

The Salvation Army Belkin House 555 Homer Street Vancouver, BC V6B 1K8

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Lotus Light Charity Society (Vancouver) 347 E. Hastings Street, Suite 200 Vancouver, BC V6A 1P3 Canada Attn: Master Lian Tzi, President

Dear friends of Lotus Light Charity Society (Vancouver),

Re: Thank You for your support 2018-2019

Salvation Army **Belkin House** is a place of healing for those who face poverty, despair and homelessness. We serve 3 hot meals 7 days a week, and on average 8,000 meals per month at our downtown Vancouver facility. At Belkin House, we offer life-changing residential programs for up to 230 individuals and we're also the largest supportive housing project in BC.

We would like to sincerely thank everyone at LOTUS LIGHT CHARITY (Vancouver) for your generosity to share food with the greater community in need. Lotus Light's Food Recovery program donated on average thousands of pounds of food each month since 2018. In turn Belkin House, is pleased to continually share this food with our sister organizations (Grace Mansion, Boundless Vancouver, Harbour Light). We have also helped Lotus Light redistribute excess food donations to other shelters and kitchens serving the downtown eastside (Carnegie, Union Gospel Mission, First United, Covenant House, Evelyn Saller, Gathering Place, Catholic Charities – Door Is Open / Men's Hostel, Community Builders) and others who could use the food. A special thank you goes to Lotus Light's volunteer Gia Tran for her tireless efforts year-round organizing a majority of these food recoveries and often paying for their delivery so that vulnerable groups can access food. Well done!

Lotus Light's food and grocery donations have positively enhanced our daily food program with a wide variety of GROCERY STAPLES, CANNED GOODS, CHOCOLATES, SNACK BARS, FROZEN PIZZAS, YOGHURT, MILK, CHEESE, NUTS, BREAKFAST PASTRIES AND MORE. Your contribution helps restore hope and dignity to those who have fallen on hard times and are in the process of breaking the cycle of homelessness.

On behalf of Salvation Army's Belkin House and our sister organizations and numerous shelters and groups that benefit from your remarkable food recovery efforts throughout the year – THANK YOU. We welcome your continued support to help transform lives in our local community. Wishing all our friends at Lotus Light a very Merry Christmas and a joyful New Year in 2020!

Best regards,

Alvin Chong

Director of Community Development

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Thank you Lotus Light Charity Society (Vancouver) From Your Friends at Belkin House



Photo 1: Chef Eddie and Volunteer Kevin from Belkin House's shelter kitchen receiving 2 pallets of yoghurt. Photo 2: Alvin Chong, Belkin House's Director of Community Development, with their two award-winning humanitarian patrons, both Gia Tran!

