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Wood Buffalo Food Bank Association's

2019/2020 Annual Report



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MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

We've got another year behind us, and we continue to grow not only as an organization, but as a team, to serve this amazing community we call home.

Our 2019/2020 fiscal year started out great as we began it with our 4th Annual Empty Bowls Festival (having moved it from September in hopes of warmer weather.) The event had an incredible turn out with positive feedback on the new date, along with the new online ticketing option. As we headed into the fall and winter months we geared up for our busiest season. In November we hosted our 27th Annual Syncrude Food Drive and Corporate Challenge. This event was successful despite the tough economic climate and we managed to still reach the goals we had set for ourselves thanks to our amazing community. Then, in the beginning of the New Year we forged a partnership with Rick Kirschner and his Kings Kids Promotions to bring Food Bank services to Fort Chipewyan, something we had been attempting to do for years. Through this partnership we have finally been able to access and support that area of our region year-round. This was also a full circle moment as Rick's big brother Dave Kirschner started the Wood Buffalo Food Bank (then the Fort McMurray Food Bank) in his own home in 1983.

2020 was starting strong and filled with much positivity until March rolled around and we faced a new crisis as a community, province, nation, and world. Covid-19 had started taking hold as a global pandemic with swift changes being made to help flatten the curve and keep all of us safe. However, this created many obstacles and cancellations, not only with our services and programs, but also with our fundraising abilities. We were two weeks away from our Annual Spring Food Drive when we got word that we had to cancel. The community supported us, working with any modifications that we needed to put in place, and we kept moving forward staying positive and getting through this together. Our first Virtual Food Drive was born thanks to Northland Forest Products Ltd., and we were able to fill that fundraising gap and continue to serve our community.

However, at the end of April we found our building, along with a large portion of downtown, under water as the river ice jammed and the water levels rose. This was truly devastating as we viewed the images each day while waiting for the waters to recede. To say this did not affect myself or my team would be a lie, but with every dark spot there is brightness too. What came out of this devastating event was once again the overwhelming support from the community. Within a week we had a temporary space donated to us and groups sending food and water up the highway. In May alone we had over 700,000lbs of product sent to us. Without the amazing support from all over we would not be able to operate and continue to #FeedYMM.

In closing, I want to say a special thank you to my team of staff and Board members who stayed strong and continued to work together despite the challenges. A huge thank you to the Golosky Family who opened space for us to operate out of without batting an eye. And an incredibly huge thank you to everyone who stepped up to help us, no matter how large or small, every bit mattered and without you we could not have continued to serve our community so quickly. As we look forward to what the future holds for the Wood Buffalo Food Bank and as our next steps unfold, I leave you with the words of Cornelius/Tom Selleck, "Keep Moving Forward." (Meet the Robinsons)

Sincerely,
Dan Edwards

MESSAGE FROM THE BOARD CHAIR



It is amazing to think of the resiliency the people of the Regional Municipality of Wood Buffalo (RMWB) continue to demonstrate through another significant event such as the spring flood notwithstanding the added complexity of dealing with the COVID-19 pandemic. While we have shown strong resiliency, there is no doubt that the trifecta of events (COVID, flood & business downturn) is having an impact of the collective mental health of the community.

Through the floods, and despite losing our building, vehicles and food, the Wood Buffalo Food Bank (WBFB) employees were able to re-establish operations in Gregoire within a few days thanks to the generosity and quick action from local businesses. Over this period the WBFB served over 9,591 hampers to a large percentage of the flood affected households.

As we look to the future, we realize that the need for the WBFB to Feed Wood Buffalo will continue to grow. COVID-19 is not going anywhere soon and the effect on the economy of low oil prices will extend beyond initial expectations. With this in mind, the WBFB is looking to the future and will publish our latest strategic plan in the near future. We are committed to serving the diverse needs of the community.

The Board of Directors welcomed several new members this year. In addition to myself, Natasha Hartson and Leanne Hawco were welcomed. We have a strong and diverse Board and are committed to ensuring strong governance in order to serve the community with integrity and transparency.

Upcoming this year, we will be looking to get back into a permanent building to better serve the wide variety of nutritious food products necessary for those in need.

