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District 69 Fire Departments Make a Difference

The annual food and toy drive held over the November 17-18 weekend was a huge success because of the generosity of residents and the coordination by volunteers from the fire departments in District 69. A total of 47,712 pounds of food and toys and \$35,009.50 in cash was donated to the Salvation Army and Society of Organized Services through the seven departments.

Participating fire departments were Bow Horn Bay Fire Department, Coombs Hilliers Volunteer Fire Department, Dashwood Volunteer Fire Department, Deep Bay Fire Department, Errington Fire Department, Parksville Volunteer Fire Department and the Qualicum Beach Fire Department. Many of the departments had trucks circulating through neighbourhoods and firehalls were open to receive donations of non-perishable food and toys.

As well as the many volunteers, our thanks to the many businesses, groups and organizations sponsoring this year's food and toy drive.

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