# BILIE CEDGE

#### Blue Ledge Meals on Wheels Annual Shelf Stable Food Drive

Each year, Blue Ledge Meals on Wheels - in partnership with the Subaru Share the Love Event - organizes a food drive to collect non-perishable food items for our clients. The goal is to collect and distribute enough goods so that clients have food over the winter months in case bad weather prohibits deliveries.

Please help us by dropping off *non-perishable, shelf-stable, single serve items* to one of these two locations between Nov 21- Dec 27, 2024. Please feel free to make copies and share this flyer everywhere you can!

#### **Drop off locations - Thank You!**

Blue Ledge appreciates their support and YOURS!

<u>Amherst County Chamber of Commerce Visitor Center</u> - 328 Richmond Hwy Ste A

Wednesday – Saturday 9am -5pm - Sunday 1pm – 5pm

<u>Amherst Dy Cleaners</u> – 455 South Main Street

Monday – Friday 7am – 5:30 PM - Saturday 9am – 1pm

Wish-list of suggested items (cans should be single serving and easy-open)
Please check the expiration date, as we cannot serve food which has expired.

Soup(s)

Crackers/Nabs

Peanut Butter

Cereal

Granola/Energy Bars

Vienna Sausage

Beanie-Weenie

Canned/Pouch Tuna

Small Canned Ham

Canned Corn Beef Canned

Beans

Instant Oatmeal

**Applesauce** 

Fruit Cups

Canned pasta

**Puddings** 

Jell-o

Bottled Water

Potted Meat

Instant Grits



### SUBARU **share the love** EVENT

As part of a national partnership with Meals on Wheels America, Subaru of America, Inc. will donate \$300 to the purchaser's choice of participating charities — one of which is Meals on Wheels — for every new vehicle purchased or leased from November 21, 2024, through January 2, 2025. Since the Subaru Share the Love Event began in 2008, Subaru and its participating retailers have donated nearly 4 million meals and friendly visits to seniors being served by local Meals on Wheels programs across the country. For more information, visit

www.MealsonWheelsAmerica.org/ShareTheLove.



## Blue Ledge Meals on Wheels, your <u>local</u> Meals on Wheels organization for northern Amherst County.

Annual shelf stable food drive. Our clients are homebound and unable to prepare meals for themselves. We don't have any age requirements, and we don't have income requirements. Recipients of Blue Ledge Meals on Wheels cover a wide range of ages and economic status. Many of our clients give a donation for their meals. You may wonder, why do we collect shelf stable food every November and December then? All of our delivery drivers are volunteers using their own vehicles. In cases of inclement weather, we will often have to cancel meals in an abundance of caution to keep everyone safe. In these cases, our meal recipients may not have any food in the house. We bring each client a bag of shelf stable items in December and again in January so they will have something on-hand should we be unable to deliver meals to them. Our wish-list of items for our annual food drive is all individual serving items that require little to no preparation in order to be eaten. Our food recipients can't use things like boxes of pasta, jars of spaghetti sauce, bags of stuffing, those items require the ability to prepare food. Our shelf stable food drive runs from November 21st through December 27th, 2024.

Become a Volunteer! We are always in need of volunteers. We all have busy schedules and finding drivers who can deliver on specific days requires having a large pool of volunteers to work with. We are an all-volunteer organization. We have no paid employees, everything we do is made possible through the dedication and generosity of our volunteers. We are specifically in need of substitute drivers right now. We will train you on a route and introduce you to our meal recipients. We will contact you when there is a need for a substitute on that route and if you are available on the day we need, you will pick up meals and deliver them. You can find a volunteer application on our website; www.blueledge.org, or you can call our coordinator, Tammy, at 434-942-4864.

