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UPDATE FROM ST. JAMES FOOD BASKET

Second Harvest Deliveries:

Over 6 months, from September, 2017 to February, 2018 Second Harvest delivered 59,845 pounds of food to St James Food Basket. At an average value of \$2.50 per pound, that's a donation valued at \$149,612! Second Harvest is a food-rescue organization; if we and other food banks did not take this food and give it out, then it would have ended up as garbage. So as well as providing food, we are helping the environment.

Student Food-Recipients on the Rise:

Among our food-recipients, we have noticed an increase in people going to school. Of course, we have many people learning English at the Burnhamthorpe Adult Centre and at LINC on The West Mall. We also have many people taking high school credit courses at Burnhamthorpe Adult Centre in order to qualify for college programs. We have students attending Humber College, Seneca College, York University and several other colleges and training organizations. We work to accommodate everyone's schedule so that students can still pick up food while also attending school and taking care of a family.

Donations:

Thank you for donating your Loblaws \$25 cards to us. We are very grateful and will spend them soon on feminine hygiene products.

We are in need, again, of egg cartons. We thought we had a year or more of egg cartons saved up, but now we have used them! So, once again, please drop off your egg cartons for us.

Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon:

On April 14 we had our annual Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon. This event is to thank our volunteers for their commitment and hard work. We have a lot of people who have been with us for years, who put in a 4 to 8 hour or longer day each week. Thank you!

Logo/Website Makeover:

We are modernizing our appearance! We now have a new logo (see header), and letterhead. We will soon have new business cards, new thank you cards and a new email address. We are in the process of creating a new website. This project is spearheaded by Rosa Loreto-Lee.

Marie Truelove, Chair