Delaware FFA members pack 500 bags for 3B: Brae’s Brown Bags during Day of Service

On Wednesday March 8, 2017 Delaware FFA members packed 500 brown bags for 3B: Brae’s Brown Bags during the Day of Service held in conjunction with the 87th Delaware FFA State Convention. The 3B: Brae’s Brown Bags idea was created by Braeden Mannering when he was 9 years old. 3B is all about packing brown bags with a water bottle, non-perishable healthy food items like granola bars, pretzels and fruit snacks, a pair of socks or gloves, depending on the season, and brochures for shelters, food banks in the area to help those in need become aware of the different organizations that can assist them.

These bags can be given out at events, made available at county and state Visitor Information Centers, etc. In essence it is kind of like a soup kitchen on-the-go. The bags could be made available at soup kitchens and shelters for people. So instead of a regularly scheduled time where everyone gathers to eat, "Brae's Brown Bags" could instead be available to grab-and-go which is convenient and great for young people.

Following the Day of Service Braeden had a chance to address Delaware FFA members along with Lt. Governor Bethany Hall-Long. According to Braeden, “FFA students are leaders who agvocate, they understand the importance of agriculture and how it impacts everything from the food we eat to the clothes we wear. Today and every day, thank the farmers who work 365 days a year to!”