

Kawartha Credit Union wins Ontario Credit Union Foundation's Outstanding Corporate Achievement Award

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On Thursday May 19th, Kawartha Credit Union accepted the Ontario Credit Union Foundation's Outstanding Corporate Achievement Award.

The Ontario Credit Union Foundation (OCUF) supports credit unions and co-operatives with their philanthropic giving in communities across Ontario. Each year OCUF recognizes a credit union (or company within the co-operative financial system) with their **Outstanding Corporate Achievement Award** for their contributions to their communities.



"OCUF is thrilled to recognize Kawartha Credit Union's community achievements for the second time. Kawartha first won this award in 2011, and they have continuously proven their commitment to supporting important causes that have positive impacts on their members and their branch communities. We are delighted to recognize their outstanding contributions with the 2022 award," said Clayton Shold, OCUF's Executive Director.

"Kawartha extends our sincere thanks to the Ontario Credit Union Foundation for recognizing our credit union for this award. Our Community Involvement Program was introduced in 1998, and to date Kawartha has donated over \$3 million to charitable and social causes that support health, education, youth, and the environment. In 2021, we supported over 60 organizations and causes in 16 branch communities from Parry Sound to Cornwall," commented Norah McCarthy, Kawartha's President and Chief Executive Officer.

Added McCarthy, "Giving back to our communities is a vital component of Kawartha Credit Union's culture. We grow stronger as an organization, as a team, and as individuals when we give of our time and talents to enhance the well-being of the communities we serve. We truly live our value of care for others."

Nancy Herr, Chair of Kawartha's Board of Directors commented, "Each and every year, our employees participate in dozens of activities that are above and beyond our corporate Community Involvement Program. They challenge one another to make a positive impact, and we are thrilled that their efforts have been recognized with this award. We are proud to work alongside OCUF and our Ontario credit union system colleagues to make a difference."

About Kawartha Credit Union

Headquartered in Peterborough, Kawartha Credit Union's purpose is to improve the financial success and well-being of our members and the communities we serve. We provide values-based expert advice, a full range of competitive and easy-to-understand financial solutions, and convenient, innovative service channels (including a 22-branch network, and online, mobile and telephone banking), and access to thousands of "ding free" ATMs across Canada and the U.S. Our 50,000 members consistently rate us extremely high for overall service, knowledgeable staff and for the caring and respectful way we help our members achieve financial success. Kawartha Credit Union is open to anyone looking for a financial services provider they can trust. We call it "banking in your best interest" and we invite you to experience our difference.

About the Ontario Credit Union Foundation

Over the past 43 years, the Ontario Credit Union Foundation (OCUF) has supported credit unions and co-operatives with their philanthropic giving in communities across Ontario. OCUF manages and administers funds created by donors for specific charitable purposes. The Foundation's main charitable activity is the support of youth education and leadership.

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