



ANNUAL REPORT



2010 / 2011



OUR VISION

A community where all members are able to meet their food needs.

OUR MISSION

- To provide dignified food assistance and support to community members in northern Toronto;
- To raise public awareness and provide education regarding hunger and its causes;
- To engage the community in meeting its members' food needs.

OUR VALUES

Access and Inclusion

Integrity

Collaboration

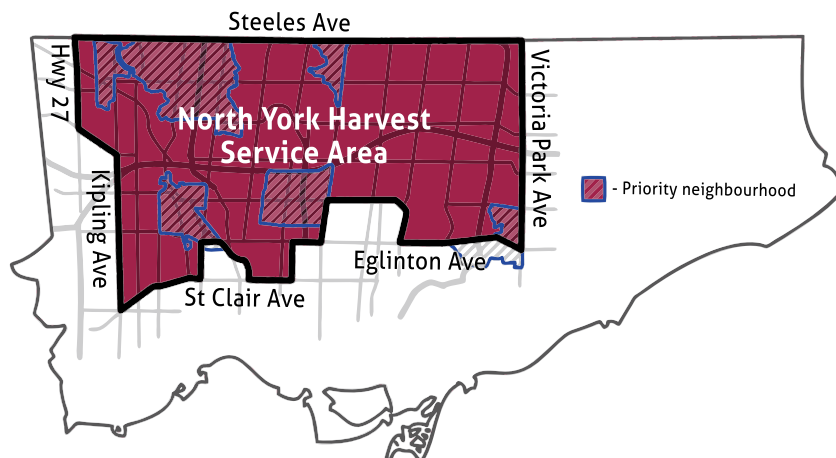
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North York Harvest serves six of the thirteen United Way and City of Toronto designated priority neighbourhoods.



Cover, left to right:
Young workshop
participants; Ella Victor,
Client Services Manager
at North York Harvest

Welcome from the Executive Director and Chair

This past year was challenging for many people in northern Toronto.

A grandmother living with her son and his family described their struggle to pay rent. A single mother found herself having to choose between school supplies or meals for her children. A man battling addiction worked to maintain his home, and ensure there was enough food in the fridge.

These are just some of the stories that motivate us to provide ongoing service with care and dignity. This year, North York Harvest delivered on our goals – we collected 1.6 million pounds of nourishing food and distributed over 140,000 hampers.

Yet 2011 proved to be fiscally challenging. According to Imagine Canada, a national organization that supports charities, 2010 and 2011 were a perfect storm for many non-profits like ours: stagnant revenues and increased expenditures caused a budget crunch, while demand for services remained high.

As our financial goals collided with the reality of challenging economic conditions, we were forced to scale back on our revenue expectations, and temporarily dip into our reserves.

Now, some months later, we are solidly on the path of rebuilding our financial strength: vigilantly monitoring our expenses and steadily replenishing our reserves.

We see these reserves as the foundation for our new vision. Over the last 25 years, North York Harvest has provided food bank services to the community. However, during the last three, we have gradually shifted our mission to deliver better and more connected food programs.

For us, this means facilitating community inclusion and participation, providing additional client support and outreach, and achieving an optimal agency network – to name but a few.

In 2011, many of our efforts began to bear fruit, which we are pleased to highlight in

this annual report. From community advisory councils, to public education; community gardens to food-friendly neighbourhoods, our passion shines through in our actions.

North York Harvest takes tremendous strength from the hard work and dedicated support of our members, volunteers, donors and supporters. On behalf of our board and staff, we thank you for being on this journey with us.

“These are just some of the stories that motivate us to provide ongoing service with care and dignity.”



Anette Chawla, Executive Director and Francois Poirier, Chair



Highlights of the Year

SNAP North York
PUTTING THE COMMUNITY INTO FOOD BANKS

- Our Strategic Goals**
- 1. Building Enhanced Food Distribution
 - 2. Building Great Food Programs
 - 3. Creating Public Awareness and Education
 - 4. Engaging the Community
 - 5. Developing our Team

We're promoting Food Friendly Neighbourhoods in high priority areas of northern Toronto.

