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KITCHENER CHARITY AT TOP OF CANADIAN LEADERBOARD FOR RIDE FOR REFUGE

Kitchener – On Saturday, September 30th, 186 charities are riding, walking and fundraising in various locations across Canada to support displaced, vulnerable and exploited persons.

It’s called The Ride for Refuge. Local charity Carizon Family and Community Services is one of the charities involved. “It’s our first year participating,” says Fund Development Coordinator Leanne Brown. “And we have been leading the pack across Canada until today.”

Already having raised more than $20,000, Carizon was the top fundraising charity across Canada participating in the Ride, until Ratanak International pulled slightly ahead of our local charity.

“With the ride less than three weeks away, we are thrilled to be at the forefront of the leaderboard,” says Tracy Elop, Carizon CEO. “It speaks to the dedication of our staff and community that have jumped aboard early in the campaign to make this happen. Their support is critical to ensuring that residents of Waterloo Region receive the assistance they need to help manage life’s challenges.”

As the ride date fast approaches, Carizon hopes to maintain their momentum and recapture that #1 spot. But, to do so, they are hoping that more community members will join them by starting a team in support of Carizon, joining a team to raise funds for Carizon, or by simply sponsoring a team or donating to the cause.

Community members can learn more by visiting the Ride for Refuge site: https://rideforrefuge.org/charity/carizon

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