



Dear Santa,
I have not written to you for a long time, as my daily life with my wife and daughter has always been filled with presents. I never saw us as living in luxury, but at home our Holiday Season usually feels magical. After our traditional feast, Daphnée puts on her pajamas and plays under a beautifully lit Christmas tree in our cozy home. I am a fortunate father.

Recently I was faced with a tough decision for my family: I had to approach my neighborhood food bank. Overnight, I lost my job. Between the financial stress and my pride, it was not long before my fridge was empty. I pondered a long time before asking for help, but my family's happiness and health are all that matters to me.

Looking at the line-up, I felt that I did not belong behind all these people who live in precarious situations - homelessness, disability, isolation. Once inside, I quickly realized that we were not the only ones facing temporary hardship. I understood that nobody is immune against crisis. I was treated with dignity and presented with a basket filled with nutritional food. I was listened to. After my visit, I felt like a weight was lifted off my shoulders. Looking around me, I did not see misery. What I saw was a community's strength and resilience.

Dear Santa, my primary wish is that people in need, temporarily or not, find in themselves the courage to ask for help. When my situation improves, it will be my turn to give.



In addition to its regular service, Moisson Outaouais will make 1000 Christmas baskets, cook 2,000 meat pies and participate in the distribution.



With the Holiday Season upon us,

Moisson Outaouais has to work twice as hard to feed more than **16,000 people** in the Outaouais Region, through its **42 member** organizations. The pandemic has enormously reduced the quality of life for people here and has hit people living in poverty particularly hard. Requests for food assistance rose by **35%** in our region, deepening further the gap between the wealthy and the vulnerable.



Together, let's spread the Holiday magic by offering hot and nutritious meals!
Each \$1 we receive enables us to distribute \$5 worth of food.



\$30
FEEDS 13 HOMELESS PEOPLE FOR 1 DAY



\$50
FEEDS 5 CHILDREN FOR 1 WEEK



\$100
FEEDS 18 SINGLE-PARENT FAMILIES FOR 1 DAY



\$250
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\$500
FEEDS 8 FAMILIES AFFECTED BY COVID-19 FOR 1 WEEK



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