

“I am proud that we are making a big difference for people in our community.”

STEVE GIGIS
Store Manager
Sobeys Urban Fresh



Steve Gigis, Store Manager and Nadica Sojleva, Cashier/Office Clerk prepare food bank donations from the Sobeys Urban Fresh Laird & Wicksteed in Toronto, Ontario with Ted Krawchuk, food bank volunteer.

THE POWER OF ONE COMMUNITY

We continue to work together to make a difference and improve the quality of life in the hundreds of Canadian communities we serve from coast to coast.

We believe a commitment to community is fundamental to sustaining our success and we encourage our employees, franchisees and affiliates to participate in enhancing the well-being of the communities in which they live and work.

Empire and its subsidiaries have been proudly serving their communities for more than 100 years. Today we continue to support a wide range of important causes across Canada at the corporate, regional and individual store levels. These initiatives promote the well-being of families and children – especially in the areas of health, wellness and education. The major focus is placed on the local communities where our employees, franchisees and affiliates generously give of their time and talent in support of local events and causes. Our dedication to community service is closely tied to the legacy of the Sobeys family and the culture of the organization, which expresses itself through our collective commitment of giving back and helping enhance the lives of Canadians.

FOOD BANKS

Our passion for food extends beyond our stores and into the communities in which we operate. Every year we help feed the hungry by raising hundreds of thousands of dollars and donating millions of pounds of food.

HEALTH AND WELLNESS

We continue to do our best to improve the quality of life in hundreds of communities by promoting healthier lifestyles.

EDUCATION

Funding from Sobeys and contributions from various Sobeys family foundations support several scholarship programs designed to help young people attain the education necessary for their success.

Sobey Art Award, Canada's pre-eminent award for contemporary Canadian art, was created in 2002 by the **Sobey Art Foundation**. This year marks the 10th anniversary of the Award. For more information visit <http://www.sobeyartaward.ca/>



The Sobeys Sensations participated in Bust a Move to raise funds for the Breast Health Centre in Halifax, Nova Scotia.



Through its Earth Day Canada Community Environment Fund, Sobeys has supported 91 environmental projects across Ontario including Camp Kawartha's *Be a Water Steward* program.



A \$2 million commitment from the Sobey Foundation and Sobeys family members has established the Irene MacDonald Sobey Endowed Chair in Curative Approaches to Alzheimer's Disease at Dalhousie University.