Funded by:



Food-Friendly Neighbourhood Plan: Lawrence Heights



Population: 35,945
Area: 9.5 km²
Median after-tax income: \$41,955
% low income after-tax: 20.9%

About this neighbourhood
Lawrence Heights is one of 13 priority neighbourhoods in mid-town Toronto and it also includes the high needs comm. Lotherton Pathway (see reverse for enlarged map). Key landmarks include Yorkdale Mall and Allen Rd which runs th neighbourhood. 1,208 rent-geared-to-income housing units are the focus of a 20-year revitalization project that will be

Opportunity:
Toronto Public Health's Food Strategy team is preparing to launch a Mobile Food Vending pilot project which would allow entrepreneurs to sell produce from a vending truck. Lawrence Heights would be an excellent pilot neighbourhood for this project.

Who should be involved:

- Toronto Public Health
- Ward 15 Councillor Josh Colle
- Lawrence Heights Inter-organizational Network

Opportunity:
The Lawrence Heights Food Justice Working Group is collaborating with FutureWatch Environment and Development Education Partners to bring an organic produce market to the neighbourhood.

Next steps:
Produce markets in this neighbourhood have struggled in the past to survive on business from residents alone. The project should solicit the purchasing power of local institutional partners to assure that there are reliable sales on a weekly basis.

Who should be involved:

- Community organizations with food purchasing budgets
- FutureWatch Environment and Development Education Partners
- Lawrence Heights Inter-organizational Network (LHION)

Opportunity:
There are numerous community organizations providing food-related services in the neighbourhood, but few programming collaborations. Recently, Union Health & Community Services partnered with Lawrence Heights Community Food Bank to offer community kitchen workshops for food bank participants. Similar partnerships should be explored so that resources, facilities and expertise are utilized more effectively.

Who should be involved:

- Community organizations
- Lawrence Heights Inter-organizational Network

Food asset area	Findings	Grade
Retail	There are ten major supermarkets in this neighbourhood and a number of smaller ethnic grocers, but only two that are discount chains. Some residents reported that they buy food at the recently opened Dollarama in Lawrence Square Mall because it is cheaper than the Fortino's that is also located there. Accessibility is limited for residents living in the area north of Lawrence near Allen Rd. Residents in Lotherton Pathway are separated from their closest supermarket at Keele Ave and Lawrence Ave W by a fenced rail corridor.	C
Produce markets	There are no farmers' markets in this neighbourhood and the nearest market is over 2 km away at the Artscape Wychwood Barns. A Good Food Market was previously running weekly at the Lawrence Heights Community Centre. This program closed in 2010. There are two Good Food Box pick-up locations in this neighbourhood.	F
Food assistance	The Lawrence Heights Community Food Bank is the primary food assistance resource in this neighbourhood. It is centrally located and has reasonably accessible operating hours, but its limited physical space is a big issue during the drop-in when lines up to one-hour long form outside. Three other food banks serve the western edge of the neighbourhood. There are no drop-in meal programs. The nearest program is 1 km west at the Syme-Woolner Neighbourhood & Family Centre on Eglinton Ave W.	C
Food education	There are ten community gardens in this neighbourhood primarily on Toronto Community Housing and Toronto District School Board properties. There are many city parks that could provide additional growing space. Despite seven community-based kitchen facilities across the neighbourhood, only four community kitchen programs run regularly throughout the year. An under-utilized outdoor kitchen is located next to two of these kitchens.	C





We delivered 1.6 million pounds of food to 60 member agencies

Our 'lean warehousing' approach is increasing efficiency and reducing waste.

GT6 | TORONTO STAR WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 23, 2011

GREATER TORONTO

'Supermarket model' gives food bank dignity

We've remodeled our on-site food bank to create a warmer atmosphere, with many nourishing food choices for clients.



Fall food drive launched with fresh fare

FANNIE SUNSHINE
fsunshine@insidetoronto.com

Fresh produce from our community gardens enhance weekly food hampers.



