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## Campus Fills Salvation Army Shelves with Field Potatoes



The shelves of local food banks are now stocked with fresh, local potatoes. Becky Hebblethwaite, Family Services Worker for the Chatham-Kent Salvation Army (*photo left, on left*), and her team of eight volunteers recently gathered potatoes at the Ridgetown Campus in order to help local families. “Many people take the opportunity to regularly consume fresh produce for granted, but there are many people out there who cannot afford to buy fresh produce regularly and instead resort to consuming canned vegetables. It is a real treat for some people to receive this produce.”

These potatoes were used earlier this year to provide field training for the Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA), and for a decade the campus has been able to share this produce to support a local cause. “This is a great example of the community pulling together to help one another,” says Phyllis May, Vegetable Research Technician, Ridgetown Campus (*photo above, on right*). “This effort is not only a great support for the local food banks, but also helps to build awareness that the food bank exists, and that there is need. It snowballs the giving.”

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