordinator Doug Marks. The Convoy of Hope estimate was 3,000 to 6,000.
Similar events around the nation have drawn crowds of 5,000 or more. Organizers estimate that approximately 500 local volunteers will be required to successfully staff such a large one-day event.
A volunteer rally is scheduled for Thursday, Sept. 16 at the D&R Theatre in Aberdeen.
Convoy of Hope, a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization, feeds the hungry and provides pure drinking water to people in need across the United States and around the world. To date, the organization has provided real help to 34.8 million people in 109 countries and 46 states.

Lauded for its effectiveness and efficiency, Convoy of Hope mobilizes thousands of volunteers each year to deliver food and supplies and to offer hope to the poor and suffering.