Twitter Thread by Harvest Hills Cares Calgary





After a day of delivering shopping for and hampers with <a>@merylyyc, I was dropping my daughter off at her dads for the week when I first got a call from a single mom that needed help.

Picture below is a truck full of hampers!

I answered the phone and explained the steps this person on the phone needed to do to apply for assistance. She told me she would head to the site right away.....and she did.

So this ■Emergency■ came in tonight. (See photo of email).

I immediately contacted her and asked her what she immediately needed. She explained that she needed to get out of the room she is sharing with her children & into a basement suite

She then said she wanted a meal or two so she could eat like a family with her kids for Christmas.

She asked if it was not too much trouble if we would give her kids (not her) something for Christmas. She was adamant that she get nothing because she didn't think she was a good mom considering their circumstances. But if her kids could get something she would be very grateful.

I asked her if she could hold on for a moment while I grab some paper and a pen.

I went & grabbed the items when I heard a child in the background ask for a snack.

The mom started crying because she was trying to stretch the snacks & make them last.

I told her it would be ok.

I got her name & address & asked her what it would take to meet her immediate needs & she gave me a list of things she & the kids needed ASAP.

I looked at the time & realized I had just enough time to run to @SafewayCanada & grab some groceries and bring them to

her house.

I told her I would go out and grab a few items & drop them off so she could last until HHCC could help her get into more stable housing.

So long story short, I dropped the items off, including some pop & goodies for the kids and reassured her that we would call her next week.

So driving home, I began to think about all the things that went wrong today, my headache still from being rear ended made a massive reappearance, my cat decided my new shoes were a catch basins for her hairballs, or the fact that we had to go into our overdraft yet again...

...when I started to smile and realized that helping people is what matters. Especially during a #pandemic. Especially during #COVID19. <u>@HarvestHillsYYC</u> and the rest of the team <u>@merylyyc</u> & <u>@Christina_Suz</u> and all our volunteers have tried our best to help #Calgarians in #need.

If you are able to help us to continue to help people, please consider donating via etransfer at:

Donations@HarvestHillsCaresCalgary.Ca

Or go to our website:

https://t.co/NACFd3UKoQ and select donate from the drop down menu.

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