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Local seniors donate food, give back to community

MERIDIAN, Idaho – Baked beans, oatmeal, peanut butter, pasta sauce, hash browns and canned tuna are just a few of the items residents and staff of Touchmark at Meadow Lake Village packed into food boxes on Dec. 8. It didn't take long, and 40 boxes were packed and ready for delivery to Pierce Park Elementary School and Covenant Presbyterian in Meridian. Each box contains nutrient-rich nonperishable food to feed a family of four people for a week. The organizations distribute the boxes to families and individuals in need.

“This is a very tangible way to make people happy,” says Touchmark resident Jim Moore who has volunteered for the packing event for three years and also donates financially to the cause.

“Touchmark’s food box donation is one of our longstanding community holiday traditions,” says Executive Director Matt Hoskin. “We have a good time packing together, and we know we’re contributing to people who need some support.”

Helping feed hungry people is a year-round effort at Touchmark. In addition to the holiday food boxes, residents collect food year-round for the Meridian Food Bank. In 2015, the retirement community donated 930 pounds of food to the volunteer-run charity.

In addition to its food-drive focus, Touchmark donates proceeds from its annual classic car show to a local nonprofit. In 2015, it donated more than \$880 to the Wyakin Warrior Foundation.

About Touchmark at Meadow Lake Village:

Touchmark at Meadow Lake Village is an award-winning, full-service retirement community offering a range of homes and lifestyle options. More information is available at Touchmark.com.

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