

# Food pouring in after Salvation Army makes appeal

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The Champion

It's only been a week since the Salvation Army put a call out for more food to fill its bare shelves, but already the response from Miltonians has been "overwhelming."

Since an article on the local branch's need for groceries and its back to school drive appeared in The Champion last Friday, local residents have pitched in with about 675 pounds of food. Community Outreach Co-ordinator Rachel Sheils reported.

With many of those donations coming in over the weekend, some drop-off bins like the one at A&P were left filled to the brim.

"A&P called on Monday and said it (the donation bin) was overflowing," said Ms Sheils.

Rob Henson, the Milton Salvation Army's new family services co-ordinator, said he was just overwhelmed by the generous and quick response of the community.

While Ms Sheils shared similar sentiments, she noted only 26 per cent of the goal to gather at least 2,575 pounds of food has been filled.

"Hopefully more food comes in," she said.

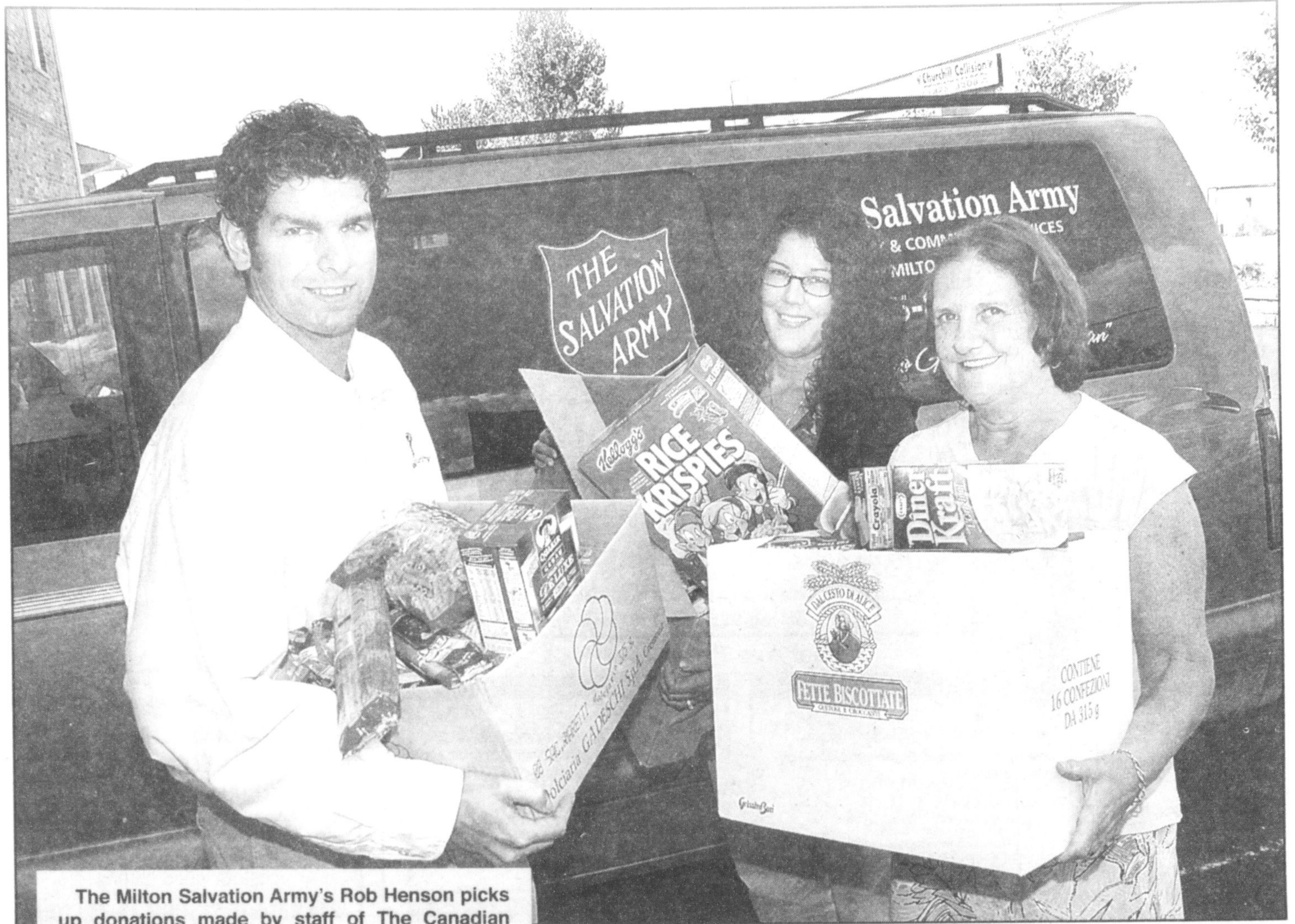
Before the food drive started, the Salvation Army was down to 8,100 pounds of food — an approximate three-month supply — and it's had to cut back the amount of groceries it gives to local residents in need from six bags to four. This was done to help make it through to the major Christmas food drive.

Things the Salvation Army particularly needs right now are canned salmon, canned tomatoes, pudding and fruit cups, cereal bars, juice boxes, crackers, cookies, mixes for cake, pudding and Jell-O and dry meals like Hamburger Helper and macaroni and cheese. Laundry detergent, soap, shampoo and diapers are also in short supply.

Ms Sheils has told The Champion everything that will help local families get their children back to school is also needed, whether it be food, school supplies or even monetary donations for parents to buy their kids new school clothes.

She said the Salvation Army would like to continue the back-to-school drive for two more weeks.

Items can be dropped off at A&P on Ontario Street, the fire stations on Steeles



The Milton Salvation Army's Rob Henson picks up donations made by staff of The Canadian Champion to help restock the near-empty food bank shelves. Handing over the goods is Champion classified sales representative Kyawnee Rowley (centre) and receptionist Sheena Cameron. The community newspaper challenges other businesses to follow suit and collect non-perishable items for the food bank.

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Avenue and in Campbellville, and at the Salvation Army, 100 Nipissing Rd, Unit 3. Office hours are Monday to Friday, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., and by appointment only from noon to 1 p.m.

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**TRAFALGAR WAR MEMORIAL HONOUR ROLL NOW COMPLETE**

Construction of the Trafalgar War Memorial is nearing completion and the list of names for the Memorial's Honour Roll is now final. The names have been sent to an engraver in time for an official unveiling of the Memorial this November.

The Town of Oakville would like to thank the many veterans and their families who have contacted us to help us create this wonderful tribute.

This Memorial, located at the corner of Central Park Drive and Oak Park Boulevard, is being built to replace the original Trafalgar Memorial, which was located at the old Trafalgar Township municipal building. The Memorial's Honour Roll recognizes Trafalgar Township veterans from World War I and II, and the Korean War.

The Trafalgar War Memorial Committee Volunteers compiled the list of names after extensive review of local historical records and consultation with members of the community. Once a draft honour roll list was created, it was made available for public review from June 30 to July 31 at various locations in Oakville, Milton and Burlington, as well as on the Town's website.

The final list of names can be found on the Town's web site at [www.oakville.ca](http://www.oakville.ca) or at Town Hall. If you have any questions, please contact Gisèle Shaw, Manager, Corporate Communications at 905-845-6601, ext. 3166, or at [gshaw@oakville.ca](mailto:gshaw@oakville.ca)

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