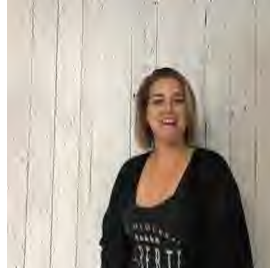
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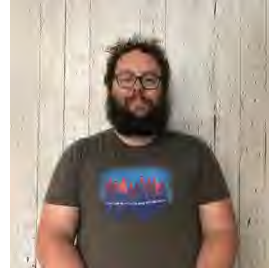
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Executive Director



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Executive Assistant



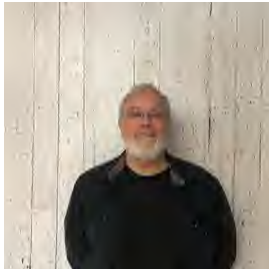
Anna Noble
Communications &
Development Manager



Colin Samson
Warehouse Manager



Kaitlyn Campbell
Client Services
Manager



David Cantwell
Program Facilitator



Natalie Bourque
Mobile Pantry
Coordinator



Archer Holowchuk
Client Intake Worker



Mary-Mae Humphrey
Warehouse Assistant

VISION

Every citizen of the RMWB has access to and utilizes the resources and information necessary for Food Security; including nutritional standards (Canada Food Guide).

MISSION

The Wood Buffalo Food Bank provides programs and services that provide the resources and education necessary to ensure food security for all citizens in the Regional Municipality of Wood Buffalo.

Board of Directors 2019/2020

Currently Active:

Chair - Dean Wilcox
Vice-Chair - Merya Gould
Treasurer - Kama Bosma
Secretary - Ryan Pearson
Director - Kelly Tole
Director - Leanne Hawco
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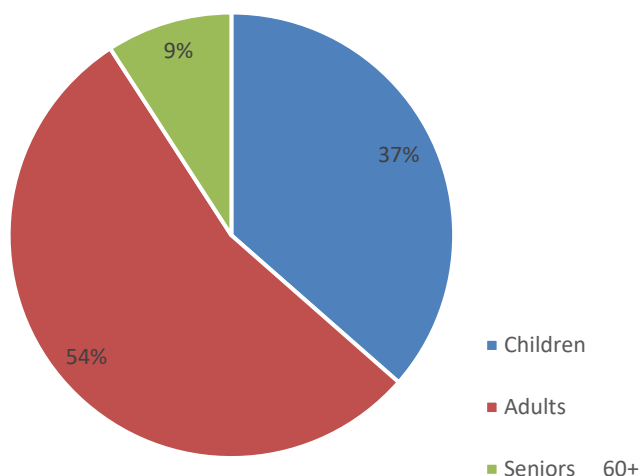
Director - Gordon Valverde
Director - Natasha Hartson
Director - Brad Lucier
Director - Aleksandra Plemic

Moved on year:

Dennis Banks - Chair
Ken Bowie - Director
Dennine Giles - Director

THE NUMBERS

What's going out?

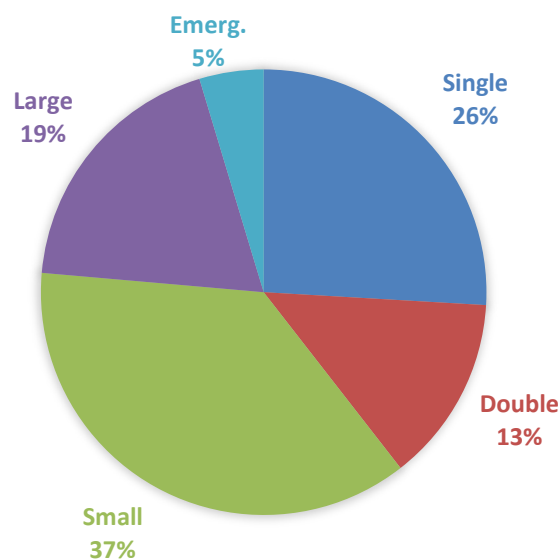


Age Group

The age demographics of clients has not changed significantly since last year, differing only by 1-2% in each category.

In 2019/2020 we handed out 9,591 hampers, serving 17,874 individuals.

