



Credit Union Charity BBQ for Alberta Fires Relief

KCCU and community partners to raise money to help Red Cross

(May 6th, 2016 – Kingston, ON.) Kingston Community Credit Union's staff suggested organizing a community charity BBQ at their 795 Gardiners rd. location (at Taylor-Kidd blvd) to raise money to help the victims of the Alberta fire tragedy. The barbecue will take place from 11 am – 3 pm on May 13th, 2016. Hamburgers, hot dogs and drinks will be offered for free and donations will be gladly accepted on a voluntary basis. All monies collected will go to the Red Cross. All time and expenses are being donated.

“Our staff felt compelled to do something with our community partners to help our neighbours in Alberta in their time of dire need. We have never seen anything like this and it really hits home how without warning this type of tragedy could impact any one of us.” said Dave Bull, CFO of KCCU.

Community partners enthusiastically heeded the call. The Red Cross will ensure all monies raised will get to the affected families as soon as possible, considering the huge impact from the displacement, loss of homes and severe long term disruption to former residents. The City Of Kingston Fire Department will be bringing a truck and staff. Metro and No Frills have confirmed their participation along with M&M meats. Credit Union staff will be on hand to attend to the BBQ and take donations. All members of the community are welcome.

“KCCU feels strongly that the philosophy of people helping people means more when you see the direct impact on families” said Jon Dessau, CEO of the local credit union.

In fact, KCCU is no stranger to mobilizing partners and volunteers to help the community both locally and globally. Over the past couple of years examples of KCCU donations include \$60,000 to KGH, \$60,000 to Muscular Dystrophy Canada, a \$100,000 to Kingston Community Health Centres, \$2,500 to help in the resettlement of Syrian Refugees and numerous other causes in support of its mandate of people helping people.

KCCU is owned by its members. The Credit Union was founded in 1957, and has grown to become one of Ontario's most award-winning, co-operatively oriented credit unions having shared over \$2 Million dollars of profit with members over the past five years and having donated \$1 Million to the community over the same period. KCCU has over \$140 Million in assets under administration, serving more than ten thousand members with its four branches downtown at 18 Market Street, in KGH 76 Stuart St., in Kingston West at 795 Gardiners Road at Taylor-Kidd and in the Kingslake Plaza at 1201 Division Street. To find out more about KCCU on the web visit www.kccu.ca.

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