

BLOOR WEST FOOD BANK

October 2021 Newsletter

Where have we been? Yes it has been a few months since we issued a newsletter. We appreciate your patience. A combination of growth at the food bank in addition to lots of craziness in personal lives left little time to prepare a newsletter. But we are delighted to bring you up to date on all that has been happening. As we gear up for another holiday season you can be assured another newsletter won't be far behind. Now time to catch you up!





Banques alimentaires Canada

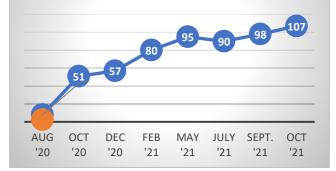
The pandemic put tremendous strain on food banks across the country. It was challenging for agencies like Daily Bread Food Bank and Second Harvest to keep up. We were able to apply for and received a grant from Food Banks of Canada to help support the efforts of the Bloor West Food Bank. These funds, in addition to the many community donations, enabled us to buy additional milk, eggs, meat and other items to meet the needs of our clients. Without these additional funds we would never have had enough of these key items for everyone. Thank you to all the wonderful community food drives that took place these past several months including (but not limited to) St.Pius X Catholic School and the cast and crew of "SEE".



Vaccine Support - When vaccines were rolling out many of our clients did not have access to vital information or a way to book vaccines. Our volunteer, Anne Marie, provided information in many different languages to our clients about the vaccines and how to access appointments.

Households Served

*does not include the 50 boxes delivered to The Mews each week



Even prior to receiving the grant funds, each week we were needing to buy large quantities of milk and eggs. It was time consuming and often challenging. Thanks to our partnership with Nicholson's No Frills, we can easily place our weekly orders and they have them ready for us in a timely fashion. This is particularly helpful when there are sale items!

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THANK YOU TO OUR SUPPORTERS St. Pius X Catholic Church Nicholson's No Frills **Cobs Bread Bakery** Max's Market **Bagel Time AMJ** Cambell The Cheese Boutique The Period Purse Second Cup **Snappers Bloor Meat Market** Crocker Web Design St. Pius X Catholic School **Rotaract Club of Toronto** The cast and crew of "See"

Thank you also to the many individuals who have donated cash and food to support our efforts.