



**United Way
of Greater Toronto**

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TD BANK FINANCIAL GROUP EMPLOYEES MAKE RECORD-BREAKING DEPOSIT AT UNITED WAY

TORONTO, December 13, 2005 – The holiday season has arrived and in the spirit of giving TD Bank Financial Group (TDBFG) employees announced today their 2005 donation of \$6,379,293 to United Way of Greater Toronto and other charities across Ontario. This is a record-breaking donation for TDBFG thanks to employees contributing over nine per cent more than last year. The donation consists of \$4,472,310 from employees and \$1,906,983 as a corporate gift.

Earlier today, Brian Haier, Executive Vice President Retail Banking and Chair of the bank's Caring Together/United Way Campaign for Ontario, gathered with his committee and members of the United Way to formally unveil TDBFG's 2005 donation and celebrate the milestone.

"We are all very excited that this year's donation is our biggest ever, and we're pleased that it will go towards supporting key services that help build stronger communities," said Haier. "I have again been reminded of the generosity and dedication of TDBFG employees who showed unparalleled enthusiasm for this year's campaign, especially in a year when we were all asked to dig a little deeper to help so many people suffering around the world."

Employees across Ontario hold fundraisers such as pizza lunches, jeans days, bake sales and arm wrestling competitions throughout the year, in addition to the annual Caring Together/United Way campaign that culminates in the announcement of TDBFG's donation amount.

"This is a milestone achievement for everyone at TD Bank Financial Group," said Frances Lankin, President and C.E.O., United Way of Greater Toronto. "This generous donation will help fund community building initiatives and support health and social service agencies throughout Toronto and across the province."

Over the past five years, TDBFG and its employees have donated \$25 million to the United Way of Greater Toronto and other charities across Ontario as part of its Caring Together/United Way campaign.

About United Way of Greater Toronto

United Way of Greater Toronto works to create sustainable change in the lives of Torontonians. Through research, partnerships with government, volunteers, labour, and business, and by funding a network of 200 health and social agencies, United Way identifies needs and takes action to support people and develop strong communities. United Way of Greater Toronto is one of 125 United Ways in Canada that help people in need locally in their communities.

About TD Bank Financial Group's Community Relations

TD Bank Financial Group's Community Giving program supports education, health and the environment, with a focus on children and youth. In addition to United Way, TD Bank Financial Group sponsors four flagship programs: TD Canadian Children's Book Week, TD Canada Trust Scholarships for Community Leadership, the Children's Miracle Network and TD Friends of the Environment Foundation, as well as a host of national, regional and local children's programs across Canada.

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