

Edmonton's Food Bank - Fast Facts

Mission Statement

To be stewards in the collection of surplus and donated food for the effective distribution, free of charge, to people in need in our community while seeking solutions to the causes of hunger.

About Edmonton's Food Bank

Works collaboratively with more than 190 agencies, churches and food depots throughout Edmonton, such as the Salvation Army, Operation Friendship, The Mustard Seed, Our House Addiction Recovery and the George Spady Centre. These agencies receive food from our warehouse to assist their clients.

- o Serves approximately 15,000 people per month through our hamper programs.
- o In addition, over 300,000 meals and snacks are provided monthly through our affiliated agencies.
- o 40 per cent of our clients are children under the age of 18.
- o Provides special festive meals to the community.
- o Supports community events such as Edmonton's bi-annual Homeless Connect.
- o More than 1,100 events are coordinated each year in the community to raise food, funds and awareness for the Food Bank.
- o Collected, sorted, repackaged, and redistributed 3.4 million kilograms of food in 2010.
- o Is a United Way agency but does not receive any government funding.
- o Provides warehouse space for our provincial organization, Alberta Food Banks.
- o Is a recognized teaching facility for Concordia University's Environmental Health Program.
- o Two Food Bank board members were named Avenue Edmonton magazine's Top 40 Under 40 in 2010.
- o Board chair was the recipient of the 2010 Riverview Rotary Integrity Award.
- o Was named one of the recommended charities for 2009 and 2010 by Charity Intelligence (www.charityintelligence.ca).

Volunteers

- o In 2010, more than 41,200 volunteer hours were contributed.
- o Volunteers assist in warehouse duties such as sorting, repackaging food and packing food hampers. They also act as ambassadors for the Food Bank at special events and fundraisers.

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