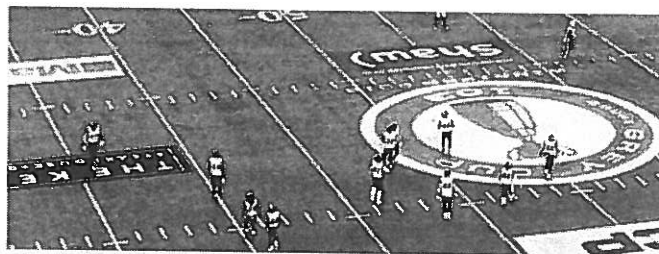


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Annual Jewish Child & Family Service Foster Family Chanukah Celebration goes to the Grey Cup! *Thanks to a generous donation from David and Ruth Asper, Leonard Asper, Gail Asper and the Asper Foundation*

Jewish Child & Family Service celebrated the Annual Foster Family Chanukah Party at the Grey Cup! After some refreshments and Chanukah festivities at the Asper Campus, foster children, siblings and foster parents were bused to the Investors Group Field for an action packed afternoon. Tickets were also distributed to many other JCFS clients.

Approximately 40 people were taken to the game as a result of the Aspers' generous donation. The day started off with a party in the Kaneec Foyer at the Asper Campus. Participants enjoyed latkes and sufganiot (jam busters) and played some interactive Chanukah games with Gray Academy teachers Dr. Sheppy Coodin and Avi Posen. After the party families boarded the bus and headed for Investors Group Field.

Blankets, which were donated by the Blue Bombers, were distributed to all those who participated, along with gift bags to all the foster children, which were donated by Ethan Posen from Only Deals. Everyone had a lot of fun at the game. The weather cooperated, but when temperatures dipped, organizers provided hand and feet warmers for everyone. When the game ended, families boarded the bus back to the Campus, finishing off the day in good spirits!

JCFS board, staff and all those who participated are very grateful for the generosity of the Asper family. JCFS foster families were given an opportunity to enjoy a live Grey Cup game in Winnipeg, which many would never have considered possible. We are fortunate to live in a community that promotes inclusiveness and philanthropy. The foster children, in particular, were very excited to be part of this event and expressed their gratitude to JCFS in a heartfelt, genuine way. They were also grateful for the cozy blankets provided by the Blue Bombers and the gift bags provided by Only Deals.

The question is...what are we going to do for Chanukah next year????