

# OUR YEAR AT FEED NOVA SCOTIA

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BEHIND THE SCENES!!



# JANUARY 2019 AND SCHOOL'S BACK IN!

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Karen Theriault, Director of Communications and Development presents to Ecole Bois-Joli. Helping children understand food security is critical to breaking the stigma.





## AVA & GRETA

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Through a bottle drive, Ava and Greta raised an amazing \$215!!! As you can see, that allowed us to distribute 323 meals because at Feed Nova Scotia every \$2 = 3 meals!







## AFRICAN DIASPORA ASSOCIATION OF THE MARITIMES

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Came in to meet with the team and discuss our opportunities to work together to support marginalized Nova Scotians.





We have many partnerships we're grateful for and High Liner is one of them!  
They supported us with a matching gift campaign and donations of food and their staff team fundraised to support us too!



# THURSDAY MORNING VOLUNTEERS

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These smiling faces have been supporting Feed Nova Scotia for many years. It's so wonderful when friends are volunteers, and volunteers become friends!!!



What is sweeter than a surprise valentine's serenade from your husband's barbershop quartet?!

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# IDEAS, INNOVATION, AND IMPACT @ WORK

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We received a large quantity of expired baby food, but Kristi, our Director of Operations had the will, and our member, MetroWorks had the way. The result? 240 packages of perfectly edible fruit leather!





# BURGERS BURGERS & MORE BURGERS

Thanks to The Coast's Halifax Burger Week and participating restaurants, they raised awareness and \$150,000!







The staff at Feed Nova Scotia ❤️ this initiative and each year we break fast with the volunteers on packing night!



## RAMADAN MUBARAK!

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This year we marked our 3rd year of providing Ramadan boxes of culturally appropriate food for breaking fast and celebrating Eid. Led by our member agency, Bayers Westwood Family Resource Centre and working with local mosques and Islamic Associations, we prepared 80 boxes to distribute to Muslim families seeking food support.





**IT TAKES A VILLAGE!!** In June 2019, Feed Nova Scotia celebrated the success of their Capital Campaign with the many donors and supporters that made the dream of a new warehouse a reality.





# WE'RE SETTING RECORDS

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Now that we're in our new warehouse, we're achieving feats we couldn't have imagined in our location on the Bedford Highway.

This photo of our Operations team is from June when we hit a new milestone, and we're happy to report we beat this in October!!







## OUR COMMUNITY GARDEN

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Metro Transit graciously supports us with their community garden space. We supply the volunteers and sweat equity and reap the benefits. Carly, our Volunteer Coordinator is seen here with a small sample of our harvest. It takes many hands, hearts and hours – but a day in a garden is never a waste!



# SOME SUPERHEROES DRIVE TRACTORS

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Over 50% of what we distribute is perishable product and we have our grocery retailers, producers and local farmers to thank for this. Here we are working with Sawler Gardens, Keddy Farms and Courthill House Farms.

Getting surplus fresh food into the hands of Nova Scotians accessing food support is crucial to a nutritious and balanced diet.







## THE SMILE THAT GIVES

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Tim Hortons' Smile Cookie week is the BEST. We give cookies to the donors, partners, and volunteers we love and share the proceeds from the NS campaign with the IVWK.



# BACK(PACK) TO SCHOOL

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We order 2000+ backpacks every year to help families get back to school. Supplying backpacks helps families offset the costs of this expensive time of year.





# WE LOVE A PARADE!

Sackville Patriot Days, Chronicle Herald Parade of Lights, or Light Up Bedford—count us in!







## PANCAKES, SKATING, & CAR WASHES

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We love to show our 1000+ volunteers the love! From breakfast in the warehouse to skating parties, we're up for anything that makes our volunteers smile!



# POTLUCK? COUNT US IN!

Now in our 4<sup>th</sup> year, Nova Scotia's Biggest Potluck encourages friends, families, and colleagues to raise awareness, share a meal together, and donate food or funds. This year we got to share our office potluck with the Manulife volunteer team.





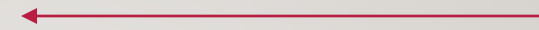


## FOOD DRIVES & FUNDRAISERS

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We're grateful to all the businesses, organizations, and individuals who give their time and effort to put on fundraisers and food drives to support us. Transcendental has been a wonderful supporter and Brett Bailey (on the far right) made a particularly heroic effort in a very short time, encouraging his neighbours and friends to work together and food-raise 626kg of food in just 3 weeks!





The summer can be a very quiet time for food donations. This is our empty racking just days before Hurricane Dorian made landfall in NS.



And thankfully, this is the donation we received from Nova Scotia Power shortly after the hurricane struck.







## NEW THIS YEAR – THE THANKSGIV'ER!

We were so thrilled with the results our new Thanksgiving event with Q104, Cherubini, Pete's Frootique and Sobey's—we're making it a new annual event! Our buddy, Alex Giffin, was on hand with his beautiful artwork and gave his proceeds to the event.





## WE SAID GOODBYE TO FAMILY

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Retirement is sweet for some and sad for others! This year we said goodbye to Becky Mason, Director of Community Connections and 15 year Feed Nova Scotia veteran, Paul Bellussi, Warehouse Coordinator. We miss them everyday and wish them all the best in their retirement!! ❤️



# COME SEE YOUR IMPACT!

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We hope you enjoyed this little peek into some of what your support enables us to achieve.

We are **TRULY GRATEFUL** for you and your philanthropy.

To us, your support is a vote of confidence for our work and the people who need your support. There are months we just couldn't make it without you!

Come see the hope you're giving!!