This includes one-time and repeat clients.

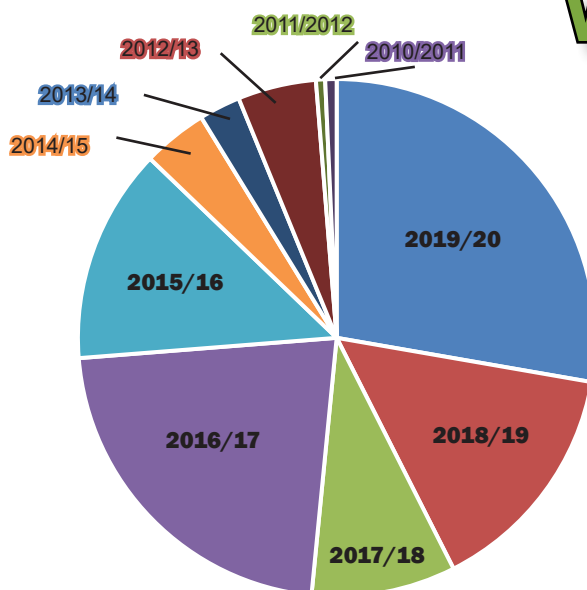


Hamper Size

What's coming in?

Over the past ten years, we haven't only seen our client numbers increase, but we have also seen our donations increase alongside them. Without our community donations, we would not be able to keep up with the demand.

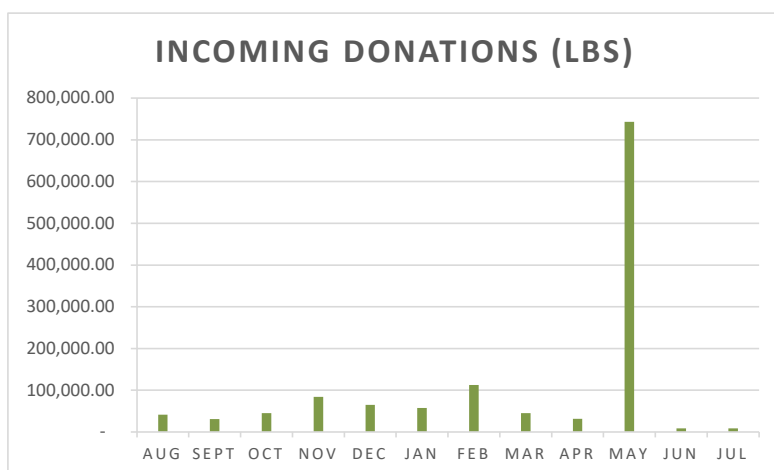
Community food donations have continued to increase steadily, however sharp increases in 2012/13 2016/17 and 2019/20 years can be seen due to large scale events such as spring flooding and the wildfire. The following year always dips slightly in donations due to the long term affects of these events, and the ongoing economic crisis we are seeing.



A Decade of Giving

This past year we recieved 1,273,326 pounds of food donations of which 1,140,395 pounds were usable and given back into the community.

As you can see, the majority of this year's donations came in during the month of May, following the Spring flood in April that damaged not only our building and supplies, but also affected thousands of residents. These donations far exceeded our annual Christmas donations, which we lower this year due to many residents struggling due to these economic times.



2019/2020

FOOD BANK PROGRAMMING

Traditional Hamper Program

The Traditional food hamper program offers services by appointment and by approved application Monday to Thursday, 10am to 8pm. We provide these services by appointment for many reasons the most important being client confidentiality and food purchasing. We also do this so we are able to spend a few minutes with clients giving them our undivided attention and referrals to other agencies that might be helpful to them.



Mobile Pantry Program

The Food Bank's Mobile Pantry Program is unique and progressive because we directly address geographically isolated low-income communities where residents experience chronic hunger and food insecurity. The MPP was established to assist low-income individuals and families who live in rural communities within the RMWB, where residents have little or no access to transportation and/or where there might be no full-service grocery stores within reasonable walking distance.

