

# WHEELS OF CHANGE

The newsletter for members and friends of the Trucks For Change Network

## A busy time for making a difference...

**2016 has challenged us with many needs in our communities, and T4C carriers have responded wholeheartedly.**

From helping victims of the devastating wildfires in Alberta rebuild, to fighting hunger and homelessness in communities across Canada, it has been inspiring to witness our industry's generosity in the face of need.

Along the way, we are learning together that it isn't about the dollars raised nor the miles driven, but about the people and families whose chances for a decent life are improved by our small sacrifice. With your help, our "network for good" will continue making our communities a better place to live, and showing what an industry that cares and works together can accomplish.

Thank you for your wonderful support!

*Pete Dalmazzi  
President & Founder,  
Trucks For Change Network*

## T4C Carriers Show Their True Colours in Alberta Fire Response

This spring, tens of thousands of Canadians in the Fort McMurray region were dealt a devastating blow when forest fires raged through their community. Working through our partner charities Canadian Red Cross and Global Medic, T4C carriers hauled relief and restoration supplies across the country at no charge or at vastly reduced rates. Temporary bedding, water, cleaning supplies and first aid supplies were among materials delivered to families displaced or returning to their homes.



T4C will be joining the Canadian Red Cross in making a special presentation at a trucking industry event in November to recognize the collective impact of its overwhelming response in support of Fort Mac.

## Kitchener-Waterloo Carriers Build Homes... and Teams!

Over three days in September, 40 volunteer employees from Erb Transport, Liberty Linehaul, Mill Creek Motor Freight, Transpro Freight Systems, Bison Transport, Midland Transport, MacKinnon Transport, Trailer Wizards, and Tandet Group converged on a Habitat For Humanity home build site in Kitchener, Ontario.



In addition to helping several local families realize their dream of home ownership, volunteers came away with new skills, and enjoyed the chance to work together outside their usual workplace. Some volunteers also fundraised for the cause, with an overall contribution of \$10,600 directed toward the project. Volunteer Adilson Candundo of Tandet summarized his experience this way "It was a great way to get to know my co-workers better, while working towards improving our community. That is something I want to be a part of again".

Look for future T4C community volunteering projects across the country!

## Our Dashboard

Member carriers

**60**

Charity donations shipped

**14.2 million lbs.**

Miles driven for our communities

**320,000**

Value of donated and discounted services

**\$ 258,000**

Charity event volunteer hours

**548**

Charity event funds raised

**\$34,500**

**Together we are changing lives!**

Join our movement by visiting us at [trucksforchange.org](http://trucksforchange.org) or calling us at **905-844-8658**

*Trucks For Change Network is a nonprofit carrier group developing and promoting positive change in our communities across the trucking industry.*

## Charity Profile: Brands For Canada

The mission statement of Toronto-based charity Brands For Canada is “To ensure Canadians living below the poverty line have access to proper clothing and other basic essentials for a dignified and prosperous life”. They do this by collecting donations of new clothing, shoes, and personal care products from leading fashion brands such as Gap, H&M, Winners, P&G and many others, and distributing them to those in need through a network of trusted social service agencies (often with the help of T4C carriers!)



Brands For Canada also offers special needs training to help people on employment assistance to transition into the workforce. Their “Suitable Impressions” workshop offers clothing, training, and tips to make a positive first impression on future employers. You can learn more about Brands For Canada’s amazing programs by visiting [www.brandsforcanada.com](http://www.brandsforcanada.com)

## APTA and Trailer Wizards Team Up to Support T4C

The Atlantic Provinces Trucking Association, in partnership with Trailer Wizards, have donated \$17,600 to Trucks For Change Network from the APTA’s annual summer golf tournament in Dieppe, New Brunswick. The donation was presented by APTA Executive Director Jean-Marc Picard, Daran Ultican, VP Atlantic Region, and Nancy Callendar, Account Manager for Trailer Wizards to T4C’s President Pete Dalmazzi. The funds will be used to support T4C’s charity freight-matching programs, with a portion being directed to develop new T4C programs in support of charities in Atlantic Canada. Our sincere thanks to APTA and Trailer Wizards for their wonderful support of our community work!



## Calling All Member Carriers and Partner Sponsors...

See you at our AGM on November 16!

T4C member carriers are invited to attend our Annual General Meeting on Wednesday, November 16 at 2:00 pm at the MasterCard Centre in Etobicoke.

Members and Partner Sponsors are invited to attend our Partner Reception at 3:00 pm.

It’s a great networking opportunity, and a chance to hear from our partner charities about the work they’re doing in our communities.

Email us and let us put you on our guest list.

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