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Dear Friends,

Your donation of 57 kilograms of food is gratefully acknowledged by Edmonton's Food Bank. While we always appreciate community support, your thoughtful gesture comes at a time of increasing need.

One year into the COVID-19 pandemic, we continue to navigate challenging times. Amid new hope, as more of our friends and family receive their vaccinations, we are also dealing with the reality of additional AHS restrictions as case numbers spike led by dangerous variants. This third wave has highlighted the continuing vulnerability of many in our community living paycheque to paycheque.

Recently, we received a call from a mother of four asking for help to feed her family. Her comments capture the struggles of many, as we persevere through this pandemic.

"We were just making it and have been trying to scrape by. But now, we have both been out of work for two months and it doesn't look like we will be working soon. At least I know you guys were out there to help. I had somewhere to call and that felt so good."

You helped ease the burden on this mother and put healthy, nutritious food on the table for her family. Thank you. Because of donors like you, Edmonton's Food Bank is there for those in need of food resources. When individuals cannot afford to buy food on their own, we are there to provide support, and have been throughout the entire pandemic.

Sincerely,

Marjorie Bencz, CM Executive Director