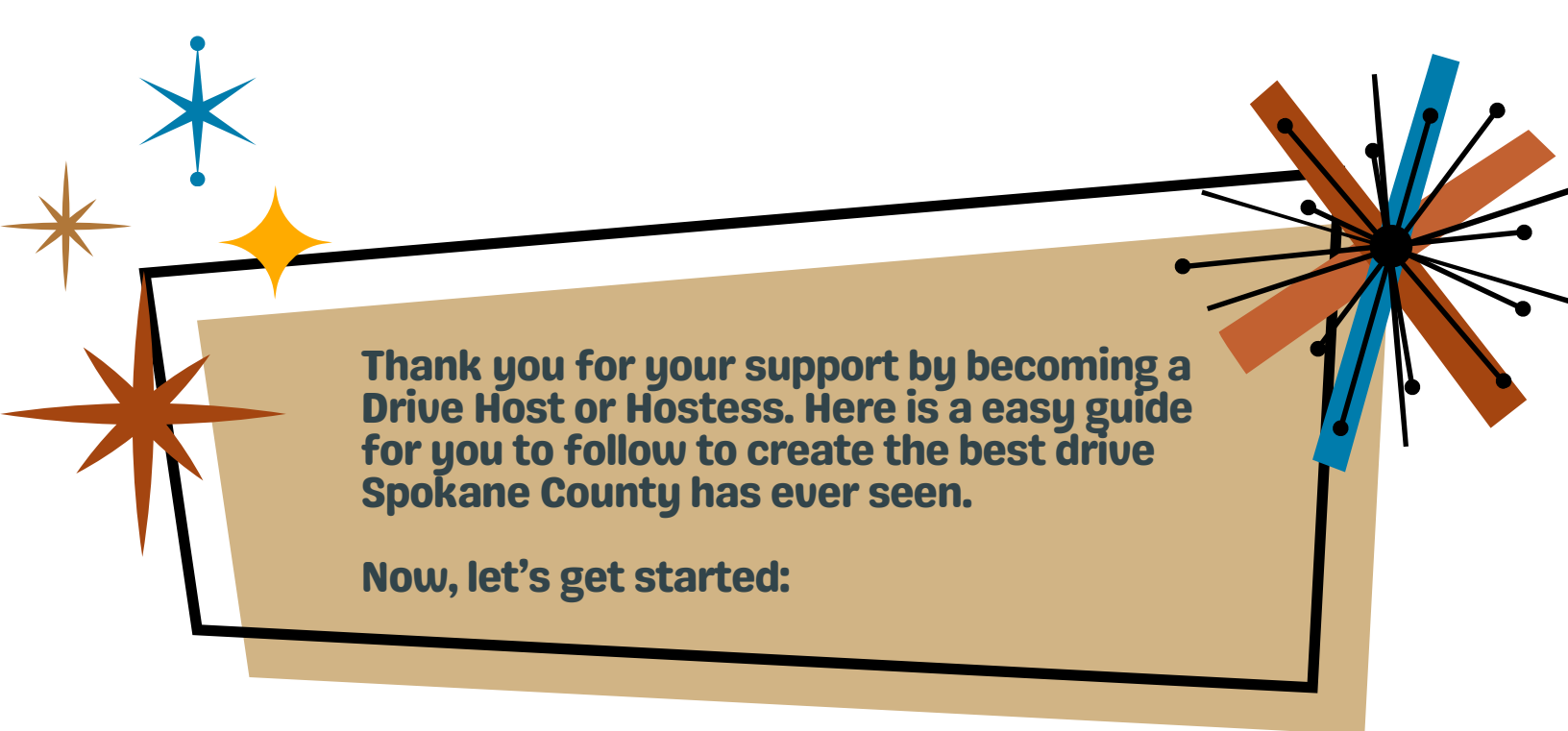




So, you want to  
host a drive?

**HOSTING A SUCESSFULL DRIVE:  
FROM PLANNING TO DONATING!**






Thank you for your support by becoming a Drive Host or Hostess. Here is a easy guide for you to follow to create the best drive Spokane County has ever seen.

Now, let's get started:



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# How to Support Partners INW



## Host a Drive or Fundraiser

At Partners INW, we believe in the power of community. Every food item, diaper, or shirt, donated helps us meet the urgent needs of families across our region. Last year alone, thanks to our incredible network of supporters, we distributed over 2.5 million pounds of food and that was just the beginning.

