



ROYAL CITY MISSION

MERRY CHRISTMAS!



As we wrap up another transformative year at Royal City Mission, I find myself in awe of the incredible impact we've achieved together. 2023 has been a year filled with moments of resilience, compassion, and dedicated support for those in need in downtown Guelph.

But this year has not been an easy one. We've seen more people pushed out of their homes either through evictions, increased rents, conflict, or changing circumstances. In addition, the ever-increasing cost of living means more people are struggling. This has pushed our drop-in program numbers up

by over 35% from last year; at this point last year we were surprised that we had served 50,000 meals but this year we've already served 75,000 meals!

Thank you for keeping our doors open and allowing Royal City Mission to be a central support for those navigating these difficult times.

As I sit and listen to our community members, partners, donors, staff, and volunteers I am blown away by the beautiful atmosphere we have created here, together.

I am continually reminded that we're doing more than just providing meals and shelter – we're creating a transformative space where people are loved and in turn expand that love outward.

Looking forward, 2024 holds uncertainties, but it also brims with possibilities. With your continued support, help us be prepared to face these challenges head-on, adapt to meet the evolving needs of our community, and weather-well these winter months.

Together, we can continue to be this beacon of hope for those who rely on us. From all of us at Royal City Mission, we extend our warmest wishes for a joyful holiday season filled with love, peace, and togetherness.

Thank you for being a part of our community and for your unwavering support throughout the year.

Merry Christmas,

Kevin Coghill
Executive Director & Lead Pastor

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IN 2023 (SO FAR)...



75,284+
MEALS WERE SERVED TO ANYONE IN NEED.



47,478+
TOTAL DAILY COUNT OF PEOPLE ACCESSING OUR DROP-IN PROGRAM.



1,867+
UNIQUE PEOPLE ACCESSED OUR DROP-IN PROGRAMMING.

And these numbers keep growing. We have seen a significant increase in need in Guelph & more people are accessing our services than ever before.

MAKE A REAL & TANGIBLE DIFFERENCE THIS CHRISTMAS

Amount: \$ _____

Designation:

Where Needed Most Other: _____

METHOD OF DONATION

- Cheque → *make payable to 'Royal City Mission'*
- E-Transfer → *giving@royalcitymission.ca*
- Online (Credit Card) → *royalcitymission.ca/donate*



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DID YOU KNOW...



WE'RE A HUB FOR OTHER ORGS TO CONNECT WITH THOSE IN NEED - FROM HEALTH CARE TO HOUSING, & EVERYTHING IN BETWEEN



THERE ARE SEVERAL PARTNER CLINICS & STREET NURSES OPERATING OUT OF RCM ON A WEEKLY BASIS



OUR BELONGING BIN PROGRAM HAS OVER 100 BINS PROVIDING SECURE STORAGE FOR THE UNHOUSED



WE'RE OFTEN LISTED AS A HOME ADDRESS & HELP CONNECT OUR COMMUNITY MEMBERS TO THEIR MAIL

