

## **PACE Credit Union donates over 1000 pounds of food to Durham Food Bank**

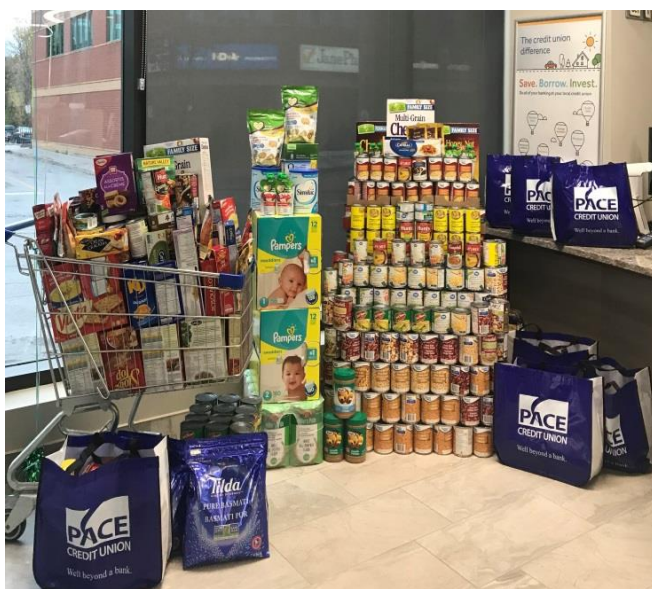
**Vaughan, ON - October 28, 2019** Guided by the values of putting people first, PACE Credit Union members donated 1103 pounds of non-perishable food items to Feed the Need Durham, a food hub in Oshawa that distributes food to 51 organizations including food banks, shelters and soup kitchens in Durham Region.

Hunger affects people from all backgrounds and all stages of life. In particular, children, single-parent households, newcomers to Canada, and seniors are some of the vulnerable populations that rely on food banks to meet their basic food needs. Food insecurity has only become worse for these groups, with seniors experiencing the highest spike in food bank usage in the past decade as a result of their government pensions falling behind the rising costs of living.

"Our local food banks help families in need. I am proud that PACE Credit Union members food donation will provide approximately 920 meals for those facing hunger in our community" said Rubina Havlin, Interim Chief Executive Officer, PACE Credit Union.

Contributing to the betterment of the communities we serve is a core principal of the co-operative movement and a responsibility we at PACE take seriously. As we enter into the holiday season, it is important that families can focus on enjoying time together, instead of worrying about where their next meal is coming from.

"We are always humbled by the support of our local business community," said Ben Earle, Executive Director of Feed the Need in Durham, "the food donated by PACE Credit Union will allow us to provide support to those who need it most in our community, ensuring that no one in Durham goes hungry."



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