Society of Saint Vincent de Paul National Council of Canada

North of 60 Project 2022 Annual Report

Ontario Region

North of 60 had a really good summer 2022. We were able to send support to five Nunavut communities. A most exciting piece was the addition of a new community, **Coral Harbour**. Halton Particular Council did a fantastic job of filling a sea container and personally reaching out to the community leaders too. So many new families with smiling faces. Bravo!

We also sent sea containers to **Whale Cove**, **Naujaat**, and **Chesterfield Inlet**. This summer, **Rankin Inlet** received two crates of food equalling a bit more than half of a container.

All the food did reach their final destinations but not without surprises. The weather made delivery very difficult. The expected dates given by the shipping company for each community was extended by almost 3 weeks due to water turbulence. A barge carries the food from the highwater mark to the shoreline. This turbulence risked the lives of the seamen, and total destruction of the barge and food.

Pegg Leroux travelled to Nunavut this fall hoping to help unload and set up in Rankin, Chesterfield and Naujaat. She was home when she heard Rankin, then Chesterfield and lastly Coral Harbour received their food – but she had a very fruitful trip. It has been 3 years since her last visit. She reconnected with families, businesses, and the local authorities maintaining an open relationship about our Vincentian help to the families in the communities.

Pegg Leroux, North of 60 Ontario Regional Council