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Parksville Fire's Fill the Boots for Food Drive

Due to the pandemic, this year's Parksville Volunteer Fire Department food and toy drive will look very different as there will be no door-to-door collection in neighbourhoods. Firefighters will be at locations in Parksville on Saturday, November 14 and Sunday, November 15 to collect cash donations for the Salvation Army food bank.

Physically distanced and masked, our firefighters will be at set locations from 9 am to 5 pm asking residents for cash donations to help fill the boots for food. Please watch our social media feeds and website for details and locations.

Donations are extremely important to the Salvation Army food bank and Society of Organized Services to provide for less fortunate in our community. Donations may also be made as follows:

- Society of Organized Services is gratefully accepting donations for the Christmas program. Financial donations can be made online anytime at www.sosd69.com and also by phone, Monday to Friday, 8:30 am to 4.30 pm at 250 248-2093. Due to pandemic operating restrictions, toys, gifts and gift cards for children and youth can be dropped off at the SOS Christmas Tent located outside the SOS Community Services Centre (245 West Hirst Ave, Parksville, on the McMillan Street side of the building) starting November 16 every Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 9 am to 11.30 am.
- Salvation Army food bank donations are accepted at 886 Wembley Road, Monday to Friday from 8 am to 11.30 am and also Monday, Tuesday and Thursday from 1 pm to 3.30 pm.

Each year, residents in the Parksville Fire Protection Area generously support the annual drive and are the reason for its success with about 29,500 pounds of food and \$34,070 cash collected in 2019. This drive and the generosity of our residents make the world of difference to many families during the holiday season. Your support is truly appreciated by the members of the Parksville Volunteer Fire Department.

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