

### RIDEAU PARK UCW NEWSLETTER

DECEMBER 2023

# Merry Christmas, and Happy New Year!

You may be wondering where the \$40,000 raised from UCW year-round fundraisers goes. Thanks to your efforts and support of the UCW, this year we:

Distributed to local charities a total of \$10,000.

- RPUC Christmas Cheer
- Christie Lake Camp
- Heron Emergency Food Bank
- The Pavilion Food Bank
- Roger Neilson House
- Serenity Renewal for Families
- · RPUC Benevolent Fund
- Ottawa Dementia Society
- Bruyere Respite for Caregivers
- Hospice Care Ottawa
- Harmony House
- Interval House
- Empathy House
- Harvest House
- Cornerstone
- MultiFaith Housing Initiative
- Minwaashin Lodge
- Centre 507
- Guatemala Stove Project

### Did you know?

Many of the community charities we donate to are suggested to us by UCW and church members, who have volunteered with, used the services of, or supported these wonderful organizations.

# What About Mission and Service?

We will be sending \$7,000 in December to the United Church of Canada's Mission and Service Fund.

What Is Mission and Service? The United Church of Canada (united-church.ca)
It is how the UCC helps others locally and globally.

Any additional funds received before year end (there is time to donate) will be distributed between Mission and Service and local charities.



We know times are tough for everyone right now. Food and housing costs are way up, as well as other basic necessities of life...let alone any extras. The UCW has given \$13,000 to the church's Ministry and Programs Fund.

#### And the Rest?



This year we allocated \$10,000 to the UCW Memorial Fund. We hope to help fund the Reconciliation Garden, repairs and refurbishments to church property, and capital projects.

