

HAMPER'S SHARE A CHRISTMAS 2025

CENTRE 55's 44th ANNUAL SHARE A CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

Share a Christmas 2025 faces challenges and the need is much greater than ever before.

We are painfully aware the need for relief will overwhelm the supply. We expect to have another year of growth and in order to maintain the integrity of our program and to plan for the increase in services, we are once again reaching out to ask that you consider making a financial donation.

Your financial donation will aid in the purchase of grocery gift cards for families, seniors, and individuals in need this Christmas. Last year we assisted over 2,000 families on our list, which translates to well over 5,300 people. We expect many more will need our help this Christmas.

Here's how you can help us give a senior, child, and their family a Christmas this season:

1. **DONATE MONEY**

CASH & GIFT CARDS:

In-person at Centre 55 (97 Main Street, Toronto, ON, M4E 2V6)

CREDIT CARD:

In-person, by phone or through Canada Helps via the "Donate Now" button on our website.

CHEQUE:

In-person or by mail – payable to "Community Centre 55"

E-TRANSFER:

Donations can be sent to accounting@centre55.com. No password needed, but please designate that it is for Share a Christmas (SAC). Also, please include a postal or email address to receive a charitable tax receipt.

2. DONATE UNWRAPPED TOYS OR GIFT CARDS

We kindly ask for no stuffed animal donations.

*Please Note: Tax receipts cannot be given for Gift Cards

3. PLAN A FUNRAISER OR TOY DRIVE

You can organize a fundraiser or toy drive at your workplace or amongst family and friends and arrange to transport the proceeds to Community Centre 55

4. ADOPT-A-FAMILY OR A SENIOR

Our Adoptive programs match a local senior or family in need with a generous "adopter" who will provide a Christmas hamper during Christmas.

For more information, please contact Jade Maitland at 416-691-1113 EXT. 220 or email jade@centre55.com.

5. SUPPORT OUR TEEN ANGEL PROGRAM

Older children are often forgotten during Christmas giving so we seldom have enough age appropriate gifts for teens. Help by purchasing a gift card in denominations of \$30.00 to \$50.00 from businesses such as Walmart, Sport Check, Shoppers Drug Mart, H&M, etc.

For more information, please contact Sunjay McAuley at 416-691-1113 Ext. 223 or sunjay@centre55.com.

6. HELP US IDENTIFY THOSE IN NEED WHO WANT OUR HELP

We are here to assist the community. If you know a local individual who could benefit from our program, please let us know or direct them our way!

PLEASE NOTE:

WE ARE <u>NOT</u> COLLECTING NON-PERISHABLE FOOD DONATIONS. TO DONATE, PLEASE GET IN TOUCH WITH GRACE PASCOE FOOD BANK (LOCATED AT CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH – 72 MAIN STREET)

For more information regarding this much needed program, please feel free to contact Centre 55 at 416-691-1113.

With your generosity, we can make this Christmas a memorable experience for those in need.