



MESSAGE FROM LABOUR

The 2002 United Way campaign was a tremendous success. A record \$81 million was raised to assist agencies delivering services and programs across Toronto. Campaign Chair Gordon Nixon, his volunteer cabinet, and United Way staff are to be congratulated for a job well done.

The support and donations of unionized workers in the public and private sectors contributed greatly to the campaign's overall success. I want to thank all the joint union/management workplace campaigns and our affiliates for their record-breaking contributions. In particular, congratulations to the recipients of the Spirit Awards for Labour Participation, presented to unionized workplaces that exemplify the true meaning of collaboration and community involvement.

The recipients in the private sector are the employees of The Toronto Star and Southern Ontario Newspaper Guild - Communications, Energy and Paperworkers Union of Canada Local 87M, Graphic Communications International Union, Locals 100M and 500M, International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 353, and International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers Lodge 235.

The public sector recipients are: Toronto Transit Commission and Amalgamated Transit Union Local 113, Canadian Union of Public Employees Local 2 and International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers Lodge 235 - with an amazing rate of 63% of members contributing to the campaign.

Thank you also to the Spirit Award finalists: Government of Canada and Public Service Alliance of Canada from the public sector; and from the private sector: Canadian National Railway Company and United Transportation Union, Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, CAW-TCA Canada, Brotherhood of Maintenance of Way Employees, International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, CN Police Association; Nestle Canada – Sterling Road Plant and CAW, Local 252; Projistix-Solutions Inc. and Communications, Energy and Paperworkers Union, Local 26.

It is not easy to ask working people to give generously when they are struggling to defend their own jobs or their incomes. In the last year, both our city and provincial employees have been forced out on strike. School staff are under tremendous pressure, while some other sectors of the economy are laying people off. Yet, in spite of this adversity, union members are still reaching into their pockets to support others.

United Way plays a critical role in providing a compassionate voice for the most vulnerable in our community. Unfortunately, it is being called on to fill the vacuum left in many places by the withdrawal of government funding for vital social services. Under the leadership of Frances Lankin, I am confident that United Way can continue to bring together people from all walks of life to work collaboratively on resolving our community challenges.

Through Labour Community Services, the partnership between United Way and Labour Council and its affiliated unions, we will continue to work hard together to build our mutual goal of a caring and equitable community.

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President, Toronto and
York Region Labour Council
Vice Chair, Labour

UNION HONOUR ROLL

The following UNIONS actively supported United Way fundraising campaigns in unionized workplaces across our community in 2002. United Way of Greater Toronto and the Labour Council of Toronto and York Region proudly recognize their contribution.

Air Line Pilots Association
Alliance of Canadian Cinema, Television and Radio Artists
Amalgamated Transit Union
American Federation of Musicians of the United States and Canada
Association of Postal Officials of Canada
Bakery, Confectionery, Tobacco Workers' and Grain Millers' International Union
Brewery, General and Professional Workers Union
Bricklayers, Masons Independent Union of Canada
Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers
Brotherhood of Maintenance of Way Employees
CAW-TCA Canada
Canadian Airline Dispatchers Association
Canadian Guard Association
Canadian Labour Congress
Canadian Media Guild
Canadian National Railways Police Association
Canadian Pacific Police Association
Canadian Security Union
Canadian Telephone Employees' Association
Canadian Union of Brewery & General Workers
Canadian Union of Operating Engineers and General Workers
Canadian Union of Postal Workers
Canadian Union of Public Employees Communications, Energy and Paperworkers Union of Canada
Elementary Teachers' Federation of Ontario
Employees' Association of Kodak Canada

Glass, Molders, Pottery, Plastics & Allied Workers International Union
Graphic Communications International Union
Hotel Employees and Restaurant Employees International Union
Independent Paperworkers of Canada
International Alliance of Theatrical Stage Employees & Moving Picture Machine Operators of the United States and Canada
International Association of Bridge, Structural and Ornamental Ironworkers
International Association of Fire Fighters
International Association of Heat & Frost Insulators & Asbestos Workers
International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers
International Brotherhood of Boilermakers, Iron Ship Builders, Blacksmiths, Forgers and Helpers
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers
International Brotherhood of Painters and Allied Trades
International Federation of Professional and Technical Engineers
International Longshoremen's Association
International Union of Allied, Novelty and Production Workers
International Union of Operating Engineers I.W.A. Canada
Labourers' International Union of North America
National Union of Public and General Employees
Office and Professional Employees International Union

Ontario Federation of Labour
Ontario Liquor Board Employees' Union
Ontario Nurses' Association
Ontario Public Service Employees' Union
Ontario Secondary School Teachers' Federation
Ontario Teachers' Federation
Power Workers' Union
Practical Nurses Federation of Ontario
Professional Institute of the Public Service of Canada
Public Service Alliance of Canada
Security, Police, and Fire Professionals of America
Service Employees International Union
Sheet Metal Workers' International Association
Steelworkers Transportation-Communications National Local Teamsters Canada
Toronto Police Association
UFCW Canada
Union of Needletrades, Industrial and Textile Employees
United Association of Journeymen and Apprentices of the Plumbing and Pipefitting Industry of the United States and Canada
United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners of America
United Steelworkers of America
United Transportation Union
University Professors Association
York University Faculty Association
York University Staff Association



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United Way, Community Information Toronto and the City of Toronto launch 211, Toronto's new 24-hour, multilingual telephone service for information on community, social, health and government services