

Cloverdale Community Kitchen finds much needed warehouse space

Roller Derby team gives up building rental to help Hamper Program

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The Cloverdale Community Kitchen has found the warehouse space it needed.

The Kitchen needed an open space of about 7,000 sq. ft. in order to facilitate the delivery, sorting, and packing of donations for their annual Christmas Hamper Program.

The space, however, also needed to have doors that could accommodate a forklift. The Kitchen needs to use

a forklift to help offload trucks so volunteers can help fill hundreds of Christmas hampers.

The Kitchen usually has the Alice McKay Building booked, but for various reasons, the building had not been booked on time and a Women's Roller Derby team had instead booked the space.

Last week, Kelsey Swanson, the City of Surrey's Parks and Rec. director for Cloverdale, reached out to the roller derby team.

"She told them that we were look-



Volunteers pack Christmas food hampers for needy families the Alice McKay Building in 2020. (Photo: Malin Jordan)

ing for space and explained what the Christmas Hamper Program was and they have kindly taken their Christmas

Break early to help us!" exclaimed Jen Temple, one of the organizers for the hamper program. "They wanted to

help make a difference in the community. We are so grateful. It's a miracle that it even happened. It's a blessing."

On Oct. 13, Community Kitchen director Matthew Campbell said hamper registrations will open up in early November and registrations will stay open for three weeks. He expects the Kitchen to give out about 600 to 700 hampers this year.

"We're gearing up for it and we're looking for volunteers. We have several already, but we still need many more."

Campbell said volunteers are needed to sort donations and pack hampers, to distribute donation boxes to businesses and to collect the boxes, and to organize hamper pick up.

The Christmas hamper program is now in its 30th year.

Kids play area to reopen in November at the Museum of Surrey

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The Museum of Surrey is reopening its kids play area Nov. 2.

The TD Explore Zone sits on the east side of the building and has been closed for more

than a year and a half due to the pandemic.

"We are delighted to safely welcome families back to the TD Explore Zone with enhanced sanitizing and cleaning to ensure your safety while enjoying the space," said Lynn Saffery, manager for the Museum of Surrey.

The kids' zone ties in sustainability to each of its interactive play areas.

"Designed to be a place to play ... (it) includes fun activity areas, including a tree fort for climbing, safe experiments with electricity, a wind wall and fishing boat."

Masks are mandatory for visitors age five and over while proof of vaccination is required for anyone 12 and over.

Visitors must pre-register by calling 604-592-6956, or by signing in at the museum's reception desk.

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1 cup all purpose flour
2 tsp baking powder
1/2 tsp salt
1 tbsp butter
1 tbsp chopped fresh parsley
1/3 - 1/2 c milk

combine dry ingredients cut in butter and parsley until blended stir in milk . dough should be thick enough to drop from wet spoon drop onto simmering stew cover uncooked 10 min cover pan and cook 10 min longer

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