

Fare for All Experience by Liz Pudas

I was curious about this "Fare For All". Since Eden Prairie Methodist is on my way home from work, I decided to check it out. Walking up to the building were the same sort of people you'd see at Target or Byerly's; mom with a stroller, a dad just off work, or grandma with a walker. Everything was set up just inside the front doors where a smiling volunteer greeted us. Immediately to our left was a buffet table with sample displays of each pack - meat, veggie, or a holiday pack. Another smiling volunteer was available to answer any questions.

After deciding which and how many packs I wanted, I moved down to one of 2 cashiers, who accepted payment and handed me a receipt. Turning around, I saw stacks of boxes on the other side of the entry way. Yet another volunteer took my receipt, slipped a white plastic bag of something over my arm & placed a brown cardboard box into my arms. As she ushered me out the door, a final volunteer handed me a cucumber, asking how many I'd like. I accepted two, and headed toward my car, noticing that someone was carrying the packs for those with a stroller & a walker.

My 'grocery shopping' trip was unlike a typical trip to CUB and had taken less than 5 minutes! The brands weren't familiar to me, and the food I received was different than what I might have chosen on my own, but it was all good!