

WINDSOR



**HOLIDAY
SHARING GUIDE
2024**

**YOUR COMMUNITY GUIDE TO LOCAL GIFT
AND TOY PROGRAMS, FOOD DRIVES AND
HOLIDAY MEALS, MAKING IT EASIER TO
GIVE OR GET HELP THIS HOLIDAY SEASON!**

**CALL 2-1-1 FOR INFORMATION AND REFERRAL ON
COMMUNITY, GOVERNMENT, SOCIAL AND
HEALTH SERVICES, AVAILABLE 24/7/365!**



Bridge Builders – VR Success Services

PROGRAM	Holiday Gift Drive for Teens
ELIGIBILITY	Low-income families with children 13 – 18 years old
HOW TO APPLY	Email bridgebuildersyqg@gmail.com or call 226-946-3610 to obtain registration form
WHEN TO APPLY	Fri Nov 1 – Tues Dec 17, 2024
CONTACT	226-946-3610

Goodfellows, Windsor

PROGRAM	Christmas food baskets
SERVICES	Food, grocery gift cards, toys when possible
ELIGIBILITY	Low-income families who need assistance with food during the holiday season; persons with limited or fixed incomes experiencing financial difficulties
HOW TO APPLY	In person with the following documentation: recent income statement(s) for the household; valid photo ID (health card, drivers license, etc.), child-tax benefit notice, proof for each member who resides in the household
WHEN TO APPLY	Oct 15 - Nov 29, 2024 , Tues and Fri only, 10 am - 12 pm and 1 - 3 pm
WHERE TO APPLY	401 Park St W, Windsor
CONTACT	519-252-2739

REGISTRATION NOW CLOSED

Loyal Order of Moose – Lodge #1499

PROGRAM	Toys for Tots
ELIGIBILITY	Low-income families with children 0 – 12 years
HOW TO APPLY	In person to fill out application
WHEN TO APPLY	Wed Nov 27 – Sat Dec 1, 2024 during the following times: Wed & Thurs: 3 pm – 9 pm; Fri & Sat: 3 pm – 11 pm
WHERE TO APPLY	777 Tecumseh Rd W, Windsor
CONTACT	519-253-1834

Society of Saint Vincent de Paul, Windsor

SERVICES	Holiday referral assistance, food baskets
ELIGIBILITY	Families in need of holiday assistance can call to get directed to their local Society of Saint Vincent de Paul
HOW TO APPLY	All clients should call the office
WHEN TO APPLY	Until Fri Nov 15, 2024 , Mon – Fri, 9 am - 5 pm
CONTACT	519-253-7481 with address

REGISTRATION NOW CLOSED

Sparky's Toy Drive (Windsor Professional Firefighters' Association)

SERVICES	Gifts and toys
ELIGIBILITY	Low-income families needing holiday gift assistance for children 1 - 13 years
HOW TO APPLY	Please bring with you the following when you register in person: <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Identification: Driver's license of the parent or guardian of the children you are registering2. Proof of resident: rent receipt/utility bill/something with your address on it3. Health cards/birth records of the children you are registering (no photocopies!)4. Bring your Canada/Ontario Child's Benefit notice for 2024 and documentation that shows your total family income - cheque stub from one of the following: Ontario Works (OW), Employment Insurance (EI), Ontario Disability Supplement Program (ODSP), Employer 2023 Income Tax T4 statement)
WHEN AND WHERE TO REGISTER	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Forest Glade Community Centre 3205 Forest Glade Dr, Sat Nov 16, 2024, 9 am -12 pm and 1 pm - 5 pm• Gino and Liz Marcus Complex 1168 Drouillard Rd, Sun Nov 17, 2024, 9 am - 12 pm and 1 pm - 5 pm• Hotel Dieu Grace Hospital (in the Brown Gym) 1453 Prince Rd, Sat Nov 23, 2024, 9 am - 12 pm and 1 pm - 5 pm
CONTACT	519-258-7291

REGISTRATION NOW CLOSED

Street Help Homeless Centre of Windsor

PROGRAM	Non-Custodial Kids Christmas
ELIGIBILITY	Non-custodial parents with children ages 15 years and under
HOW TO APPLY	Register in person with ID; must provide first names, ages and gender of children, and contact information of parent(s)
WHEN TO APPLY	Up until Fri Dec 13, 2024 , Sun-Mon, 11 am - 5 pm
WHERE TO APPLY	964 Wyandotte St E, Windsor
CONTACT	519-977-9200

