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LOCAL WOMEN DONATE \$20,000 TO CHARITY
Romero House Choice of 100 Women Who Care Group



Saint John, NB (September 10, 2013) -

A local women's philanthropic group continues to impact its community with its second donation of \$20,000 to Romero House. After a successful June launch of the local chapter of 100 Women Who Care in greater Saint John, its membership continues to grow and so does its impact.

"We had a feeling that our vision of local women giving back to local charities would appeal but we've been thrilled with how quickly and confidently everyone has jumped on board," noted Debbie Rathwell, co-founder, "With a donation of \$100 from each member, each quarter and a membership at 200 we were able to make a \$20,000 impact to a local charity on September 10, in this case, Romero House."

The organization's local chapter, founded in June, 2013, brings together 100 (or more) **Women Who Care** about local community causes and who are committed to community service. Members meet for an hour to hear three 5-minute presentations by local charities that have been nominated by our members and randomly selected ahead of time. Members jointly select one of the three presenting local charity or not-for-profit organization by way of a vote to receive the bulk donation at the end of the presentations. Each member then writes a \$100 cheque to the winning organization and watches how the group's commitment turns into a sizeable donation. The process is repeated four times a year.

Each time, members get to witness how their combined donations can improve local lives when placed in the hands of deserving grass-roots agencies working to serve the local community. The Greater Saint John chapter meets again on December 10, 2013.

For more information about 100 Women Who Care of Greater Saint John visit: www.100womenGSJ.com

