



Imagine attending school and trying to focus on learning, but you are hungry. Imagine growing up and not knowing when or where you'll get your next meal.

The statistics are heartbreaking, but all too real for many local kids who live below the national poverty level. Sadly, many of these students are homeless, as well. Now imagine how you can make a huge difference in the lives of these kids when you support the Ben Curtis Family Foundation.

2003 British Open Champion Ben Curtis and his wife, Candace, started the Ben Curtis Family Foundation in 2013, with a mission to help alleviate childhood hunger. Numerous studies have shown that when children attend school with full stomachs, they are better able to focus in the classroom. We currently serve families in Kent, Barberton and Ravenna, with a goal to keep expanding our service area.

BIRDIE BAGS CONTAIN



**9
Meals**



**6
Snacks**



**1
Toiletry Kit**

2013

1 school
135 bags

2019

12 schools
2600 bags

60,000

bags sent home
since 2017

The first Birdie Bin Pantry started in

2017

We now serve 4 pantries in

2019

With the help and generosity of many supporters, our fundraising has allowed us to extend our reach and implement the Birdie Bag program to both elementary schools in Barberton. We have also opened a Birdie Bin Pantry for the students in Ravenna. Looking forward, we hope to support all students in need in both districts. Your generosity will help change the lives of the children and families we serve. We wouldn't be successful without your support.



CONNECTING WITH LOCAL COMMUNITIES TO HELP KIDS SUCCEED

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74% of students in Ravenna live in households below the national poverty level. *That's over 200 students classified as homeless.*

1 out of 5 children struggle with hunger.



3 out of 4

3 out of 4 teachers have children in their classrooms who regularly come to school hungry.



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