



**WHO we are:**

We are the Christmas Bureau of the Columbia Valley; a not-for-profit organization that has been helping to make Christmas a little bit brighter and cheerier for families in the Valley since 1992.

**WHAT we do:**

We raise funds to: purchase gift cards (from our local grocery stores), provide a small bag of personalized gifts/goodies, and provide gifts to children, teens and seniors, which are then distributed to families/individuals that are in need of some help at Christmas time.

**WHY we are important:**

Everyone from time to time has needed a helping hand. We believe that everyone deserves a special Christmas dinner, and some gifts, without the added stress and financial burden that often comes with the Holiday season.

**HOW you can help:**

There are a number of different ways you can help. Below are your choices:

1. Sponsor a family at a cost between \$150 and \$350 (for the grocery gift card) depending on the size of family you choose. You may also choose to donate an additional \$25 - \$30 for each family you sponsor to cover the cost of the items for a gift box/bag (which will be assembled by the Christmas Bureau volunteers). A tax receipt will be issued.
2. Purchase a **complete package** for a family --- provide funds for the grocery certificate and purchase gifts (approximate \$30 value each) for any children, teens or seniors included in the family you choose. Gift cards are perfectly acceptable, especially for teens (ages 13 – 18). If you choose this option, you will be provided with a family number and the family members' ages and gender. Please clearly display this number on the outside of your packages. Feel free to include a card along with your box/bag, but understand that as an organization we aim to keep all parties anonymous, so please leave it unsigned. A tax receipt will be issued for the cost of the grocery certificate.
3. Make a flat donation of any amount which goes towards purchasing grocery gift cards and gift packages for those families who don't get sponsored. A tax receipt will be issued for amounts of \$20 or more.
4. Select a gift tag from one of the angel trees located in Invermere (Red Apple, Main Street Fun and Games, Station Pub and Canadian Tire) and purchase a gift for a child, teen or a senior.
5. Donate items that could be included in gift bags assembled by the Christmas Bureau volunteers.

**Check out our website ([www.christmasbureauvc.ca](http://www.christmasbureauvc.ca)) for options to sponsor or donate. Visit us on **



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We accept e-transfers, which should be sent to [info@christmasbureauvcv.ca](mailto:info@christmasbureauvcv.ca) or you can mail a cheque to the address above. To receive a tax receipt for payments sent via e-transfer, it is crucial that you include your full name and mailing address in the message box of the e-transfer.

Name (or Business): \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address (required): \_\_\_\_\_

I wish to sponsor a family for a grocery gift card.

Choose family size and indicate how many you wish to sponsor:

\_\_\_ (1 Person -\$150) \_\_\_ (2 People -\$175) \_\_\_ (3 People-\$200) \_\_\_ (4 People -\$250)

\_\_\_ (5 People-\$275) \_\_\_ (6 People -\$300) \_\_\_ (7+ People -\$350)

You may also choose to donate an additional \$25 - \$30 for each family to cover the cost of the items for a gift bag (which will be assembled by the Christmas Bureau volunteers).

**Total Number of Families Sponsored: \_\_\_\_\_ Total Amount of Sponsorship: \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

I would like to donate a "**complete package**" for a family which includes funds for the grocery card and gifts for any children, teens or seniors in the family. (*Indicate family size and number of families above.*) Packages must be delivered to the Columbia Valley Community Centre in Invermere between 8:00 a.m. and noon on December 14, 2023.

I would like to make a flat monetary donation of \$ \_\_\_\_\_.

If you have a cash donation or any questions, email [info@christmasbureauvcv.ca](mailto:info@christmasbureauvcv.ca) or contact Angie at 250-688-1614 or 250-342-2611, or Mandi at 250-341-8370.

FOR CHRISTMAS BUREAU USE ONLY:

Date received: \_\_\_\_\_

Family #: \_\_\_\_\_

Date Family # Issued: \_\_\_\_\_