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Essar Steel Algoma Stocks the Community Cupboards

SAULT STE. MARIE - Over the past three weeks, Essar Steel Algoma employees have been collecting food goods as part of their annual "One CAN make a Difference" food drive. Today, a convoy of department champions from across the steelworks delivered truck loads of boxes of food goods to the Soup Kitchen and Vincent Place. The donated items will be included in monthly food packages for local families who are in need of a boost over the winter season. They will also help to feed visitors to the Centres through their regular meal programs.

Soup Kitchen coordinator Kalna McGoldrick was joyous when she saw the boxes upon boxes of canned goods being loaded into the Soup Kitchen's storage room. Expressing her gratitude she said that "every little bit helps; the Soup Kitchen is very grateful to the employees of Essar Steel Algoma for helping to stock the Shelter's shelves."

Vincent Place General Manager Nat Cicchelli gratefully acknowledged the delivery, noting "We've been feeding upwards of 100 people in our Community Kitchen every Wednesday and Saturday. This bulk donation will supplement our needs both at the Community Kitchen and in the Men's Shelter for the next two to three weeks. We really appreciate the support."

Essar maintains a corporate focus on advancing and preserving the quality of life in the communities where they operate around the globe. For employees at Essar Steel Algoma, coordinated corporate initiatives like the annual food drive provide a convenient avenue for them to give back to the community.

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A member of the Essar Group, Essar Steel Algoma Inc. is based in Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario. As a fully integrated steel producer, the Company derives its revenues primarily from the manufacture and sale of hot and cold rolled steel products including sheet and plate.

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