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**WINDSOR FAMILY CREDIT UNION (WFCU) ANNOUNCES
2015 AMHERSTBURG SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS**

Amherstburg, ON – On Wednesday, April 1, 2015, Windsor Family Credit Union (WFCU) announced the recipients of the 2015 WFCU Amherstburg Scholarship Program.

Now in its second year, the Amherstburg Scholarship Program was established as an extension of WFCU's Community Investment Program and announced at the Grand Opening celebration for the WFCU Amherstburg retail location, in September 2013. The Scholarship Program is one of the many community commitments that WFCU has made specifically to the Amherstburg region. "WFCU continues to build partnerships and give back to the community," stated Martin J. Komsa, President and Chief Executive Officer.

Amherstburg youth enrolled in JK to Grade 8 and Grade 12 were invited to tell WFCU, "How have you demonstrated commitment to community involvement and leadership within your community?" Eight (8) recipients were chosen to receive this special scholarship that has been established by WFCU as a contribution to post-secondary education for youth in the Amherstburg community. "Today, we recognize these young people for their commitment to community and desire to lead by example. We are pleased to provide the scholarships to assist them in accomplishing their educational goals," remarked Komsa.

The following youth were selected as recipients of the 2015 WFCU Amherstburg Scholarship Program:

JK – Grade 2 (awarded a \$100 scholarship)

Isabelle Soucie	Anderdon Public School
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Grade 3 – 5 (awarded a \$200 scholarship)

Darian Dufour	St. Bernard Elementary School
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Grade 6 – 8 (awarded a \$300 scholarship)

Alyssa Jones	Amherstburg Public School
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Grade 12 (awarded a \$1,000 scholarship each)

Jessica Gignac	Western Secondary School
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Thomas Swiatoschik	St. Thomas of Villanova Catholic Secondary School
Brannon Beaudoin	General Amherst High School
Nicholas Robinson	General Amherst High School
Hailey Mallat	General Amherst High School

Congratulations to all recipients.

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

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About Windsor Family Credit Union (WFCU)

Windsor Family Credit Union (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 \$1.9 billion in Managed Assets and Member Service Totals of \$2.8 billion. WFCU is the sixth largest in Ontario operating nine retail locations and serving 34,000 members including 31,000 Personal members in 16,300 households, 2,000 Businesses and 1,400 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® debit 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 \$97.8 million and represents 7.79% of total assets and 13.27% of risk weighted assets. These ratios are substantially above regulatory standards of 4.0% and 8.0% 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 \$12.9 billion in assets.

Committed to the communities it serves, WFCU is proud to display the Imagine Caring Company logo. 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 Program. 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. A Gord Smith Healthy Workplace Award recipient, WFCU is committed to promoting the importance of health and well-being among its employees.

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.

For more information on WFCU visit **wfcu.ca**