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# Winter Gleanings 2025

"The food hamper was amazing. It was everything we needed to cook healthy meals together, including canned goods, frozen meat, and fresh produce. Thank you! It gave us a sense of normal again."

-Food Bank Client

## Message from the Executive Director

As the holidays approach, the team at Edmonton's Food Bank wants to express our deepest gratitude for your support. Your generosity has a profound impact, helping us provide vital meals and a sense of hope to our neighbours in need.

2025 has been a tough year. Each month, we worked at full capacity to provide food hampers to over 43,000 people. We have more than 80 community food depots throughout Edmonton for access and all of them were busy all the time. Thanks to our incredible volunteers, we sorted and packed a record number of hampers while also smashing the number of volunteer hours donated.

And we did more than just hampers. We partnered with and distributed food to over 380 schools, soup kitchens, shelters, and other community programs. We worked in Collective Kitchens, Community Gardens, and provided seeds through our Seed Bank to help people increase food literacy and access. We helped others through training workshops and information sessions to finesse their resumes and practice interview skills to help them on their employment journey. All of this work continues because of you.

The kindness of our community lights the way forward, reminding us that together, we can make the season brighter for everyone. Thank you for supporting our work. Your generosity not only makes a difference, it changes lives now and into 2026.

Wishing you peace, joy, and kindness this holiday season,

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Marjorie Bencz, CM **Executive Director** 



## JOSH'S STORY

Josh, came to Edmonton's Food Bank after struggling with addiction, unemployment, and periods of homelessness. When he arrived, he had been clean for several months and had secured accommodation and a job starting the following week. Unfortunately, Josh had no money for food.

Through our services, Josh received a food hamper to bridge the gap until his first pay cheque. He also learned about other assistance, including community meals and mental health supports to continue rebuilding his life.

"I'm so grateful for the help," he said. "It feels good to finally have some stability and support." Because of the generosity of our donors, people like Josh can take steps toward a brighter future. Thank you!



## A MUSICAL HOLIDAY TV SPECIAL

SUNDAY DECEMBER 21 AT 4:30 PM

Global



Scan to watch A Musical Holiday teaser







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## **UPCOMING COMMUNITY EVENTS**

For more details and an up-to-date list of events, please visit edmontonsfoodbank.com/events/





ETS Stuff A Bus - November 29
All Save-On-Foods locations!
Leave a donation on the bus outside the store for those in need.



YEG Candy Cane Lane
December 12 to January 1, 2026
6:00 pm to 10:00 pm nightly
Non-perishable food donations can be
left in the green bins along the lane.

W: yegcandycanelane.com



Can Man Dan Camps Out at Sobeys
December 18 to 21 | Belmont Sobeys
13504 Victoria Trail NW

December 21 to 24 | Southbrook Sobeys 1109 James Mowatt Trail SW



### Mayfield Dinner Theatre -Holiday Helpings

November 11 to December 24 Theatre Staff will be collecting donations after the show. **W: mayfieldtheatre.ca** 



## Edmonton Symphony Orchestra -A Very Merry Pops

December 19 to 23

Musicians are accepting donations during intermission. **W: winspearcentre.com** 



### Citadel Theatre's A Christmas Carol November 22 to December 24

Cast members accepting monetary donations after each performance.

W: citadeltheatre.com



## The Westin Edmonton Christmas Cakes for Good!

100% of the funds go directly to Edmonton's Food Bank! Cakes can be purchased in December.

10135 100 Street NW

If you are in need of a food donation pick-up or delivery of resources, please contact our Resource Development Team at 780.425.2133. Please be patient and allow a 5-business day window for our trucks to dispatch.

### **GIVING TO EDMONTON'S FOOD BANK IS EASY**

YOUR SUPPORT HELPS ENSURE NO ONE IN OUR COMMUNITY GOES HUNGRY.

Non-perishable food items can be dropped off at any major grocery store, City of Edmonton fire station, or brought directly to our warehouse at 11508 120 Street. We're open Monday to Sunday, 8:30 am – 4:30 pm

SCAN THE QR CODE TO DONATE THANK YOU!

edmontonsfoodbank.com/donate-now/



