

Legislation Text

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RECOGNITION OF THE 2019 SALVATION ARMY CHRISTMAS KETTLE CAMPAIGN

Captain Stephanie Watkinson, Executive Director of the Salvation Army, Barrie Bayside Mission thanked members of City Council for the opportunity to address Council concerning the Christmas Kettle Campaign. She discussed the services that the Salvation Army provides. Captain Wilkinson provided the details of the Kettle Campaign and she advised that there are many kettles throughout the City of Barrie. She indicated that the Salvation Army kicked off their Christmas Kettle Campaign on November 13, 2019 with a projected fundraising goal of \$575,000. Captain Watkinson advised that the Salvation Army has piloted a new technology program by offering debit and credit options at a couple locations in Barrie.

Captain Watkinson highlighted that the Salvation Army Barrie Bayside Mission receives their funding from the County of Simcoe and Provincial Government as well as community donations to support their services. Captain Watkinson advised of the number of meals and beds provided to individuals between January to November, 2019.

Captain Watkinson indicated the Salvation Army is looking for volunteers to assist with their Christmas Kettle Campaign and she requested that members of Council and the public to volunteer for two hours at a kettle.

In closing, Captain Watkins thanked the Mayor and members of Council for the opportunity to provide an update on the Salvation Army Christmas Kettle Campaign.

Members of Council asked questions of Captain Watkinson related to the Christmas Kettle Campaign and received responses.