

Spruce Grove Christmas Hampers

Kinette Club of Spruce Grove
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Dear Sir/Madam,

Over the years, the businesses and residents of Spruce Grove have provided outstanding support to the local Christmas Hamper Program. For the 43rd year, the Kinette Club of Spruce Grove is working to make Christmas brighter for local families struggling with a limited income. Our goal is to assist families in need with food and gifts for the holidays and last year, with your help, we collected and prepared 545 hampers!

At present, Parkland Food Bank use in Spruce Grove is up over 60% from last fall; as a result, we are expecting another huge increase to our program again this year (likely closer to 900 hampers). This is a HUGE undertaking, and to achieve this goal, we rely on the kindness and generosity of our entire community to collect monetary donations, non-perishable food items and gifts.

Ways you can help us reach these goals and support your community at Christmas:

1. **'Sponsor A Hamper'** involves donating money to go towards a family's hamper, or donating items specific to the hamper (please see other side for details)
2. Any service or product that may be specific to your business that would assist with our program (ie. tickets, coupons, passes, products, food items)

Our goal is to have monetary donations in as soon as possible, and for planning purposes, we ask that these donations be received by Friday, December 9, 2016. We are more than happy to pick up your donation, or you can forward it to the above address.

The hampers will be prepared and assembled the week of December 12, 2016 at the **Spruce Grove Alliance Church** gymnasium- 250 Century Road. **We kindly ask that all non-perishable collections and gifts be delivered to the Church in the morning on Monday, December 12, 2016.**

Thank you for helping the Kinettes 'Serve the Community's Greatest Need.' Please direct any questions to sprucegrovekinettes@gmail.com, or Carolyn Dumont at (780) 960-0550 carolynd.sgkinettes@gmail.com. **For additional information, please refer to www.sgkinettes.ca.**

Wishing you a very Merry Christmas and a happy and prosperous New Year!

Sincerely,

Carolyn Ryan Dumont, Kinette Club of Spruce Grove

Sponsor a Hamper

There are various ways to Sponsor a Family's Christmas Hamper. We encourage the community to work together to complete hampers for this important, local cause. Our goal is to provide families with food over the holidays and gifts for children.

Options available with Sponsoring a Hamper:

1. **Donating money** to help purchase hamper requirements
 - Involves sponsoring a portion of a family's hamper, an entire hamper, or several hampers
 - Any monetary contribution is greatly appreciated and enables us to fulfill the hamper requirements to the best of our abilities
2. **Donating items** specific to the hamper requirements
 - We will provide you with a list of non-perishable hamper items, and you are welcome to purchase any or all of them for a family. We would also kindly accept gift cards for perishable food and gifts for children.

Approximate costs involved with Sponsoring a Hamper:

- For an *average-sized family*, the approximate cost per hamper totals \$250
- Hamper items include
 - Non-perishable food items (approx. \$150)
 - Gift card for perishables (\$50)
 - Gifts for children 17 and under (gift cards are ideal for children 10+) (\$25 X 2 children = \$50)
 - We are always in need of gifts for an average family with teenagers

Please refer to www.sgkinettes.ca for additional information (food list, gift ideas, etc.)

**Thank you for supporting local families
this holiday season!**