

DONATE FOOD AND SAVE AT HABITAT NIAGARA'S RESTORES

NIAGARA REGION, ON – Help Niagara Habitat for Humanity ReStores restore our community by bringing a non-perishable food item into any of their three ReStores from September 27 to October 7, and you'll receive a coupon to save 25% on your entire purchase!

"We're all in this together. Two of the basic necessities of life are food and shelter, and people in our region are in need of both," said Mark Carl, CEO Habitat Niagara. "The effects of COVID-19 have caused a surge in demand for emergency food support and these agencies have had to meet increasing demand on their services, we're hoping in some small way that we can help."

Last year the promotion was held over three-days and 283 pounds of non-perishable food items were collected by the Niagara ReStores. This year they have extended the promotion to ten days in the hopes of collecting more food.

Food insecurity is a significant problem in Niagara. Over the past year, some agencies have seen a 70% increase in demand for foodbank assistance.

The Niagara ReStores are supporting the below local food programs through its food drive.

- **Habitat for Humanity ReStore Fonthill**, 2499 Hwy 20 – [The Hope Centre](#). Needs: Pasta sauce, canned fruit and vegetables, juice, canned pasta, and rice.
- **Habitat for Humanity ReStore Grimsby**, 185 South Service Rd. – [The Grimsby Benevolent Fund](#). Needs: Children's snacks (granola bars, fruit cups, pudding cups, applesauce)
- **Habitat for Humanity ReStore St. Catharines**, 150 Bunting Rd. – [Southridge Shelter](#). Needs: Cereal, pasta, pasta sauce, peanut butter.

"We are excited to continue to build our collaboration with Habitat for Humanity's ReStore in Grimsby, as we are able to promote and enhance the wellbeing for the good of the community," said Ala Benish, Food Program manager, Grimsby Benevolent Fund. "This food drive will help to provide an assortment of food items to local families utilizing our emergency food services and provide opportunities to fulfill their nutritional needs."

Habitat Niagara wishes to thank everyone for supporting local charities during these challenging times and for helping to build stronger communities.

For more information, please visit www.habitatniagara.ca.

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About Habitat for Humanity Niagara

Habitat Niagara builds decent, and affordable homes, providing no down-payment, interest-free mortgages to qualifying families who would otherwise not be able to purchase their own homes. Habitat is not a giveaway program in that we provide "a hand up not a handout." Established locally in 1993, Habitat Niagara is constructing its 67th home in Niagara at the end of this year, serving 72 families over the past 28 years, creating stable and secure housing for more than 260 children.

Habitat for Humanity Niagara also operates a home improvement retail store – the ReStore – selling donated new and used appliances, furniture, kitchens, building materials and home supplies. Habitat for Humanity ReStores play an integral part in Habitat’s mission, providing financial support for our work. The Niagara ReStores are located at 2499 Hwy 20, Fonthill, 185 South Service Road, Grimsby, and 150 Bunting Road, St. Catharines. For more information, please visit www.habitatniagara.ca

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