



Backpacks On A Mission Delivery and Collection Drivers – Service Opportunity With Ministry

Partner

Time Commitment – 1 hour each week on designated days during Hillsborough County School Year

Backpacks On A Mission Delivery and Return Drivers

- Deliver packed bins to our partner schools on Wednesday or Thursday mornings, and
- Collect empty bins and return them to SSUMC by Tuesday mornings.

Backpacks On A Mission celebrates South Shore's commitment to *Salty Service*, which focuses on serving persons outside the church family. For Jesus, the neighbor we should love is anyone in need. We are sent out into the world. We are called to follow Jesus beyond our comfort zones, as his hands and feet and voice. *Salty Servants* are compassionately focused outward beyond themselves, beyond their family, beyond their group. Jesus gave his life "for the whole world," not just for those we know in our congregation; and so, we are sent out as ambassadors of reconciliation, agents of the Kingdom which God desires to give to all God's children.

Backpack On A Mission Delivery and Collection Drivers must have reliable transportation to and from our partner schools (Collins, Corr, Dawson, Doby, Summerfield, Summerfield Crossings Elementaries).

It is recommended that *Backpack On A Mission* Delivery and Collection Drivers transport items in a truck or SUV due to the size of bins used to transport items.

It is recommended that *Backpack On A Mission* Delivery and Collection Drivers feel comfortable lifting, loading, unloading, and carrying packed bins. Carts and assistance are available both at South Shore UMC and our partner schools to assist with loading and unloading.

1. Be in **prayer** for our partner schools and your fellow servants while you work.
Example: Lord, bless this day and those who will be nourished in body and soul through this gift of food. Amen.
2. Delivery of Filled Bins:
 - a. Pick up filled bins on Wednesday or Thursday morning and deliver to designated schools.
 - b. Bins need to be delivered by 11am on Thursdays.
3. Collect Empty Bins from Designated Schools:
 - a. Empty bins are to be picked up at the school by 10am Tuesday mornings.
 - b. Return empty bins to the SSUMC Narthex (office hours begin at 8:30am weekday)

If you are interested in learning more about and/or serving with *South Shore Readers*, please begin with prayer, such as

Lord, guide me in the discernment and investment of my gifts in service to you and your Kingdom through South Shore. Amen.

Then, connect with Pastor Sarah via sarah@southshoreumc.com.