



Vaudreuil-Dorion

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Vaudreuil-Dorion kicks off the Holiday Season with the Santa's Elves' Mail Collection Service and La Guignolée Food Drive

Vaudreuil-Dorion, November 24, 2020 – With December almost on our doorsteps, the City of Vaudreuil-Dorion wishes to inform its citizens of the various holiday-related activities that will be taking place on its territory starting this weekend.

Santa's Elves' Mail Collection Service

The popular tradition of collecting letters to Santa will take place next weekend, November 28 and 29. The 2020 version will be a bit different from previous years as Elves will be avoiding gatherings by calling on children to meet them at main school bus stops across the eight districts. The schedule and routes are available on the City's website calendar.

La Guignolée Food Drive

The food drive, which is organized by Saint-Michel's Parish church, must also adapt to the realities of 2020. On Saturday, November 28, volunteers – including many of the City's own employees who have volunteered to assist the Parish's team - will be soliciting motorists at several locations throughout the territory to collect cash donations. The money raised will be used to purchase gift certificates from local food stores and will be given out to approximately 400 families in Vaudreuil-Dorion who are experiencing financial hardships during this Christmas season. People can also send a donation by mail to Guignolée Paroisse Saint-Michel, 414 Saint-Charles Avenue, Vaudreuil-Dorion J7V 2M6.

"Every year, La Guignolée helps many families in need. 2020 has been a particularly difficult year for many of our citizens. We are counting on the generosity of people as we begin to prepare for the Holidays", commented Mayor Guy Pilon.

For its part, the fundraiser organized by Viva Media, for the benefit of Moisson Sud-Ouest, will be held on Thursday, December 3. Volunteers will be collecting donations on Boulevard de la Cité-des-Jeunes, close to La Cage aux Sports, and on avenue Saint-Henri, opposite Place Dumont. Moisson Sud-Ouest provides year-round support to registered organizations who supply needy families with food throughout the year.

Lastly, the media's Big Food Drive is already underway with various businesses in the region collecting food and donations, also for the benefit of Moisson Sud-Ouest. Donations can also be made online through the guignolee.ca website until December 24.

Advent Calendar

The Recreation and Culture Department has put together an advent calendar for families in Vaudreuil-Dorion. The print friendly calendar, along with details for all the activities scheduled to take place between December 1 and December 25, will soon be available on the City's website under Recreation and Culture / Activities and Events / Advent Calendar. Proposed activities include a show and story time for children in virtual mode, creative art projects with the LAB, colouring activities prepared by an artist, and more!

Lumin'Art: an enlightening art display

From December 4 to January 4, citizens are invited to visit the Lumin'Art art display in the park located at 405 avenue Saint-Charles. Ten local artists have been invited to decorate giant illuminated Christmas balls suspended from a structure in the park. Every evening, the tour will be accompanied with Christmas music between 5 and 11 p.m. Visitors will also have the opportunity to warm up by the fire on Friday and Saturday nights throughout the month of December (December 4-5, 11-12 and 18-19).