



friendship inn

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Nutrien™ PROUDLY STRENGTHENS COMMUNITY THROUGH FILL THE PLATE

FOR NUTRIEN, NOTHING IS MORE IMPORTANT THAN A STRONG AND HEALTHY COMMUNITY.

The agriculture leader has been a proud partner of the Friendship Inn since 2010. Recognizing the incredible challenges our community has faced throughout 2020, Nutrien has once again demonstrated their community spirit and generosity through a commitment to match up to \$100,000 in cash donations to the Friendship Inn during the month of December.

The gift from Nutrien will kick-start the Inn's annual Fill the Plate holiday campaign which in 2020, is more important than ever.

"Many people struggle to feed themselves and their families on a daily basis, and COVID-19 has only increased that hardship," says Ken Seitz, Executive Vice President and CEO of Potash at Nutrien. "Organizations like the Friendship Inn make Saskatoon a better place to work and live, so I invite you to be our partner in feeding the future - and remind you that Nutrien will be matching your donation during December."




Ken Seitz, Executive Vice President and CEO of Potash and Candace Laing, Vice President Sustainability and Stakeholder Relations serve breakfast to guests at the Inn, taken in Nov 2019.

Every donation helps the Friendship Inn to serve up to 1000 meals every day, 365 days a year. Every gift helps to Fill the Plate for someone from our community who would otherwise go hungry.

When asked why Nutrien remains so focused on supporting the Friendship Inn, Seitz remarked, "We're doing everything we can to stand behind our communities and help keep food on tables. We know the importance of a healthy meal; we support our neighbors during times of need; and we share a common purpose to grow and strengthen our communities. That's why we partner with dedicated community partners like the Friendship Inn who share our values and approach."

He finished by stating, "We are grateful to the Friendship Inn for giving Nutrien the opportunity to partner on this

important work. Together, we can make a difference for hundreds of families and children."

A very big thank-you to our friends at Nutrien!



THANK YOU for giving!!

DECEMBER DONATION REQUESTS

FOOD:

Turkey
Ham
Margarine
Celery
Potatoes
Carrots
Onions
Sugar
Boxed stuffing

GIFTS:

By December 15
New, wrapped presents:
toys, games, books, PJs &
gift sets labeled boys or
girls ages 0-2, 3-5, 6-8, 9-12

CLOTHING:

New or gently used warm
coats, toques, scarves,
and mitts.

Drop off donations - 619 20th Street West
7am - 3pm daily, or phone 306-242-5122



It was lunchtime at the Inn. After eating her chicken, veggies and macaroni salad, her eyes were wide with excitement as she picked up the bite-size cupcake from her tray - the perfect size for a smiling, bubbly little girl. She gleefully peeled away the wrapper and went straight for the blue icing. When asked if she liked her treat, she immediately offered to share it with us. We encouraged her to enjoy every bite instead, as the chocolate cake is her "most favourite." There were giggles all around the table as the children happily shared their own cupcake combinations. Icing with sprinkles will always bring a smile.

Guests make our day

"THE INN GIVES ME LIFE." It is a simple, but deeply powerful response from one of our guests when asked why the Friendship Inn is important. Explaining further, he shares his journey in life and his belief that everyone is given choices in life about which path to pursue. The Inn has become an integral and meaningful part of his own path, providing nourishment, encouragement, support, programming and friendship. One afternoon, with the benefit of a warm meal and friendly conversation with those at the Inn, our guest was able to focus his energy on understanding and managing his mental and emotional well-being.



So Much Good Happens Here

THE FIRST TIME JONATHAN HUNTINGTON WALKED INTO THE FRIENDSHIP INN, he felt the energy of caring people and a safe environment.

"The Friendship Inn has always held a place in my heart... so much good happens here," says Jonathan, a long-time volunteer who is also a member of the Inn's Board of Directors while also serving as Cameco Corporation's Vice-President of Sustainability and Stakeholder Relations.

