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Windsor Family Credit Union's (WFCU) 2013 Harold Hewitt Scholarship Recipients Announced

On Monday, June 3rd Windsor Family Credit Union (WFCU) announced the recipients of the 2013 Harold Hewitt Scholarship (HHS). Sixteen recipients were chosen, from over 280 submissions, to receive the special scholarship inspired by the late Harold Hewitt, WFCU's long term Director on its Board whose dedication to the community was an integral part of the credit union.

Earlier this year, youth enrolled in JK to Grade 12 were invited to respond to WFCU's question, "What do you think would make the Windsor-Essex Community a healthier and more active place to live and why?" The successful recipients provided insightful responses and share in a total of \$5,000 in scholarship funds. Throughout the event, WFCU President and CEO, Marty Komsa awarded additional scholarship funds to a number of the surprised recipients, resulting in total scholarship funds awarded of \$7,650.

The Harold Hewitt Scholarship program is one of WFCU's annual contributions to post-secondary education for youth in the Windsor-Essex community. Over the past 12 years, WFCU has presented 176 youth in our community with post-secondary school scholarships through the Harold Hewitt Scholarship program totaling \$70,000.

The following youth were selected as recipients of the 2013 Harold Hewitt Scholarship:

JK - Grade 2 (awarded \$100 scholarship each)

Tala Hilal	Grade 1	Academie Ste. Cecile
Lola Cazabon	Grade 2	Queen of Peace School
Rishi Damarla	Grade 2	Academie Ste. Cecile

Grade 3 – 5 (awarded \$200 scholarship each)

Madison Coste	Grade 3	St. Mary School
Kalin Loughheed	Grade 3	Margaret D. Bennie Public School
Tiana Tiberia	Grade 4	LaSalle Public School

Grade 6 – 8 (awarded \$300 scholarship each)

Abigail Kmet	Grade 6	Maranatha Christian Academy
Shih-wei Wang	Grade 6	Southwood Public School
Jack Haddad	Grade 6	Talbot Trail Public School

Grade 9 - 10 (awarded \$400 scholarship each)

Tejas Pandya	Grade 10	Assumption College Catholic High School
Sophia Mannina	Grade 9	Tecumseh Vista Academy
Nicholas James Lester	Grade 9	Vincent Massey Secondary School

Grade 11 - 12 (awarded \$500 scholarship each)

Sarah Drury	Grade 12	Ecole Secondaire E.J Lajeunesse
Leah Wilkinson	Grade 12	Walkerville Collegiate Institute
Michael Rosssyan	Grade 12	Sandwich Secondary School
Maggie Aziz	Grade 12	Cardinal Carter Secondary School

Funds will be entrusted to WFCU in the name of the recipients to be used towards their post-secondary education.

Congratulations to all recipients.

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To request photographs from the ceremony, please contact Danielle Marchand at communityinvestment@windsorfamily.com or call 519-974-3100.

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About Windsor Family Credit Union (WFCU)

WFCU has long been recognized as one of the leading, progressive financial organizations in the City of Windsor and Essex County. Serving Windsor and surrounding communities for over 70 years, WFCU began in 1941 with assets of less than \$10,000 and now has \$1.5 billion in Managed Assets and Member Service Totals of \$2.2 billion. WFCU is the seventh largest in Ontario operating six (6) retail locations and serving 32,000 members including 29,000 Personal members in 15,200 households, 1,600 Businesses and 1,300 Organizations. WFCU membership is open to anyone who lives and/or works in Ontario.

The credit union having roots in the community is dedicated to offering the products and services that will enable members to conveniently handle all their financial business with WFCU. WFCU's Financial, Investment, Insurance and Trust product and service offerings are tailored to each member segment. Accessing the credit union and conducting everyday financial transactions is a priority for WFCU, providing a number of access channels to members including its above noted retail locations, live and automated telephone banking, online and mobile banking, MasterCard® credit card and merchant services, secure pre-authorized debit and credit services and 24 hour account access using a WFCU Member Card at ATMs and retailers.

Over the last 20 years WFCU has enhanced the financial strength of the credit union. Regulatory Capital remains strong at \$69.9 million and represents 7.62% of total assets and 13.12% of risk weighted assets. These ratios are substantially above regulatory standards of 4% and 8% respectively. The Deposit Insurance Corporation of Ontario (DICO) is the provincial deposit insurer equivalent to the federal Canada Deposit Insurance Corporation. WFCU's financial and operational strength is a result of planned initiatives developed in order to ensure that it strives to be the best.

WFCU is a loyal and active member of Central 1, the credit union's banker, trade association, and a financial cooperative. Central 1's role is to serve as central financial facility, liquidity manager, payments processor and trade association for the provincial credit union systems of British Columbia and Ontario. It provides leadership, advocacy, technology, and a range of support services in fulfilment of these key functions. Central 1 holds \$14.2 billion in assets.

Committed to the communities it serves, WFCU is proud to display the Imagine Caring Company logo and is one of only 100 companies in Canada to do so. Every year hundreds of local community organizations experience first-hand the benefits of several elements of WFCU's overall Community Investment Program, such as The Community 1 Free Chequing Account, Community Rooms, Scholarships, Donations, Sponsorships, Multi-Year Capital Giving and the Community Donations Fund.

WFCU stresses the importance of quality by maintaining an internal 5 Star Quality Program. Ranked in the Top 25 Small and Medium employers in Canada, WFCU values its staff and their on-going contributions. Reflective of offering a progressive work environment and culture supported by a strong focus on its employees and goals, WFCU has been repeatedly recognized as a Best Small and Medium Sized Employer and received multi-year ranking as one of the Best Workplaces in Canada.

WFCU's solid attributes of financial strength; innovation; local ownership; quality products and service; community mindedness; and strong human resource management, have resulted in the on-going success of the organization. WFCU is proud to serve the Windsor and Essex County community and to be a leading financial services provider. Feb -13