



## Operation: Heart

Military Connections Collection for the Troops  
Wednesday, February 9<sup>th</sup> – Wednesday, February 23<sup>rd</sup>

*The Amazing Alternatives Club Members are sponsoring a Valentine's Day collection for the troops. We will be donating the items to Military Connections, a non-profit organization that provides care packages, equipment and supplies to the Service Members overseas. Each grade level is asked to donate a different item from the following list, taken from the Military Connection's "Needed Supplies" list ([www.militaryconnections.org](http://www.militaryconnections.org)):*

*Kindergarten: Chapstick / Lip Balm, Granola Bars*

*Grade 1: Cookies, Pop-Tarts*

*Grade 2: Larabars, K-Cups for Keurig (Not Decaf)*

*Grade 3: Slim Jims, Beef Jerky*

*Grade 4: Tuna Packets, Energy Bars*

*Grade 5: Trail Mix, Peanuts, 5 Hour Energy Drinks*

*Grade 6: Canned Fruit with Pop Top Lids, Gum, Double Bubble*

*Special request for any grade level: Postage Stamps, Monetary Donations to defray the cost of shipping. You can make checks payable to Military Connections. If you want to purchase supplies, but don't want to go to a store, you can shop via Amazon or Sam's Club and ship directly to Military Connections: 312 Auburn Street PGH, PA 15235*

***Please check the use-by dates on items. Expired food cannot be shipped overseas!***

*Please send the needed items into school to your child's homeroom teacher. Collection boxes will be made available in each of the classrooms. We thank you, in advance, for your support with this project! If you should have any questions,*

*please contact Ms. Ward at: [bridget.ward@carlynton.k12.pa.us](mailto:bridget.ward@carlynton.k12.pa.us)*