



**FORT SASKATCHEWAN
FOOD BANK**

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The Fort Saskatchewan Food Gatherers Society's annual Christmas Hamper & Toy Campaign received a great kickstart with Heartland Ford Sales Inc. donating \$10,000 on the first day of the Campaign accepting donations at Market Square Co-op, on Friday November 12th. **photo supplied.*

Kassandra Gartner, Executive Director: We depend on our local business community for support during the annual Christmas Campaign and are grateful that we are a part of a generous community. We are very happy to receive such a wonderful contribution on the first day! This has been a tough year for many households in the Fort and with the federal CERB ending for many people, managing through the holiday season is just not possible without a little help, and we appreciate that the team at Heartland Ford recognizes this and wants to help.

Heartland Ford is also a food donation collection point until December 23!

Kassandra Gartner: We are so thankful to our community partners, Co-op and Safeway for allowing us to set up in-store for this year's Campaign. Having space in the community for our volunteers is a wonderful benefit that aids our fundraising efforts.

Volunteers are accepting donations at the local Co-op store from November 12 – December 1st and will be at Safeway collecting donations from December 2 – 9th.
All donations \$20 or greater receive a tax receipt.

The Christmas Campaign is having it's first-ever Turkey Drive!

Drop off a turkey this Saturday and Sunday November 20 & 21 at the new Food Bank location: 11226 – 88 Ave. Drive-through donations accepted 10am – 4pm!

*turkeys will also be accepted the following week at the Food Bank during regular open hours.

Christmas hamper applications are accepted until December 10th. Call 780-998-4099 for details.

Hamper Delivery Day is Saturday December 18th.