



Christmas in King

January, 2010

Dear Donors,

At our recent wrap up meeting of the Christmas in King Committee we decided that no wrap up could be complete without thanking you, the donors, and offering you a few words on the project.

This year, because of you, we were able to assist 32 families to have Christmas 'their way'. That is to say, each family was asked what they wanted us to provide to create Christmas for them. The requests varied from 'just a turkey' and/or 'just a tree' to a full list of Christmas gifts for every member of the family along with a tree (stand and lights included) and a turkey with a 'Dinner Basket' that contained all the fixings for dinner aside from perishable items as well as some Christmassy decorator items like napkins. Some families who came to us later in the project received cash to do their own shopping. All in all, over 110 people were touched by your generosity in a way designed to allow them to maintain dignity while accepting help.

All the families were well known to either a member of the Committee or a priest, pastor or other trusted person in the community.

In addition to the hundreds of you who provided gifts and/or cash donations, the Committee would like to recognize and thank Round the Bend Farm, suppliers of certificates for fresh turkeys and Holland Marsh Growers Association, especially Carron Farms and Eek Farms who supplied the vegetables for the Dinner Baskets. Thanks would not be complete without acknowledging the generosity of Leslie Hobson, who donated a large space at Kettleby Ranch as our warehouse and work space.

The work of the volunteer Distributors for King Township Food Bank was invaluable in smoothing the registration process for the Food Bank families who came into the program.

All Saints Anglican Church hosted a beautiful Christmas Dinner on December 16th, with turkey and all the trimmings in an atmosphere of warmth and friendly sharing.

Sincere best wishes for a healthy and prosperous 2010,

Christmas in King Committee

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A volunteer project to bring Christmas to those in need.

