



Montreal, November 29th, 2018

Dear member of the community,

As you receive this letter from the Roulant, the curtain is closing on 2018, a year which I hope has brought you much joy.

With a sound economic climate, Montrealers can rest easy knowing that this year has had good financial health. This may have also benefited you. During these prosperous times, especially over the holidays, households often take the opportunity to invest financially in their well-being or that of their loved ones in ways they couldn't have done before, both for the short and long-term.

This winter, we would like to invite **you** to invest in the well being of your friends **and** of your community.

Investing in the present for those who have less

No matter which day of the week you read this letter, Santropol Roulant volunteers will certainly have delivered a colourful, fresh, delicious, hot meal to someone seeking to improve their food autonomy. A conversation between volunteers and clients such as Mrs. Adams and Mr. Dupuis, both of whom have been receiving meals for more than three years, may have added to the pleasure of the delivery. Through these and other exchanges with clients, we hope to add a boost of wellness to the days of those who have not benefited from the city's good financial health this year.



"Home deliveries often combined with the smiles of volunteers. It helps me improve physically and spiritually"
- *Meals-on-Wheels client*



1500 volunteers contribute their time to the Roulant each year, with 544 new volunteers joining in 2017 alone



Investing in a future for all

As you know, what makes the Roulant's work so unique is that it complements the front-line food and social service work with the equally important goal of social change. With your support, together you can invest in the well-being of future generations of Montrealers. You are building a healthy food system by implementing innovative urban agriculture methods, peri-urban agriculture, nutrition, compost... Fostering change-makers of today and tomorrow, you equip Montrealers of all ages with gardening, cooking, and community project management skills through volunteer shifts, professional experience, workshops, tours and events. We embody the future we want to see by creating intergenerational links, universally accessible* spaces, participatory management groups, and organic, balanced, locally-sourced meals.

If Montrealers do not take care of Montrealers, who will?

By supporting Santropol Roulant, you are investing in Montrealers' present and future. As the year ends, the Roulant is embarking on a **new strategic planning process** that will evolve in new directions, objectives and activities throughout 2019. We are extremely excited about this, but **we will need all of your contributions to be ambitious** in order to maintain the exceptional quality of the work we are already doing. If we love this city and want to take care of it and its inhabitants, we must take responsibility and invest to make it a better place for all to live.



Supporting the Roulant is the right way to get involved in this powerful social project.

“Santropol Roulant has helped improve my quality of life, and at the same time, I would like to give them back in whatever form I can” - *Jitendra Desai, client & donor*

Thank you very much for your continued support. Happy holidays to you and your loved ones,

Pier Liné
Executive Director

* A huge thanks for your fundraising contributions last year! You have built a wonderful elevator that has already had an immense impact on our programs.