

Christmas Bureau Wish Campaign



MCSS Christmas Bureau is committed to ensuring a joyous holiday season for all Mission residents regardless of their financial circumstances. We understand the importance of creating cherished memories during this time of year, especially for families facing financial challenges.

Our goal is to provide essential holiday assistance that includes toys and gifts for children and grocery hampers so families are able to enjoy those memory making holiday meals together.

Our Collective Impact

In 2024, the Christmas Bureau was fortunate to receive strong support from community members, local organizations, businesses, and volunteers. As a result-

417 applications were approved **702** children received toys

383 families received Food Hampers for their holiday dinner

116 seniors received gifts from Food Centre

Over \$*250,000 worth of goods distributed

*Assessed value of gift allowance is \$200 per child. This includes kids bikes/ toys, sporting goods, clothing, books, puzzles, board games, stuffed toys, stocking stuffers; specialty items and gift cards for teens. Estimated cost of a food hamper for a family of 5 is \$450. An average of \$300 per hamper is considered for this calculation to adjust for households with < 5 individuals.



Thanks again for including my family
We have been very spoiled and so appreciate it more than I can express

Loved that Janet got to help me pick out somethings as she is as very special lady to myself and my children

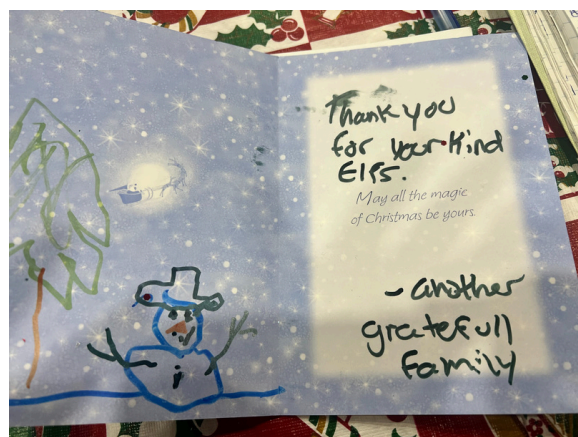
Thank you also to all the volunteers and donations made by our community
Hope you all have a Merry Christmas!!

Hi Shaila and everyone at the Christmas Bureau,

Thank you so much for helping make our Christmas and birthday so much lighter and happier this year. Your kindness and generosity truly mean the world to us, and we're so grateful for the joy you've brought into our lives. You've made this season so special, and we'll never forget it.

Happy holidays ❤️

With love and thanks,



Ways you can support

As the holiday season approaches, we invite you to partner with us, where we aim to spread joy and support to families throughout our community. Together, we can ensure that every child and family enjoys winter festivities. Your support can make a significant impact by extending much needed holiday assistance to all eligible families.

DONATION DRIVE

Organize a collection at your school, workplace, or community center to gather essential items for the Christmas Bureau. Contribute items as recommended in our wishlist. A donation box at your business or organization offers a great chance to increase community engagement at your organization. Surplus food items and donations from Christmas Bureau are distributed back to the community through the Food Center

Tree/Garland Tags

We will provide ornaments with a wishlist for your customers. Customers take an ornament and go buy the items listed then return the new unwrapped items to one of our drop off locations.

SPONSOR

a Christmas Bureau Activity

Christmas Bureau relies on donations from the community for operations. Help fund specific activities, events, or programs organized by the Christmas Bureau to enhance the experience for participants and volunteers. You can choose your sponsorship package for the following agency requirements:

Soft Opening Breakfast: \$500

Christmas Bureau Décor & Supplies: \$500

Float Décor: \$500

Volunteer Appreciation: \$1000

Santa and Mrs. Claus- \$1000

Care packages for MCSS housing residents: \$1500

SPONSOR

much needed items

Food hamper items

Turkey/Ham

Produce- fresh fruit and vegetables

Farm and Dairy products- eggs, milk, butter, ice cream

Gifts or gift cards for youth valued at \$25 each

DONATE ❤️

Help us reach our goal of raising \$200,000

Scan the QR code to donate online on our website

In person donations by cash/card at accepted at

Our main office at 33179 2nd Ave, Mission

MCSS Food Center at 32646, Logan Ave Mission

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Follow us on Social Media and spread the word about MCSS Christmas Bureau!

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Suggested Gifts and Food Hamper Items

Suggested Gifts for Children

 Ages 0-12	 Teens 13+	Stocking Stuffers
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rattles, musical toys, crib toys, stuffed animals • Puzzles • Craft items & colouring books • Storybooks • Skateboards • Dolls and action figures • Sports gear • Toy cars, trucks, planes, construction vehicles • Board games • Lego 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Electronics (headphones, wireless speakers, remote control cards, etc.) • Sports gear/equipment • Bicycles • Video Game consoles or games • Gift Cards (Best Buy, iTunes, EB Games, Indigo, Restaurants, Clothing Stores, etc.) 	 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stickers • Bubbles • Lego • Chalk • Chocolate/Candy • Fidget Toys • Toiletries • Socks • Mini Portable handheld games

- Toiletry items for men and women; toiletry gift sets
- Treats: small boxes of chocolates, candy, cookies, etc.
- Tea/coffee serving gift sets; instant coffee bottles
- Gift Cards: London Drugs/Save On Foods/Winners
- Sweaters of all sizes for men or ladies, cardigan or pull on
- Pj pants and 2-piece pj sets – men's and ladies
- Diabetic treats
- Large print puzzle books
- Jigsaw puzzles
- Transit tickets
- Fuzzy Blankets
- Bathrobes – all sizes
- Socks
- Slippers- various sizes



Donate Online



Food Hamper Items

- Milk
- Eggs
- Bacon or sausage
- Turkey/Ham/Roast
- Butter- Brick
- Gravy mix/can
- Stuffing mix
- Cranberry sauce
- Pancake mix
- Syrup
- Fruit Juice/Pop
- Fresh Fruit and Veggies
- Canned/Frozen Veggies
- Potatoes
- Pie/Cake/Ice Cream

Associated events

Our allied programs celebrated the season with strong community engagement:

- Christmas Bureau Launch: featuring Santa & Mrs. Claus in association with Heritage Park Childcare
- Winter Celebration Potluck for New to Canada Residents of Mission
- Breakfast with Santa
- Winter Workshop- Child Care Resource & Referral
- Lunch with a Bunch Party for Seniors
- Rotary Christmas Carol
- Candlelight Parade
- Santa Train
- Festival of Trees

Events lead by local Businesses & Establishments

- Reckless Toy Ride
- "Sip For" at the Penny Coffee
- Full sized product by donation at So Luxury
- 50-50 raffle and toy drive by Mission Outlaws Hockey Team
- Mission Fire & Rescue Neighbourhood Drive
- Angel trees at Library & all local Banks
- Stuff the truck by NRS Aldergrove's Commissionaire Security Staff
- Pizza Night by Panago Pizza



**Special thanks to Mission City Pizza for the
generous donation of space for 2024
Christmas Bureau**



- Food & Toy drives
 - Learn n Play Childcare
 - Fitness Lab
 - Silverdale Elementary
 - Christine Morrison Elementary
 - Casa del Sol
 - You Care We Care Daycare
 - Chances Casino
 - Crime Prevention Office
 - Liberty Tax

Our major sponsors and event partners in 2024

