

2018 cooperative difference report

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Desjardins
Caisse populaire de la Vallée



Preparing for the future with Personal Finance: I'm in Charge®

Through the Personal Finance: I'm in Charge® program, Desjardins provides guidance to young adults at a time in their life when they have to make a lot of financial decisions for the first time. One of the goals of the program is to help young people become responsible consumers who can make informed decisions and choices that are right for them.



Glengarry CommUNITY run for community integration

The funds raised at the third annual CommUNITY Race were used to purchase special equipment for the outdoor training circuit at Alexandria Park.



Business Sisters

Our caisse was proud to partner with this day-long networking event for women entrepreneurs from the Glengarry region.



\$10,000 to support future comedians

The LOL-Mort de rire! contest encourages 14- to 18-year-olds to write and perform a creative, imaginative stand-up comedy set. It's the only contest of its kind in Ontario. It aims to help aspiring stand-up comedians connect with their roots.



Mother's Day

Employees from our caisse celebrated Mother's Day by giving flowers to seniors living at The Palace, a retirement home in Alexandria. All the mothers living on site were delighted by the thoughtful gift.



Annie Lamarche, a caisse employee, and
Marie-Paule Bonin, Chair

Canada Day

We were a proud partner of Alexandria's Canada Day celebrations, which included a wide range of family activities and some beautiful summer weather.



Three #DesjardinsFoundation Prizes for our schools

Three #DesjardinsFoundation Prizes totalling \$9,000 were awarded to schools in our region. École élémentaire catholique Elda-Rouleau received \$3,000 for stress management workshops offered through its Mindfulness project and another \$3,000 for a composting and vegetable gardening program. Meanwhile, Glengarry District High School was given \$3,000 to support their plan to create artworks and organize an art show.



Scholarships

Last fall, Desjardins Foundation awarded scholarships to three students to help them continue their studies. Congratulations, Jacob, Samuel and Sabrina!



\$5,000 for our local hospital

We supported the Glengarry Memorial Hospital Foundation's Annual Christmas Jubilee. The Foundation supports the Hospital's efforts to meet the ever-growing needs of patients.



Get Up and Move!

Schools across the region have been invited to join in the Grand défi Pierre Lavoie's Get Up and Move challenge. As an incentive, the caisse will reward participating establishments by donating money to go toward sports equipment. In 2018, we gave a total of \$3,250.



Helping the less fortunate during the holidays

We gave \$1,000 to *Music and Mayhem*, a comedy and music show that ran over the holiday period. The proceeds went to the Société Saint-Vincent de Paul food bank.



Exclusive advantages for members

We love treating our members! That's why we gave out Binerie Plantagenet products during a special event held at Chartrand's Your Independent Grocer in Alexandria, offered free breakfasts at Ti-West in St-Bernardin, and served coffee and goodies at Marché St-Eugène.