

Building Change

Annual Report
2025-2026



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SHARE THE WARMTH

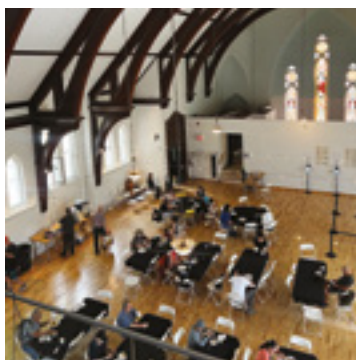
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A word from Stéphanie and Axel



Building Today, Growing Tomorrow

This year marks a pivotal milestone for Share the Warmth. Our food bank renovation has expanded our capacity, improved accessibility, and created a safer, more efficient environment that better responds to the needs of our community. The complete digitization of our operations has transformed the member experience and strengthened our ability to deliver more efficient, responsive, and personalized support.

We have also continued to build beyond our walls. Our After School Club offers children a free place to learn, grow, and thrive, while supporting their families.

These achievements embody our commitment to driving change. They give Share the Warmth a stronger foundation to continue growing while sustainably increasing its impact.

Behind every milestone is a community that believes in us. Thank you.

Stéphanie Taillon Executive Director

Axel Dumont Chair of the Board

MISSION

To kindly support our community through inclusive food programs and educational activities for children.

VISION

To help build a vibrant and engaged community that realizes its full potential.

VALUES



Cooperation



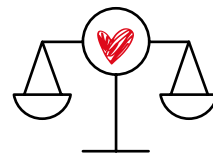
Inclusion



**Community
engagement**



Quality



Equity

Our impact in numbers

Every donation and act of support strengthens our community. Thank you for making our work possible and bringing hope to so many.

Together, we are creating lasting change.

“When I came to Canada with my daughter, Share the Warmth was there to help us. Now, I want to give back to the community that welcomed us and contribute in whatever way I can.”

— **Concepción**, Volunteer



FOOD PROGRAMS



OVER
1 million
dollars worth of food distributed

100%
free programming



3,392
individuals
regularly
used our food bank



40%
more opening hours
at our food bank



7,581
community meals
served and enjoyed

YOUTH PROGRAMS



1:4
educator-to-
child ratio vs.
the government
standard of 1:20



575
hours of After School
Club for every child



93
young chefs completed
20 hours of hands-on
cooking classes

COMMUNITY ACTION



48
businesses and
individuals organized
fundraisers to support
our programs



500+
volunteers
put their time and
talent into action

So we can all eat

Supporting individuals and families with dignified access to nutritious food today while building a stronger, more food-secure community for tomorrow.

FOOD PROGRAMS



FOOD SECURITY IN NUMBERS

Food bank



18,600

visits to our
food bank



1,036
children

use our food bank monthly



469

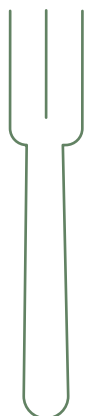
**food boxes
deliveries**
to people with
reduced mobility



1/3

**of our members are
new to our food bank**

Community lunches



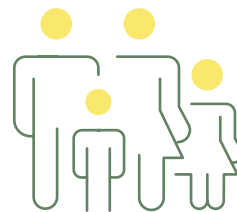
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**community
lunches** and
summer
barbecues



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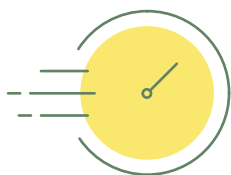
**family dinners
hosted**



100

peoples gathered
for each meal

Renovating for Greater Impact



85%

reduction in food bank wait times

"I'm very happy with the new digital system.
I think waiting time decreased from 2 hours to 20 min.
Thank you for your work."

— **Maxime**, Food bank member

2X

**more fridge and
freezer space**
was added

1

new ramp
for improved food
bank accessibility

Food bank

Share the Warmth provides quality food assistance to individuals and families experiencing food insecurity in the Sud-Ouest and Verdun boroughs. Open twice a week, the food bank follows a choice-based model, allowing members to select fresh, healthy, and culturally appropriate foods that best meet their needs. Members can access the food bank once a month in a welcoming and dignified environment.

Can a food bank go digital? Yes!

