



Greetings,

It is an overwhelming experience as the community of Cloverdale comes together to serve those in need. Yet every year for the past 20 years as the needs have increased, the outpouring of support in food, gifts and cash donations has matched or exceeded expectations!

In 2012 the CCHP provided upwards of 230 hampers that included over 325 adults and 200 children. More than \$50,000 in food and cash donations were raised. Each hamper included non-perishable food and sundry items, vegetables, a turkey voucher as well as toys/gifts for children and a grocery gift card for each family or individual in an attempt to carry them through the Christmas season.

The Hamper Program is the combined effort of many local churches, schools as well as a host of businesses and public organizations; collecting donations and volunteering to organize and build hampers for those in need within our community.

For one Saturday each December a community will come together to serve the families and individuals of Cloverdale that need help and joy to get them through the Christmas season. The day is filled with tears, laughter, and opportunities to connect with those who come that day.

Once again we would like to give your school the opportunity to be a part of this great venture by asking for your assistance with cash donations, food, merchandise and/or gifts. Donation boxes will be placed around the school for the next few weeks. On Saturday December 14th the hampers are being handed out. Therefore **we are picking up the donation boxes from your school on the 5th and 6th of December**, this allows time for volunteers to sort the donations and fill the hamper boxes. Note: please remind students to leave food in their plastic bags as the boxes can get very heavy.

No donation is too big or too small – it all adds up and it is all sincerely appreciated by the beneficiaries, who would have a colder Christmas without it.

For more information please visit www.pacificcommunity.ca/ministries/cloverdale-hamper-program

Warm Regards,

Cloverdale Christmas Hamper Program

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For donor or volunteer opportunities email: cloverdalechristmashampers@gmail.com

For donation receipts, please make cheques payable to:

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Hamper application drop-off locations: Pacific Community Church 5337-180 St or Sonrise Community Church 5588 188 St