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## **CRAM-A-CRUISER FOOD DRIVE**



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Dear Partner School,

In May 2019, Feed the Need in Durham will be partnering with the Durham Regional Police Service for the 5<sup>th</sup> annual **"Cram-a-Cruiser"** food drive event, created to help fill our shelves before the summer drought in the warehouse hits. We are challenging your school to collect enough non-perishable food items to cram an entire police cruiser! Register your school to participate by Thursday, May 7<sup>th</sup> and help to alleviate hunger in your community! On Thursday, May 21<sup>st</sup>, a DRPS cruiser will be dispatched to your school for the "CRAM" activities, and will deliver it to the Feed the Need in Durham warehouse to be sent out across the Region to those in need.

Feed the Need in Durham is the regional food distribution hub providing perishable and non-perishable food items to 62 emergency food providers across Durham including food banks, Oshawa's soup kitchen, shelters, in school breakfast programs, emergency meal programs and other social service agencies.

**In 2019, FTND distributed the equivalent of 1.22 million meals to those facing hunger in our community.**

### **Key Dates:**

**Thursday, May 7<sup>th</sup>**– last day for schools to register for the Cram-a-Cruiser food drive. Send an email to [robyn@ftnd.ca](mailto:robyn@ftnd.ca) with the subject line **"We CAN cram-a-cruiser"** with your school name, main contact person, email, address and phone number. Food Drive wish lists and great ways to engage will be shared!

**Thursday, May 21<sup>st</sup>** – **"CRAM-A-CRUISER"** - DRPS cruisers will be dispatched to your school between 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. Students will help to "cram the cruiser" after which the police will deliver the food to FTND warehouse. Donations will be weighed in and community impact in meals will be reported back.

This is a fantastic opportunity for your students to become engaged in giving back, work with the police, and have some fun while helping those less fortunate in their community.

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