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AHS accepting toys as payment for parking tickets

EDMONTON – Alberta Health Services (AHS) is bringing back its Toys for Tickets campaign, giving individuals who've recently received an AHS parking ticket the opportunity to donate a new, unwrapped toy instead of paying their fine.

"Last year, the campaign was a huge success, with more than 460 toys collected in Edmonton alone," says Nick Ternovatsky, Director of Parking, AHS. "Thanks to the incredible generosity of our community, we're thrilled to launch it again this holiday season and brighten the lives of children and families across Alberta."

Parking Services will accept toy donations in lieu of fines for tickets issued between Nov. 8 and Dec. 20. Toys must be new, in their original packaging, suitable for ages newborn to 17, and valued at \$25 or more. Donations will be accepted at AHS parking offices during regular office hours from Nov. 16 to Dec. 20.

The toys will be donated to children's foundations and charities throughout the province, ensuring they reach families in need during the holiday season. Suggested donations include items such as books, art supplies, science kits, electronics, headphones, Lego sets, baby toys, and gift cards for groceries or restaurants for families.

Visit the <u>AHS website</u> for AHS parking office hours and locations in Edmonton, as well as for information on the <u>Toys for Tickets campaign</u>.

Alberta Health Services is the provincial health authority responsible for delivering health supports and services for more than four million adults and children living in Alberta. Our mission is to provide a patient-focused, quality health system that is accessible and sustainable for all Albertans. Our current focus is on reducing emergency department wait times, improving EMS response times, increasing access to surgeries, and improving patient flow.

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