Basic Shelf & Financial Literacy Program



The Basic Shelf program is a series of workshops over 6 weeks. With a small group of attendees, participants are taught how to cook and shop for food on a limited budget with the curriculum being heavily weighted in Financial Literacy. The program is based on the strategy of keeping a 'basic shelf' of ingredients full in your home, with which you learn how to create a variety of meals that are nutritious and affordable. Whenever you've used an item from your basic shelf, you know to replenish it at your next round of groceries.

Snack Attack Program

The Food Bank's Snack Attack Program is a program designed to address the increasing need for snacks in our schools for children and youth who come to school hungry. This program provides a choice of healthy snacks as approved by Alberta Health Services (AHS). The program has been running Janvier over the past year, and with our new three-year partnership with the Fort McMurray Airport Authority this program will be once again provided to local schools in Fort McMurray.

Emergency Services Program

The WBFB provides emergency 3 days hampers to organizations within the RMWB, who serve clients during weekends and holidays who need food bank support. These hampers provide enough food to get a small family through the weekend until they can contact the food bank when it opens the following week.



HELPING HANDS

This year we partnered with Wood Buffalo Volunteers (FuseSocial), a hub for all organizations in the Wood Buffalo region to post volunteer opportunities. This partnership has made it easier for our community members to find various ways to lend a hand in a centralized place, and has strengthened the nonprofit sector.

FuseSocial saw over 750 people volunteer more than 6,000 hours during the 21-day period following April's flooding.

Find the link to volunteer on our website!



A huge thank you to all of our amazing volunteers!



MOBILE PANTRY EXPANSION PILOT PROJECT **FORT CHIP!**

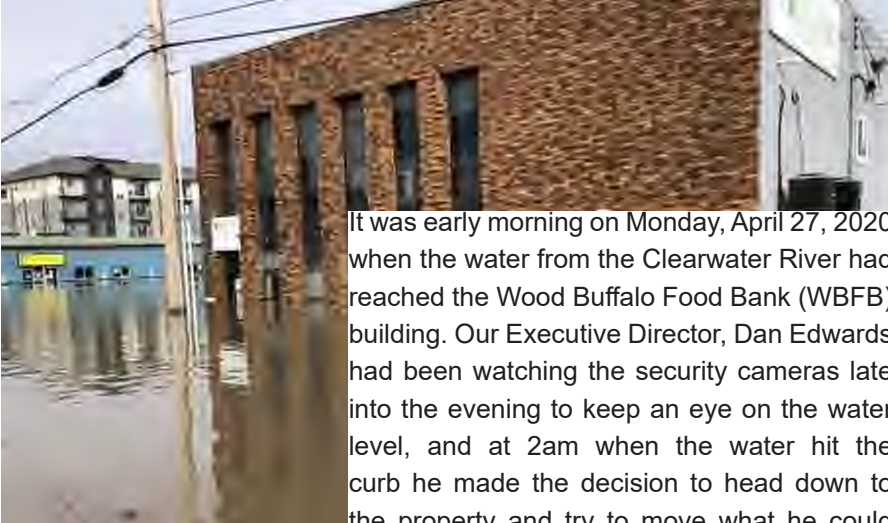
We started off the New Year enthusiastically with a long-awaited venture finally launching after many years of discussions and setbacks! In a new partnership with Kings Kids Promotions, along with approved 2020 Community Impact Grant funding from the RMWB, expansion of our Mobile Pantry Program to Fort Chipewyan was finally feasible!

This pilot project introduced a monthly food bank initiative which collaborated with First Nations, RMWB, Northland School District and King's Kids Promotions.

The activities entailed assembling food packages to serve 30 families in Fort Chipewyan on a monthly basis, travelling the winter road in the colder months and by plane in warmer months, and setting up a food distribution depot for distributing these food hampers.

The need in Fort Chip was higher than anticipated, with several households always on a waitlist for the next month. We look forward to moving forward with this program as a permanent part of our MPP program.





It was early morning on Monday, April 27, 2020 when the water from the Clearwater River had reached the Wood Buffalo Food Bank (WBFB) building. Our Executive Director, Dan Edwards had been watching the security cameras late into the evening to keep an eye on the water level, and at 2am when the water hit the curb he made the decision to head down to the property and try to move what he could to higher ground. Within an hour the water had risen 3 feet and was about to enter the building through the front door. There was no more time, and Dan had to make the difficult decision to leave everything as it was, hoping the water wouldn't rise too much higher.



