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National Council of Jewish Women Will Prepare 1,000 "Snack Packs" for Eight Local Elementary Schools

The National Council of Jewish Women Bergen County Section (NCJW BCS) is making the weekends happier for some local children! At its next general meeting, members and volunteers will pack 1,000 child-friendly, healthy goody bags, which will be donated to the Center for Food Action for distribution. This is double the number of "snack packs" they filled last year! The meeting will take place at Temple Emeth, 1666 Windsor Road, Teaneck, on January 16, 2017 at 12:30 pm.

The Snack Packs are distributed by the Center for Food Action to children in eight local elementary schools. The teachers discreetly place the packs into the students' backpacks when they are out of the classrooms. The contents of the snack packs include juices, Mac and Cheese, cereals, energy bars and other healthy foods. Many children who receive free or reduced-price school meals are hungry on weekends and these Weekend Snack Packs are part of an effort to reduce childhood hunger in local neighborhoods.

The NCJW BCS is encouraging members and guests to volunteer in this important project. There is no charge for the event.

National Council of Jewish Women Bergen County Section is celebrating its 95th Anniversary this year. For more information about this program, or about the National Council of Jewish Women Bergen County Section, please contact <u>office@ncjwbcs.org</u> or 201-385-4847.

The National Council of Jewish Women (NCJW) is a grassroots organization of volunteers and advocates who turn progressive ideals into action. Inspired by Jewish values, NCJW strives for social justice by improving the quality of life for women, children, and families and by safeguarding individual rights and freedoms.

Caption:

National Council of Jewish Women make up "Snack Packs" to be distributed through the Center for Food Action to children in eight local elementary schools. This year the organization intends to double the number of Snack Packs they pack to 1,000!