"Service with a Smile" was a popular Harvest Academy workshop for our member agencies this year.

The Next Generation:
Youth Action & Education

Our ever-popular workshops were once again filled to capacity this year! Students show up at our warehouse and engage in interactive workshops exploring the roots of hunger and poverty in Toronto. Many kids tell us this is the first time they thought about hunger in our city and what they can do to make a difference. After these thought-provoking discussions, students get busy sorting food donations. It's quite a sight to behold! Students zip around the warehouse with tuna cans, puzzling through the sorting categories – a common question: *is corn a vegetable?*



Ancaster Public School students enjoying their workshop.



John Polanyi Collegiate Institute students, sorting food.

In this experience I've learned that even though you have enough money to spend on utilities and clothes (etc) doesn't mean that you will have money for food also, I know know why food banks are so important

-Tariq

I think that this place is awesome. Because helping others makes a difference for those who are homeless, have no money, and those who are silenced by poverty. You guys are doing a great job!

IN 2010/2011:

43

workshops

1,946

hours of learning
and volunteering

973

kids participated
in workshops

Student Food Drives raised

87,290

pounds of food

This year we started an exciting new workshop program, in partnership with the Toronto Botanical Garden.



Streets to Homes: Community Kitchen Program

As delicious smells waft from the kitchen, Desiree, a head cook for Unison Health and Community Services, points out some key dishes on a buffet table heaped with food.

“The turkey is a special holiday donation,” she explains with a smile. “The cranberries, stuffing, rice, and the veggies all come from North York Harvest.”

It’s the 2011 holiday meal for Unison’s *Streets to Homes* program at the Keele and Rogers site, and the room is full of people there to enjoy the feast. Jose Bonilla, community kitchen coordinator, circles the room, smiling broadly and frequently stopping to chat with clients.

He’s particularly proud of this initiative, which began in 2007 with a loan from ACE Bakery, and is now funded in part by the City of Toronto. The goal of the program, Jose explains, is to provide support to individuals who have transitioned from living on the streets to living in their own homes. In short, to keep clients: “Connected, fed...and, ultimately, housed.”

Every Thursday, clients gather to socialize, listen to presentations, share a meal, and receive a bag of food donated by North York Harvest.

“What the food bank provides helps us save costs, and give extra for people to take home,” Jose explains. “Food is the key to linking these clients to Unison’s medical, legal, and counselling services. It isn’t a priority for them to come here when there’s no food at home.”

Fifty-nine-year old Darlene speaks about her experience with the program. After years of battling addiction and mental illness, Darlene appreciates the “heart and guidance” of Unison



Jose Bonilla

case workers. And the food she takes home every Thursday has a direct impact on her life:

“The food bag is nourishing and makes ends meet. This saves me about \$40 a month, I’m sure. I can use the extra money for things like a haircut, or taking my grandkids out.”

Clients come for other reasons as well. Jesus, a 44 year old who’s been with *Streets to Homes* since its inception, explains his interest in the program: “Volunteering in the kitchen has helped me take on more responsibility. And I come to get in the community, to stop my depression. It helps, being surrounded by people.”

The partnership between North York Harvest Food Bank and Unison provides nourishment, warmth, and community to many. “Programs like this help people,” Jesus says. “Those who are down and out learn there are people who care and that there’s still hope to better our lives.”

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Darlene



Jesus



Member Agencies

Eva's Place resident learning how to grow fresh food

We provide ongoing support, training and professional resources to agency staff and volunteers.

North York Harvest's network of 42 member agencies provides front-line food assistance for northern Toronto. We work hard to deliver the food required by each program, and provide ongoing support, training and professional resources to agency staff and volunteers.

SPOTLIGHT ON: Bathurst-Finch Community Food Bank

The Bathurst-Finch Community Food Bank is the newest addition to our member agency network, opening its doors in December, 2011.

This project has been a year and a half in the works, shaped by countless neighbourhood meetings, and resulting in unique collaborations.

