



ONTARIO REALTORS CARE® FOUNDATION UPDATE

MEMBER BOARDS AND ASSOCIATIONS NEWSLETTER



Your Charitable Foundation at Work

Did you know that, as an Ontario REALTOR®, you have your very own charitable Foundation?

Thanks to the generosity of Ontario REALTORS®, the Ontario REALTORS Care® Foundation (ORCF) raised \$2.6 million in 2025, supporting more than 200 shelter and food insecurity organizations across the province.

Rising housing costs, inflation and increased food prices are putting more pressure on individuals and families:

- In 2025, more than 85,000 Ontarians experienced homelessness, a 50 per cent increase since 2021 (Source: Association of Municipalities of Ontario)
- Over 1 million Ontarians relied on food banks last year, resulting in over 8.7 million visits (Source: Feed Ontario)
- 1 in 3 food bank recipients were under the age of 18, while those who are 65+ doubled in visits compared to 2021 (Source: Feed Ontario)
- 1 in 4 food bank recipients were employed, yet still unable to make ends meet (Source: Feed Ontario)

These numbers remind us that shelter and food insecurity can affect anyone: children, seniors, families and working Ontarians. The generosity of Ontario REALTORS® is helping meet this growing need, and together, we have an opportunity to do *even more*.





Hit the Road for a Cause!

Two days on your motorcycle can do more than take you down some great roads. This September, turn kilometers into meaningful change by joining REALTORS® from across Ontario for the Ontario REALTORS Care® Foundation's Motorcycle Ride for Charity on September 23–24.

Day 1: Aurora → Coboconk → Bancroft → Denbigh → Calabogie

Day 2: Calabogie → Portland → Sydenham → Prince Edward County → Belleville

Ride one day, both days or join us for a few stops along the route.

The Ride brings REALTORS® together to raise funds for shelter and food insecurity initiatives, build connections and make a difference in communities across the province. Whether you're a seasoned rider or joining for the first time, there's a place for you!

Not a rider? You can still support the cause through a rider pledge, or a general event donation.

[Register for the Ride!](#)



Jam with a Past President on Tuesday, November 17!

Jam with a Past President is back! On Tuesday, November 17, join Brian Walker and his band, Shakey and the Bluenotes at the El Mocambo in Toronto for a night of fun tunes and networking, all while supporting a great cause. All proceeds support the Ontario REALTORS Care® Foundation and their work addressing shelter and food insecurity in communities across Ontario.

Date: Tuesday, November 17, 2026

Time: 8pm - 11pm

Location: El Mocambo, 464 Spadina Ave. #462, Toronto, ON M5T 2G8

Ticket: \$50

[Don't miss out](#)



Thank you for Supporting ORCF's Inaugural Summer Cruise for Charity

A huge thank you to everyone who supported ORCF's inaugural Summer Cruise for Charity and online auction this past July!

This special afternoon brought together REALTORS®, industry leaders, and partners for a three-hour cruise along Toronto's waterfront, featuring breathtaking skyline views, music, networking, an industry showcase, and a silent auction. Together, we raised more than \$22,000 in support of the Ontario REALTORS Care® Foundation.

We are incredibly grateful to our sponsors for helping make this inaugural event a success. Thank you to DOA Media, Evios Media, Kathleen Black, Isabel Goulart - Senior Law Clerk, OwnRight, and Richard Robbins International for your generous support and commitment to the Foundation.

Your partnership helped us create a memorable event while raising important funds to support shelter-related and food insecurity initiatives across Ontario.



Make an Even Bigger Impact with Monthly Giving

Looking to donate to a great cause? ORCF's Monthly Giving Program makes it easy to support shelter and food insecurity causes year-round.

Homelessness and hunger don't take a break. They are 24/7, 365-day challenges that need ongoing support. Your monthly gift helps charities in your community keep their doors open, their fridges stocked and their programs running, while providing reliable funding they can count on to support those who need it most. Monthly donations are automated, flexible, and can be cancelled at any time. Charitable tax receipts are also available for donations over \$20.

Become a monthly donor today!

[Donate today](#)



Ontario REALTORS® Who Care - Strengthening Communities Through Action

The Ontario REALTORS® Who Care leadership program supports frontline charitable organizations in the communities where you live and work. Whether it's helping keep a family housed or providing meals to children facing food insecurity, your leadership gift creates tangible results close to home. You will also be part of a province-wide movement that demonstrates the collective power of REALTORS® working together for good.

Through an annual contribution of \$1,000 or more, you can help fund shelter and food insecurity initiatives across Ontario, while demonstrating your commitment to community impact, professional leadership, and lasting change.

[Get involved today](#)

Every REALTOR® Campaign (ERC)

Through the ORCF's Every REALTOR® Campaign (ERC), REALTORS® across Ontario are already making a difference for shelter and food insecurity.

As part of this program, all REALTORS® in Ontario contribute anywhere between \$1 to \$5, each month through their local Board/Association. 100% of these funds stay in your local community, helping support local shelter and food insecurity organizations where you live and work.

In 2025, the ERC provided more than \$1.57 million to help fund critical programs supporting shelter and food insecurity organizations across Ontario.

Learn more about the Every REALTOR® Campaign and see where 2025 grants were awarded in your community.

[Learn More](#)



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On behalf of our community partners across Ontario, thank you for helping support shelter and food insecurity causes in communities across the province. We are grateful to do this important work alongside every one of you.