Message from our Director of Client Services

Dear Friends of Parker Street,

As spring gently awakens the world around us, with trees budding, flowers blooming, and sunlight lingering a little longer each day, it reminds us of the beauty of new beginnings and renewed hope.

Yet, while nature has been resting and preparing to bloom, the needs of our community have remained constant. For so many, the past winter was not just cold, but incredibly difficult. Hunger, hardship, and the harsh reality of living without enough warmth or support didn't take a season off.

Thanks to your ongoing compassion, we at Parker Street have been able to respond to those needs with open hearts. Through our Winter Warm Up, Food, and Emergency Funds Programs, we've been able to provide meals, warmth, and emergency relief to hundreds of individuals and families who needed it most. Your kindness has truly made a difference. Now, as we look ahead to brighter days, our focus turns to another vital initiative: our **Back to School Program**. Each year, we set out to provide over 1,000 backpacks filled with supplies for students of all ages, from young children entering Pre-Primary to adults returning to education. These backpacks are more than just school supplies; they're tools of empowerment, confidence, and possibility.

This important work begins now so that by fall, every student we serve can start their school year feeling supported and ready to succeed. Your continued generosity makes this possible.

Every donation you make helps fill an empty stomach, keep a home warm, and give a student the chance to learn and grow. With your support, we're not just preparing backpacks, we're building stronger futures.

Thank you for being part of our Parker Street family. Together, we can ensure that no student is left behind and every individual has the chance to thrive.

With heartfelt gratitude,
Shelley Rose

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Spreading Joy to Ronald McDonald House

This April, Parker Street proudly donated a truckload of toys to the new Ronald McDonald House. Excited and grateful staff shared with us how much joy it would bring to the children and families staying there.

As part of the visit, Parker Street staff toured the beautiful new building. We were thrilled to give back to our community and to witness the care and comfort the Ronald McDonald House offers in difficult times.

Community partnerships like this one are at the heart of what we do. We are proud to support Ronald McDonald House Charities Atlantic, and we look forward to collaborating again to make a meaningful difference in the lives of those who need it most.

Check out Parker Street's YouTube channel to see the full video and the staff's reaction.

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Upcoming Events

Back-to-School Program Applications

On Tuesday, **May 27**, Parker Street Food & Furniture Bank will open applications for our Back-to-School Program. Low-income families and post-secondary students can apply for a backpack full of grade-appropriate school supplies. Pick up will take place in late August.

Learn More

Mother's Day Giving Continues

This Mother's Day, we're calling on our community to support moms who are facing tough choices like keeping the lights on, putting food on the table, or filling a vital prescription. All month long, we're accepting Mother's Day donations to replenish our Emergency Fund, which provides direct, urgent support to mothers in crisis.

Our goal is to raise $6,000 by May 31st, and every dollar truly makes a difference. Whether it’s $5 or $50, your gift can help lift the weight off a mother’s shoulders when she needs it most.

Learn More

Friends of Parker Street 5K Walk/Run

Lace up your sneakers to do good in your community. The Friends of Parker Street annual 5K Walk/Run is returning this August. Whether you're walking, running or just cheering from the sidelines, your support helps us go the extra mile for Halifax families in need.

Registration is now open online, with a LIMITED-TIME earlybird price of $28.36. After June 30, the cost will increase to $34.66.

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Thank You for Your Support

The Kin Club

Parker Street extends a heartfelt thank you to the **Kin Club** for its generous donation of $2,000.

Your support plays a vital role in helping us provide essential food and furniture to individuals and families in need. Thank you for making a meaningful difference!

Keller Williams' RED Day

Thank you to **Keller Williams Select Realty** for coming out and spending their annual day of service, RED Day, short for Renew, Energize, and Donate, with us at Parker Street Food and Furniture Bank. The Keller Williams crew helped sort and organize furniture donations, prepare food boxes for clients, and get our garden beds looking gorgeous.

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