



# Rough night for Toskala

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## Putting the boots to homelessness

Suzie McNeil is donating the red boots she wore to the Grey Cup to the Shoe Drive for the Homeless. The singer is one of several celebs donating footwear to the annual charity event.

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# Every boot has story

## Shoe Drive for the Homeless kicks off with celebrity donations

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Ron White didn't need to walk a mile in a homeless man's shoes to understand poverty. He just had to look at the guy's feet.

The Toronto shoe store

owner was walking in the Yonge-Eglinton area over a decade ago when he saw a homeless man sitting on the ground, his toe sticking out of his worn shoes.

"A snowflake landed on his big toe," White said. "I thought, 'Oh my God, he's

going to get frostbite.' And when people come in and buy shoes, they leave the old ones, which have some life left. Next thing you know, it became a shoe drive."

His Shoe Drive for the Homeless entered its 13th year yesterday at his Manulife

Centre location. Celebrities autograph and donate their footwear as inspiration for others to drop off gently-used shoes for the homeless.

"The boots I chose were the boots I wore at the 2008 Grey Cup," said singer Suzie McNeil, 32. "It was a little hard to part with them."

Olympic gold medallist Adam van Koeverden gave his specially-made Roots shoes — those he wore while carrying the Canadian flag at the Olympic opening ceremonies last summer in Beijing.

"It's easy to sit around and complain but everybody who's affected by the economic crunch can find somebody less fortunate than them," the 26-year-old kayaker said. "Everyone's got old shoes to give."

White hopes to beat last year's 2,000 count by 500 during the month-long drive.

Drop off winter boots and shoes at one of White's six locations where staff will clean them before donating them to the Out of the Cold program, Red Door Family Shelter and Halton Women's Place. To find a location, go to [ronwhite.ca](http://ronwhite.ca).