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Master Lian Tzi  
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Dear Master Tzi,

On behalf of our clients, volunteers and staff I want to extend our deepest thanks for Lotus Light Society's kind and generous gift of rice to the Greater Vancouver Food Bank. Your gift helps to ensure that people who rely on the GVFB receive the healthy and nutritious food they need each week.

And this thoughtful gesture could not be more valued as it is now as we are still seeing many new clients registering to receive the food they need as the many pressures of life impact their ability to purchase healthy food.

However, with support such as yours we are able to keep up with the increased demand.

You are well-aware of the impact of healthy food on chronic conditions and disabilities which many of our clients have. We are quite proud that we can say that over 70% of the food we distribute is perishable, including fresh fruit and veg, milk, and eggs. These are the foods that disappear from the dinner table the most quickly when prices rise.

You may also know that we have 3 distinct programs that support children's needs: Baby Steps, Pre-Schooler Program and Grade Schooler program. These are all designed to provide specialized support for these age groups in the form of an extra monthly supplemental food package that is specifically designed to address the dietary needs of children - helping them grow and be alert and confident at school.

We also provide a similar supplement for seniors containing nutritious and easy to prepare food.

We have recently increased the number of agencies we support to 150, so in addition to serving more than 16,000 clients per month directly we help thousands more through our agency partners.

Thank you for your generous support of the GVFB.

With sincere gratitude,

Greg Douglas  
Director of Development