

## Helping Our Students Soar

The Angel Foundation for Learning is finishing off an extremely busy school year. With remote learning continuing throughout much of the spring and safety restrictions in place limiting social gatherings, AFL has relied heavily on social media and online donations to keep the funds flowing in so we could continue to help students and their families.



We have been overwhelmed by the tremendous support of the Toronto Catholic District School Board community throughout these challenging times. Through your generosity, during this school year, and working together with our provincial, municipal and corporate partners, we have been able to provide:

- \$855,000 in grocery cards to families in need as part of the AFL COVID-19 Emergency Response Plan with another \$765,000 planned for our Safe Return to School strategy for September 2021.
- \$30,000 for school apparel to help students who are starting secondary school in the fall, thanks to a partnership with McCarthy Uniforms which enabled us to distribute thousands of vouchers for uniforms and spirit wear.
- \$125,000+ in emergency fundis since the start of the 2020-21 school year to offset the cost of everything from every-day food and living essentials to short-term accommodation due to fire, transportation to medical appointments, optical care and dental treatments resulting from at school accidents.

As this school year winds down, we extend our sincere gratitude to our social workers and others on the front lines who keep us informed about the needs that exist among our students and families. We can't say enough about their compassion and dedication. A tremendous vote of thanks also goes out to all who opened up their hearts and wallets to those in need. You truly continue to be *Angels for Others*.

## Angels at Work in Scarborough

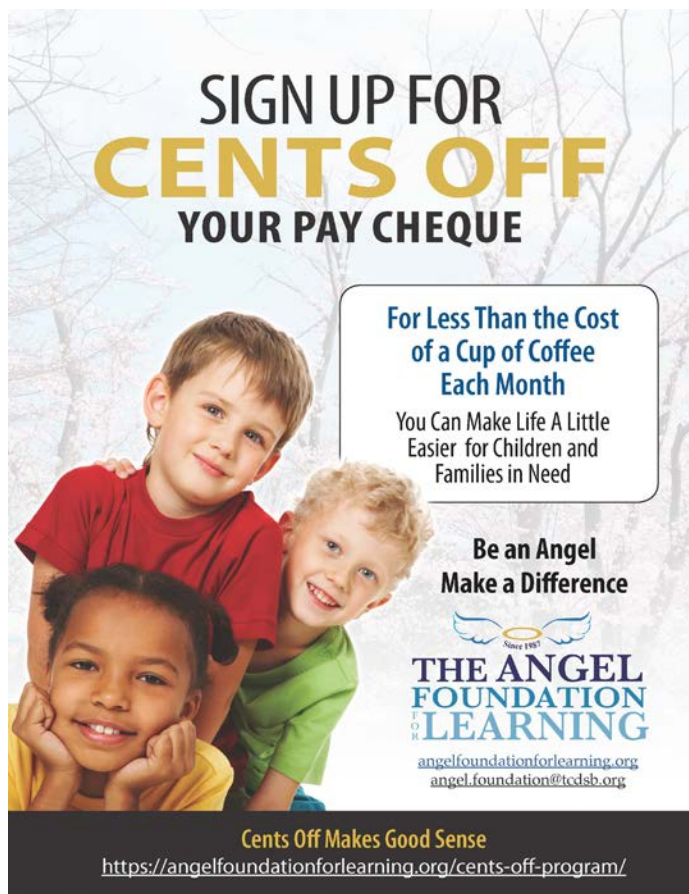
St Mother Teresa Catholic Academy in Scarborough is responding to the needs in the community by providing food hampers to families in need. In partnership with the Toronto Catholic District School, Toronto District School Board and Muslim Welfare Canada, 60 food hampers were delivered on May 27th containing flour, sugar, salt, cooking oil, pasta and pasta sauce, chickpeas, kidney beans, lentils, hand sanitizer and fruit salad as well as 8kg bags of rice. Principal Jose Flores also provided 6 hampers to each of the feeder schools in the area to ensure that more families in the Malvern neighbourhood could benefit. The program will continue through to the end of the school year, with discussions underway about how to keep the project going in the 2021-2022 school year. Another example of the many #AngelsAmongUs.



# Helping Students is Easy as 1-2-3

Helping The Angel Foundation for Learning is as easy as 1-2-3.

1. If you are a TCDSB employee and are not yet signed up for **Cents Off**, please consider doing so. You won't notice the few cents deducted from each pay cheque, but those nickels, dimes and quarters will add up and will make a huge difference in the life of a child. To learn more or to sign up: <https://angelfoundationforlearning.org/cents-off-program/>



2. Everyone is invited to consider joining the AFL "hive" at [ihiveLIVE.com](http://ihiveLIVE.com), an ecommerce marketplace that enables you to earn cash rewards that you can keep, direct to a charity of your choosing, or share with your designated charity.

Sign up at [https://web.ihivelive.com/user\\_signup/](https://web.ihivelive.com/user_signup/) and visit the ihiveLIVE marketplace to get shopping. There are NO FEES to join, and NO ADDED COST to the items you would purchase online. Remember to do your online shopping through ihiveLIVE and help students and families.

