



WOMEN'S CENTRE

Downtown Eastside Women's Centre Christmas Wish List

Each year the Downtown Eastside Women's Centre hosts a Christmas Dinner for over 500 women and children in the neighbourhood. We also hold special brunches on Christmas and New Year's days. We depend on the generosity of the community to provide our members with these special holiday celebrations. This is a remarkable opportunity to share in the spirit of the season. Gifts will be given to women and their children at our drop-in centre and emergency shelter, and will be delivered to women who are in the hospital over Christmas. Food hampers will be given out to women to assist in feeding their families.

We are accepting cash donations, food donations, and NEW UNWRAPPED GIFTS for women and children. The most popular items for gifts are:

New Gifts for Women

Pajamas / Robes
Blankets / Towels / Sheet sets
Mitts / Gloves / Scarves
Socks / Underwear
Toiletries / Make-up / Bath Kits
Candles / Candy
Gift Certificates

New Gifts for Teens

Gift Certificates
(Best Buy, Future Shop)
Toys and games

Food Hampers

Non-perishable food items
Tea / coffee / sugar / powdered milk
Cereal / pasta / rice / Root vegetables

Holiday Meals

We will need large quantities of food for our holiday meals. If you know a farmer, butcher, bakery, grocer, or other food service professional who may be willing to donate, please contact us.

Established in 1977, the Downtown Eastside Women's Centre, is a drop-in centre for women and children living in poverty. We also operate a women-only emergency night shelter. Our mission is to help provide basic needs and to work towards positive change. **Monetary donations are helpful to give us the flexibility to purchase items not donated. Tax receipts can be provided for any cash donations (\$10+) or new gifts with original receipts attached** (please ensure we have your name, mailing address, email address and phone number).

Please make your cheque payable to the **Downtown Eastside Women's Centre**
Donations can be dropped off at 302 Columbia Street (at Cordova)
We are grateful if gifts are delivered by Saturday, Dec. 13 to allow for sorting.

Please drop off donations from 10 am - 12 noon or 2 - 4 pm daily.

Please note that we are closed on Tuesday, Dec. 16, and Wednesdays, Nov. 19 and Dec. 17.

**If these drop-off times are not convenient or you have any questions, please contact us
Wednesday to Saturday: funddevelopment@dewc.ca or by phone 604-681-8480, ext. 226.**



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Downtown Eastside Women's Centre Wish List for Holiday Meals

Downtown Eastside Women's Centre holiday meals:

Please consider a donation to contribute to our holiday meals. Your donations make it possible to brighten the holiday season for women and children living in poverty. We will need large quantities of food for our holiday meals. Donations from individuals or people in the food production or service industry will be greatly appreciated to help make these events as special as possible. Any special or extra food items can assist with this effort, but as an example, we can use the following quantities.

Holiday Meals Wish List:

Christmas Lunch:

turkey (300 lbs)
potatoes (300 lbs)
carrots (100 lbs, fresh)
Brussels sprouts (100 lbs)
cranberries (20 lbs, fresh)
green beans (2 cases, frozen)
quinoa (5 - 10 bags)

Breakfast:

Belgian waffles (10 cases, frozen)
Breakfast sausages (400 links)
ham (600 lbs)
eggs (60 dozen)
coffee (regular ground)
maple syrup (4 litres)
juice

Dessert / Baking:

butter
pies (approx. 65)
pecan pieces (30 lbs)
baking nuts / dried fruit
whipping cream (30 cases, fresh)
baking chocolate

Other Festive Items:

Christmas crackers (500)
festive dessert plates (500)
festive napkins (1000)
stocking stuffers
candy canes
chocolates and candies

Any available quantities or similar items will be accepted with our appreciation.

Please contact us to arrange for deliveries:

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We are sorry but we cannot pick up donations.

Please note: due to Food Safe regulations, we cannot accept any home made goods.