



Bake for War Child

Bake for War Child aims to raise awareness of War Child's work, particularly its mobile field bakery projects. As a host, you gather a group of friends, family or colleagues, and provide morning or afternoon tea and some information about War Child. The idea is to encourage people to donate to War Child, either by giving you a donation on the day, or by donating directly to War Child later. Alternatively, people at your school, workplace or community organisation might all decide to bring along something baked, and a donation.

What's the link between War Child and baking?

War Child provides practical, sustainable aid to people (particularly children) in war torn areas. Often, that aid involves feeding people. Mobile field bakeries can produce thousands of loaves of bread per day, providing some basic nutrition for thousands of people. In recent years, mobile field bakeries have operated in Iraq and Afghanistan. The bakery in Afghanistan, based in Herat, operated for five months in 2002, feeding more than 20,000 people a day and baking a total of more than five million loaves.

Do I have to bake?

No. Many people who "Bake for War Child" buy buns or cakes for their guests.

Will my friends think I'm pushy?

No. You don't have to preach (in fact, we'd prefer you not to!). Most hosts find it's simplest to print some information about War Child (including how to donate) for people to take away, and have some way of accepting money from people who want to contribute straight away. Your War Child state coordinator can provide you with information to print.

What do I do with the money I collect?

Please forward War Child a cheque or money order equal to the amount you've collected.

Can I organise an event at a shopping centre or other public place?

No. We ask that you restrict your Bake for War Child efforts to the communities that you're already part of. Food safety regulations vary by state and local government jurisdiction, and it is generally not feasible for hosts to prepare food safety plans and comply with all the regulations for public events.

OK, what do I do next?

If you're interested in hosting a Bake for War Child event, please contact your War Child Australia state coordinator, who will provide you with information and offer any other assistance you need.

State coordinators

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To make a donation or forward funds you have raised, you can:

- Post a cheque or money order payable to War Child Australia to:
War Child Australia
PO Box 3800
Middle Camberwell Victoria 3124

Make a direct bank deposit. Contact your state coordinator for details.

For more on War Child, go to www.warchild.org.au or write to us at PO Box 3800
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