



Holiday Tips and Resources

Victor Davis Non-Profit Residents

Dear Residents,

As we embrace the holiday season, our priority is your safety, well-being, and keeping you informed. Here are some important tips and updates:

Safety Inside and Outside Your Home:

1. Decorate responsibly to prevent hazards.
2. Exercise caution in the kitchen and bathroom and maintain clear pathways to exits in your unit.
3. Report any concerns about safety, urgent or emergency repairs, and disturbances, promptly.

Smart Money Practices:

1. Plan a budget for the holidays.
2. Be cautious of online and phone scams. Refer to Online Safety Workshops below.
3. Explore local, affordable holiday activities.

Guelph Food Bank: If you or someone you know needs assistance, the Guelph Food Bank is here for you.

- **Address:** 100 Crimea St, Guelph, ON
- **Contact:** (519) 767-1380
- **Website:** guelphfoodbank.ca

Client food pick up is **9 am - 11:45 am Monday through Friday** (no weekends or stat holidays). The Crimea location will be open during the week of Christmas.

Two Rivers Food Bank: If you have not used up your allotment already, you can visit the Two Rivers Food Bank, last day December 21, 2023. They will re-open after New Years!

- **Address:** 69 Huron St. Guelph ON
- **Contact:** (226) 782 - 8706
- **Website:** tworiversng.com

Chalmers: Chalmers is another emergency food provider in Guelph for those in need. They offer fresh and healthy groceries to those in need, along with diapers, hygiene products, referrals to social supports. Once every two weeks guests are welcome to go to their food pantry (Macdonell St) and collect groceries. We encourage you to visit their website for further information. On Tuesdays, they offer a warm and welcoming space where guests can relax.

- **Address:** 41 Macdonell St, Guelph, ON
- **Contact:** 519-822-8778 or email community@chalmerscentre.ca
- **Website:** Chalmerscentre.ca

Chalmers Downtown: Tuesday (Cafe): 10am – 12pm, Wednesdays: 6:30pm – 8pm, Fridays: 10am – 12pm. The cafe will be open Wednesday December 27 and Friday December 29. Chalmers cafe is **closed** December 25, 26, and January 1.

Important Updates:

Victor Davis Office Closure: Our office will be closed from Friday December 22, 2023 and will re-open on Tuesday January 2, 2024. For urgent matters or maintenance emergencies, please contact staff using the tenant after hours line at (519) 821 2177. Be sure to leave a message with your contact information and unit number.

Online Safety Workshops: Join Action Read's workshops in the community room about online safety, scheduled for January 23, 2024, at 12:30 pm. These workshops aim to inform you about online scams.

Action Read Workplace Training (January, February, March 2024): Exciting news! Action Read is conducting workplace training at their downtown facility. Visit their website, actionread.com, to explore the programs they offer.

Community Coffee Time: Join tenants for coffee time every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 1-3 pm in the community room. It's a great opportunity to relax and connect with Neighbours. Please bring a donation of food or cash to contribute to expenses and help clean- up afterwards. Please join Maryann from Guelph Community Health at the Friday January 5, 2024 at coffee time.

Guelph Waste Program: We're thrilled to share that thanks to your commitment to our new Guelph Waste Program. We've made significant strides in reducing our environmental footprint. For questions or more information we encourage checking out the City of Guelph's city website Guelph.ca under waste.

Victor Davis Community Events: THANK YOU to the Principal and Staff at John Galt School together with Two Rivers Neighbourhood Group for hosting a Community Breakfast on December 10th, and THANK YOU to the Victor Davis Tenant Group for running a Christmas potluck on December 15th!!!

Victor Davis Community Coming Events: The River of Life Church Community is hosting a Community Breakfast on Sunday January 21st. We will share information on our website calendar at victordavishomes.ca when it becomes available.

Wishing you a safe, joyful, peaceful holiday season!

Ellie, Joanne, Andrew and Mark Victor

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