During a volunteer shift with his Cameco colleagues, Jonathan witnessed first-hand the difference the Inn's meals and services make in the lives of vulnerable people. He observed smiles and camaraderie in the kitchen and eating area, later commenting, "You cannot underestimate what hunger can do to someone." With the re-launch of the Volunteer Program in early July (as COVID restrictions lifted), guests and staff are once again appreciating the efforts and enthusiasm

volunteers bring to serving daily breakfast and lunch meals.

"We are so thankful for the Inn's great friends - those coming for the first time to volunteer, and the many who have now returned," noted Jonathan.

In addition to appreciation for the Friendship Inn, its employees and volunteers, Jonathan brings an awareness of not-for-profit best practice to the Board table. For the past nine years, his professional



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responsibilities have involved reviewing funding requests from community organizations and building strong partnerships.

U of S Business Students Give Back

PASSIONATE, ENERGETIC AND DRIVEN! Students from the University of Saskatchewan Edwards School of Business aren't letting the move to online, remote learning dampen their enthusiasm for boosting the community. In fact, even through the pandemic, this talented and creative bunch of business students is determined to make an impact and give back.

"Creating joy in the community is what we're really trying to accomplish," says Amisha Jain, Vice President of Social & Charity with JDC West 2021 Team Sasky.

Every summer the JDC West team picks one major charity to support through a variety of unique fundraising efforts. For 2020, the JDC West crew joined forces by teaming up with their classmates from the Edwards Business Students' Society (EBSS). Aubrey-Anne Laliberte Pewapisconias is VP Charity



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for EBSS. Collectively, the two groups decided all business student fundraising efforts would be in support of the Saskatoon Friendship Inn.

"We wanted to stay local because of our community and the economy. It has been a tougher year and so we felt it

was important for us to do anything we can to get involved and give back. As a group (both EBSS and JDC West) we did our research on a number of local charitable organizations. The mission of the Friendship Inn really resonated with our whole team."

Between them, EBSS and JDC West have organized bottle drives, food drives, clothing sales, wellness events and virtual networking events, donating ticket sale proceeds to the Inn. The group's marquis fundraiser – Chillin' for Charity – was held on November 20 with these amazing students hosting a livestream cheque presentation with the Friendship Inn on November 23rd.

Thank-you to the Edwards Business Students' Society and JDC West Team Saskie for the amazing donation to the Saskatoon Friendship Inn. Wishing you the best of luck as you compete virtually in January.

Legacy Giving: Have you considered your legacy?

YOU HAVE INCREDIBLE POWER to influence the life of someone who is vulnerable, today and into the future.

Leaving a Legacy gift to the Saskatoon Friendship Inn through your estate plan will enable the Inn to continue delivering services, including nutritious meals, for children, youth, adults and seniors today and for years to come. This is a truly meaningful way to celebrate the impact of your life.

Should you wish to leave a legacy by planning a gift as part of your estate, there are several giving options for you to consider:

- Listing the Saskatoon Friendship Inn among the bequests in your Will;
- Naming the Saskatoon Friendship Inn as the beneficiary of your RRSP, RRIF or TFSA; or
- Gifting an insurance policy to the Saskatoon Friendship Inn.

Your lawyer, tax specialist and financial planner can assist and advise you on charitable tax implications and which of



these options would best help you to achieve your personal charitable giving goals. We encourage you to also consult with your family before acting on your wishes to make a legacy gift. Your thoughtfulness and generosity will benefit residents in the community you love.

For more information about supporting guests of the Inn by Leaving a Legacy, please contact Laura Herman, Development & Engagement Manager at 306-242-5122 or laurah@friendshipinn.ca

Best wishes in this crazy, disrupted, upside-down season...

DISRUPTION, DISORIENTATION, CRISIS – these words have been frequently used to explain our collective experience of the COVID-19 pandemic, however, many who face poverty, poor mental health - those who are vulnerably housed or food insecure - know all too well what it means to live in a crazy, disrupted, upside-down world.

