

Parksville Fire Department Food Drive Sets New Record

The annual Parksville Fire Department food and toy drive took place on November 16 and 17. Volunteer firefighters, their families and friends went door to door throughout the Parksville Fire Protection Area and collected about 23,500 pounds of food for the Salvation Army setting an all-time record for the food drive.

Volunteers were able to get to all neighbourhoods located in the fire protection area, including areas not covered in previous years. Once again, strata developments came together to collect donations from their residents and many local businesses collected as well.

"This was the 15th annual food and toy drive for the fire department and thanks to the tremendous generosity of our residents, this year is the best year ever," said Parksville Fire Chief Doug Banks.

The Parksville Volunteer Fire Department Association wishes to thank the companies who generously provide goods or services to make this possible - Quality Foods, Parksville Chrysler, Harris Oceanside Chevrolet, BFI Canada, Tim Hortons, Starbucks, McDonalds and Naked Naturals. A special thank you to the Salvation Army for the hosting the Saturday morning volunteer breakfast.

Members of the public may still drop off any non-perishable food items and/or new, unwrapped toys at the Parksville Fire Hall or the Salvation Army Food Bank at 886 Wembley Road.

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