Purolator and Durham Region schools help provide more than 11,000 meals

WHITBY, ONT., Oct. 28, 2026 — Purolator volunteers collected food donations from 21 participating schools in Durham Region through this year's Purolator Tackle Hunger® National Red Bag campaign, delivering the equivalent of 11,500 meals to Feed the Need in Durham (FTND) to support residents facing food insecurity.

Running from Sept. 21 to Oct. 5, the food drive brought schools and families across Durham region together to support their neighbours. Participating schools sent students home with Purolator Red Bags for families to fill with non-perishable food donations. Purolator collected the filled bags and delivered them to FTND's warehouse, where staff will sort the donations for distribution through its network of 70 community food programs.

"This is the second year we've run this campaign with the schools in Durham, and it was incredible to see students, families, educators and the staff support our efforts to help those facing food insecurity in the community," said Steve Sidey, District Manager and Purolator Tackle Hunger champion. "Their generosity is at the heart of the success of this program, and we're grateful to everyone who took part."

"The need for food support in the Durham Region is at unprecedented levels, making community efforts like this especially important," said Ben Earle, President and CEO of Feed the Need in Durham. "It's encouraging to see young people helping neighbours facing food insecurity and becoming advocates in their own community. We're grateful to Purolator for connecting that care with practical support for people who need food."

The Durham Region food drive was part of Purolator's fourth annual Purolator Tackle Hunger National Red Bag campaign. Throughout September and October, employees, customers and community members turned generosity into action through Red Bag food drives in 25 communities across Canada and the U.S. Since its inception in 2003, Purolator Tackle Hunger has delivered more than 27 million meals to food banks across Canada.

WHITBY BOY MAKES IT BIG

Jayden has won his Group Finals and advanced to the Quarterfinals of Colossal's North American Super Kid competition! The competition began with approximately 84,000 children, and only 840 remain. Jayden is now among the top 1% of all contestants, and the competition is becoming more competitive than ever. The competition has received media coverage across North America.

Jayden is also passionate about literacy. The Stan Lee Foundation promotes literacy and the narrative arts, helping communities access the power of storytelling. His catchphrase captures his belief perfectly:

"Reading is knowledge, and knowledge is power!"

As one of just 840 children remaining in a North American-wide competition, Jayden hopes to use this platform to encourage other kids to speak up for one another, include others and discover the power of reading. How incredible would it be for the next Super Kid to come from our very own town of Whitby, Ontario?

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