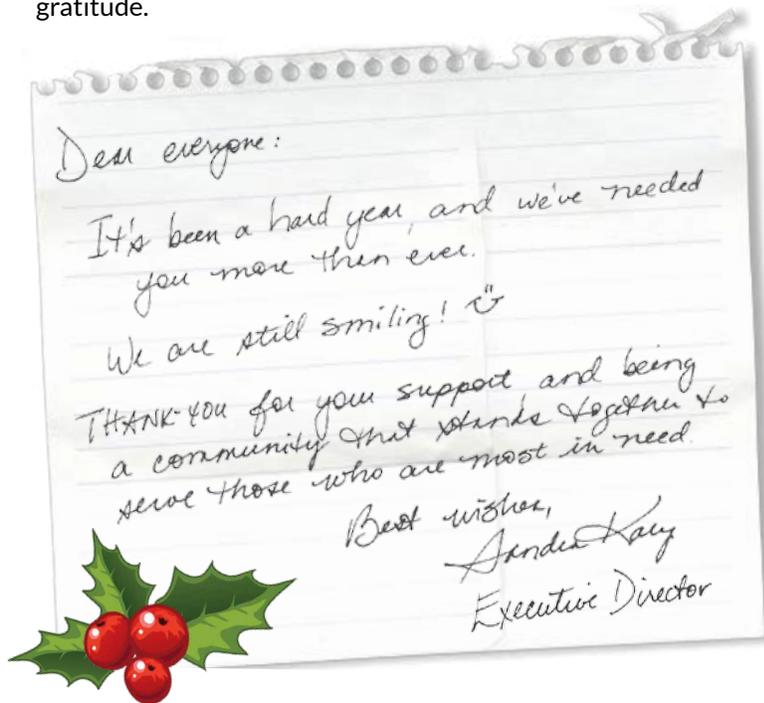
Guests of the Inn have something to teach us about what it means to live with challenges, and still choose to be resilient. Here are a few lessons I've learned in watching and walking with my neighbours:

Look, when you're having a bad day, just name it – being honest lets others around you know they need to care for you - "don't be too proud to need some good."

Look for the laugh – things are funny... like kids wearing their spaghetti, putting a face mask on the jack o' lantern at the front door, or noticing you still have your hairnet on at the grocery store (and it makes you look like Ruth Buzzi..) (and you know who Ruth Buzzi is...)

Look 'em in the eye when you give or receive a 'thank-you' – it'll surprise you how powerful those two words are when you take a moment to see the person behind the words.

December is typically a season where we offer all kinds of good wishes and sentiments, so in this crazy, disrupted, upside-down year, on behalf of the staff and guests of the Inn, I wish you many moments of honesty, laughter, and gratitude.



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Phone: 306-242-5122 Email: reception@friendshipinn.ca

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Postal Code: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

YOUR DONATION:

- I'd like to help with 25 plates - \$150
- I'd like to help with 100 plates - \$600
- I'd like to help with 250 plates - \$1500
- I'd like to help with 500 plates - \$3000
...includes **1/2 day sponsorship***
- I'd like to help with 1000 plates - \$6000
...includes **full day sponsorship***
- Other amount: _____

*Please call Laura for sponsorship and recognition details.

WAYS TO GIVE:

Pre-Authorized Debit – Enclose a blank cheque marked "VOID"

I authorize the Saskatoon Friendship Inn to deduct \$ _____ from my bank account on the ____ day of each month for ____ months, beginning the month of _____.

- Visa Mastercard

I authorize the Saskatoon Friendship Inn to charge \$ _____ to my credit card on the ____ day of each month for ____ months, beginning the month of _____.

Card number: _____ Expiry Date: ____/____
CVC# _____ (the 3 digits on back of card).

- One time donation Monthly donation

Signature: _____

Give now at: www.friendshipinn.ca/donate-online/

All donations, if eligible, will receive a charitable tax receipt.

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Nutrien encourages you to "Fill the Plate" by matching gifts up to a total of \$100,000.