The Toronto District School Board generously provided the space at Northview Heights Secondary School, and local non-profits are

working together to provide information and outreach to clients.

We have also engaged Bathurst-Finch residents in a pilot Community Advisory Council. This ensures food bank services will be embedded in the community, have a strong network of support, and draw from the knowledge already existing in the area.

One of our partners, a social worker from Circle of Care, summed it up perfectly:

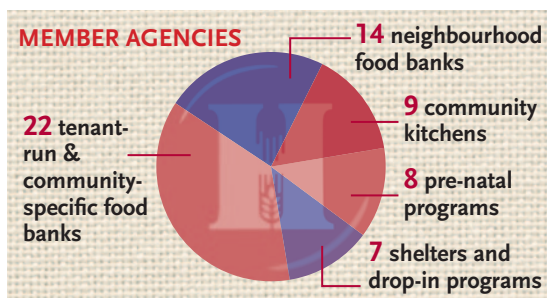
"The great thing is that North York Harvest is not just dropping a food bank in without any discussion, but *facilitating* a food bank. Food is the foundation: if a community has resources to feed itself, from there, we can do anything."

 Full lists are on our website at northyorkharvest.com

Hincks-Dellcrest Treatment Centre: Prenatal & Early Parenting Programs

The Hincks- Dellcrest Treatment Centre serves children and youth who have mental health problems. It provides mental health prevention, early intervention programs, and prenatal and early parenting courses.

In 2011, Hincks - Dellcrest distributed over 770 North York Harvest food hampers to pre-natal program participants each month. These hampers provide the nourishing and healthy food essential to the well-being of new mothers and children.



Eva's Place: Community Garden

Eva's Place provides support to homeless youth during difficult transition times, whether they are looking to further their education, searching for a job, or renting an apartment.

Over the last several years, in addition to regular food deliveries, North York Harvest has supported community garden programming at Eva's Place. In the summer of 2011, several young residents took a field trip to the York University Maloca Garden to get hands-on learning about fresh, organic food.



Rexdale Women's Centre: Community Kitchen



Women and families, especially newcomers to Canada, benefit greatly from the Rexdale Women's Centre multi-service approach, which provides ESL classes, violence prevention strategies, cooking programs, and much more.

With North York Harvest's support, Rexdale Women's Centre now runs a weekly "Building Communities: Food Share Community Kitchen" program. Drawing upwards of fifty participants each session, the program includes a chance for the women to share cooking tips and meals, as well as prepare food together to take home to their families.

Lansing United Church: Neighbourhood Food Bank

As one of North York Harvest's largest member agencies, the Lansing United Church Food Bank has been serving its community for more than thirty years.

This food bank began as just a few items on a shelf in the Minister's office. During this latest economic downturn, Lansing provided food to over 400 families each month, with the support of North York Harvest.



Lansing's volunteers are essential to this operation!



Richard (left) and Ted

a manager at Nortel, but he also enjoys training new volunteers and seeing how much they grow through their work.

Most importantly for Ted, “You look at people’s faces when they come and see they need this food, especially the little ones with their moms. And the old guys in their wheelchairs. I just can’t see stopping this because the people don’t stop coming to our doors.”

SALLY

Originally from England, Sally has been assisting clients at the Lawrence Heights Community Food Bank for nearly three years. She’s found that volunteering has made her graduate studies at University of Toronto – and her life overall – much more multi-dimensional.

“When I got involved with the food bank, I was engrossed in research on social housing and poverty. I thought it was important to work on the frontlines.”

“What strikes me every day,” continues Sally, “is that people have so much dignity. There is such a long series of difficult events that lead to using food banks, but they still come in with a smile on their face.”



Sally

These three dedicated volunteers have received North York Harvest Volunteer Appreciation Awards.

Overall # of volunteers:

3,679

Total # of volunteer hours:

16,013

Volunteers are at the heart of North York Harvest. Whether sorting food, answering phones, distributing food, attending events - our organization is fuelled by their energy.

