

GLEANINGS

North Okanagan Valley Gleaners Society

2017 Fundraising Campaign

As we look forward to the New Year, there are several upgrades and replacements needed at the plant for more efficient and improved operations.

Processing plants such as ours usually have 3-phase electrical power to run all of the equipment. Our plant doesn't have this and we have used "solutions" to get around that handicap.

As we grow, the need for **3-phase power** will become even more important. But, it is very expensive!

We also need to replace the vehicles we have been using for picking up produce, disposing of processing waste and various other tasks. A good, used, heavy duty **pickup truck** is one need, while another is a **utility trailer**.

Our target for 2017 is \$100,000. We would be very grateful for any and all contributions from friends of the NOV Gleaners.

Donations may be made by cash, cheque or credit card at the Gleaners Used Furniture & Appliance Store or you can mail a cheque to North Okanagan Valley Gleaners, 4405 29th St., Vernon, BC V1T 5B7. You may also donate by credit card online at CanadaHelps. Click on the CanadaHelps link on our website, www.novgleaners.org. Tax receipts are issued annually, early in the new year. There are just days left for the 2016 tax year, but donations in 2017 are also very welcome. 🌍

Merry Christmas!



CHRISTMAS IS THE CELEBRATION OF THE BIRTH OF JESUS, THE SAVIOUR OF MANKIND

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Note

Holiday Closures

The plant will be closed December 24 through January 1 and re-open on Monday, January 2nd.

The Gleaners Store will be closed Dec. 24-27, open Dec. 28-30 10:00-4:00, closed Dec.31-Jan.2 and re-open on Tues., Jan. 3rd.

Lunchroom Helper

We urgently need a volunteer to help with plant lunchroom duties on Fridays. Time would be shared with two others and a schedule can be arranged. Contact Harold at the plant.



*Volunteers Serving God by
 Serving the Poor*

www.novgleaners.org

(250) 558-5872 plant / 549-1123 store

Recent Shipments

In early December we shipped over 1.5 million servings of food to Guatemala in the care of Denis and Eileen Nogue, who are working with Mision Hispana.



Above is a picture of the shipping container being loaded.

The Nogues will leave for Guatemala early in January and assist Mision Hispana to distribute the food to orphans, the elderly and the poor in that Central American country.

In November thirty-seven cases — representing over 44,000 meals — were taken by individuals and church groups doing humanitarian aid work in Haiti.

Also in November, two 40 ft shipping containers of medical supplies were donated to Christian Blind Mission. With a value of \$1.1 million, this aid is now on its way to Cameroon, in Africa. 🌍

A New Record for Donated Produce in 2016!

In 2016 we received a record amount of produce:

1,172,681 lbs!

Here's a breakdown of the vegetables and fruit that were the largest quantities.

Potatoes	396,869 lbs
Frozen Vegetables	224,739 lbs
Dried Peas	182,780 lbs
Onions	115,150 lbs
Beets	77,440 lbs
Apples	52,575 lbs
Peppers	38,530 lbs
Cabbages	20,700 lbs

Thanks to our suppliers, which included Dhaliwal Farms, Creighton Valley Farms, Natural Factors Farm, Davison Orchards, Calais Farms, Walla Walla River Onions, Fraser Valley Gleaners, Fort St. John Seed Cleaning, Diefenbaker Seeds, Cloverdale Cold Storage, Lucerne Foods, Bonduelle Canada, and many others. 🌍

Thanks to Our Supporting Businesses

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Nor-val Rentals of Vernon have assisted us with special equipment needs.