This year, Share the Warmth successfully transitioned to a fully digitized food bank system using PantrySoft. Members now use touchscreen kiosks to select food based on their household size and dietary needs, while volunteers efficiently prepare each order. This new system has streamlined operations, introduced comprehensive inventory management, and provided valuable data that enhances our ability to respond to the changing needs of our community. We were intentional about preserving the human element throughout this transformation. Volunteers continue to provide one-on-one support at both the ordering kiosks and pickup station, allowing each person to choose the level of assistance and interaction that feels right for them. **Share the Warmth is the only food bank in Quebec using PantrySoft and, to our knowledge, the only fully digitized food bank where members select their food through an on-site digital ordering system.** This is a true testament to our ability to remain current and adapt.

Renovations

This year, Share the Warmth continued Phase 2 of its food bank renovations, relocating its entire food bank operation to the local YMCA during construction. Despite space limitations and smaller food boxes, the team was proud to maintain uninterrupted service and continue supporting our community throughout the transition.

Renovations included structural upgrades and an expansion of walk-in refrigeration and freezer capacity. We also created a new rear entrance through the brick wall of our heritage building, allowing food to be loaded directly into the food bank more safely and efficiently. Perhaps most importantly, we replaced the stairs leading to the food bank with an interior mobility ramp, supporting access for many of our members with exceptional mobility needs.



“I think Share the Warmth is amazing! Changed my life and that of my wife here in Canada. We were very happy to receive so many things. Thank you!”

— **Mateo**, Food bank member



1,120

solidarity vouchers
worth \$20 each distributed

1,051

new people
registered

Community lunches

Free community meals are offered twice a week in our Wellington Hall, creating a welcoming space for the community to share a meal and connect. Guests enjoy a hot, freshly prepared meal, dessert, and tea or coffee, with vegetarian options available. For many food bank members, the meals also provide a warm place to gather while waiting for their food boxes.

This year, two volunteers shared their cultural heritage through special community meals: a Mexican dinner hosted by Concepción and a Cantonese dinner hosted by Judy to celebrate Chinese New Year. These meals were warmly received and allowed our volunteers to share their traditions, knowledge, and pride with the community.



100

meals served per lunch



“I appreciate the fact that you treat the lunch as if it were a restaurant with waiters, as it’s been a very long time since I’ve been to a proper restaurant.”

— **Diane**, Community lunch regular

So we can all learn
and grow

To provide youth with a safe and
engaging environment that supports
academic success, personal growth,
and healthy eating through nutritious
snacks and hands-on cooking
workshops.

YOUTH PROGRAMS



The Afterschool Club

The Share the Warmth After-School Club provides free, structured after-school programming for children in Grades 1 to 6 in Pointe-St-Charles. Each weekday, children receive homework support, French and Math enrichment, a hefty homemade nutritious snack, and engaging recreational activities that build confidence, social skills, and healthy habits.



The program actively reaches children and families facing the greatest vulnerabilities, particularly those who access our food bank, are referred to us by local elementary schools, and those with exceptional learning needs. Due to the specialized nature of the program, we maintained a **1:4 educator-to-child ratio, far exceeding the government standard of 1:20 for after-school daycare**. We also introduced some families to our food bank, connecting them with a vital resource they did not know was available.

A place to belong

A brother and sister joined the Club after their family could no longer afford the government daycare. They were initially reluctant to come, but after their first day, the brother exclaimed, **"Mom, I don't want to leave!"** Their mother repeatedly shared how relieved she was to find a program that offered the right balance of structure, homework support, meaningful activities, and caring relationships. For us, their experience captures what makes the Club special: a place where children feel supported, engaged, and excited to grow.



105

hours of supervised
homework support
for every child

5,180

nutritious snacks served

200

meals shared at monthly
family dinners for children
and loved ones

100%

of ped days are open to
children – new this year!

"You are fantastic
people doing
absolutely amazing
work. **My heart
is full.**"

— **Vanessa**, Afterschool
Club Mom

Boîte à Lunch

Boîte à Lunch is an after-school program for Grade 4 and 5 students that uses hands-on cooking and nutrition activities to develop healthy eating habits, practical cooking skills, and a positive relationship with food. The program also encourages cultural exchange, family engagement, and stronger connections to the community. Each ten-week session combines recipe preparation, nutritional discoveries, and educational activities on cooking, health, and food cultures. Children cook an average of two recipes per week and leave with a complete meal to share at home.

This year, After-School Club participants joined in a 10-week Boîte à Lunch session, learning to prepare healthy meals while having plenty of fun along the way. With 100% of participating children living at or below Statistics Canada's low-income cut-off, the program is a natural fit—giving children the skills to prepare healthy food for themselves and their families. Children prepared extra portions to bring home for their school lunch the next day but often chose to share their creations with their families instead.



