

## Brant Community Supports United Way Member Agencies

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We Believe in our Community (Brant/Brantford Believes in Community)

The citizens of Brantford and Brant rallied together to help their neighbours during a very difficult year. We are happy to announce that our 18 Member Agencies received \$870,000 from Brant United Way late last month. United Way President Paul Oddi noted that a growing number of individuals and families who have been impacted by the recession received vital supports and services provided through the generosity of this community. It seems like this year's economic difficulties brought out the best in people wanting to help out their neighbours.

Brant United Way Member Agencies received the following 2010-2011 allocations:

Adult Recreation Therapy Centre.....	57,000.
Big Brothers Big Sisters serving Brant, Brantford, Haldimand & Norfolk .....	42,000.
Boys & Girls Club of Brantford.....	30,000.
Brant Food for Thought .....	24,000.
Brantwood Residential Development Centre.....	64,000.
The Canadian Hearing Society.....	60,000.
CNIB.....	45,000.
Canadian Red Cross Society.....	75,000.
Community Resource Service.....	47,500.
Crossing All Bridges Learning Centre Inc.....	22,000.
Family Counselling Centre of Brant.....	135,000.
Kids Can Fly.....	23,000.
Literacy Council of Brantford & District.....	21,000.
Navy League of Canada Brantford Branch.....	21,000.
Nova Vita Domestic Violence Prevention Services.....	67,500.
Sexual Assault Centre of Brant.....	30,000.
Victim Services of Brant.....	30,000.
YMCA of Hamilton/Burlington/Brantford.....	76,000.

These allocations were made after a rigorous assessment by a dedicated group of volunteers. They visited each agency and carefully reviewed every application which included a full analysis of their budget and programs. The Allocations Committee had some difficult decisions to make but once made their recommendations were brought to the United Way Board of Directors. The diligence of this process ensures that the money is invested in the community where it's needed the most.

Brant United Way partners with 18 Member Agencies in the community and together we are helping to ensure that the citizens of Brantford and Brant County are supported in all facets of their lives. In

addition to the funding provided to Member Agencies, Brant United Way also flows funds to other charities and non-profits that are not Members, according to the donor's requests.

We understand the need to address the root cause of a problem. The programs provided by our Member Agencies offer temporary support in crisis situations, to preventative solutions that ensure citizens of this community have the support they need to prosper.

Donations to Brant United Way are invested locally and address the most pressing community issues. Approximately 45,000 citizens have been helped by the over 50 programs supported by Brant United Way.