

## **News Release**

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## Players and students don shovels and wings for those in need

The Edmonton Oil Kings, Boston Pizza and Mount Pleasant School are teaming up with the Cityof Edmonton's Snow Angels program. The partnership provides Oil Kings tickets to all nominated Snow Angels and a pizza party to the first 10 Edmonton classrooms that shovel snow in their neighbourhoods as a thank you for their winter generosity.



"Clear sidewalks are crucial to the accessibility and safety of our communities," said Councillor Mike Nickel. "That's whywe are delighted to have the Edmonton Oil Kings, Boston Pizza and the students of Mount Pleasant School join us in recognizing our Snow Angels."

Mount Pleasant was the first school to grab their shovels and participate. "Every morning from November to April, Mrs. Thompson's grade five volunteers shovel walks in the neighbourhood," said Elisabeth Thomsen, principal. "It's a way to build citizenship, give back to the community and maintain positive relationships with our neighbours."

The Oil Kings are no strangers to giving back to the community, being involved in such community initiatives as Seats for Kids, JV Drivers' Comer and the CN Adopt-A-School program.

"The Edmonton Oil Kings are honoured to once again be part of the Snow Angels program," said Kevin Radomski, director of business operations for the Edmonton Oil Kings. "Serving our community and helping those in need is something our team sincerely enjoys being a part of – bring on the snow!"

Boston Pizza is a long-time supporter of families and schools in our communities. Their numerous school charity programs help schools raise money and encourage students to be the best that they can he

"Boston Pizza is proud to support and reward students who help others in need within their community," said Delia Colquhoun, marketing coordinator, Boston Pizza. "We believe initiatives and a program such as Snow Angels help strengthen communities and encourage children to give back."

Anyone can be a Snow Angel and residents are encouraged to offer to lend a hand for those in their neighbourhood who could use help shovelling.

Already have a volunteer? Help them get their wings by nominating them as a City of Edmonton Snow Angel. Call 311 or visit <a href="edmonton.ca/snowangels">edmonton.ca/snowangels</a> to submit your nomination.

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