Downtown Mission of Windsor

PROGRAM Christmas Dinner
ELIGIBILITY Everyone welcome; just walk in
DATE OF EVENT **Fri Dec 20, 2024**, 12 pm - 2 pm
EVENT LOCATION 875 Ouellette Ave, Windsor
CONTACT 519-973-5573

Mezzo Ristorante and Lounge

PROGRAM Christmas Charity Luncheon and Local Kids Drive
ELIGIBILITY Everyone welcome in exchange for donations of toys, books, scarves, hats, gloves, etc.
HOW TO APPLY Drop off donations at Mezzo on or before Dec 25
DATE OF EVENT **Mon Dec 25, 2024**, 11 am - 2 pm
EVENT LOCATION 804 Erie St E, Windsor
CONTACT 519-252-4055

The Salvation Army, Windsor Centre of Hope

PROGRAM Community Christmas Dinner (free turkey dinner, music, fellowship)
ELIGIBILITY Low-income families and individuals
HOW TO APPLY Walk in. First come, First Serve.
DATE OF EVENT **Wed Dec 11, 2024**; doors open at 5:00 pm; meal at 6:00 pm
EVENT LOCATION St. Clair Centre for the Arts, 201 Riverside Drive W, Windsor
CONTACT 519-253-7473

Street Help Homeless Centre of Windsor

PROGRAM Community Holiday Meals (Turkey and Ham dinners)
ELIGIBILITY Individual or families who are homeless or in need
DATE OF EVENT **Dec 24, 25, 26, 31, 2024**
HOURS OF EVENT Daily from 11 am - 5 pm
EVENT LOCATION 964 Wyandotte St E, Windsor
CONTACT 519-977-9200

Windsor Youth Centre (Downtown Mission of Windsor)

PROGRAM Christmas dinner
ELIGIBILITY Youth aged 16-25 years who are homeless or are at risk of homelessness
DATE OF EVENT **Wed Dec 25, 2024** from 4 pm - 9 pm
EVENT LOCATION 1247 Wyandotte St E, Windsor
CONTACT 226-674-0006

Autism Services Inc.

DONATIONS OF Gift cards, money, toys, books
GIFTS FOR Children with autism, all ages. See website: <https://autismservicesinc.com>
WHEN TO DONATE All year by appointment only
WHERE TO DONATE 3640 Wells St, Windsor
CONTACT 519-966-7283

Bridge Builders – VR Success Services

PROGRAM Holiday Gift Drive for Teens
DONATIONS FOR Children 13 – 18 years old in need of Christmas gifts this year
DONATIONS OF Cash, gift cards, unused gifts
 Click <https://www.vrsuccesspath.com/wish-list.html#/> for Wish List website
WHEN TO DONATE **Fri Nov 1 – Tues Dec 17, 2024**
WHERE TO DONATE IncluSV Beauty Solutions, 849 Walker Rd, Windsor, Mon – Sun, 11 am – 6 pm
 OR
 Champion Products, 2601 Wyandotte St E, Windsor, Mon – Fri, 9 am – 5 pm
CONTACT 226-946-3610

Canadian Mental Health Association, Windsor-Essex

PROGRAM NAME Light the Way with “Lulu”
DONATIONS OF Limited-edition “Lulu” plush toy to support Children’s and Adult’s Bereavement Programs
HOW TO DONATE Purchase Lulu online at <https://windsoressex.cmha.ca/light-the-way-with-lulu/>
 or in person at 1400 Windsor Ave, Windsor, Mon – Fri, 8:30 am – 4:30 pm
CONTACT 519-7740, ext 170

Canadian Mental Health Association, Windsor-Essex

PROGRAM NAME Comfort Closet
 GIFTS FOR Clients of CHMA
 DONATIONS OF Personal hygiene items (shampoo, conditioner, body wash, soap, deodorant, feminine hygiene products), non-perishable snacks (protein bars and shakes, granola bars, individually packaged cookies, crackers, etc)
 WHEN TO DONATE All year; Mon – Fri, 8:30 am to 4:30 pm
 WHERE TO DONATE 1400 Windsor Ave, Windsor
 CONTACT 519-7740, ext 170

Children’s Aid Society

PROGRAM 1 Support a Child/Youth or Sibling Group
 GIFTS FOR Families receiving Children’s Aid Society services
 HOW TO DONATE Call to obtain a “wish list” to shop for a child/youth or sibling group
 CONTACT 519-252-1171 ext 3200

