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Giving Hope Today

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Attention: President, Parksville Rotary Club

Dear Glen,

On behalf of The Salvation Army Mt. Arrowsmith Food Bank and Family Services, I want to extend our most heartfelt gratitude for the Parksville Rotary Club's incredibly generous donation of \$6,500. This substantial support is a testament to your deep commitment to our community and your desire to make a lasting impact in the lives of those who need it most.

Enhancing Our Services and Facilities

Your contribution has allowed us to make significant improvements to both our facilities and services. A portion of the donation was used to purchase a brand-new fridge and freezer for our Soup Kitchen, ensuring we have the capacity to safely store and prepare nutritious meals for our guests. This investment has enhanced our ability to serve over 1,300 hot meals each month, providing much-needed sustenance and comfort to individuals and families facing difficult times. The remaining \$3,000 was allocated to purchase essential dairy products for our Food Bank. This has enabled us to offer fresh and healthy options to families who rely on us for their basic nutritional needs. With your help, we've been able to provide vital resources that contribute to the overall well-being of the community members we serve.

Impact on Our Community

Your support has made a profound and far-reaching impact. Because of the Parksville Rotary Club's generosity, we have been able to:

- Provide supplemental groceries to approximately 650 families each month through our food hamper program.
- Deliver food to local schools to support cooking lessons, equipping young students with valuable life skills.
- Offer emergency services such as food hampers, transportation assistance, and clothing vouchers to those in immediate need.
- Serve nutritious meals at our Soup Kitchen, which operates four days a week and continues to be a place of nourishment and hope for our guests.

Building a Stronger Community Together

Your steadfast support has been a beacon of hope, lighting the way for us to continue our mission with greater impact and reach. Your donation not only helps us meet immediate needs but also provides a foundation of support that uplifts and encourages those who are struggling.

We are deeply grateful for the trust and confidence you have placed in our organization. The Parksville Rotary Club's unwavering commitment to helping those in need inspires us to keep striving for excellence in everything we do. Your involvement extends beyond financial assistance—it exemplifies the true spirit of community and solidarity that is essential for creating meaningful and positive change.

A Heartfelt Thank You

Thank you once again for being a true friend and champion of The Salvation Army. We are honored to work alongside such a dedicated and compassionate partner, and we look forward to continuing our journey together to make a meaningful difference in the lives of those we serve.

With sincere appreciation,

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