

# 2025 JFSC Annual Fundraiser

## LAUGH OUT LOUD JFSC Comedy Night

**Thursday May 15, 2025**

Featuring award-winning  
Canadian stand-up comic

**Jacob Samuel**



**DONATION  
OPPORTUNITIES**



**JFSC**

# WHAT WE DO

*"Daddy, are we going to have more food tomorrow?"*

*Gerald, a single father of three, had always worked hard to provide for his family. He felt stuck in a low paying job that he held onto for security, and despite his best efforts, paychecks never seemed to stretch far enough to cover the basics - food, rent, utilities.*

The stress of managing his family's needs started taking a toll on his mental and emotional well-being. One night, when Gerald's daughter asked, "Daddy, are we going to have more food tomorrow?" he realized just how dire things had become.



It was a neighbor who told him about JFSC. Gerald hesitated at first—he didn't want to rely on charity. But, with no other options and his family's well-being on the line, he reached out. He felt a weight lift off his shoulders when JFSC provided his family with nutritious food and basic need essentials like toiletries and diapers to take off the immediate pressure. They provided him with financial coaching, assistance navigating housing supports, and connected him to helpful community resources.

Over the next few months, Gerald's stress levels dropped, and he was able to find better employment. He knew that his children were happier as they could feel his stress lifting, and they were able to focus on their schoolwork instead of worrying about their next meal. The support he received from JFSC allowed him to rebuild his life with dignity, and he feels more hopeful, knowing he has a community that truly cares about his family's future.

*"JFSC didn't just meet our basic needs, they transformed our lives. I am so grateful for your kindness, generosity, and unwavering support."*

# WHY SUPPORT JFSC?

Our services support families like Gerald's who are struggling to access nutritious food and other basic needs due to rising costs of living and tight budgets.

By providing food, personal hygiene items, pet supplies, advocacy and financial coaching, we help families focus on rebuilding their lives without the constant worry of survival.



**Relieving Emotional and Financial Stress:** We help families reduce financial burdens by providing essential items that would otherwise consume their limited resources. Knowing there's support available, families can focus more on rebuilding their lives.



**Measurable Impact:** In 2024, we provided food support to **1,404 individuals and families** through our Basic Needs program. This impact continues to grow as more families face increasing challenges.

*With your help, we can ensure that no parent has to choose between rent and feeding their children. Every donation, big or small, makes a tangible difference in the lives of families like Gerald's.*

**Enriching Lives and Strengthening Communities** since 1961. At JFSC we welcome individuals, children and families of all ages, faiths and cultures. We are a non-profit, accredited social service charity, our inclusive and accessible programs are based on the values of compassion, social justice and improving the world.

For more information on our programs and services [www.jfsc.org](http://www.jfsc.org), contact Lynn at [lynnt@jfsc.org](mailto:lynnt@jfsc.org) or call 403-692-6395.

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6:30 - 10:00 pm | Carriage House Hotel & Conference Centre

*Proceeds go towards reducing food insecurity  
and providing basic needs supports.*

Join us for "Laugh Out Loud: JFSC Comedy Night", part of our overall 2025 fundraising efforts. This unforgettable evening of comedy features award-winning Canadian comic Jacob Samuel. Get ready for an extra dose of fun as our very own mystery entertainer opens the evening and sets the tone for this entertaining event.

As part of our cornerstone value of Tikkun Olam, we invite you to join us in providing individuals and families with the support they need to thrive.

### About Jacob Samuel

Known for his clever and insightful comedy, Jacob Samuel is an award-winning Canadian stand-up comic, cartoonist, and writer based in Vancouver, BC. His TV performances have featured nationally on CBC Television, The Comedy Network, Crave, and CBC Gem. On radio, Jacob can be heard on Sirius XM and CBC's "The Debaters." He has appeared multiple times at both the Montreal Just for Laughs and Winnipeg Comedy Festivals. In 2021, Jacob won the Juno Award for "Comedy Album of the Year" for his debut album Horse Power.

### NEW THIS YEAR!

Our **50/50 raffle** is open until 9:00am, Friday May 16. Buy your tickets today through Rafflebox.



# SUPPORT JFSC

Every dollar counts. We rely on your additional donations to meet our **\$198,000 event fundraising goal**. This helps us continue to provide our high quality programs and services for individuals, families and seniors.

<b>HUMOUR HEROS</b>	<b>\$50,000+</b>
<b>LAUGHTER LEADERS</b>	<b>\$20,000 - \$49,999</b>
<b>COMEDY CATALYSTS</b>	<b>\$5,000 - \$19,999</b>
<b>CHUCKLE CHAMPIONS</b>	<b>\$500 - \$4,999</b>
<b>PUN PATRONS</b>	<b>under \$499</b>

*We appreciate your time and interest and look forward to discussing how we can work with you to achieve your philanthropic goals.*

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# PURCHASE TICKETS, DONATE TODAY

**Humour Heros** \$50,000+  **Chuckle Champions** \$500 - \$4,999   
**Laughter Leaders** \$20,000 - \$49,999  **Pun Patrons** under \$499   
**Comedy Catalysts** \$5,000 - \$19,999

**Premiere Benefactor \$2500:** Table of 8, premium reserved seating  
(includes recognition) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Benefactor \$1800:** Table of 8, reserved seating \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Patron @\$118:** \_\_\_\_\_ tickets \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Early Bird\* @\$100:** \_\_\_\_\_ tickets \$ \_\_\_\_\_

(available only until 5:00pm, April 15th)

I/we would like to make an additional donation to JFSC: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**TOTAL: \$** \_\_\_\_\_

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*\*If paying by cheque, please make payable to JFSC*

*I want this donation to remain anonymous*

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