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## Local Charity Gears Up to Serve Thousands

**Prince Rupert, B.C. (Dec. 20)** – The Salvation Army Christmas Hamper Program officially begins today at the Prince Rupert Community Church. With a team of volunteers at the ready, The Salvation Army is expecting close to 1500 people to come through its doors the next two days.

The distribution of food hampers start today and will continue through till tomorrow evening. Visitors can expect to receive a gift card for a local grocery store to purchase food and ingredients in preparation of a hot nutritious Christmas meal; clothing items, toiletries, and toys for their children.

"We currently have close to 1500 people registered for food hampers and an additional 600 toy hampers to share with the little ones," says Lieutenant Sabrina Silvey of The Salvation Army. "It's important to keep others in mind during the holiday season and we're delighted that we'll be able to serve those in our community that may need some extra help this Christmas."

Address:	Prince Rupert Community Church
	25 Grenville Crt, Prince Rupert, BC V8J 1R3
Date:	Thursday, December 20 - Friday, December 21
Time:	11am to 6pm

Families and individuals who missed early registration can visit the Prince Rupert Community Church Friday evening to register onsite and receive their food hampers.

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**About The Salvation Army** is an international Christian organization that began its work in Canada in 1882 and has grown to become one of the largest providers of social services in the country. Working in 400 communities across Canada and more than 120 countries around the world, we provide practical, compassionate support to meet basic human needs. By giving people hope, we transform lives of British Columbians today and every day.

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