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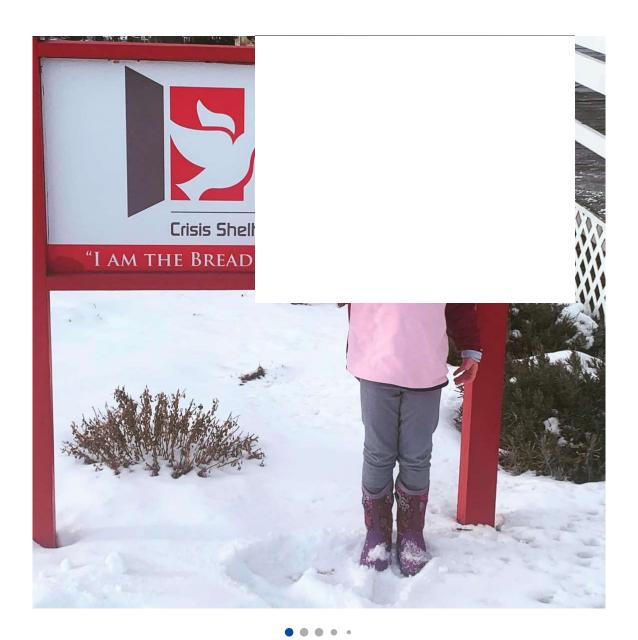
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Midland MOMS Club bakes Valentine's Day treats for Midland's Open Door

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Midland MOMS Club donated over 200 treats to Midland's Open Door in honor of Valentine's Day. The baked goods were d soup kitchen guests at lunch on Friday and Saturday leading up to Valentine's Day.

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In honor of Valentine's Day, members of the Midland MOMS club baked and donated over 200 treats to Midland's Open Door for the weekend's soup kitchen lunches.

Midland MOMS Club engages in a volunteer project once a month. In December, the group first considered baking cookies for Open Door in time for the Christmas season before deciding on the week of Valentine's Day with the goal of spreading love around.

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The treats were baked in the homes of different families across the Midland area and delivered to the Open Door on Thursday, Feb. 11. The cookies, cupcakes and other baked goods were then weighed, recorded and prepared by Open Door volunteers to be distributed among soup kitchen
guests at lunch on
Friday and
Saturday leading
up to Valentine's
Day.

"Each year, we try to do a large service project which benefits our community," said Michelle Morgenstern, president of the Midland MOMS Club. "We also do smaller-scaled activities yearround to contribute to our community at large. This year we made a financial donation in the fall to Open Door for holiday meals and now in February

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we wanted to help by contributing cookies to add something a little extra to the meals being served around Valentine's Day!"

Since the beginning of the pandemic, Open Door's meal demand has nearly doubled. The organization jumped from serving just over 48,000 in 2019 and to more than 71,000 in 2020. As food demand increases in the Midland area, more and more neighbors will find themselves in need of help for

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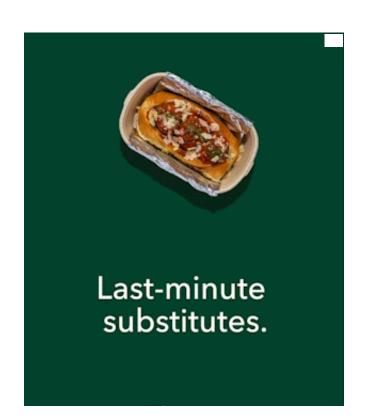
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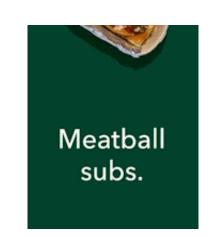
the first time in their lives.

"Something as simple as a baked good can set the table for hope," said Renee Pettinger, executive director of Midland's Open Door. "We're grateful for the many ways our Midland community has encouraged and supported our homeless and hurting neighbors, not just during the challenges of 2020, but for more than 40 years."



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chapter of MOMS Club is open to mothers from Midland, Auburn, Sanford and Freeland who are looking for community support. They offer a wide variety of low- or no-cost activities for moms and their children. Each monthly business meeting features guest speakers from the local community and beyond. To learn more about MOMS club and how to become a member, visit their website at momsclubofmidland.org.



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