Unfortunately, the water continued to rise over the next few days and reached the height of approximately 4 feet inside the building. It was enough to destroy everything on the bottom floor of the property including not only food items, but all three Food Bank vehicles, warehouse and office equipment, food storage such as shelving and the walk-in coolers, and more. We were hoping to have a little luck, however the water also rose to 2 feet at the extra warehouse space down the alley, which was used mainly for food storage.



2020 Spring Flood

Close to 13,000 people had to leave their homes in late April, when an ice jam formed on the Athabasca River and caused water levels to rise.

from when the water first entered our building. The month that followed was an adventure for our team. We faced numerous hurdles while learning to navigate our new locations as we operated on an emergency basis, coupled with a pandemic. After some trial and error within the first week, everything began to move smoothly and in the first four weeks of operations we were able to serve 1544 hampers to our community, including our rural neighbours. And we couldn't have done this alone.

We would like to extend a huge thank you to every single person who donated and volunteered; the support has been truly overwhelming. In the first month following the flood 743,248 pounds of food and over \$850,000 was raised for us, which will all go directly towards supporting our community throughout this difficult time.

While the future remains uncertain and we work on rebuilding our home base, we assure you that the Wood Buffalo Food Bank team is still here to help - "through hell or high water."



In the end, there wasn't much that hadn't been impacted by the flood.

Seven days later, on Sunday, May 3, our team was able to enter the building for the first time after the water receded, and the significance of the date was not lost on us. Suited up with masks and boots, we looked at what was left of the place we all considered to be our second home. It was a somber moment, but you could also sense the same strength and resiliency that we possessed after the 2016 wildfire. Of course, tears were shed, but we were eager to hit the ground running and start supporting our community again.

This was no small task, and the entire staff team had already been working long hours that entire week getting things into action in order to be ready to operate as soon as possible. This of course wouldn't have been possible without the amazing support from various organizations and individuals near and far who reached out to us and offered their support. Within days we had secured our temporary locations, food was being trucked up the highway, volunteers were packing hampers, and monetary donations were coming in online. By Monday, May 4, we were open and operational - exactly one week

Thank you to all of our sponsors,
donors and volunteers who made
this happen!



- Syncrude Canada Ltd. \$90,000
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...and many more! Thank you!!! Syncrude Food Drive & Corporate Challenge

The Syncrude Food Drive began with the Corporate Challenge on Thursday, November 28th with Syncrude kicking off the Corporate Challenge with an increased pledge of \$90,000 live on radio stations Country 93.3 and Rock 97.9. Everyone was then encouraged to call in and donate throughout the day. Several organizations called in their donations throughout the day between 7am to 7pm to show their support for our city in this continuously challenging time. \$209,915 was raised on-air that day, successfully kicking off the annual event.

The Corporate Challenge was then followed by the Syncrude Food Drive from Friday, November 29th, to Sunday, December 1st. Wilson generously donated all 10 trucks stationed at the local grocery stores and Wal-Mart, and the Wood Buffalo Food Bank (WBFB) van was at the Anzac Grocery Store. Over the three days the Food Drive raised an additional \$43,782 in monetary donations, and 71,520 pounds of food. An anonymous donor dropped off a \$10,000 cheque during the Food Drive, which was an incredible surprise and helped with increasing the total raised.

The weekend saw just over 500 smiling volunteers in front of stores and in the warehouse, many of them filling in last minute when the call-out was made. We want to give a special shout-out to all of the amazing volunteers who helped out this past weekend, especially those who took on multiple shifts and those companies who brought their entire teams out.

The following Monday the WBFB got word that CNRL was also pitching in \$40,000 to the campaign, and when Andrea from Pheonix Heliflight heard the Food Bank was just short of their fundraising goal she put forward \$6,500, bringing the grand total to:

\$300,197 and 71,520 pounds of food!



August 11, 2019

11am to 3pm at Jubilee Plaza

On Sunday, August 11th the 4th Annual Empty Bowls Festival presented by John Wilson's Hedco Group in support of the Wood Buffalo Food Bank (WBFB) was a huge success, raising just \$22,695 net, coming close to their \$25,000 goal.

