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REALTORS® CARE FOOD DRIVE WAS A HUGE SUCCESS DESPITE THE WEATHER

Woodstock, Ont. – On September 22nd, the Woodstock-Ingersoll & District Real Estate Board hosted their 10th Annual REALTORS® Care Food Drive in Woodstock, Ingersoll, Sweaburg and new routes added this year in Beachville, Embro and Innerkip, for their respective Salvation Army food banks.

There was a total of 118 volunteers plus their families for both events, of which 72 were local REALTORS®, covering approximately 95 per cent of routes in all towns. “The weather was awful last Wednesday, but that didn’t stop our volunteers or our community partners who donated. I am very proud of our members and the support they give to this amazing event, which continues to be a great success every year. We want our communities to know that your local REALTORS® are not just real estate representatives, but friends and neighbours who care about our communities,” commented WIDREB 2021 President, Alison Porter. “I would also like to take the time to personally thank our REALTORS® Care Committee for all their hard work and dedication that they put towards creating such a successful and well received event every year.”

Current estimates in the amount of food received from scheduled collection are 5,000 pounds of food in Ingersoll and 21,000 pounds of food in Woodstock, totaling 26,000 pounds of food collected. “The generosity from our communities is amazing and it is expected that the food raised will help keep our local food bank's shelves stocked up for many months to come. It has been 10 years since the inception of the REALTORS® Care Food Drive and it is estimated that over of 192,000 pounds of food has been collected at this event for our local food banks,” commented President Porter.

The Woodstock-Ingersoll & District Real Estate Board would like to take the time to thank all of the volunteers who helped make this event great, we know it was wet, cold, and dark last week, but that didn’t stop you from arriving with big smiles on your faces

and your trunks full of food. Without your help and dedication, we would never reach the level of success that was accomplished.

In addition, special thanks go out to our sponsors, Home Hardware Building Center in Woodstock, Giant Tiger, No Frills and Foodland in Ingersoll who donated countless bags for this event. "Our sponsors came on board seven years ago and their bag donations have made all the difference for our food drive.

If you placed a bag out that was not picked up or you still want to contribute, please take your donation directly to your local Salvation Army.

***Pictures below

