



Happy New Year!

As we look back on the past year, the reality of food insecurity in our neighborhood has undergone a profound shift. What was once often a short-term emergency for many has become a long-term struggle. Today, more of our neighbors are relying on food banks more frequently and for longer periods of time than ever before.

In the face of these challenges, St. James Food Basket remains a steady source of hope. We feel incredibly blessed to continue meeting these needs, a feat that is only possible because of the unwavering compassion of donors like you and the tireless spirit of our dedicated volunteers.

Our Weekly Impact at a Glance

Your contributions translate directly into support for families in the **M9A, M9B, and M9C** postal codes. Here is what your generosity achieved on a weekly basis this year:

- **Families Served:** We supported an average of **304 families** every week. (Our peak reach was 369 families on December 17th).
- **Individuals Impacted:** This represents an average of **1,089 people** receiving nutritious food weekly, reaching as many as 1,366 individuals during our busiest periods.

2025 Highlights

Nutritional Support: Twice each month, we purchased extra chicken and fish to supplement our Daily Bread shipments, ensuring our families have access to high-quality protein.

Extra Protein: This past Christmas, we provided every family with extra protein for their holiday meals.

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Year-End Report



Community Spirit: On November 22nd, we hosted a successful **Broadway Holiday Cabaret** fundraiser, bringing our community together through music and a shared mission.

Holiday Warmth: Thanks to local groups, we distributed warm hoodies, hats, and mitts—essential items that have been deeply appreciated by our families during the cold winter months.

Thank you for your continued support. Whether you donated, volunteered, or shared our mission with others, you have made a tangible difference in the lives of our neighbors.

We look forward to continuing this vital work alongside you in the coming year.

With gratitude,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Marcia Powers-Dunlop". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Marcia Powers-Dunlop
Chair, Steering Committee