



Guildford Park Secondary School

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Dear Guildford Park families,

With the holiday season just around the corner, staff at Guildford Park understand that this time of year can be particularly difficult for some families. In years past, Guildford Park has been able to provide extra support to large numbers of struggling families via gift cards or hampers, however this year will be different. We are encouraging families who may need help to make ends meet over the holidays to register at the Surrey Christmas Bureau. Parents/Caregivers can pick toys, games, stuffed animals, sports equipment, and winter clothing for their children along with grocery cards according to family size. Registration is now open and closes on Dec 2, 2023. If you need support, please do not delay registering.

Surrey Christmas Bureau - <https://christmasbureau.com/register/>

- Registration must be completed online using a smartphone or computer
- Documentation required: Government issued ID, Income Information, Bank Statements, Proof you live in Surrey and BC Care Card number (more details on the website)
- **DEADLINE is DECEMBER 2**

Other sources of support:

Salvation Army – can provide holiday assistance for individuals in need, emergency assistance for food and clothing, as well as other services

- Located at 13474 96 Ave
- 604-496-5172 or <https://surreysa.ca/christmas-assistance/>

QUEST Food Exchange – provides access to healthy and affordable food for families in a grocery store like setting

- Located in Surrey at 13890 104 Avenue
- Referrals can be made through a school, social service agency, community serving charity, non-profit, church, social worker, doctor or other professions sources

***Muslim Food Bank Surrey** – provides food hampers, to Muslims and Non-Muslims, on a monthly basis to those in need who have dietary restrictions whether religious or cultural (Halal, Kosher or Vegan)

- Located at 104-12941 115 Ave <https://muslimfoodbank.com/surrey-bc/>
- Call or text name and family size to 1-866-248-3868 to make an appointment or email: coordinator@muslimfoodbank.com

***Guru Nanak Food Bank** – Provides a full range of East Indian and western groceries for those in need

- Located at Unit 101 15299 68 Ave
- 604-580-1313 or <https://gnfb.ca/donations/food-distribution-program/>

***Surrey Food Bank** – offers food to clients every 14 days

- Located at 10330 144 St (Wednesdays 10 am – 12 pm)
- Must call 604-581-5443 to make an appointment to register

***Registration requirements may include:**

- Picture ID/Government issued ID
- Proof of Address (rental agreements, telephone/hydro/cable bills, etc)
- Proof of Income (3 months of income statements, bank statements, etc)
- Proof of Dependents (BC Care Card for each child in household)