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Women United Peterborough Announces Call for Nominations for First Annual Women of Impact Awards

PETERBOROUGH, ON (March 8, 2024) – Today, on International Women’s Day, Women United Peterborough is thrilled to introduce the first annual Women of Impact Awards.

Women United represents a collective of women, inclusive of those who identify as women and allies, who generously contribute their time, resources, and expertise to foster a community where everyone can thrive.

“Women United is ambitious yet deeply meaningful: to cultivate a powerful force for social change where women take the lead in philanthropy, both locally and globally,” says **Anne Ondercin, Director of Philanthropy at United Way Peterborough & District**. “Since its inception in 2002, Women United has brought together over 70,000 women leaders across 165 communities, raising and investing more than \$1.7 billion towards meaningful initiatives.”

On Thursday, May 30th the inaugural Women of Impact Awards will recognize 20 local women from diverse backgrounds and professions who have been nominated by their peers. Whether they are widely recognized figures or unsung heroes, emerging trailblazers or seasoned advocates, the honorees will be recognized for their contributions to our community.

“Here in Peterborough City and County, our goal is to elevate the Women United movement and shine a spotlight on the incredible local women who are driving positive change,” says **Maryam Monsef, Chair of Women United Peterborough**. “Through our collective efforts, we aim to raise funds to support vital programs and initiatives that empower and uplift women and those who identify as women in our community.”

Nominations may be inspired by neighbours, caregivers, or volunteers who have dedicated themselves to specific social causes, demonstrated remarkable impact within their professions, organizations, or communities, or tirelessly advocated for the representation and empowerment of marginalized groups.

The awards ceremony will take place on Thursday, May 30th, at picturesque Farmhill Weddings in Keene.

Nominations are currently open and will continue to be accepted until April 14th. To nominate a deserving woman for this prestigious honour please visit:

http://weblink.donorperfect.com/WOI_Nomination_2024

For more information about this event or to learn more about Women United and other initiatives, please visit: <https://www.uwpeterborough.ca/women-united/>

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