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RE: **Detroit Tigers Foundation donates “peanut free”  
area Comerica Park**

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While baseball and peanuts go hand in hand, the ball park can be a deadly place for some people with a peanut allergy. For some individuals, just stepping on peanut shells releases enough airborne allergen to trigger a dangerous allergic reaction!

The Detroit Tigers Foundation recently donated use of two suites at Comerica Park to The Asthma and Allergy Foundation of America – Michigan Chapter (AAFA-MI) for peanut-allergic children to enjoy the game in a peanut-free area. Some of the children had never been able to attend a game before because of the prevalence of peanuts throughout the ballpark.

May is Asthma and Allergy Awareness Month. It is estimated that 60 million Americans are affected by asthma & allergies. About 12 million Americans suffer with food allergies. About 3 million of these Americans have a peanut and/or a tree nut allergy. 90% of all food allergy reactions are caused by only 8 foods: milk, soy, eggs, wheat, peanuts, tree nuts, fish and shellfish.

The Asthma and Allergy Foundation of America – Michigan Chapter (AAFA-MI), a non-profit 501 (c) 3 organization, has been serving Michigan residents for over 20 years. AAFA-MI is dedicated to providing the best in education, training and advocacy for those affected by allergies and asthma. AAFA-MI is pleased to join the Detroit Tiger’s Foundation so that food allergic children and families can safely enjoy America’s favorite pastime.

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