

\$100,000 Desjardins Cares Campaign

Ottawa, December 10, 2021 - Desjardins Ontario Credit Union is giving \$100,000 to community organizations and food banks across the province.

“We support our communities with donations and sponsorships throughout the year, but we know there's more pressure on community organizations during the holidays. We're happy to be able to offer this additional support in December,” says Stéphane Trottier, Chair of the Board of Desjardins Ontario Credit Union.

“With the consolidation of our credit union, we can give back even more to the communities we serve. Holiday donations are a long-standing tradition for Desjardins in Ontario. It's another example of the steps we're taking to help ensure the economic and social well-being of individuals and communities in Ontario,” says William Boucher, General Manager and Chief Operating Officer of Desjardins Ontario Credit Union.

“We are incredibly grateful to be one of the recipients of the \$100,000 Desjardins Cares Campaign,” says Rachael Wilson, CEO of the Ottawa Food Bank. “This support comes at a time when costs and demand are high, so it will go a long way in helping us continue to provide for communities throughout the city during the cold winter months ahead.”

Michel Tremblay, Vice-President of the Board of Directors of the Vanier Community Services Centre, explained how important these donations during the holiday season: “With ongoing food insecurity throughout the pandemic, our teams are working tirelessly to meet the needs of people who rely on the Partage Vanier Food Bank. We anticipate a new surge of needs. Partners like Desjardins let us help more families in need.”

About Desjardins Ontario Credit Union

Desjardins Ontario Credit Union Inc. is part of the Desjardins Group, the leading cooperative financial group in North America. Its 750 employees operate in 49 service centres, offering a wide range of services to meet the savings, credit, and insurance needs of its 130,000 individual, commercial, real estate, agricultural members. Desjardins Ontario Credit Union Inc. has the highest growth rate, by assets and business volume, among all credit unions in Canada.

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List of food banks and charitable organizations receiving donations

Eastern region :
Société Saint Vincent de Paul
Food Bank Alfred
Food Bank Casselman
Agape Centre
Good Neighbours Food Bank/Banque alimentaire Bons Voisins
Hawkesbury Central Food Bank
Société Saint-Vincent de Paul
Banque alimentaire Bourget
Hôpital Glengarry Memorial Hospital
Château Glengarry - Résidence personne âgé Alexandria
Villa St-Albert
Manoire Caledonia St-Isidore
Maison de la famille Embrun- habits de neige pour les enfants
Maison de la famille Hawkesbury - habits de neige pour enfants
Défi des lutins de Noël - Fondation Valoris
Club Optimiste Hawkesbury
Projet des habits de neiges des employés de la Caisse Alexandria
Centre Urgel Forget - Embrun
Hawkesbury General Hospital
Cornwall Community Hospital
St-Joseph Continuing Care
Résidence Mon Chez Nous - Casselman
Résidence McGill- Hawesbury
Auberge Plein Soleil - Alfred

Sudbury and North region:
Sudbury Food Bank
Espanola Helping Hand Food Bank
Friendship House Food Bank
Good Neighbours Valley East Food Bank
Our Children Our Future
Samaritan Centre - Elgin Street Mission

Associations des jeunes de la rue
Sudbury Action Center for Youth
Maison McCulloch Hospice
Infant Food Bank
Club Richelieu les Patriotes - Sudbury
Victoria Women's Centre
Cochrane Food Bank
Matheson Food Bank
Témiskaming Hospital Foundation
Earlton Lion's Club
Salvation Army - New Liskeard - Family Services and Food Bank
Fondation communautaire du Témiskaming
NEO Kids
Lion's Children's Christmas Telethon

Ottawa region:
Rideau-Rockliffe Community Resources Centre
Société St-Vincent de Paul - Conférence St-Sébastien
Paroisse Saint-Gabriel
The Salvation Army
Ottawa Community Housing Annual Giving Campaign
Parkdale Food Centre
Ottawa Food Bank
Coopérative Ami Jeunesse
Rendez-vous des aînés francophones d'Ottawa RAFO
Partage Vanier
La Société Saint-Vincent de Paul - Conférence Ste Trinité
Hunt Club Community Association
Centre des Ressources Communautaire de la Basse-Ville
Les Chevaliers de Colomb
Royal LePage Shelter Foundation
Orléans-Cumberland Community Resource Centre
St-Vincent de Paul - Conférence Jésus Marie Joseph

GTA and South-West region:
Welland Food Drive
The Salvation Army
The Windsor Essex Food Bank Association
McMaster Children's Hospital (patient wish list program)
Windsor Regional Hospital (paediatric holiday wish list)

Toys For Tots
Port Cares
Project Share
Community Support Centre of Essex County
Good Shepherd Ministries
Feed the need in Durham
Parkdale community Food bank
Burlington Food Bank
The SickKids Foundation
Durham Children's Aid Foundation
St Vincent de Paul society
Salvation Army Midland
La Clé de la Baie