K-KIDS CLUB OF ST PATRICK SCHOOL

Pet Food Drive!!
Feb. 2-6
Help the dogs and cats!!
They need you!

FEEDING CATS AND DOGS
FEBRUARY 2015
SERVICE NEED

Each year, speakers from the NH SPCA come to St. Patrick School to talk about what the SPCA does and how they help save and protect animals and find them new homes. The students learn about how much it takes to feed and care for the hundreds of animals that the SPCA processes in the course of a year and how they can help in small ways.

In order to assist the NH SPCA in their efforts, the K-Kids Club at St. Patrick School organized a week-long project at school to help feed the cats and dogs that are sheltered at the NH SPCA facility in Stratham NH.
PROJECT PLAN

The plan for the project was developed by the club’s officers who wanted to do some sort of project to benefit the SPCA. The officers met during recess one morning with their Kiwanis Advisor Mr. Dennett to work out the details. They gathered information from the NH SPCA’s web site about their most urgent needs and then decided on what they felt was doable for the club. They agreed on doing a week-long collection of cat and dog food items at school and for club members to make home-made dog treats to donate as well.
PROJECT IMPLEMENTATION

Club members made posters to hang around the school and put bins around the school to collect the items that students and teachers brought in. At the end of the week, club members counted and sorted the items that were collected and packed them to be delivered to the NH SPCA. Club members also came to school on a Saturday morning to make the home-made dog treats that would be delivered with all the items collected.
**FINAL RESULTS**

The collection drive resulted in 79 assorted cat and dog food items collected - from large bags of dry dog food to small cans of cat food, that were delivered to the NH SPCA. Club members also donated 50 bags of home-made dog treats.

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TOTAL: $250

THANK YOU
PUBLIC AWARENESS

Club members made posters about the collection drive at a club meeting that would be put up around the school to let the school population know about the project. Club officers went around to each classroom in the school and talked about the project to encourage students to bring in items. A flyer was also made that was sent to all school parents via the school’s weekly newsletter to promote the project. Information was also sent to the sponsoring Kiwanis Club of The Seacoast and the University of NH Circle K Club about the project.

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MEMBER IMPACT

Club members felt very proud that they were able to collect all the items that were donated to the NH SPCA to help feed the cats and dogs sheltered there. Also, the club members who helped make the home-made dog treats learned valuable lessons in working together as a team in the kitchen, following recipe directions, and seeing and tasting the results of their efforts.
ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

When we think of doing service projects, we think of projects that help people. This project allowed students to act like St. Francis of Assisi- the patron Saint of animals, who saw animals as his brothers and sisters because they were God’s creatures, just like people.