



**SURREY**  
FOOD BANK

**PANTRY  
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NOTES**

## A Note from the Executive Director

Greetings!

As the days grow longer and the first signs of spring start to show, there's a quiet sense of momentum building — the feeling that something new is beginning to spring up.

This month, we're launching our *Plant Hope* campaign — a spring invitation to help make food feel a little more certain for neighbours facing uncertain seasons. When groceries are predictable, it brings more than nourishment. It offers breathing room.

Inside this issue, you'll meet two new parents finding steady support through the food bank, get a quick look at last month's impact, and see a few of the ways our community continues to show up — generously, humbly, and together.

With appreciation,

Kim Savage  
Executive Director, Surrey Food Bank

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## Neighbour to Neighbour: A Growing Family, Supported by Our Community

Seven months ago, Sebastian and Angela welcomed their baby boy.

Like many new parents, they were adjusting to a new routine and new expenses at the same time. During pregnancy and the early months with their newborn, they began visiting Surrey Food Bank for support.

Each visit helps them bring home essentials their growing baby needs - formula, milk, eggs, and now baby cereal as he begins trying new foods.

For Angela, knowing they have access to healthy food during these early months has meant a great deal. She uses fresh fruit from the food bank to make homemade purées as their son learns to eat. “The food has been very important for our baby as he grows,” she says.

Sebastian says the kindness they’ve experienced has made a lasting impression.

“The experience here has been amazing. Everyone has been so kind.”

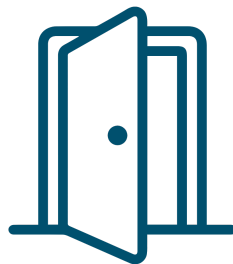
He has a simple message for the people who make that possible.

“In a way, you are part of our family too.”

### Numbers Worth Noting: February 2026



**18,362**  
Neighbours Helped




**468**  
New Families Welcomed




**212,777**  
LBS of Food  
Donated

## In Case You Missed It

 On Sunday, May 3, six incredible runners will lace up at the **BMO Vancouver Marathon**, each step raising funds for Surrey Food Bank through the Run4Hope program. Every dollar they raise helps provide nourishing food and dignity for neighbours in need.

→ [Support the team](#)

 Surrey Food Bank is part of **Split the Pot**, a province-wide 50/50 lottery that turns small acts of generosity into real impact. Half the winnings go to the jackpot winner, and half supports local charities like ours — helping us keep shelves stocked and respond to urgent needs. The March draw is now live, and includes a **\$100,000 jackpot**, early bird prizes, and ticket bundles starting at 3 for \$15.


→ [Buy Tickets or Learn More](#)

 Our 2025 **Annual Report** is now available.

→ [Read the Report](#)

 **Volunteer Intake** is Open (closes March 6).

→ [Apply to Volunteer](#)

 Become a **Grocery Giver** — our monthly donor community powering consistent support.

→ [Learn More](#)

## Thank You Notes

This month, we're grateful for the local partners helping us meet the need with care:



Donated a remarkable **\$316,000 + 2,000**  
frozen meals weekly

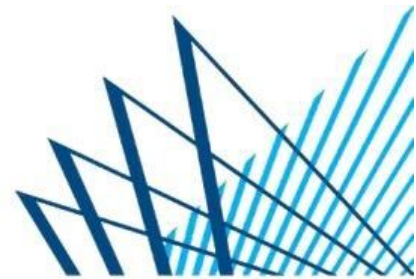


Donated a generous supply of spring  
seeds to support home gardens

Donated three full pallets of fresh,  
hearty bread



Donated game tickets to share with  
neighbours we support



BC PLACE

Donated a Whitecaps suite for 15 and  
\$500 in food vouchers

## Dates on our Calendar

### **Bhajan Clubbing — March 20, 6:30–10:00 PM**

*The TJ Max Theatre, Burnaby*

A lively, modern twist on traditional bhajans — expect music, community vibes, and a spiritual-meets-social night out.

### **Party for the Planet — April 25, 11:00 AM–7:00 PM**

*City of Surrey*

Surrey's annual eco-festival featuring live entertainment, environmental activities, vendors, and family-friendly fun celebrating sustainability.

### **Shred It initiative — April 25**

*Scottsdale Centre*

A community paper-shredding event supporting local fundraising, offering secure on-site document destruction.

## Stick With Us

Whether you're planting seeds in your windowsill, cheering on a runner, or giving quietly month to month — your support brings stability to homes across our community.

If you'd like to make a gift this month — or explore other ways to help — we'd love to hear from you.

[Get Involved](#)

Thank you for helping hope take sprout.

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