

# *Gifts from the Heart Catalogue*



The giving of gifts is a tradition that goes back in ancient history, and it's a fact that the act of giving is one of pleasure for the giver. Making a "Gift from the Heart" you'll take pleasure in knowing that you're helping children, families and seniors in your community. Your support of our Haliburton County residents who are hungry, ill, alone or grieving will bring heartfelt appreciation. Gifts as low as \$20 can and do change lives. Make a difference today!

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# Give a gift with a difference!

Haliburton County is an amazing place. There is a vast variety of talent and a generosity of spirit! People from organizations across Ontario comment often on how uncommon Haliburton County is in another way — we are known for our ability to partner, to pull together as a community, and to come up with unique solutions for the issues we face in our community. It's no secret that our County has many families living in poverty, that unemployment is a major issue in the winter months, that housing is limited, and that some families literally can only afford to either heat their homes OR to feed their families.

SIRCH has spent the last 26 years creating innovative programs to meet identified needs in the community. Our *Gifts from the Heart* campaign is critical to our work — the more money we raise, the more we can help. This year, funds raised will help support the following programs:

- **Food Initiatives** — free, healthy meals to those in distress
- **Safe at Home** — home safety assessments to help low income residents have safer homes
- **Journey Through Grief** — critical support for those grieving the loss of a loved one.

SIRCH is proud to help this community. None of these programs have ongoing government funding — they all rely on fundraising and donations. These programs make a big difference in the lives of Haliburton County residents! **But we can't do it without you. Please help. Purchase a gift from our Catalogue today.**

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## Help give nourishing food to people who need it

It's true — children go hungry in Haliburton County. Adults go hungry, too — some are on pensions, some have no income, some are working two or three jobs. Last year, SIRCH helped by making thousands of nutritious meals for those in need.

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*“ The food you provide enables me to use what little money I have for fuel, diapers and food for my family. Without the help I receive from SIRCH, I would have to choose what I would do without.”*

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This year we are hoping, with your help, to provide over 5,000 free, nourishing meals for residents who need them.

**I want to help feed people.**

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## Help low income residents have safer homes

Many people don't know how to make their homes safer, and more energy efficient. Home safety assessments help identify safety, energy and repair issues, and connect homeowners or renters with the professionals and resources they need. Your donation can subsidize this service for people with low incomes.

*“ I know I'm old... so I'm investigating every option to stay here. I'm so enthusiastic about [Safe at Home] because if they can make a person's life any safer then that's wonderful!”*

This year we hope, with your help, to subsidize over 100 free safety assessments.

**I want to help Haliburton County residents have safe homes.**

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## Lift a heavy heart

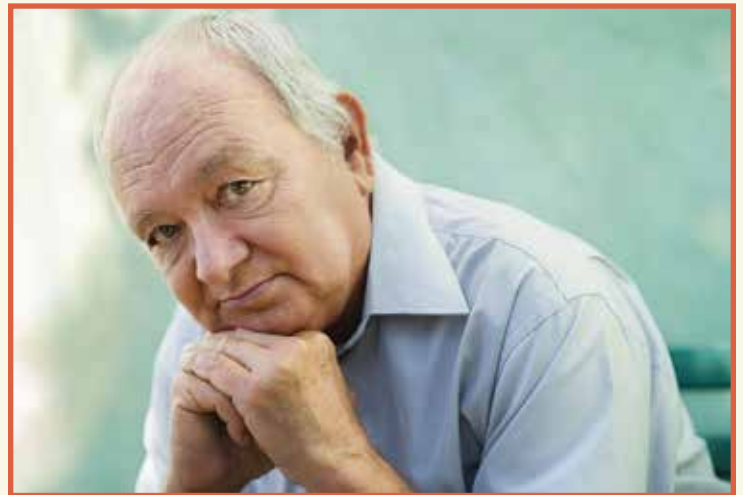
When a loved one dies, the grief can be overwhelming. You may feel lost, disconnected, depressed or like you can't go on. Last year, SIRCH started *The Journey Through Grief* support groups for people who have experienced a loss. They were an overwhelming success.

*“ I am not sure how I would have got through the last few months without this support.”*

This year we hope, with your help, to provide six support groups for those who have experienced a loss, along with other referrals and supports.

**I want to help lift a heavy heart.**

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## Give a gift with a difference!

Your gift stays in Haliburton County to help residents who are having a difficult time and need our help.



### 1 Choose

Choose an amount to give as a gift for everyone on your holiday list, (they're also great for birthdays, and other gifts). This year, your gifts will change lives!

### 2 Order

- a) Call and order with VISA or MasterCard at (705) 457-1742 ex 28
- b) Visit our website at [www.sirch.on.ca](http://www.sirch.on.ca)
- c) Mail your cheque to SIRCH Community Services, Box 687, Haliburton, ON K0M 1S0

### 3 Receive

A gift card will be mailed to you to give to the gift recipient.

- ▶ **A tax receipt will also be issued for purchases of \$20 or more.**



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Please note: Contributions made through the Gift Catalogue are symbolic gifts that enable us to support families and children in Haliburton County.