“Giving my son more independence during the workshops has significantly increased the amount of initiative he takes at home.”

— **Celia**, Mother of Roman



880

healthy recipes prepared by children

20

weeks of quality after-school programming provided to children

1,860

hours of class received by children

100%

of kids enjoyed the session they attended

Our incredible volunteers

Volunteers are at the heart of our work

Volunteers lent their time and talents across our food bank, community lunches, kitchen, and After School Club. As our organization has evolved, so has our volunteer program—streamlining operations, improving safety, and making it easier for volunteers to get involved. Their commitment, flexibility, and community spirit help make our work possible every day.



“I’m often at home by myself, so coming here gives me a sense of community and something to look forward to.”

— Denis, Volunteer



5,800

hours contributed by dedicated community volunteers

50

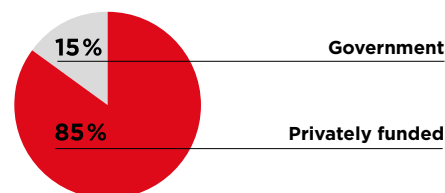
corporate teams rolled up their sleeves to help



Fundraising

Your Donations, Our Responsibility

While most charities are primarily government-funded and rely less on private donations, **85% of Share the Warmth’s funding comes from private sources.** At a time of unprecedented demand, our donors make it possible to adapt, innovate, and respond to our community’s needs. ***Making every donation count is a responsibility we take seriously.***



Share the Holiday Spirit

Our holiday campaign raised an incredible **\$335,000** to support our Food security and Youth programs. Thanks to the generosity of Montrealer’s, neighbours across our community can count on full fridges and well-stocked cupboards—not only during the holidays, but all year long. **Thank you!**

Third Party Fundraising Award

“What impresses me is not only that you help feed people, but the way you treat those you help—with dignity and respect. Share the Warmth doesn’t just provide food; they build people up. It’s a truly special organization, and we are so pleased and honoured to contribute to its success.” — **Vicki**, McGill IT, fundraisers and volunteers



Financial statements

This table presents the comparative financial results for fiscal years 2025 and 2026. At a time when the rising cost of living continues to increase the need for food security services, Share the Warmth maintained careful management of its resources while continuing to develop its programs. The year ended with an excess of revenues over expenses of \$108,605, compared with \$18,529 the previous year.

Financial donations also increased significantly, from \$1.31 million to \$1.44 million, reflecting the continued trust and generosity of our donors and partners. This year was also marked by major investments in the renovation of the food bank to increase our capacity and better meet the community's growing needs.

Thanks to prudent financial management and the remarkable support of our network, Share the Warmth ends the fiscal year in a strong financial position and remains well positioned to pursue its mission.

	2026	2025
Assets		
Current assets		
Cash	591 635	516 072
Accounts receivable	43 545	32 056
Prepaid expenses	29 218	15 813
Investments	454 646	413 031
	1 119 044	976 972
Capital assets	2 450 267	1 982 640
	3 569 311	2 959 612
Liabilities and Net Assets		
Current assets		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	374 714	105 810
Deferred contributions	1 179 701	947 511
	1 554 415	1 053 321
Net assets		
Invested in capital assets	1 503 065	1 139 580
Internally restricted net assets	218 782	238 908
Unrestricted	293 049	527 803
	2 014 896	1 906 291
	3 569 311	2 959 612
Revenues		
Fundraising activities		
Donations	1 442 242	1 312 103
Contributions in kind	852 820	1 022 603
Special events	3 000	25 978
Other		
Estate donations	25 625	0
Government grants	254 167	275 051
Social economy	44 637	82 694
	2 622 491	2 718 429
Expenditures		
Food Security Programs	1 424 985	1 543 303
Youth Programs	233 379	231 308
Administration	553 869	578 017
Fundraising activities	247 646	284 866
Amortization of capital assets	105 438	102 487
	2 565 317	2 739 981
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures before the following	57 174	(21 552)
Changes in fair market value of investments	31 388	19 116
Loss on disposal of investments	1573	11 598
Investment income	18 470	9 368
(Deficiency) excess of revenues over expenditures for the year	\$108 605	\$18 530

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“The people are kind and helpful.
They never make me feel ashamed
of being in need. That is the most
important service provided.”

— **Jonathan**, Food bank member



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