



20 families served	1985	KFC established with \$2,800 from Interchurch Council & Kanata City Council in memory of local victims of Air India Flight 182 <b>Location:</b> St. Paul's Church basement <b>Leadership:</b> Heather Colls (volunteer), Mayor Marianne Wilkinson (champion)
70 families served in first full year Christmas Food & Gift Program launched	1986	66 families served
50 families served	1987	Fundraiser: IGA serves 1,450 hamburgers & Coke
Donation bins available at Beaverbrook IGA and Hazeldean Mall Steinberg's	1988	90 families served
100 families served	1989	KFC receives Federal Charitable Status tax number, able to give receipts After 62 requests in March, shelves are bare in April; 1,650 requests for food since March 1985 Loeb IGA/Van Leeuwen Centre grand opening raises \$4,826 for new freezer & food vouchers KFC grand opening after church basement renos completed with \$850 grant from City of Kanata, discounts from Cashway Building Supplies
Requests at seven families/day Kanata's first Holiday Parade brings \$4,000, 6,000 lbs of food Don McHale, Kanata's "Chicken Wing King" hosts wing-eating fundraiser, plans to raise \$1,000 & consume 106+ wings	1990	150 families served from Kerscott Place on March Road
160 families served	1991	Kanata Holiday Parade brings \$9,000, 7,500 lbs of food
Stittsville Food Bank opens, 35 families transferred from KFC Kanata Holiday Parade brings 11,000 lbs of food, firefighters' boots program starts	1992	185 families served
215 families served from Glen Cairn Plaza	1993	Heather Colls hired (part-time Coordinator) with \$4,000 grant from City of Kanata Kanata Holiday Parade brings 8,000 lbs of food
127 families served in March, volunteers can hardly keep up Kanata Public Library branches accept food donations in lieu of overdue fines Kanata Holiday Parade brings \$2,800+, 2,500 lbs of food	1994	200 families served from Kanata Town Centre
245 families served from Kanata Town Centre	1995	Difficult year with donations down and demand up (148 families in March), programs & hampers reduced First OC Transpo food drive brings 8,000 items
City of Kanata donates storage space in response to KFC's call for help, Kanata Library donates shelving Kanata Holiday Parade brings \$3,272, 2,500 lbs of food OC Transpo food drive brings \$367.20, 4,230 items	1996	265 families served from 4017 Carling Ave
	1997	Several events (Kelsey's grand opening, Mascot Parade at Hazeldean Mall, Best of Kanata and Stittsville membership draw, Canada Day Run, Pinhey's Point Blues Picnic) generate much-needed funds Kanata Holiday Parade brings \$3,500, 5,000 lbs of food OC Transpo food drive brings 7,480 items
Board of Directors established, Chair: Martha Terkuile (interim) Kanata wins "Ottawa's Best Rock" in The Bear 106.9 "Battle of the Burbs" with 3,016 lbs of food, \$265 in donations Kanata Holiday Parade brings \$5,200, 5,000 lbs of food	1998	239 families served from Kanata Town Centre
	1999	KFC memberships offered for \$5 individual or \$25 organization <b>Chair:</b> Marianne Wilkinson <b>Fundraiser:</b> Local resident Ben Stewart sets world-record number of lawns cut
Kanata realtors Geoff & Bobbie McGowan donate \$3,400 Kanata Holiday Parade brings \$3,860 First Annual Hi-Tech Cart Relay Challenge raises \$6,000	2000	256 families served from Terry Fox Plaza 500 gifts received from Hazeldean Mall Angel Tree
285 families (including 601 children) served from 303 Terry Fox Drive	2001	Tickets for donated painting by John Mlacak raise \$2,500 Kanata Holiday Parade brings \$6,000
Most new families ever – 285 families, 28 new, most of whom have lost jobs. 1 in 5 Ottawa citizens are below poverty line (\$20,000/year) Heather Colls awarded Citizen of the Year Kanata Symphony Orchestra Classical Concert at Ron Maslin Playhouses raises \$703 Third Annual Hi-Tech Cart Relay Challenges raises \$14,000 Food storage relocates to old town hall, 821 March Rd	2002	300 families served
	2003	KFC relocates to 362 Terry Fox Dr KFC launches fundraiser for rebuilding of St. Paul's Anglican Church with goal of \$250,000
Ongoing fundraisers: Celebrity Roast of Dave Brown, Beer Bottle Drive, Seventh Annual Graham Beasley Run help support church funds, St. Vincent de Paul donates \$150,000 Wednesday morning volunteers win Community Activism Group Award New portable behind KRC donated by St. Paul's KFC moves into new church space, receives \$60,000 grant from Trillium Foundation	2004	
300 families served from former LCBO in annex building at Hazeldean Mall	2005	Second Annual Celebrity Roast (Steve Madeley) raises \$20,000 KFC celebrates 20 <sup>th</sup> anniversary
Chair: Dan Carroll Three-year \$69,800 Ontario Trillium Foundation "Improved Volunteer" program grant to promote volunteerism and enhance skills/knowledge OC Transpo food drive brings \$1,287 and 6,800 items	2006	288 families served from annex building, Hazeldean Mall
250+ families served from Hazeldean Mall South Annex	2007	Ottawa Mayor Larry O'Brien attends AGM to declare March 20 as Helma Kroll Day (long-time KFC volunteer) School supply drive helps 200 children OC Transpo food drive brings \$3,700, 10,904 items
