

PARTAGER C'EST AIMER SHARING IS CARING

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What is it?

With public-use machines installed in Montreal, homeless people can claim food from participating restaurants donated by people all around the city.

The machines would be installed near participating restaurants and near the location of shelters provided by the **211 Grand Montreal** website. By using the machines we can collect data on how many homeless people are sleeping outside of shelters.



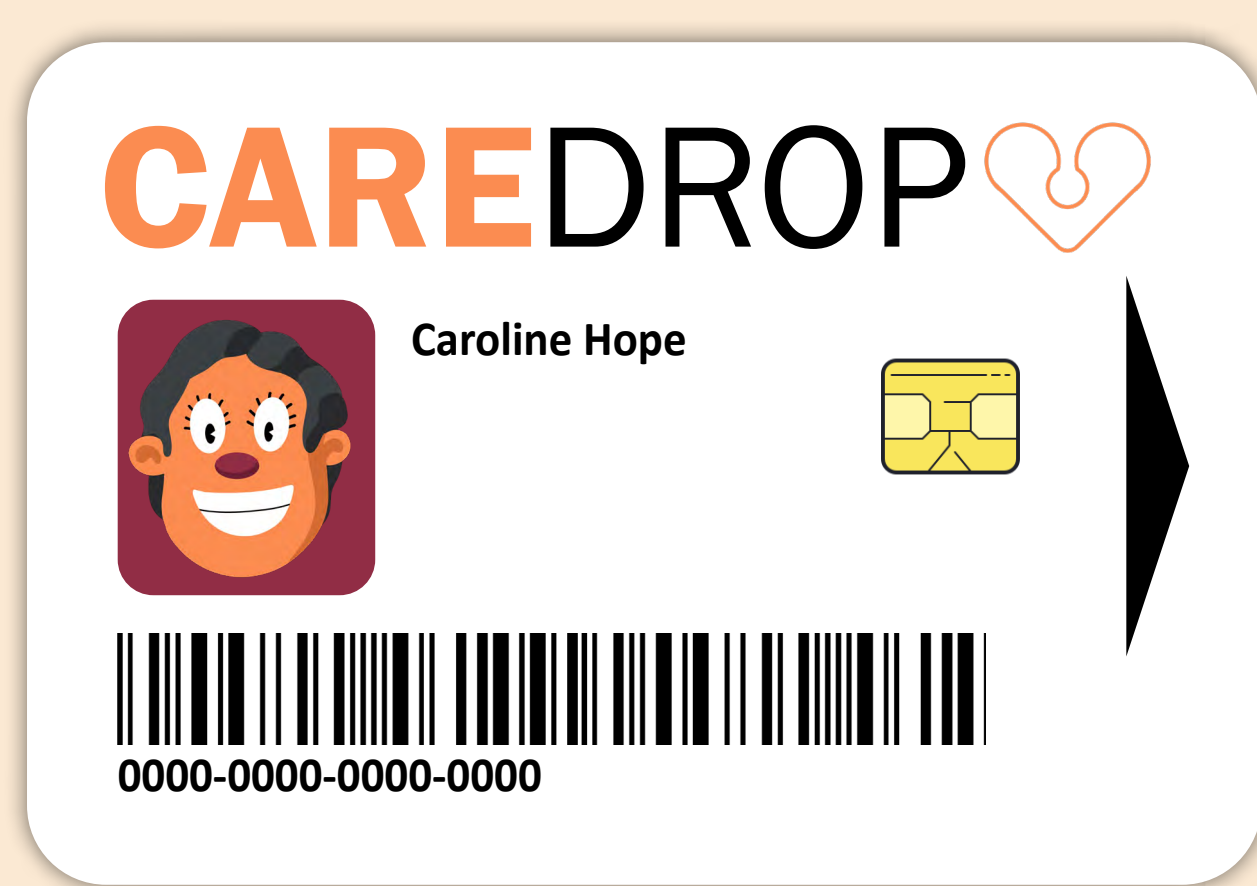
People would donate meals with the CAREDROP app.



CAREDROP

HOMELESS PEOPLE CAN CLAIM MEALS IN 3 EASY STEPS

1 Sign up for a card



2 Claim a meal



3 Pick up the meal



How does it work?

Homeless people must reach out to their closest shelter so that they can register and receive their personal card which they can use to claim their free meals at participating restaurants. They don't have to stay at the shelter to participate in the program and they would only have to give their names to register or present any identification they have. By comparing how many registered people stay at the shelter and how many do not, we can collect data on how many people stay the night outside of any shelter. Cards would need to be renewed every 3 months in case the situation of any homeless person changes.

The public-use machines are equipped with a touchscreen in which registered people can view which meals are available and claim them. They also have access to a digital map of the city with the location of the participating restaurants and brands. Once a meal is claimed it is reserved under the name of the card owner. They can also claim meals directly at all participant restaurants although it is encouraged to use the machines before traveling around the city. People can claim up to 3 meals and 5 drinks a day. The machines would also have the option to change languages, not just French and English.

What is distinctive about CAREDROP?

The goal of the project is to ensure that people without housing in Montreal can have access to quality meals through partnership with the community and to create a way to collect information on this underrepresented dataset topic. While at the same time raising awareness on the vast number of unsheltered people in the city.

What is the outcome?

The project would improve the lives of homeless people all over Montreal. The biggest limitation we have is that the project would not be able to collect a definite number of homeless people outside of shelters but it would at least provide a wider scope for the shelters and the city.