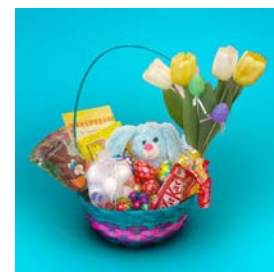
3. Make a donation anytime to The Angel Foundation for Learning via [CanadaHelps.org](http://CanadaHelps.org). Consider a tribute donation in honour of a special occasion (birthday, anniversary, retirement) or an in memoriam donation to remember a loved one who has passed away. All donations, large and small, will go a long way to helping AFL Toronto.

Help us to level the playing field and ensure that all children have equal opportunities for success.

## Student Leaders Put Faith Into Action

We applaud Marcos Fonseca, the entire Catholic Student Leadership Impact Team and the many other student volunteers who coordinated the Easter basket fundraiser this spring.

Seeing an opportunity for families to send gifts to their loved ones at a time when we were not able to physically get together, they collected hundreds of orders for gift baskets filled with traditional Easter goodies, and coordinated the delivery across the city and beyond. Through their creativity and hard work, and with the support of many in the TCDSB community, they raised more than \$1,200 for The Angel Foundation for Learning. Our students rock!



## Recent Highlights

### Blue and White Day

Since we were not able to move forward with the annual Marlies Day event at the Coca Cola Coliseum this year, AFL partnered with the Toronto Marlies and MLSE to hold a Blue and White Day on March 29th to show support for our two Toronto hockey teams, and to raise money for The Angel Foundation. Through a board-wide civvies day, and an auction of signed Leafs jerseys, we raised close to \$4,000.



### Give and Get Back

As the regular hockey season was coming to an end, thanks to the Toronto Marlies and MLSE, 150 hockey fans who made a donation during the month of May were able to get a signed Leafs poster and a Travis Dermott bobblehead. The May campaign raised more than \$1,600.



In June, the Give and Get Back campaign shifted to pizza lovers. Every donation of \$10 or more made to AFLToronto through to June 30th <https://www.canadahelps.org/en/dn/61943> earns donors a coupon for a large three-topping pizza from Domino's (while supplies last). Every dollar donated also gives AFL a chance to win \$20,000 through the Great Canadian Giving Challenge. There is still time to make a donation and take advantage of this offer.

### May the 4th Be With You

Despite the continued school closure, many students and staff got into the Star Wars spirit, dressing up at home, creating themed artwork and donating to The Angel Foundation on May 4th. Our TCDSB community is truly out of this world.



### More innovative ideas

A big shout out to Thornhill Florist for partnering with us in advance of Mother's Day. They donated 20% of all sales received through The Angel Foundation, raising close to \$300 for urgent needs.

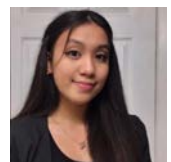
Thanks also to Trustee Frank D'Amico who initiated an NHL hockey pool raising \$260 for AFLToronto.



Our gratitude to the TCDSB community for supporting these unique endeavours.

### Welcome Stephanie!

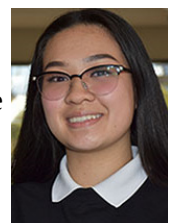
The Angel Foundation for Learning extends a warm welcome to Stephanie De Castro from Senator O'Connor, newly elected student trustee for 2021-23.



We look forward to working with her and continuing to work with Keith Baybayon as we look for new ways to engage students to get involved with The Angel Foundation for Learning and continue to respond to the needs of students.



We also extend our thanks to outgoing student trustee Kathy Nguyen for all that she has done throughout her term to support her peers, advocate for their needs and give voice to their concerns. We valued her input at AFL board meetings as well as at the TCDSB Board and committee meetings. We wish her every success in her future studies and pursuit of a career in social work. Her compassion and commitment will serve her well.



## Golf Tournament

Fore!!! Get ready for not just one, but two opportunities to hit the fairway at this year's Angel Foundation golf tournament to be held July 9th and August 27th at the exclusive Lebovic Golf Course. \$400 buys you a single-day tournament ticket or double your fun and participate in both tournament dates for \$750. You will also get a loot bag with some fun stuff to take home, vouchers for two/four more visits to the Lebovic Golf Course in 2021, (alcoholic and non-alcoholic) drinks and snacks on the course and a take home gourmet lunch or dinner depending on your tee-off time. Tickets are still on sale.

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- Access to Online Auction
- Souvenir event golf shirt and other gifts

TICKETS: \$400 for each day (or \$750 for both dates)

Information and tickets: [angelfoundationforlearning.org](http://angelfoundationforlearning.org)

**Not a golfer? Not a problem.** Get into the spirit by making a small donation to The Angel Foundation for Learning via [canadahelps.org](http://canadahelps.org) and share your photos and videos via email [angel.foundation@tcdsb.org](mailto:angel.foundation@tcdsb.org) or tag us in your posts on Instagram and Twitter. Show us your silliest, tackiest golf attire. Take your putter (or toy golf clubs) to the backyard or the park and show us your best drive, pitch or putt. We'll be doing draws from among the entries for some fun prizes.

Whether you are playing or not, check out the online auction on our website for a wide variety of items: [www.angelfoundationforlearning.org](http://www.angelfoundationforlearning.org).

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