

Do You Like to Bake? Do You Want to Help the Soup Kitchen? Might you have some sweets or snacks in your freezer or cupboards you would like to donate?

In response to the COVID-19 outbreak, operations at the soup kitchen changed from a dine-in to a to-go service. Things are going really well with our soup-to-go bagged meal service, with most days serving 125 - 150 dinners. But we are often short of sweets or other snacks as a special treat for our guests. If you like to bake and wish to contribute to the cause, from the safety of your home, we would be very grateful for your help.

For baking - items that can be frozen, such as cookies, would be best. For snacks - items individually packaged like small bags of potato chips would be well received.

To Donate Food Items:

1. Please call the Soup Kitchen at 778-440-7687 to arrange a time between 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm Monday - Thursday to drop off your donations at the View Street entrance.

You don't even need to leave your vehicle. We'll come out to you - ensuring safe social distancing practices.

2. Call Sheila Connelly at 250-598-4339, or Dorothy Parker 250-590-2916 to arrange to drop off your donation at one of their homes.

3. If you are unable to drop off your baking at one of the above locations, please call Sheila, and she will arrange a day and time to have someone pick up your donation.

To make a financial donation, please go to the 9/10 Club website: www.thesoupkitchen.ca

Thank you in advance for all who can contribute!

Sheila Connelly

Operations Coordinator

9-10 Club Serving Soup to the Hungry

9-10 Club Information:

The 9-10 Club is a registered non-profit society. It serves breakfast five days each week (Monday - Friday) for the unemployed, the poor and the hungry in St. Andrew's Cathedral's Seghers' Hall (access off View Street).

The society offered its first breakfast service on Friday, November 12, 1982. At that time, meals were served from 9:00 am to 10:00 am, six days a week (hence the name 9-10 Club). The name has remained the same, although the time schedule is now 8:00 am to 10:00 am to accommodate the increasing numbers.

Service Highlights:

In 2004, the number of people who came for breakfast averaged 221 people per day. In 2003, it was 181.

Breakfast is a hot, nutritious soup with meat and a variety of vegetables. Guests may have as much as they want. Bread, cracker, jam, cookies, pastries and gallons of tea and coffee are available. Fresh fruit is served most days. For some, this is the main meal for the day. All meals are free. A bagged lunch is available for those with a day job as this may take care of lunch until they are paid.

Community Support:

The 9-10 Club exists because of the concern and generosity of many people and groups.

St. Andrew's Cathedral provides the space, light, heat and water. We are most grateful for this contribution. Financial support for purchasing food, paper supplies, cleaning materials and food

serving equipment is dependent upon donations. We are most grateful to those who continue to support the work of the 9-10 Club. Owners of local businesses generously donate food which is passed on to the clients on a daily basis.

Contact Information:

Mailing address: 9-10 Club, c/o 740 View Street, Victoria, BC V8W 1J8

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