Chair: Art Lamarche, staff hired: Karen Waters (Client Coordinator) and Elaine Rotor (Volunteer Coordinator) A.Y. Jackson Business Leadership class holds fundraiser: Bring in five cans and miss class to watch "Iron Man"	2008	250+ families served from 150 Katimavik Rd
250+ families served from 425 Legget Dr	2009	Chair: Jim Wiper (interim), then Tom Smellie 70 Easter hampers delivered Serving 170 families/month 80 Thanksgiving hampers delivered Fundraiser: Mark Reid (State Farm) has his hair dyed red and shaved into a Mohawk by Jask Salon, raises \$1,100 Staff hired: Amanda Burnside (Volunteer Coordinator)
KFC celebrates 25 <sup>th</sup> anniversary Kanata Holiday Parade brings 4,000+ lbs of food OC Transpo food drive brings 14,515 lbs of food Seven schools participate in donation challenge, assisted by Hazeldean Mall. It brings in 13,000 lbs of food, winner is Bridlewood Community School	2010	275 families served from 425 Legget Dr
300 families served from old Canada Post building at 2 The Parkway	2011	Fundraiser: 10-yr-old Natasha Sangemino spends 24 hours in her bathroom, inspired by a TV ad about children starving in Africa, raises \$200 from sponsors Chair: Marc Dumais Volunteer appreciation event recognizes 1,800 volunteers (150 regulars) KFC introduces new logo New storage facility campaign sells bricks for \$1,000 & four levels of sponsorship Staff hired: Kerry Beers (Volunteer Coordinator)
KFC receives People's Choice Business Award Fundraiser: The Works celebrates 10 years with complimentary burgers and donations accepted for KFC, raises \$1,630 Storage warehouse opens at 2 The Parkway	2012	345 families served
390 families served	2013	Storage warehouse relocated to 340 Legget Dr, Unit 3 Fresh food program launches Staff hired: Patricia Elkins (Volunteer Coordinator)
	2014	396 families served
470 families served	2015	New client database system launched (Link2Feed) KFC celebrates its 30 <sup>th</sup> anniversary
Chair: Jenna Sudds 2,812 families assisted this year	2016	499 families served
530 families served	2017	Updated website and logo introduced New program for feminine hygiene, toilet paper, large diapers & baby food launches Staff promoted: Patricia Elkins (Mgr of Operations & Volunteer Coordination) Staff hired: Cara-Leigh Wyllie (Client & Community Outreach Coordinator) 2,614 families assisted this year, 3,041 volunteer shifts with 10,380 donated hours
Chair: Dylan Samuel First afternoon in-person shopping session for families offered OC Transpo food drive brings \$4,800, 2,300 items + 1,200 lbs of donations from Laura's YIG, Hazeldean Mall	2018	570 families served
581 families served	2019	Fundraiser: Highway 43 GM Car Club Motorama "Summer of 69" car show raises \$950, 800 lbs of food Staff promoted: Cara-Leigh Wyllie (Mgr of Operations & Volunteer Coordination); Staff hired: Kaitlyn Lalonde (Client & Community Outreach Coordinator)
COVID-19 pandemic closes in-person shopping at St. Paul's, moves operations to warehouse at 340 Legget Dr, then in-person shopping replaced by curbside hamper pickup. Volunteers limited and grouped in "bubbles". Prov government and Food Banks Canada support pre-packaged hampers KFC's first non-contact food drive, hosted by Arcadia residents, supported by MP Karen McCrimmon and Councillor Jenna Sudds. Neighbours place items on their step for collection. Fundraisers: Kanata Hazeldean Lions Club non-contact food drive brings \$2,400+, 7,000 lbs of donations Kanata Costco adds a KFC donation bin	2020	596 families served
641 families served	2021	Refreshed logo thanks to the amazing team at Initiate Marketing Inaugural #kitsforacause campaign partnership with Foresters Financial sees 100 toiletry kits packed for families Client care giveaway provides new & gently used books, shoes, clothing & more
In-person shopping program re-opens with new shopping area at 340 Legget Dr KFC partners with Just Food on Seeds and Soil program, giving 43 families soil & seeds/seedlings to start or maintain gardens Chair: Cody Guthrie PM Justin Trudeau visits KFC with MP Jenna Sudds, tours client shopping area, helps pack Thanksgiving hampers Staff promoted: Cara-Leigh Wyllie appointed Executive Director	2022	698 families served
782 families served from 505 March Rd	2023	KFC receives \$30,000 Walmart Canada Community Grant KFC celebrates 10 years at warehouse location 340 Legget Dr Staff hired: Jessica Matchem (Volunteer & Operations Manager)
Two additional afternoon in-person shopping sessions introduced New website at kanatafoodcupboard.ca launched, designed by Initiate Marketing KFC relocates to 1240 Teron Rd, Unit 3	2024	849 families served out of 300 March Rd, Christmas Program revamped to a gift card model, "Give the Gift of the Holidays"
	2025	Launched International Women's Day Campaign "Empowering Women, Nourishing Communities", raised \$3,700+ Record-breaking food drive hosted by the Bridlewood Community Association, Kanata Hazeldean Lions Club, The West Team and Vervi Stonehaven Retirement Living collects 36,000 lbs in one day

