



MEMORIAL UNIVERSITY OF NEWFOUNDLAND PENSIONERS' ASSOCIATION

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Dear MUNPA member,

It's the season for giving, and this holiday season more and more people are having to rely on food banks. Our campus food banks serve Memorial students, employees and pensioners who are experiencing financial need and are unable to afford to buy the food they require.

For many years, MUNPA has made annual donations to the food banks on both the St. John's and Grenfell campuses and has solicited donations at events like the Christmas Socials. While these donations are appreciated and helpful, the foodbanks need support that they can rely on throughout the year.

In the fall of 2023, the MUNPA Board discussed how we could help provide sustained support and asked our members if they were willing to make monthly donations. I am pleased to report that monthly donations to the St. John's Campus Food Bank from MUNPA members totalled over \$500/month in 2024. This does not include any one-time donations that may have been made for which information is not readily available.

With this success, the Board has decided to make this appeal annually. For those who have already contributed to our campaign, please accept our sincere thanks in helping to make life better for those who need our support. For those who have not, we ask that you consider a contribution this year. Even a small monthly donation would allow the food banks to provide the level of support that an increasing number of our students desperately need. Any amount you are able to give would be greatly appreciated.

For the St. John's Campus Food Bank, which is a registered charity, monthly payroll deduction may be set up here: <https://www.mun.ca/campusfoodbank/donations/>. While we encourage monthly giving, a one-time donation is also appreciated and can be arranged via payroll deduction through the same site. If you have any questions about the St. John's Campus Food Bank or how to make a donation, please call them at 709-864-3467 or email [foodbank@mun.ca](mailto:foodbank@mun.ca).

Giving through payroll deduction is not currently available for the Grenfell Campus Food Bank. Donations can be arranged by contacting Jana Walsh, Manager, Health and Diversity at [f9jw@mun.ca](mailto:f9jw@mun.ca).

Best wishes for a happy and healthy 2025 to you and your family.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Catherine Dutton".

Catherine Dutton  
President, MUN Pensioners' Association