

donor newsletter

THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING US IN 2024!

The Food Banks of Saskatchewan (FBSK) are starting 2025 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 (December 3rd, 2024) with a lead donation of \$250,000 from Nutrien. FBSK and the 36 individual food banks collectively raised over \$1.5M.

"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 2024, 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 2025.







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FOOD BANKS AROUND THE PROVINCE



Ledcor Group with Lac La Ronge Food Bank



Erin Katerynych with Battlefords District Food and Resource Centre

YOUR GENEROSITY AT WORK IN 2024:

- Bigger Food Bank handed out 63 Christmas Hampers this Christmas; plus socks, gloves, toques and ornaments were handed out this year.
- Moosomin Food Share noted that food hamper numbers were up 36% from last year. They
 gave a Christmas hamper along with items for a Christmas breakfast. They also gave toys to
 the children and gift cards to the local Thrift Store for the adults.
- Battlefords District Food & Resource Centre prepared 405 Christmas Hampers, and paired them with toys collected by WPD Ambulance Care to over 560 children! They are serving 2100 people every month with 50% of them being children.
- Rocanville Food Bank served 25 Christmas hampers this year. They also did a mitten tree through the United Church and were able to give toques and mittens in the hamper. Nutrien donated gift cards and presents for the children. A few ladies in the community also made homemade cookies and the food bank was able to send a tin of cookies and dainties home with each hamper. In all they gave 99 hampers throughout the year.
- Lac La Ronge Food Bank saw great support in their community. The Elks and schools did food drives, Ledcor did a challenge among employees and Lakeside Spirits donated a large amount. They also had a Ribbon Skirt made and then did an online auction. A board member made quilts and they did a draw for it. They added extras in their Christmas hampers.
- Macklin and District Food Bank had Synergy Credit Union and Delta CO-OP help out with their hampers. A total of 31 hampers went out with gifts for 41 children. They also did secret Santa gifts that were distributed among the clients.
- Turtleford Riverside Food Bank had two food drives done for them as well as a winter clothes drive. They served coffee and cookies to those who came for a hamper. Volunteers offered to deliver hampers to those outside the community. Two hundred pounds of frozen ground meat was donated.
- Nipawin Salvation Army distributed 157 Christmas hampers which was up from last year.
 They helped 524 more adults in 2024 but 191 less children. They also gave out \$3,199.00 more in food this year and had less food donations come in.

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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:

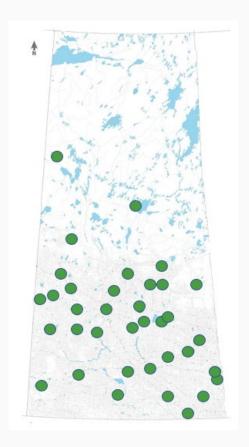


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