

The Hamilton DREAM CENTER

Dreaming of Christmas Campaign.

It was a fantastic time of giving at the Dream Center this Christmas. Christmas Hampers filled with a fantastic selection of delicious foods including the turkey were given out to 100 families, with a minimum of 2 per family and some many more! Knowing that you played a part in the creation of those hampers is what keeps the Dream Center moving and growing.

This year we hosted two toy pick up days. Almost 700 wrapped and ready toys went out the door! Parents and Grandparents came and chose the perfect gifts, sure to put smiles on the faces of the children in their families.

This is just a few of the businesses that donated toys and food for our Christmas Project:

Not Just Another Dance Studio
Station 19 of the Hamilton Fire Department
City of Hamilton Water Division
National Academy of Health & Business
Skyway Lanes
Hamilton Police Association
Handy Manny Decks, Fences & Home Renos
Urban Tactical

THANK YOU ALL SO MUCH

Several times a month, after long work days, volunteers arrive to help us with a ton of different jobs around the Dream Center. Some pull up old carpet. Some plant vegetables. Some arrange toys for the toy store. Some paint floors. Some sort clothes. Some put food on the shelves.

All however, take time out of their busy lives to volunteer here to help make the lives of the many families and individuals that use the food pantry a better place.

Volunteers are here during the day as well. Many come to work in the food pantry and help our clients shop for food. Some help in the storage area with sorting and organizing the shelves. Some work in the clothing sorting room for our gently used clothing room.

The bottom line is that everyone that volunteers at the Dream Center is a critical component in what keeps the Dream Center a living and breathing place and we are grateful.





Seniors 60 + Social



Thursday, February 28, 2019
11:30 am
627 Main Street East

We will be playing bingo, there will be prizes and sharing lunch!
Please join us for this fun event!



INCOME TAX PREPARATION

Last year, volunteers from the Chartered Accountants Association prepared almost **80** income tax returns for the individuals that use the food pantry. This year we hope to expand this and prepare 100!

Tax Preparation begins in March and is just one of the many great programs run here at the Hamilton Dream Center.

Know someone who could use this service? Call the DC @ 905-527-8605

DREAM CENTER BOWL A THON

Saturday, March 2, 2018
1-4 pm

Skyway Lanes on Melvin Avenue in Hamilton

Light Refreshments
50/50 sale
Prize for Highest Score
Prize for Most Money Raised

Penny sale items including:
Restaurant Gift Certificates
Wine/Beer Tours

What a great way to help the Dream Center raise support for the programs!

Call 905-527-8605 or go to the website @ www.hamiltondreamcenter.ca or
FB: @hamiltondreamcenter



*Empowering Families and Individuals
to Succeed with Dignity and Purpose*

VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT



Mona is just one of the volunteers that help in the food pantry. She began volunteering 4 years ago. Mona loves that we “are really helping people”. She loves the sharing of resources and seeing the caring that takes place at the Dream Center. Mona now oversees the food warehouse. She prides herself in ensuring that only quality items go on the shelves. She does a great job mentoring new volunteers to follow the same criteria. She has a contagious smile and we are honoured to have Mona on our team!



The **DREAM CENTER** is hosting

Hamilton's very *First*

Butter Tart
Festival

Saturday, May 11, 2019 – 9:30 am – 2pm

616 Main Street East in Hamilton
\$2.00 admission

Come, eat, shop and experience
the **VERY BEST** in butter tarts!

It's a true Canadian thing.