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PROGRAM 2            Monetary donations and grocery gift cards  
 GIFTS FOR            Families receiving Children’s Aid Society services  
 WHEN TO DONATE     All year  
 WHERE TO DONATE    Visit [www.wecas.on.ca](http://www.wecas.on.ca) or call for further ideas on how to help  
 CONTACT              519-252-1171 ext 3200

**Downtown Mission**

DONATIONS OF        Fresh and non-perishable food, grocery gift cards, toiletries, warm clothing (socks, gloves, etc)  
 WHEN TO DONATE     All year, Mon-Fri, 9 am-5 pm  
 WHERE TO DONATE    875 Ouellette Ave (rear entrance), Windsor  
 CONTACT              519-973-5573



### Drouillard Place

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| PROGRAM         | Gift, Toy and Food Drive                                                                                                                                                  |
| DONATIONS OF    | Gifts, toys, gift cards, money, fresh and non-perishable food. Tax receipts will be issued for amounts over \$10 (store receipts must be included with donation of items) |
| GIFTS FOR       | Clients of Drouillard Place, Drouillard Place Early ON Program, After School Program, Teen Centre and Social Work services only                                           |
| WHEN TO DONATE  | Until <b>Mon Dec 16, 2023</b> , Mon – Fri, 8:30 am – 12 pm; 1 pm – 4 pm                                                                                                   |
| WHERE TO DONATE | 1102 Drouillard Rd, Windsor                                                                                                                                               |
| CONTACT         | 519-253-1073                                                                                                                                                              |

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### Goodfellows, Windsor

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| DONATIONS OF    | Fresh and non-perishable food, grocery gift cards         |
| WHEN TO DONATE  | All year, Tues and Fri only, 10 am - 12 pm and 1 pm- 3 pm |
| WHERE TO DONATE | 401 Park St W, Windsor                                    |
| CONTACT         | 519-252-2739                                              |

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### Hiatus House, Windsor

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| PROGRAM         | Holiday gifts and non-perishable food donations                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| DONATIONS OF    | Non-perishable food, holiday gifts, grocery gift cards, new toys, new clothing for women and children, gift cards, money<br>Please visit <a href="https://hiatushouse.com/needed-items/">https://hiatushouse.com/needed-items/</a> for more gift ideas |
| DONATIONS FOR   | Women and children fleeing violence                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| WHEN TO DONATE  | All year, 24/7                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| WHERE TO DONATE | Drop off at 250 Louis Ave, Windsor                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| CONTACT         | 519-252-7781                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |

**Home Instead Senior Care**

PROGRAM Be a Santa to a Senior  
DONATIONS OF Grocery gift cards, blankets, hats, gloves, scarves, toiletries, non-slip socks, facial tissue, activity/adult colour books, puzzles  
GIFTS FOR Lonely, isolated, or financially-challenged seniors  
WHEN TO DONATE Now until **Fri, Dec 6, 2024**  
WHERE TO DONATE 1071 Lesperance Rd, Tecumseh (Drop-off spot outside)  
CONTACT 519-739-1500

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**Loyal Order of Moose – Lodge #1499**

PROGRAM Toys for Tots  
DONATIONS OF New and unwrapped toys, gift cards, money (tax receipt issued for monetary donations)  
WHEN TO DONATE All year, Mon – Sun, 3 pm – 9 pm  
WHERE TO DONATE 777 Tecumseh Rd W, Windsor  
CONTACT 519-253-1834

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**Men United for God**

DONATIONS OF New toys for children 1-12 yrs; new clothing, gift cards, money, fresh and non-perishable food items  
GIFTS FOR Low-income families  
WHEN TO DONATE All year long during regular food and clothing bank hours, Mon (2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> of month) 9 am - 12 noon, Tues 10 am - 1 pm; please call first  
WHERE TO DONATE 343 Wyandotte St W, Windsor  
CONTACT 519-564-8046

### **Parkwood Gospel Church**

DONATIONS OF      Fresh and non-perishable food, gift cards, money  
WHEN TO DONATE    All year, Food Bank Tues and Fri, 10 am - 1 pm or Office 9 am - 4:30 pm  
WHERE TO DONATE   3005 Temple Dr. Windsor  
CONTACT             519-948-7055 ext 242

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### **Peace Lutheran Church**

