

# THIS Christmas

HELP BRING JOY TO THOSE IN NEED



## Holiday Giving

Every Christmas Westview Centre 4 Women hosts a Christmas party for the women who have participated in to the Westview Centre 4 Women programs during the past year.

Christmas time is often a financial struggle for many. We, along with the other MCEC churches in Niagara, are asked each year to put together gifts/stocking stuffers that can be handed out at the party to ensure everyone has something to open Christmas morning. There will be approximately 100 women, 40 teen boys and 40 teen girls to provide gifts for this holiday season.

So why are we only collecting for teens and women, don't children need a gift too? Yes, they do and through toy drives like "Community Care St. Catharines" all children under the age of 12 are provided with a gift.

This year we will again be collecting gifts for teen boys, teen girls and women. We will also be collecting donations for the the "Winter Warmth" program and continue our monthly collection of donations for the Westview Pantry and Programs.

***Deliver donations to the church by  
Sunday, December 12.  
(so they can be delivered in time for the holiday party)***

*Please use a gift bag to wrap your gift.*

*New items only. No razors or sharp items.*

*Place items under the Christmas tree in the foyer  
of the church on Sunday mornings.*

*Thank You!*

*For more information or a list of gift ideas,  
contact the church office.*



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## Gift Ideas for Teen Boys

Gift Bag with items such as:

- Socks & underwear
- Hoodie
- Toiletry Kit
- Gift cards for Tim Hortons, Subway, Wal Mart
- Basic necessities (soap, deodorant, toothpaste)
- School Supplies

## Gift Ideas for Moms/Teen Girls

Gift bag filled with items such as:

- Basic Necessities (tooth paste, soap, deodorant)
- Travel mug / Travel water bottle
- Journal
- Socks & underwear
- Nail Polish / Bath and Beauty Kit
- Item that says "you deserve something special this holiday season"
- Gift cards for Wal Mart, No Frills, Giant Tiger, Tim Hortons, Visa Gift Card

## Financial Contribution

From September 15 to December 4 monetary donations can be made to "WC4W Christmas Gifts". These monies will be collected and December 5 a team of volunteers will head out and shop for items and put together gift bags. They will purchase items to either supplement physical donations received or make full gift bags based on the number of teen and women's bags received and needed. Monetary donations will be issued a tax receipt.



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## Help us fill our "Winter Warmth" trees

Westview Centre 4 Women provides a clothing room that makes new or gently used clothing and accessories available to the women who attend the centre. During the winter months they add bins and racks of warm winter items to help ensure everyone is properly outfitted for those cold winter days. Gently loved items are welcome but should be cleaned and not have any holes or repairs.

### Needed Items

*for children, teens and women*

- socks
- toques and hats
- mittens
- gloves
- scarves
- small blankets
- coats
- boots

### Financial Contribution

From September 15 to December 4 monetary donations can be made to "WC4W Winter Warmth". These monies will be collected and on December 5 a team of volunteers will head out and shop for items to supplement based on the amount of physical donations received and fill in with additional items that are needed. Monetary donations will be issued a tax receipt.



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## Pantry Donations

Westview Centre 4 Women pantry at Westview operates on a nominal payment system. This offers recipients dignity by purchasing products they need for their household and family instead of just receiving a handout. Our general donations of non-perishable items are always appreciated but this week we are focusing on some of the other pantry donations: items to keep a baby clean and fed and items for the household pantry to keep a household clean and disinfected. These are especially important when one's living space is shared with others.

### Food Pantry

- Granola Bars
- School Snacks (nut free)
- Juice Boxes
- Canned Salmon & Tuna
- Canned Chicken
- Coffee & Tea
- Cookies (nut free)
- Meat Stews and Soups
- Pasta and Pasta Sauce
- Rice
- Beans
- Sugar
- Flour
- Nut free non perishables

### Survival Bags

- Granola bars
- Single serve snacks
- Small Blanket
- Tarp 4'x4'
- Mitts and Hat
- Socks

### Health Kits

- Bars of Soap
- Underwear
- Tooth Brush
- Tooth Paste
- Feminine Hygiene
- Deodorant

### Household Pantry

- Toilet Paper
- Paper Towel
- Kleenex
- Household Cleaners (Windex, Mr. Clean, Vim dish soap, etc.)
- Disinfectant Cleaner

### Laundry Room

- Laundry Pods
- Stain Remove
- Fabric Softener
- Bleach
- Dryer Sheets
- Laundry Hamper

### Shimmer

- Shampoo
- Conditioner
- Body Wash
- Body Lotion
- Towels
- Wash Clothes

### Shine

- Nail Polish
- Lip Stick
- Make up
- Make up Bag

## Financial Contribution

All year monetary donations can be made to "WC4W". These monies will be collected and sent to Westview Christian Fellowship who will use the funds to support the Westview Centre 4 Women programs. Monetary donations will be issued a tax receipt.