

PRESS RELEASE

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Maple Ridge – Pitt Meadows Christmas Hamper Society

“TIS THE SEASON” FOR IMPOSTERS TO COME OUT OF THE WOODWORKS.....

Trick or treat night is long gone and so when someone comes to your door from now until Christmas asking for a donation, be aware and have questions ready, it may be a trick.

This is just a little reminder that there are still impostors on the streets collecting food, toys and cash donations and claiming to be representing Maple Ridge –Pitt Meadows Christmas Hamper. In the last few years there have been several incidences of misrepresentation. Some impostors identify themselves with organization names that are very similar to our society's to confuse and take advantage of the donors. One thing that you need to know is that the Maple Ridge –Pitt Meadows Christmas Hamper Society never solicits door to door or my phone.

If you are intending to donate to our organization and to insure that your donations are actually reaching them, please contact our office and advise them of your interest. They in turn will guide you to a drop off location for any donations. If or when you have a donation pick up the office we will advise you of the name of the volunteer that will come to your business, school etc. and that person will have photo ID to present to you.

- Phone numbers are:

Maple Ridge-Pitt Meadows Christmas Hamper Society
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Locations to donate or drop off are:

CASH - TOYS - SECOND HAND ITEMS - Christmas Hamper Office located centre grounds at the Albion Fairgrounds at Lougheed Hwy and 105th Ave

TOYS: - We have drop off large decorated boxes situated in the centre courts of both Haney Place Mall and Valley Fair Mall

CASH - TOYS - At our red Christmas :Hamper tent (look for the santa hat logo) at the Christmas Festival on Saturday, December 5th

CASH – TOYS – Westcoast Express Santa Train – Saturday, December 5th and 12th