DONATIONS OF      Fresh and non-perishable food, money, grocery gift cards  
WHEN TO DONATE    All year, Wed only, 9 am-12 pm or call ahead for pre-arranged times  
WHERE TO DONATE   1985 Rossini Blvd, Windsor  
CONTACT             519-945-1344

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### **Salvation Army, Windsor**

DONATIONS OF      Non-perishable, food items and monetary donations  
WHEN TO DONATE    All year  
WHERE TO DONATE   355 Church St, Windsor  
CONTACT             519-253-7473

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### **Seventh Day Adventist Church**

DONATIONS OF      Fresh and non-perishable food, grocery gift cards, money  
WHEN TO DONATE    All year on Tuesdays from 1 pm-4 pm (regular food bank hours)  
WHERE TO DONATE   5350 Haig Ave, Windsor  
CONTACT             519-945-2388

### Society of Saint Vincent de Paul

DONATIONS OF            Perishable and non-perishable food, grocery gift cards, money  
GIFTS FOR                Persons and families on fixed or low income in need of help with basic needs  
HOW TO DONATE        Call for details  
WHEN TO DONATE       Mon - Sat from 11 am-4 pm  
WHERE TO DONATE      1245 Lauzon Rd, Windsor  
CONTACT                 519-253-7481

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### Sparky's Toy Drive (Windsor Professional Firefighters' Assoc)

DONATIONS OF            New, non-violent toys (valued at no more than \$25 each), gift cards, money;  
                                  see website for more information: [www.sparkystoydrivewindsor.com](http://www.sparkystoydrivewindsor.com)  
GIFTS FOR                Local needy families for their children 13 years of age and under  
WHEN TO DONATE        Until **Sat Dec 14, 2024**  
WHERE TO DONATE       Windsor Fire Stations 1,2,3,4,5,6,7 or these retail drop-off locations: Costco,  
                                  Canadian Tire, Toys R Us, Audi Windsor, Devonshire Mall, Advance Business  
                                  Systems, and Western Ontario Sports Injuries and Rehab Centre, Harbour House  
                                  Waterfront Eatery

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### St. Mary's Anglican Church

DONATIONS OF            Fresh and non-perishable food, grocery gift cards  
WHEN TO DONATE        Fridays from 9 am - 12 pm (during Food Cupboard hours); call ahead for large  
                                  donations since these have a different drop-off location  
WHERE TO DONATE        1983 St. Mary's Gate, Windsor  
CONTACT                 519-253-5221

**Street Help Homeless Centre of Windsor**

DONATIONS OF Gift cards, financial support, perishable and non-perishable food items, sleeping bags, backpacks, winter coats and boots, toiletries  
 GIFTS FOR Homeless individuals  
 WHEN TO DONATE Daily (Mon – Sun) 11 am - 5 pm  
 WHERE TO DONATE: 964 Wyandotte St E  
 CONTACT 519-977-9200

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DONATIONS OF New and **unwrapped** gifts and toys
 GIFTS FOR Children 15 years of age and under
 WHEN TO DONATE Daily (Mon – Sun), 11 am – 5 pm, up to **Wed Dec 25, 2024**
 WHERE TO DONATE 964 Wyandotte St E
 CONTACT 519-977-9200

Windsor Family Homes and Community Partnership

PROGRAM Adopt-a-Family Program
 HOW TO APPLY Sign up by **Thurs Dec 12, 2024** to become a sponsor via attached link:
[Adopt a Family Sponsorship Application](#)
 CONTACT 519-258-4501

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DONATIONS OF Fresh and non-perishable foods, grocery gift cards  
 WHEN TO DONATE All year, Mon and Fri only; 1:30 – 4 pm  
 WHERE TO DONATE 900 Howard Ave, Windsor  
 CONTACT 519-258-4501

**Windsor Youth Centre** (Downtown Mission of Windsor)

**DONATIONS OF** Toiletries, shampoo, conditioner, men's and women's underwear, socks, hoodies, gloves, Tim Horton's and McDonald's gift cards (where youth can go to stay warm), grocery gift cards, hot chocolate, canned tuna, cans of Chef Boyardee and AlphaGetti, snack foods, Kraft Dinner, Mr. Noodle, cereal, peanut butter, jam, canned soup

**GIFTS FOR** Homeless and at-risk youth aged 16 - 25 years

**WHEN TO DONATE** All year, Mon - Sat, 4 pm - 9 pm

**WHERE TO DONATE** 1247 Wyandotte St E, Windsor

**CONTACT** 226-674-0006