## **AMEN Cannot Do This Alone**

Consider this ongoing program as an opportunity to partner with us. You will be providing support and service to the Oregon military community, letting them know that assistance is available, now and in the future.



We Are Always Looking for Volunteers 503-939-7664 or pdblake@frontier.com







# **How You Can Help**

#### Volunteer

Volunteers help pack food boxes in the warehouse. Many of our volunteers are veterans, themselves. To find out how you can help call 503-939-7664, or email at <a href="mailto:pdblake@frontier.com">pdblake@frontier.com</a>





#### **Donate Full Cases of Food**

Donating full cases of food is a very efficient means of giving.

#### **Donate Funds**

The average cost to purchase supplies for one food box is \$30. Consider an ongoing monthly donation. You can donate via PayPal, our GoFund site (the links can be found on our website <a href="https://www.amen-project.org">www.amen-project.org</a>), or mail a check.

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# American Military Encouragement Network

Dedicated to serving Active Duty Military and National Guard families and Veterans in Oregon and SW Washington State.



#### **American Military Encouragement Network**

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Donations and gifts are tax-deductible.

# **History**

American Military Encouragement Network (AMEN) started out as a mission at Damascus Community Church in 2005 supporting overseas troops. In 2015 we formed a 501(c)3 non-profit as the work and the needs continued to grow.

From its inception AMEN's focus is the support of Active-Duty Military and National Guard families and Veterans. The biggest identified need is for food.

"Military families are increasingly turning to food banks as they struggle to put food on the table. According to a 2020 Military Family Lifestyle Survey by Blue Star Families, 14% of active-duty service members reported experiencing food insecurity."

~Abbie Schull, April 5, 2021, The News Tribune

## What We Do

AMEN is run by an all-volunteer workforce, there are no paid employees. This ensures all donations go entirely towards purchasing food and supplies for veteran and military families.

We currently provide monthly food boxes to military families and veterans of all branches. Some of our partner programs receive weekly food boxes for homeless veterans.

### **Present**

Food products are received, sorted, weighed in our warehouse in Clackamas and then distributed. The food boxes we pack contain shelf stable canned and packaged foods, fruits, vegetable soups, cereals and grains, enough to make a number of full meals. Generous donations of fresh bread, pastries and meats complement the food boxes.

The 5 months from January 1-June 1,2021 over 32,600 food boxes have been delivered. This is currently an average of 6520 boxes monthly to active duty troops, their families, veterans and others in need.



AMEN has partnered with **DoGood Multnomah** to assist homeless veterans. Each week we provide hundreds of pounds of food to approximately 300 area vets in 4 different shelters.

We have since expanded to support **GreaterGood** providing food for homeless individuals in the Metro Portland area.

\*Because of the COVID-19 pandemic we have expanded our mission to help local families, as well.\*



## **Our Generous Donor Organizations**