Held at Jubilee Plaza from 11am to 3pm, the family-friendly event had festival goers purchase locally hand-crafted bowls from the Fort McMurray Potter's Guild and Color Me Mine Fort McMurray and make their way around the festival, sampling creations from six food stations hosted by local eateries. Local artisans were present to showcase and sell their arts and fine crafts, with a portion of sales being donated back to the Wood Buffalo Food Bank, as well as displays and demonstrations of live arts and fine crafts, and several art activities for children. To raise additional funds, 18 celebrity bowls were created for a silent auction, along with many other items submitted by the local artisans, and the event featured a prize raffle and 50/50 draw.

The festival saw a total of 743 attendees come though, and like every year there was a line-up of festival-goers eagerly awaiting 11am to purchase and pick their bowl.



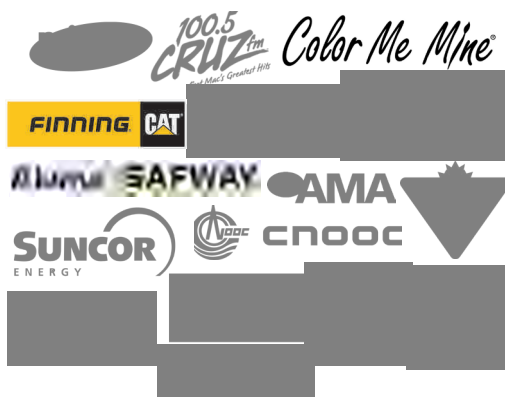
This year pre-sale tickets were available for the month leading up to the event, which 281 people took advantage of to skip the payment process at the door.

The goal of this event is to raise awareness and funds for the organization while giving the community a family-friendly affordable event to attend. By keeping admission price at \$20 per adult and \$10 per child, it gives the community an accessible event for everyone. Previously held in September for the past three years, the WBFB decided to move it up a bit into August in hopes of warmer weather. Despite concerns about people being away in the summer, we wanted to give the community a reason to stay in town and enjoy local events.

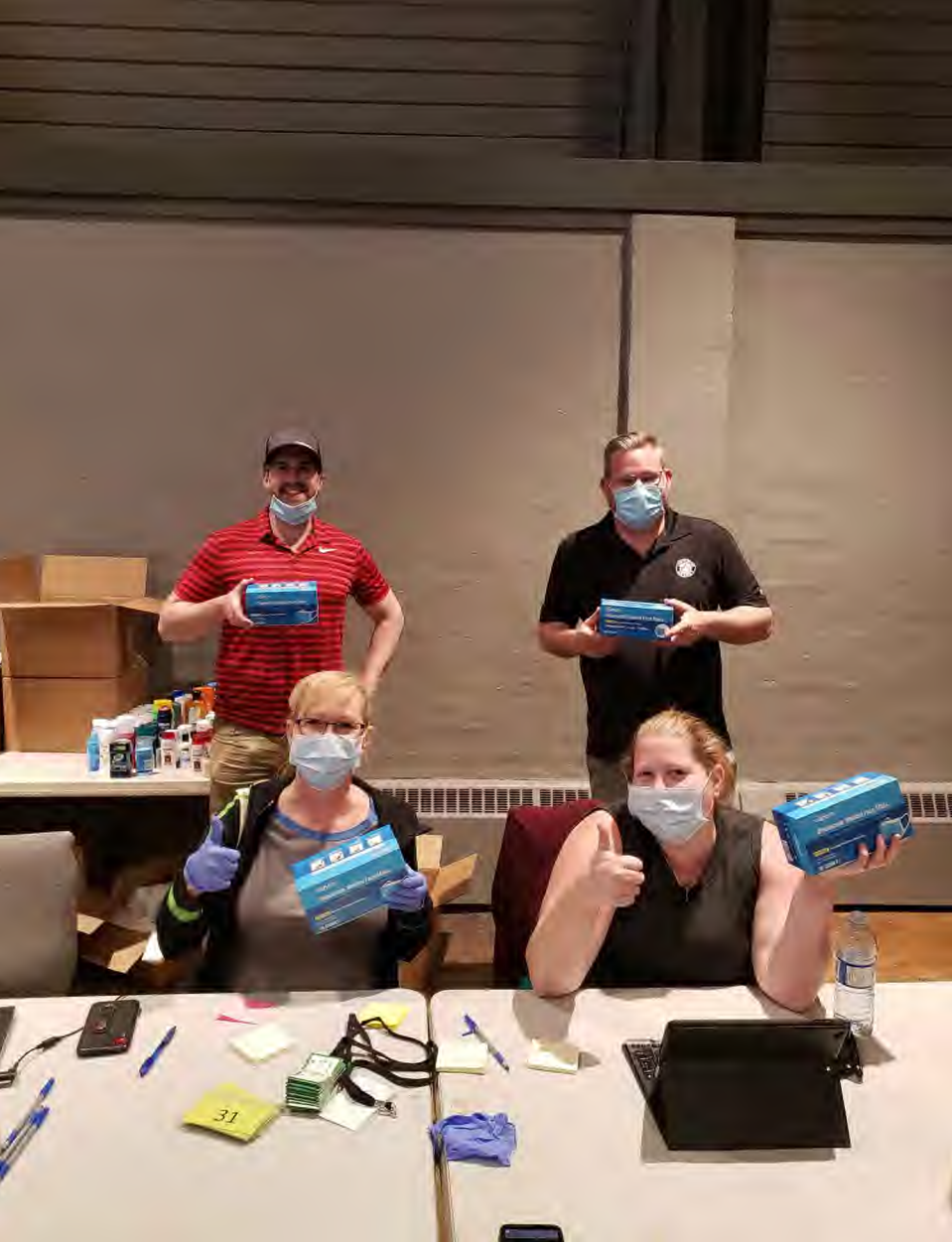
By popular request, a follow-up bowl sale was hosted in September on what would have been the original date of the event in order to give those who missed the event a chance to purchase a bowl, as well as raise some additional funds.

