



FOOD BANKS OF  
Saskatchewan

donor newsletter

## THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING US IN 2023!

The Food Banks of Saskatchewan (FBSK) are starting 2024 by thanking Nutrien and the many generous donors like you for the response to its *Feeding Holiday Cheer* campaign. The campaign launched on Giving Tuesday (November 28, 2023) with a lead donation of \$250,000 from Nutrien. FBSK and the 36 individual food banks collectively raised over \$3M.

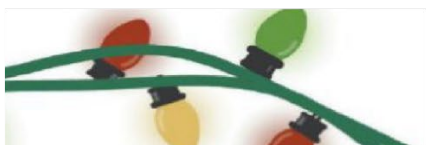
“We were proud to partner with the Food Banks of Saskatchewan on the *Feeding Holiday Cheer* campaign again this year. Feeding the future is our purpose and we believe it starts by ensuring people in our local communities have food on the table.” says **Renee Glushyk, Manager of Community Relations and Investment at Nutrien**

“On behalf of the 36 food banks across Saskatchewan, I extend a heartfelt thank you to each and every donor who joined Nutrien in making a donation during the holiday season,” says **Michael Kincade, FBSK Executive Director**. “Year after year Saskatchewan residents come together to support their neighbours and communities with food insecurities.”

Donations received are distributed to the 36 registered food banks across the province unless a donor has directed their donation to a specific community. Saskatchewan’s food banks have had their busiest year in 2023, making it challenging to build up sufficient food reserves. Inflation continued to accelerate, seriously impacting hunger and food insecurity, not only with low-income households, but even those in higher income brackets. The demand is anticipated to remain high throughout 2024.



Thank You  
Saskatchewan!



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# FOOD BANK HEROES AROUND THE PROVINCE



WPD Ambulance Care, North Battleford



Prince Albert Raiders



Rosetown High School

## YOUR GENEROSITY AT WORK IN 2023:

- **Hudson Bay Family & Support Centre** handed out 28 Christmas Hampers (which supported 81 individuals) this Christmas; 34 toys were also given to children this holiday season.
- **Rosetown & District Food Bank** noted that food hamper numbers were slightly higher this year than previous years.
- **Battlefords District Food & Resource Centre** prepared 420 Christmas Hampers, and paired them with toys collected by WPD Ambulance Care—almost 3 ambulances full!
- **Saskatoon Food Bank & Learning Centre** is at concerning levels of people using their services with a steady incline in 2023. They now serve more than 23,000 people each month.
- **Foam Lake & Area Food Bank** noted that several households that do not regularly use the food bank requested baskets in December to help with the rising costs this season.
- **Wynyard & District Food Bank** saw an increase in traffic this year compared to previous years.
- **Unity Food Bank & Resource Centre** received monetary donations, as well as donations of ground pork and beef, eggs, gift cards from a local grocery store..
- **Watrous & District Food Bank** distributed 90+ Christmas hampers packed with everything needed for a festive dinner, and special toys for the little ones.
- **Prince Albert Food Bank** experienced a 10% increase in activity compared to the previous year. The community also achieved a record-breaking level of food donations.
- **Moose Jaw & District Food Bank** has experienced a 58% surge in the number of clients compared to 2022. Additionally, they have tripled their volunteer force in recent years to meet the growing demand.
- **Humboldt & District Food Bank** saw a 20% increase in households served this year.

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## FEEDING HOLIDAY CHEER 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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## LITTLE HELPERS MAKING BIG CONTRIBUTIONS



### **Clockwise from top left:**

For Leo's birthday, instead of gifts, he requested food donations for the Battlefords District Food & Resource Centre. Leo, your thoughtful donation and active involvement in the community at such a young age is truly appreciated. Thank you!

A huge thank you to the 4-H club in North Battleford! They matched toys for over 400 children for Christmas! Thank you for your thoughtfulness! Their commitment to spreading joy during the holiday season truly made a positive impact in their community.

Foam Lake Elementary School collected 1264 lbs of food for their local food bank. Thank you for your generosity and commitment to helping those in need!



# FOOD BANKS OF Saskatchewan

**With your support we will continue to address the underlying issues contributing to hunger and poverty in Saskatchewan from east to west and north to south**



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