

Brandon Credit Unions Team up for Annual Christmas Dinner Donation.

BRANDON, MB 11.27.20 – The Westman Traditional Christmas Dinner may look a bit different this year, but that didn't stop Brandon's four credit unions from teaming up for their annual Christmas Dinner donation.

"For many years, we have come together as a credit union group to donate \$2000.00 to the Westman Traditional Christmas Dinner," said Jim Rediger, Westoba Credit Union President & CEO. "Gladden and his team turn this donation into a beautiful turkey dinner for those most in need; we are proud to support them, and this year is no different."

Gladden Smith from the Westman Traditional Dinner says that Brandon businesses and residents are still eager to donate food and their time. "Even in these unprecedented times with COVID-19 having such a devastating impact on so many, we are still coming together to make sure no one goes without a nice hot meal on Christmas Day; it makes me so happy and proud to live in such a wonderful caring community."

In past years the Westman Traditional Christmas Dinner would serve over 3150 meals. Everyone Eats Brandon intends to service the same capacity this year through meal pick up or delivery.

CEO at Compass Credit Union, Buck Bright, said his team is proud to come together with the Brandon credit unions in the spirit of Christmas. "In this year of uncertainty and worry, nobody should have to worry about where their next meal is coming from," said Bright.

Fusion Credit Union recognized the determination of the organizers. "We are so happy that the organizers have found a way to adapt to COVID-19 restrictions to continue to support families in need in Westman," said Fusion Credit Union CEO, Darwin Johns. "A wonderful organization in the Westman area we are honoured to support."

This year's dinner will rely on the help of several different community groups and volunteers. "We hope that with this donation of turkeys, more people in our area can enjoy a traditional Christmas dinner," said Tim Klassen, President & CEO of Sunrise Credit Union. "We'd like to commend the John Howard Society, Brandon University, Food Matters Manitoba, the Board of the Westman & Area Traditional Christmas Dinner and the countless volunteers who have made Everyone Eats Brandon a reality this year."

Registration for the meal will start on December 1st. Those wanting to book a meal are to call 204-571-8524.

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