

What can I include in the Christmas Care Box?

We kindly ask that gift items be fragrance-free, non-perishable and gender neutral.

- **Grocery gift card***
- Ground coffee
- Tea/ hot cocoa
- Large print puzzle book
- Small flashlight
- Greeting cards
- Postage stamps
- 2027 wall calendar
- Lip balm
- Unscented lotion
- Gloves, socks, toques
- Hand warmers
- Heating pad
- Laundry coins (roll)
- Kleenex packages
- Note book
- Magnifying glass
- Pill box
- Lottery scratch tickets
- Commercially sealed snacks such as, cookies, crackers, pretzels, etc.
- Candy, chocolates, licorice or mints
- Retail purchased: jam, jelly, or honey
- Olive Oil

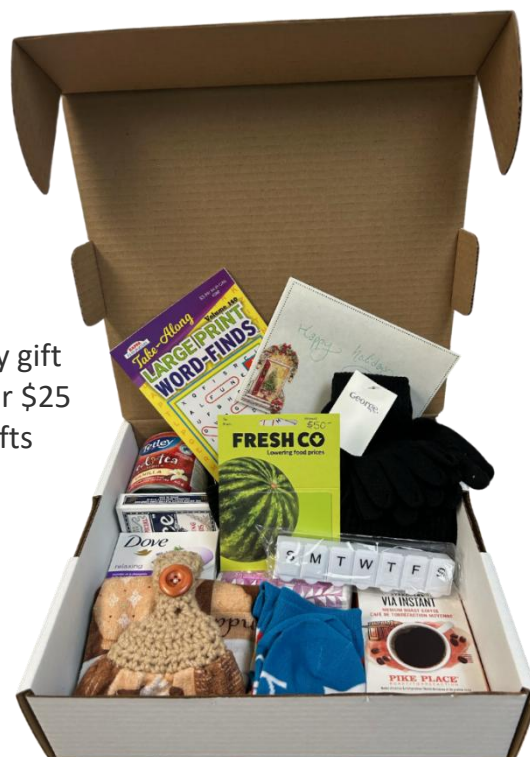
*Grocery Gift Cards:

When we started this campaign in 2016, it quickly became obvious to us that seniors with lower incomes struggle with the cost of household items. They can usually only afford the basics and rarely can they afford fresh fruit and vegetables.

Each year, we aim to provide every senior with \$50 in grocery gift cards. If you're able to contribute a gift card, we kindly ask for \$25 denominations whenever possible, as it helps us distribute gifts evenly and fairly among recipients.

Drop off Deadline:

In order to get the gift to the recipient by Christmas, we ask that you drop off the gift box by December 3rd.



Please take a moment to review our FAQs on the other side.



Frequently Asked Questions:

Where is the drop off location?

Gift boxes and donations can be dropped off at NexusBC Community Resource Centre, #102 – 3201 30th Street, Vernon BC V1T 9G3 (next door to Service BC). ***Deadline to drop off: December 3, 2026.***

What size is the Care Box?

The box is 12" long x 11" wide and 3 1/4" high.

What stores do you recommend the gift card come from?

We recommend that gift cards come from the Freshco, Superstore, Walmart, or Askews (for Armstrong recipients). These are shops that seniors can easily get to by bus or on foot and purchase non-food related items as well.

****IMPORTANT:** Please also enclose the activation receipt if you have it, and write the denomination amount on the gift card.

Can I include a personal card?

Yes, absolutely! In fact, this campaign is as much about creating special connections than the actual gift item. We encourage personal messages.

Can I include a homemade food item?

While we appreciate the thought and personal touch that homemade items bring, unfortunately, **we can only accept** store-bought, non-perishable items due to food safety regulations and allergy considerations.

Can I remain anonymous?

This is completely up to you!

Should I wrap the gifts inside the box?

We ask that you don't wrap the gifts or the box itself.

What if I'm concerned that my gift might not fit?

Please include a gift receipt with your gift item if there are concerns that something may not fit.

I know of a local senior that should be on this list to receive a gift, how can they apply?

If you know someone who should be on the list, please ask them to call NexusBC at 250.545.0585