

## **FirstOntario Credit Union Recognized as a Hamilton-Niagara Top Employer**

**Hamilton, ON, November 24, 2022** —FirstOntario Credit Union has been named one of *Hamilton-Niagara's Top Employers*, as announced by Mediacorp Canada Inc. the editors and organizers of Canada's Top 100 Employers.

"It is an honour for FirstOntario to be recognized as being among a select group of organizations in Hamilton-Niagara taking meaningful steps to foster an environment where employees feel valued, grow and are supported in achieving their goals," said Lloyd Smith, CEO, FirstOntario Credit Union.

Hallmarks of this year's winners include: investment in health and wellness initiatives, programs to support long-term savings, and significant engagement with local communities and charitable organizations, including opportunities for employee involvement. FirstOntario was also singled out for its Blue Wave employee volunteer program.

*Hamilton-Niagara's Top Employers* is a special designation that recognizes employers that lead their industries in offering exceptional places to work, and has been published annually since 2008. Employers were evaluated by the editors at Canada's Top 100 Employers using the same criteria as the national competition: (1) Workplace; (2) Work Atmosphere & Social; (3) Health, Financial & Family Benefits; (4) Vacation & Time Off; (5) Employee Communications; (6) Performance Management; (7) Training & Skills Development; and (8) Community Involvement. Employers are compared to other organizations in their field to determine which offer the most progressive and forward-thinking programs.

Read announcement [here](#). Find more information about *Hamilton-Niagara's Top Employers* [here](#).

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### **About FirstOntario Credit Union**

FirstOntario is a full service cooperative financial institution, serving members for more than 80 years throughout the Golden Horseshoe, Niagara Region and Southwestern regions of Ontario. With \$5.8 billion in assets under management, FirstOntario is one of Canada's largest credit unions. Everyone is welcome to be part of FirstOntario for financial services including daily transactions, mortgages, lines of credit, loans and investments. FirstOntario profits are invested into the communities we serve through support for entrepreneurs, competitive rates and charitable pursuits including our award winning student nutrition program. Learn more about us today at [FirstOntario.com](http://FirstOntario.com).