



Alterna Raises \$120,000 for Candlelighters

Ottawa, ON – September 1, 2020 – This summer, Alterna Savings reimagined its normal fundraising efforts for Candlelighters Childhood Cancer Support Programs and raised a record amount of \$120,000 with all proceeds going to Candlelighters.

“Despite being in the midst of a global health crisis, children and their families dealing with the effects of cancer is still a very real issue in our communities and we’re privileged to safely continue our support of such an admirable cause,” said Rob Paterson, President and CEO of Alterna.

The Alterna Savings Virtual Silent Auction was hosted in lieu of the Annual Charity Golf Classic which was canceled due to the COVID-19 pandemic. We are so pleased that our sponsors and donors honoured their commitment to the Candlelighter’s Fundraiser and that, together with the results of our Virtual Silent Auction, we can continue to support the Candlelighters E-Reader Program. E-Readers provide a quick, easily transportable means to access resources related to the cancer diagnosis and a positive way for children and their families to occupy themselves throughout treatments and recovery.

“The Candlelighters team is so grateful to organizations such as Alterna, who help ensure we can continue offering resources and meaningful care to those who need it,” said Jocelyn Lamont, Executive Director of Candlelighters. “The support your organization has provided over the years has made a world of difference in the lives of these children and their families”.

Alterna has supported Candlelighters since 2012 and with this year’s fundraising efforts, brings its donations to a combined total of over \$620,000.

“I’d like to offer a special thank you to all of our sponsors for their generosity. Without their support, this wonderful charitable event would not have been possible,” said Rob.

This year’s sponsors and donors included Telus, Aviso Wealth, Torys LLP, Global Payments, Gowling WLG, Salesforce, Integrate 2 Cloud, Fasken, Genworth, Everlink, Concentra, Merovitz Potechin LLP, CUMIS, Colonnade Bridgeport, Compugen, Uncommon, Western Union, Nelligan Law, Holmes and Brakel, MNP LLP, Newfound Recruiting, Ratehub, Desjardins, The Properties Group, Allstream, Zayo, KRP Properties, Dale and Lessmann LLP, Stanley Black and Decker, NEI Investments, Finastra, Exchange Bank of Canada, Intria, ProInCon, Interlingua, and Direct Focus.

[Candlelighters](#) is a not-for-profit volunteer organization that offers strength and support to young cancer patients and their families in the National Capital and surrounding region and an organization we are honoured to support.

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