

donor newsletter

THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING US IN 2020!



Thanks to you, the food banks were able to keep everyone fed with safe and nutritious food over the holidays.

Over \$3M was raised during the Home for the Holidays Campaign! This means the 36 food banks across the province were able to meet demand over the holidays and are well positioned entering 2021 to support those who need these services.

In addition to safe and nutritious food, the food banks are purchasing critical PPE for staff and volunteers and managing food distribution in new ways to adhere to safe distancing guidelines.

Nutrien provided a \$250,000 cash donation to kick the holiday campaign off, continuing their historic partnership with the Food Banks of Saskatchewan. Nutrien has donated over \$8M since 2010, including a \$100,000 gift earlier this year towards the Crisis Response Fund.

"We are happy that we can support the communities where we live and operate in this way. We have seen first-hand, the important work the food banks do. Saskatchewan people saw the importance of ensuring everyone in our province had food on their table over the holidays and we extend our thanks to all of you who joined Nutrien in making a donation," says Candace Laing, Vice President, Sustainability and Stakeholder Relations, Nutrien.

Laurie O'Connor, Executive Director of Food Banks of Saskatchewan, shares: "We want to extend our biggest thanks to Nutrien, our partner of 11 years, for providing crucial support over the holidays. On behalf of all of the food banks, thank you to everyone who joined Nutrien in making a financial gift."

Thank you for your support!



SASKATCHEWAN UNION OF NURSES MAKES HISTORIC \$250,000 DONATION!



Nurses have been on the front lines of the COVID-19 crisis for months and months now. In the midst of their work they saw a need in the community and chose to respond in a big way. Representing over 10,000 registered nurses the Saskatchewan Union of Nurses (SUN) gave the largest donation in their history to the Food Banks of Saskatchewan last month.

This donation follows a \$50,000 contribution from SUN to the Food Banks of Saskatchewan's Crisis Response Fund at the beginning of the pandemic, When they saw that the need was even greater going into Christmas, they were quick to respond. Registered nurses are in every community across the province and see first-hand the positive effects being food secure has on a person's ability to be healthy.

"Being front-line workers we see when people are in trouble, we see when they're having issues with food security, and we know that this has been a really tough time. On behalf of our nearly 10,000 registered nurses we are so happy to donate \$250,000 to the Food Banks of Saskatchewan," says Tracy Zambory, SUN President.

"We know this pandemic will have a great economic impact on the province and that new users will be coming to our door. SUN has generously supported us because they are concerned about where their neighbours who might be struggling are going to find their next meal. This gift from SUN is amazing," states Laurie O'Connor, Saskatchewan Food Banks Executive Director.

Thank you, SUN, for your contributions!

Watch the CTV clip of SUN's announcement.

FOOD BANKS AROUND THE PROVINCE





Donors and volunteers with donations in the Battlefords, Maple Creek, and Kindersley.

YOUR GENEROSITY AT WORK:

- Melfort and Area Food Bank provided over 65 families with holiday hampers in December 2020
- Moose Jaw and District Food Bank received 15,000 lbs of donated food from local grocery store donation bins in 2020 which fed 2,500 individuals
- Regina and District Food Bank directly served over 13,000 people in December 2020
- Saskatoon Food Bank and Learning Centre provided 97,612 litres of milk to children and pregnant or nursing mothers last year
- Rosthern Good Neighbours Food Centre distributed 180 food hampers over the 2020 holidays
- Four food banks became new members of the Food Banks of Saskatchewan in 2020!
 - Assiniboia Salvation Army Food Bank
 - Macklin & District Food Bank & Secret Santa
 - Maple Creek Salvation Army
 - Tisdale Salvation Army Food Bank

HOME FOR THE HOLIDAYS CORPORATE PARTNERS

The Food Banks of Saskatchewan extend their deepest gratitude to all donors for their support over the holidays.

Special thanks to the following for their generous contributions:







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THANK YOU VOLUNTEERS!





Volunteers delivered hampers for the Lac La Ronge Food Bank (left) while volunteers in Hepburn held a community food drive for Rosthern Good Neighbours Food Centre (right).



With your support we will continue to address the underlying issues contributing to hunger and poverty in Saskatchewan.

THANK YOU!