

Desjardins Ontario Credit Union awards \$ 25 000 in scholarships

Ottawa, June 2022 – For its third consecutive year, Desjardins Ontario Credit Union is proud to award 25 scholarships of \$ 1000 to students across the province.

It was through a random draw that 25 scholars were selected as recipients among more than 1500 applications. The winners each receive a scholarship of \$1 000. The program was open to full-time students registered in postsecondary programs in university, college or professional training. These scholarships contribute to Desjardins Ontario Credit Union's mission to improve economic and social well-being of people and communities, by supporting our youth's success in their postsecondary studies.

One of the recipients, Jacob Leroux, shares his appreciation for the scholarship: « Thank you to Desjardins Ontario Credit Union for this scholarship and for supporting students during their postsecondary journeys. This scholarship will help me to reduce my financial stress in order to concentrate my efforts on completing my B.Com in finance at the University of Ottawa. Thanks again!». Another mature student shares the importance this scholarship will have on her journey: «As a mature student, I cannot express enough how grateful that I am to receive this \$1 000. It will help me out tremendously and help relieve some of the financial stress that comes along with returning to school. Thank you.».

About Desjardins Ontario Credit Union

Desjardins Ontario Credit Union serves 132,000 active members mainly in the private, commercial, real estate and agricultural sectors and has 48 branches. It has a business volume of more than \$18.92 billion and assets of more than \$9.86 billion. This strong, high-performing organization, with rich and diverse expertise, has 750 employees, making them a major employer in Ontario. It is governed by a board of directors consisting of 17 elected directors and 2 young intern directors. This new credit union ranks 2nd among Ontario *caisses populaires* and credit unions according to assets and business volume.

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List of Winners by region:

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| Eastern Ontario Krista Brennan Natasha L'Ecuyer Cynthia St-Denis Emmanuelle Sauvé Joëlle Provencher Janell Forget | Ottawa Neyssa Glémaud Jacob Leroux Gloria Lamontagne Maty Stephane Pungu Justin Saulnier Myriam Doyon Chloé Bergeron-Leblanc |
| Sudbury and Northern Ontario Julie Wagner Gabrielle Rivest Colton Giroux Chloé Rodrigue Chelsey Tremblay Alexia Lemay-Evans | Toronto and Southwestern Ontario Chloe Bremner Janeyce Guerrier Jax D'hondt Jasmine Buchaly Ariel Wendling Maria Amaya Varela |