### Drives That Make a Difference

Traditional food drives remain a vital way to stock our shelves and fill pantries. But our community's needs go beyond food. We invite you to host drives for:

- Diapers and baby items
- Hygiene products
- Clothing for all ages
- Nonperishable food

Whether you're a business, school, faith group, or sports team, organizing a drive is a hands-on way to make a meaningful impact.

### Stretch Your Impact with Fundraisers

Did you know that monetary donations allow us to stretch every dollar further? While one dollar might buy a single canned item, that same dollar donated directly helps us provide essentials that are harder to collect through traditional drives things like fresh produce and proteins.

### Try a Virtual Drive

Virtual drives are a fun and interactive way to rally support online. Set a fundraising goal, track your progress, and see your impact grow all with our help and resources.

Together, we can create real impact in our community; one meal, one diaper, one donation, and one drive at a time.

# THINGS TO THINK ABOUT

Hosting a drive is a powerful way to bring people together and support families across the Inland Northwest. It can be as simple or as extravagant as you want to make it. Just have fun and remember your time and energy is going to a meaningful cause.

Before you get started, here are a few things to consider:



## PLANNING & PURPOSE

- What is the goal of the food drive?
- **What are the start and end dates?**
- What types of donations are you asking for?

## LOGISTICS

- How many barrels will you need?
- Where will donations be collected, and how will they be stored?
- Do we need any supplies?
- Who will be responsible for transporting items?

## OUTREACH

- How will you promote the your drive?
- Will you partner with local businesses, schools, or community groups?
- Are there incentives or themes?

## VOLUNTEERS

- How many volunteers are needed, if any, and what roles will they play?
- Who will track donations and report progress?

## FOLLOW-UP

- How will you thank donors and volunteers?
- Will you share results or impact stories with the community?
- Will you make this an annual or recurring event?

## DON'T FORGET

### REGISTER YOUR DRIVE!

You can go online at [partnersinw.org](http://partnersinw.org) and fill out a Barrel Request.

OR

Contact Britni Minkler at 509-508-4153. Or email [britnim@partnersinw.org](mailto:britnim@partnersinw.org)



# HIGH NEED ITEMS

As the drive Host or Hostess you have enough to think about. To give you one less worry, here is a list of high demand items Partners INW constantly needs.

## Food

### Proteins

Canned tuna, chicken, or salmon  
Peanut butter  
Canned beans  
Shelf-stable tofu  
Plant-based proteins

### Grains & Carbohydrates

Rice  
Pasta and pasta sauce  
Instant mashed potatoes  
Macaroni and cheese  
Oatmeal and breakfast cereals

### Fruits & Vegetables

Canned or cup vegetables  
Canned or cup fruit  
Applesauce  
Tomato products

### Soups & Meals

Canned soups and stews  
Chili or ravioli  
Boxed meal kits

### Snacks & Miscellaneous

Granola bars or protein bars  
Crackers  
Shelf-stable milk / milk alternatives  
Spices, salt, pepper  
Cooking oil

## Pet

### Furbaby Care

Cat Food  
Dog Food  
Pet Treats  
Dog bags  
Cat Litter

### Restriction

- No open containers of food.
- No homemade items (such as jams and jellies, baked goods).
- Nothing that requires the item to be distributed under the care of a physician.

## Infant

### Infant & Baby Care

Diapers (ALL SIZES)  
Formula  
Baby Food (jars & pouches)  
Baby wipes  
Baby shampoo & body wash  
Diaper rash cream

### Personal Care

Bar soap or body wash  
Shampoo and conditioner  
Toothbrushes (individual)  
Toothpaste  
Deodorant  
Razors and shaving cream  
Feminine hygiene products  
(pads, tampons, liners)  
Lotion or moisturizer

### Hair & Grooming

Combs & brushes  
Hair ties or elastics  
Dry shampoo  
Hair gel or styling products

### Laundry & Cleaning

Laundry detergent  
Fabric softener sheets  
Washcloths

### Miscellaneous

Hand sanitizer  
Nail clippers  
Lip balm  
Tissues (travel packs)  
Cotton swabs

## Hygiene



# You're ready to host a successful Drive!

So, now you have the ins and outs of hosting an amazing drive! Whether your drive collects one barrel or one hundred; it is important for you to remember that your drive made a difference for your neighbors.

The only thing left to do is go out and create the best drive the inland northwest has ever seen!



## CONTACT

BRITNI MINKLER TO REGISTER YOUR DRIVE TODAY!  
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