

YHS collects 5,000 cans for Manna House

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Students at Yosemite High School wrapped up one of the most successful annual canned food drives to date bringing in more than 5,000 cans for Manna House.

The Yosemite High School Associated Student Body (ASB) sponsored the benefit for Manna House as part of a two-week competition through the North Sequoia League of high schools.

The drive began with a rally in the Harry Baker Gym where each student was encouraged to bring a canned food item for various games.

Students rolled cans across the floor using only their noses to bring the cans to their partners on the other side of the gym.

"Students who might not have brought cans otherwise were able to participate," said Diane Adney, ASB adviser and assistant principal.

Adney said the ASB leadership class was able to contribute more than 1,000 cans to Manna House.

Consuelo Mercier's students collected more than 1,000 cans through the help of Rotary International and the Interact Club.

The Interact Club also put together baskets for needy families using the donations, which included toys and other necessities.

Many teachers supported the project.

Tammy Treber's freshman English class brought in more than 2,000 cans.

"I am overwhelmed by the generosity of my students and their families," Treber said.

The combined efforts of the students exceeded the school-wide goal of 5,000.



Dylan Alfaro (center) and students from Mrs. Treber's freshman class organize cans donated for Manna House.
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