

# BHP



## PACKING PROS AT FOODBANK

Foodbank believes everyone should have access to good quality food, which is why they aim to help the everyday Australians who are going without. With the rising cost of living, over 2 million households in Australia have experienced severe food insecurity in the last 12 months. They are a not-for-profit organisation operating in every state and territory in Australia, providing almost 7.8 million meals to Western Australians in 2022. And as Australia's largest food relief organisation, Foodbank work with 2,950 frontline charities and 2,890 school breakfast programs every year to get over 87.9 million meals out to those who could use a hand. Foodbank relies heavily on the assistance of corporate volunteers to help sort donations and pack food hampers, which would then be sold within Foodbank agency space or distributed throughout the various Foodbank hubs in WA.

On Tuesday 7 November, 7 volunteers from BHP's Mining Systems Site Operations spent the day at Foodbank WA at Perth Airport. On arrival, the team was split into two teams: kitchen and warehouse. The kitchen team was greeted by Chef Grant who took the team through a kitchen induction before getting started. The task for the day was to put together individual portions of spaghetti bolognese. Each person picked a station and formed a production line. The team joined forces with another group of volunteers and managed to complete over 800 meals. An amazing achievement! Meanwhile, the warehouse team were in charge of putting together panty hampers. These hampers will be loaded onto the Foodbank Mobile Truck in the coming weeks. Consisting of canned vegetables, cereal, long-life milk, snacks and pasta, these packs will be accessible to those who are unable to travel to the Perth Airport branch to complete their food shopping. A massive 480 boxes were packed between only four of them!

The Foodbank team are extremely happy with the teams' effort and are extremely grateful for giving their time and helping hands! Well done BHP!

  
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[You can view more photos from the team day HERE.](#)