The festival saw a total of 743 attendees and raised \$22,695, coming close to our \$25,000 goal.

Thanks to those who made this event possible!



EMPTY BOWLS
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The Covid-19 outbreak brought many challenges to the Wood Buffalo Food Bank this year, cancelling not only our 6th Annual Spring Food Drive, which was set to run the first weekend of April, but also our 5th Annual Empty Bowls Festival in August, and many other third-party fundraisers that typically happen throughout the year.

Not only was fundraising efforts stunted, but the initial stockpiling and hoarding that occurred in the community completely cleaned out the shelves and created shortages - which meant we were unable to get the food needed for clients such as meat, produce and dairy.

Our services also changed, and our cooking program was put on hold. Clients were only allowed to bring one additional person to their appointments, no one was allowed to drop into the building, and volunteering was halted to ensure the safety and health of everyone in the building. Hampers were now being pre-packaged, and we worked diligently to remove as many contact points as possible.

We saw a 30-35% increase in new clients following the economic impact of the pandemic, which included several lay-offs and reduced hours. This was also on top of an economic crisis we were already seeing, and was about to be impacted more by the flood.

Despite all the changes that had to be made, we continued to serve our clients the best we could - and we couldn't have done that without the support from the community.

A Global Pandemic & Its Affects

Challenges aside, we had some amazing supporters step forward and Fort McMurray proved it's compassion to help others as always!

Northland Forest Products contacted us with a hope to support, and thus was born our first ever Virtual Food Drive! It was hosted completely online during the month of April in hopes of collecting much needed donations during a time of increased need and postponed fundraisers. Northland kicked off the month-long fundraiser on April 1st with a \$25,000 donation and encouraged everyone in the community to donate online.

The campaign saw a huge amount of support from individuals and businesses within the community and raised a total of \$101,836.

The next month we were contacted by Motion Canada, who wanted to host a door step food drive in partnership with Cruz FM, and Chris Flett from IUOE LOCAL 955 partnered with Mlx 103.7 FM



for the Feeding the Fort challenge, matched all monetary donations made up to \$100,000! Both campaigns ran for the month of May.

And what followed was an outpour of support from people all across Fort McMurray, Alberta and even Canada. Ranging from large donations to individually arranged food drives - they are ALL so much appreciated!

