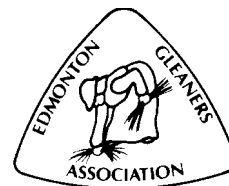


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Facts & History

The **Edmonton Gleaners Association**, more commonly referred to as **Edmonton's Food Bank**, is a registered charity established in 1981 to provide emergency food relief for Edmontonians in need. Edmonton's Food Bank was the first food bank in Canada.

In 2009, Edmonton's Food Bank enters its 28th holiday season food and fundraiser.

The food bank works collaboratively with more than 160 agencies, churches and food depots throughout Edmonton, such as the *Salvation Army, Operation Friendship, WIN House, Our House Addiction Recovery and the George Spady Centre.*

Edmonton's Food Bank is currently providing food to **approximately 15,000** people per month through the hamper program, as well as **250,000 meals and snacks** monthly.

The Food Bank provides these *services year-round* to Edmontonians.

Approximately **40%** of food bank clients are children under 18 years.

Alberta is the province with highest percent of employed food bank recipients: (**27 %**)

Did you know that during the holiday season, the Food Bank adds a turkey, ham, or trimmings to the hamper? It also provides special festive items, like turkeys to soup kitchens, shelters and other community suppers.

In 2008, Edmonton's Food Bank collected, sorted, re-packaged, and redistributed over *three million kilograms of food.*

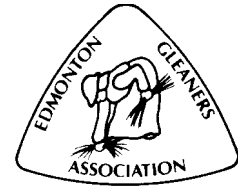
More than 30,000 volunteer hours were generously given in 2008. If you would like to join our volunteer team, please feel free to contact **Judy** at **780.425.2133**.

Food donations can be dropped off at ***all major grocery stores.*** In addition, all ***City of Edmonton fire stations*** will accept food and monetary donations for the food bank. Please look for our collection bins at special events, such as the *Hike for Plenty, Heritage Festival, Polar Dip, Stuff a Bus and BrightNights*, throughout the year.

Please visit our website at www.edmontonsfoodbank.com or call 780.425.2133 for more information about our holiday season events.

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Edmonton's Food Bank Feeds People Not Statistics ...

The face of hunger is real. We would like to share a couple of client stories with you:

Two men have just moved to Edmonton to start a new construction contract. They have been paid an advance to cover their rent. They will get paid at the end of the month, but they do not have any money or income until that first cheque arrives at that time. Despite working hard at their jobs, they simply do not have any money. Once they get their first cheques, they will be on their feet again.

A woman in her 40s is living in a tent in the river valley. She is recovering from cancer treatments and recently had her feeding tube removed. Nutrition and specific foods were needed to assist this woman.

A young working couple has just received custody of the young woman's teenage sisters. This additional responsibility includes finding a larger apartment and has placed additional financial constraints on this young family. Because of your support the Food Bank was able to give this family a food hamper, some school supplies, and other resources.



Thank you for your support!