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A real Santa's workshop with our Toys for Tots donations!

Thank you to everyone who donated gifts to our Toys for Tots Campaign this year.

The support from across BCRTC was overwhelming and we received presents of all shapes and sizes to donate to underprivileged children across the region.

The toy mountain was quite a sight to behold in OMC reception. Santa Claus and his trusty elves were at hand to help us count the total toys as they were made ready to board Rudolf the Reindeer bus. Thanks to SkyTrain staff, Paul Hundle and the Guru Nanak's Free Kitchen, and Exmark Transportation Services, we will be donating 572 toys and \$335 donated to the Lower Mainland Christmas Bureau.

This figure was over double the number of toys we brought in last year and Santa's sleigh was so full he even needed to bring little Blitzen Handy Dart along to help collect some of the gifts.

Additionally, Santa was impressed with how well behaved residents are along the West Coast Express route. Across two weekends this December, the Santa Train between Vancouver and Mission attracted a fantastic response to the donation drive. This year, the WCE team brought in a staggering 3450 toys and over \$1,400 too.

A massive thanks to all who donated toys, participated in the related charity events around the system.

The gifts will now be given to local families throughout the Lower Mainland and the looks of children on Christmas morning are sure to be priceless.







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