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## Hamilton neighbours feel supported by Alectra employees

**Hamilton, ON** – Alectra employees came together to show their care and support their downtown neighbours at Wesley, a social service organization that helps people struggling with poverty and is working with community partners to address the root causes of homelessness.

Through Wesley's annual Christmas & Holiday Program, Alectra employees raised funds to put together 40 support packages for adults, children, families, newcomers, and isolated seniors struggling with poverty. Valued at \$40, the packages included hygiene products, winter apparel, and easily transported food items.

"Our team was looking for an opportunity to give to those less fortunate, especially during the winter months," said Henry Winter, Vice President of People and Safety at Alectra Inc. "We are proud to support an organization that truly understands the needs of those in distress, specifically around our John Street location."

"Hamiltonians truly want to help people," **said Jennifer Baillie-Rouse, Resource Development Manager**, "and Wesley welcomes this generosity. In addition to funding this program, Alectra has provided our fall dinner for clients and recently gave to Wesley's Special Care Unit, which provides supportive harm reduction housing."

Packages funded by Alectra were delivered during a winter storm, a difficult time especially for those facing hardship, to individuals who access Wesley across from John Rebecca Park.

The AlectraCARES Community Support Program promotes community well-being by funding charities and non-profits. To learn more about how Alectra puts people first, visit <u>alectra.com/alectracares</u>.

## About Alectra Utilities

Serving more than one million homes and businesses in Ontario's Greater Golden Horseshoe area, Alectra Utilities is now the largest municipally-owned electric utility in Canada, based on the total number of customers served. We contribute to the economic growth and vibrancy of the 17 communities we serve by investing in essential energy infrastructure, delivering a safe and reliable supply of electricity, and providing innovative energy solutions.

Our mission is to be an energy ally, helping our customers and the communities we serve to discover the possibilities of tomorrow's energy future.

## About Wesley

Wesley, is a multi-service organization offering programs and services to meet diverse community needs in Hamilton, Halton and Brantford including: child care, outreach to help



people experiencing homelessness, temporary housing for refugees, and supportive housing with more info at: wesley.ca

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