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BOY SCOUTS LEND HELPING HAND DURING ANNUAL SCOUTING FOR FOOD DRIVE

(AMARILLO, TX – MARCH 20, 2012) Scouts representing the 27-county area of the Golden Spread Council, Boy Scouts of America, will assist those in need by collecting non-perishable food items during the *Annual Scouting for Food* drive on March 24th. Several thousand Scouts and volunteers will go door-to-door on Saturday, March 24th, to collect food items for the *Scouting for Food* drive. Households will be asked to donate non-perishable food items (please no frozen foods or glass containers).

The donated food items will be given to High Plains Food Bank and many other local food pantries and churches for distribution to the needy. All food remains in the area in which it is collected. If a Scout does not come to your door, donations can be brought to any United Supermarkets in the Amarillo area where you can place your items.

WHAT:*SCOUTING FOR FOOD DRIVE*

WHO:**APPROXIMATELY 5,000 SCOUTS AND VOLUNTEERS**

WHEN:**SATURDAY, MARCH 24th, 9:00 AM – NOON (SCOUTS COLLECT FOOD)**

Types Of Food Needed: Non-Perishable Items only, Preferably canned goods. (Examples: Canned Vegetables, Canned Fruits, Canned Meats, Peanut Butter in Plastic Containers, Rice and Pinto Beans – Nothing Frozen or in Glass Containers)

The Golden Spread Council serves more than 8,000 youth in 27 counties of the Panhandles of Texas and Oklahoma. Scouting works to foster the character development, worldwide citizenship and the moral, mental and physical fitness of young people. The Golden Spread Council is a United Way agency. For more information, please contact Scott Kilian @ the Golden Spread Council Service Center at 806-358-6500.

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