

# NORTHWEST TOWNS SPORTSMEN'S CLUB

## Jerky for the Troops 2024

### Jerky for Troops

Jerky for U.S. Troops is a charity started 20 years ago by a member of the Northwest Town Sportsmen Club, a club of all types of outdoors men. Sponsored by VFW Post 981, American Legion Post 208, Sons of the American Legion 208, Auxiliary Post 208, and Junior Auxiliary Post 208. The project mission was to collect fresh venison from local hunters and package it safely to ship to the US troops. Over time it has grown tremendously, having a record year each year. This year we will have hundreds of pounds of high protein, fresh, free-range venison being turned into jerky for the troops, this hits home with troops whether they are sportsmen or just looking for a taste of home.

### Adopt a Box

“Adopt a Box” program is a \$25 donation (actual shipping cost of an APO box) or more if desired. A donation box will be setup at American Legion Post 208, 121 N Douglas Ave. Arlington Heights, IL 60004 in December, January, and February to collect items to be donated along with the Jerky. We encourage sending a letter or picture of encouragement to our soldiers, letting them know that America is thinking and supporting them.

Item donations and letters for the “Adopt a Box” can be dropped off or mailed to the **American Legion Post 208, 121 N Douglas Ave. Arlington Heights, IL 60004**. Checks should be made out to NWTSC mail to **American Legion Post 208, 121 N Douglas Ave. Arlington Heights, IL 60004**, or **Dale Berg, 702 W Burning Tree Ln, Arlington Heights, IL 60004** or bring the day of jerky making, or boxing day.

### Deer Donations

Please contact **Dale Berg at 847-636-1479 or [bergda@comcast.net](mailto:bergda@comcast.net)**

### Schedule of Processing and Packaging

#### **At the American Legion Post 208, Arlington Heights, IL**

Volunteers will gather to lay out the strips in trays to be dehydrated later.

**Sunday, February 18, 2024, 11:00 AM**

Volunteers will gather to box jerky, donated items and letters that will be sent to the troops.

**Saturday, March 16, 2024, 11:00 AM**

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## SOME SUGGESTED ITEMS FOR THE TROOPS

### PERSONAL HYGIENE ITEMS:

High quality razors, foot powder, chap stick, dental floss, toothbrushes, 8 oz shampoo or travel sizes for men and women

### FOOD AND SNACKS:

Snacks such as protein bars, granola bars, nuts (roasted peanuts, cashews, almonds etc.), sunflower seeds, fruit snacks, cookies, instant soup mixes, roman noodles.

### CANDY AND GUM:

Brand name chewing gum, life saver rolls, hard candy, Swedish fish, skittles individually wrapped licorice, airheads, etc.

### POCKET SIZE POWDERED DRINKS:

Propel powder drinks, protein powder drinks, packets of hot chocolate, instant coffee, lemonade, energy-C.

### MISCELLANEOUS:

Stationary, envelopes, dice, travel-size games, socks, etc.

**Please no large size shampoos or liquids as they will be rejected by Post Office. Thanks.**

### CARDS AND LETTERS EXPRESSING YOUR SUPPORT AND THANKS.

### PLEASE DROP OFF ITEMS AT

**AMERICAN LEGION POST 208, 121 N DOUGLAS AVE, ARL HTS, IL 60005**

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## JERKY FOR THE TROOPS 2024 – Request Form

Person Submitting Service Person: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact #: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Service Person: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Please send this form & a picture, if possible, of the service person.

Email to : [bergda@comcast.net](mailto:bergda@comcast.net)

Or Mail to: Dale Berg  
702 W burning Tree Lane  
Arlington Heights, IL 60004

**SERVICE PERSONNEL SHOULD BE IN ACTIVE SERVICE IN MARCH 2024, AS THIS IS DATE PACKAGES ARE SENT OUT.**

**IF NOT ON ACTIVE DUTY PACKAGES WILL BE RETURNED TO US.**