RICHARD

Every day after his volunteer shift, you can find Richard in the staff room, reading the newspaper and eating an orange. “I’m a creature of habit,” Richard explains with a smile.

At seventy-four, Richard has honed his routine over many years, and most recently in his work at North York Harvest. As one of the familiar faces in the warehouse, Richard oversees the daily sorting of food donations.

Richard has given his time to North York Harvest for eighteen years because: “Volunteering here, I kill two birds with one stone; I get out of the house, and I get to help other people.”

TED

When Ted started at North York Harvest, he originally planned on volunteering for only a few hours, a couple of days a week. Now, two years later, Ted is a daily fixture at the food bank.

“I got hooked,” he explains. “I get a huge heart, a full heart out of this.”

Ted’s enjoyment of warehouse planning and preparation was developed during his years as



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Food Donors

Torontonians from a multitude of businesses, neighbourhoods, farms, and diverse communities donate food to us throughout the year – neighbours helping neighbours when they need it the most.

Corporate Donors

ACE Bakery • Alternative Processing Systems Inc. • B.K. Sethi Distribution Ltd. • Cobs Bread • Fresh For Less • Gryfe's Bagel Bakery Ltd. • Hain Celestial Canada • Haymische Bakery • Isaac's Bakery • Italtasta Limited • Pita Break Procter & Gamble Inc. • Pusateri's • Richman's Bakery • Sobeys • United Bakers

Also, we receive food donated through Food Banks Canada, the Ontario Association of Food Banks (OAFB), Second Harvest, and York Region Food Network.

Farms and Gardens

Forsythe Family Farms	PACT Urban Peace Program
Kavanah Garden	Reesor Farm Market
Gail Mentlik	Toronto Botanical Garden
Jonesville Allotment Gardens	Whittamore's Farm

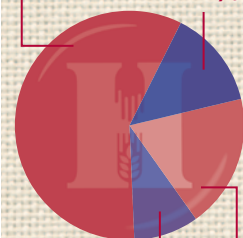
COMMUNITY FOOD DONORS

Small Businesses, Corporate Groups and Associations:

58%

Church and Faith Groups:

14%



Cultural Groups, Social Clubs and Foundations:

9%

Individuals:

19%



INCOMING FOOD

Reclamation: **29%**

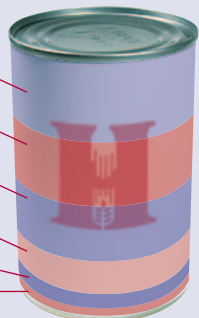
Corporate: **26%**

Food Drives: **23%**

FBC,* OAFB* & Others: **13%**

Purchases: **6%**

Farms: **3%**



OUTGOING FOOD



Member Agencies: **86%**

Change in Inventory: **8%**

Waste: **4%**

Other Food Banks: **2%**



*Food Banks Canada and Ontario Association of Food Banks.



Full lists are on our website at northyorkharvest.com

Financial Supporters

This year, we have endeavoured to build even stronger relationships with our financial supporters and nourish a culture of philanthropy. We thank all those who donated – your valuable contributions help North York Harvest put food on the table.

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\$15,000 AND OVER

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Where quality is more than a claim



SUMMARY BALANCE SHEET**As at August 31, 2011**

	2011 \$	2010 \$
ASSETS		
Current assets		
Cash	57,882	58,849
Short-term investment	202,104	202,469
Accounts receivable	44,591	45,463
Prepaid expenses	10,369	1,956
	314,946	308,737
Property and equipment	67,656	108,410
	382,602	417,147
LIABILITIES		
Current liabilities		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	76,366	32,640
Deferred grants	124,755	63,673
	201,121	96,313
Deferred contributions related to property and equipment	106,834	90,235
	307,955	186,548
Net Unrestricted Assets	74,647	230,599
	382,602	417,147

SUMMARY STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS**For the year ended August 31, 2011**

