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Dear Friend of Hope Cottage,

Thank you for helping us raise a record breaking \$72 650 at our 11th Annual Thanksgiving Dinner and Auction for Hope Cottage! We surpassed last year's record by more than \$3911.

With your incredibly generous support over the past 11 years, our annual dinners have raised over \$575 000 for Hope Cottage. The Halifax Employers Association (HEA), our valued community partner, has coordinated the Drive for Hope golf tournament, raising \$45 000 this year at their 9th Annual event in August, with a total of over \$367 000 to date.

Our Christmas Turkey Dinner Drive, now in its 29th year, is an opportunity for the community to donate during the holiday season for the purchase of turkeys and foodstuffs to fill the cottage freezers. If you or somebody you know would like to give a gift to our community this holiday, please call one of our Friends of Hope Cottage listed on the side of this letter.

In total, the funds raised through our Thanksgiving Dinner, the HEA Drive for Hope and the Christmas Turkey Dinner Drive are now approaching \$1.1 Million Dollars! This support helps Hope Cottage meet its \$300 000 annual operating budget without any government funding of any kind. We are so grateful for your continued support. Thank you from the bottom of our hearts! We couldn't do it without you!

An extra special thanks goes to our corporate Guardian Angels - The Delta Hotels. For more than 25 years, they have been instrumental in making this all possible. Sean Doucet and his dedicated staff at the Delta Halifax donate their time and energy to make certain the less fortunate segment of our population do not go hungry. They are a team with very big hearts!

We also thank Crombie REIT for supplying free parking for these many years.

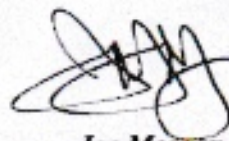
Visit us at www.hopecottage.ca to see the many pictures of the evening and to learn more about Hope Cottage. Receipted donations can be made on the site and funds go directly to Hope Cottage.

Thank you again for your generous support – together, we are making a difference!

With kind regards,



**Ray Warner
The Friends of Hope Cottage**



**Joe Morgan
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