

Volunteer Opportunities now available for Kettle Drive

By Brock Weir

Volunteer opportunities are now available to serve Salvation Army kettles in Aurora, Newmarket, East Gwillimbury, and Bradford.

"Try it, and experience it," Major Brina Bishop encourages. "It is just amazing to have that experience, that feeling you get knowing that two hours you offered is providing support for people who are so much less fortunate. Even those who are less fortunate find it very fulfilling as they stand on a kettle too. Even though they might receive support for it, it is a good feeling to get back."

According to Mr. Bishop, after raising over \$300,000 in last year's kettle campaign, their objective is to amass enough volunteers to ensure that no time slot goes vacant.

"If that time slot is vacant, it means we're not receiving a donation that time slot could yield for us," he says. "These dollars go towards meeting the needs at Christmas, but also meeting the needs of our coming year. It is somewhat of a drawn-out campaign, but over five weeks to accumulate these resources is just phenomenal to be able to sustain us over the years and we are so grateful."

For more information on how, when and where you can volunteer your time, contact Glennanne Phillips, Community Relations Representative of the Central York Salvation Army, at glennanep@gmail.com or 905-895-6276.