	2011 \$	2010 \$
Cash provided by (used in)		
Operating activities	(51,980)	63,208
Investing activities	(2,057)	(202,469)
Financing activities	53,070	2,260
Decrease in cash during the year	(967)	(139,261)
Cash – Beginning of year	58,849	198,110
Cash – End of year	57,882	58,849

To the Directors of North York Harvest Food Bank

The accompanying summary financial statements, which comprise the summary balance sheet as at August 31, 2011, the summary statements of revenues, expenditures and net assets and cash flows for the year then ended, and related note, are derived from the audited financial statements of North York Harvest Food Bank for the year ended August 31, 2011. We expressed a qualified audit opinion on those financial statements in our report dated December 20, 2011. Those financial statements, and these summary financial statements, do not reflect the effects of events that occurred subsequent to the date of our report on those financial statements.

The summary financial statements do not contain all the disclosures required by Canadian generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP). Reading the summarized financial statements, therefore, is not a substitute for reading the audited financial statements of North York Harvest Food Bank.

Management's responsibility for the summary financial statements

Management is responsible for the preparation of a summary of the audited financial statements on the basis described in the note to the summary financial statements.

Auditor's responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the summary financial statements based on our procedures, which were conducted in accordance with Canadian Auditing Standard (CAS) 810, Engagements to Report on Summary Financial Statements.

Opinion

In our opinion, these summary financial statements derived from the audited financial statements of North York Harvest Food Bank for the year ended August 31, 2011 are a fair summary of those financial statements on the basis described in the note to the summary financial statements. However, the summary financial statements are possibly misstated to the equivalent extent as the audited financial statements of North York Harvest Food Bank for the year ended August 31, 2011.

SUMMARY STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND NET ASSETS**For the year ended August 31, 2011**

	2011 \$	2010 \$
REVENUES		
Donations	738,250	782,365
Foundations and grants	116,650	135,277
Special events	40,957	52,635
Amortization of deferred contributions	36,471	45,088
Government grants	221,307	132,970
Interest and other	3,112	9,626
	1,156,747	1,157,961
EXPENDITURES		
Wages and benefits	990,342	788,215
Office and general	94,905	85,866
Fundraising and promotion	67,315	60,049
Amortization of property and equipment	43,176	52,714
Occupancy costs	48,400	48,400
Food purchases	25,470	56,394
Warehouse and trucking	33,390	30,547
Insurance	5,410	6,215
Volunteers	4,291	6,503
	1,312,699	1,134,903
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures for the year	(155,952)	23,058
Net Assets – Beginning of year	230,599	207,541
Net Assets – End of year	74,647	230,599

Complete audited financial statements, including related notes to the financial statements, are available from North York Harvest Food Bank.

The possible misstatement of the audited financial statements is described in our qualified audit opinion in our report dated December 20, 2011. Our qualified opinion is based on the fact that in common with many charitable organizations, North York Harvest Food Bank derives revenues from donations, the completeness of which is not susceptible of satisfactory audit verification. Accordingly, our verification of these revenues was limited to the amounts recorded in the records of North York Harvest Food Bank. Therefore, we were not able to determine whether any adjustments might be necessary to donations, excess of revenues over expenditures (expenditures over revenues) and cash flows from operations for the years ended August 31, 2011 and August 31, 2010, current assets as at August 31, 2011 and August 31, 2010 and net assets at both the beginning and end of the August 31, 2011 and August 31, 2010 years. Our audit opinion on the financial statements for the year ended August 31, 2010 was modified accordingly because of the possible effects of this limitation in scope. Our qualified audit opinion states that, except for the possible effects of the described matter, those financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of North York Harvest Food Bank as at August 31, 2011 and its results of operations and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian GAAP.

January 19, 2012

PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP

Chartered Accountants, Licensed Public Accountants

Note

Applied criteria in preparation of the summary financial statements are as follows:

- The information in the summary financial statements is in agreement with the related information in the complete financial statements; and
- The summary financial statements contain the information necessary to avoid distorting or obstructing matters disclosed in the related complete financial statements, including the notes hereto.

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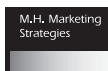
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