We want extend a large thank you to everyone who helped us feed our community not only through this incredibly tough year. We have faced many challenges, but with your support we have been able to continue doing what we do best - you've helped us to #feedymm.

2019/2020 Financials

Wood Buffalo Food Bank Association Statement of Financial Position As at July 31, 2020

| | 2020 | 2019 |
|--|------------------|------------------|
| Assets | | |
| Current | | |
| Cash (Note 3) | 2,036,274 | 1,738,884 |
| Term deposits (Note 4) | 1,100,000 | - |
| Accounts receivable (Note 13) | 62,300 | 246,826 |
| Accrued interest | 16,030 | - |
| Goods and services tax receivable | 12,684 | 12,519 |
| Prepaid expenses and deposits | 115,182 | 53,004 |
| | 3,346,530 | 2,048,301 |
| Capital assets (Note 5) | 48,760 | 124,438 |
| | 3,395,290 | 2,169,747 |
| Liabilities | | |
| Current | | |
| Accounts payable and accruals | 71,427 | 142,710 |
| Government remittances payable | 11,987 | 13,325 |
| Deferred contributions related to operations (Note 6) | 380,577 | 280,355 |
| | 463,991 | 436,390 |
| Deferred contributions related to capital assets (Note 7) | 1,485 | 69,215 |
| | 465,475 | 505,605 |
| Commitments (Note 9) | | |
| Significant events (Note 12) | | |
| Net Assets | | |
| Invested in capital assets | 47,275 | 55,204 |
| Internally restricted (Note 8) | 1,300,538 | 1,300,538 |
| Unrestricted | 1,582,001 | 308,360 |
| | 2,929,814 | 1,664,142 |
| | 3,395,290 | 2,169,747 |

Approved on behalf of the Board

SIGNED by Dean Wilcox

Director

SIGNED by Karra Booms

Director

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.



A huge thank you to our 2019/2020 donors!



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ANNUAL COMMUNITY AWARDS 2020

Board Member of the Year Merya Gould

Merya has always shown a great deal of pride and passion in being a board member of the Food Bank, not only advocating for us out in the world, but whenever she was available she would be there at events lending a hand. Regardless of whatever was happening in life, she was here! Thank you so much!

Collaborator of the Year Northland Forest Products

After the pandemic cancelled our Spring Food Drive, Northland Forest Products came forward with an idea to support - and our first ever Virtual Food Drive was born. They helped us raise over \$100,000 which bridged the gap into the summer months. Thank you for your initiative!

Partner of the Year Fuse Social and WBVolunteers.ca

This year we worked with FuseSocial on many initiatives this year, such as their skill sharing program, their workshops to help develop staff skills, and their WBVolunteers website. They have helped so much to strengthen our nonprofit sector and bringing everyone together! Thanks for your partnership!

Warehouse Volunteer of the Year Sharon Morin

Sharon is an enthusiastic volunteer who is always excited about volunteering! She is always flexible with her hours and pops in when she can, and has also gotten the family into volunteering as well! It is volunteers like Sharon who encourage others to get involved and support their community. Thank you!

Neighbour of the Year The Golosky Family

The Golosky family graciously donated two temporary spaces for the Wood Buffalo Food Bank without hesitation after the flood, enabling us to mobilize within a week. Thank you so much for providing us a space to continue serving our community when it was most needed.

Promoter of the Year Andrew Wilcox

Andrew Wilcox is a huge support in the non-profit sector, always coming forward to spread awareness for various causes. He has not only taken part in our Hamper Challenge each year, but always makes time to spread the word about food insecurity in our region. Thank you!

Donor of the Year Suncares

Suncares, supported by Suncor and the Suncor Energy Foundation, inspires their employees to contribute to communities and support the causes that are important to them through volunteering, and donation matching. This year they gave countless volunteer hours, and over \$77,000!

Event Volunteer of the Year Christine St-onge

Christine has been a volunteer of the food bank, showing up every year for our Food Drives and filling multiple spots. It is not uncommon for Christine to sign up at one store for the entire day! We thank her so much for helping us fill those spaces and being such an awesome ambassador!