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Women's Business Network Christmas Event Raises \$5,000. for Crossroads Women's Shelter

The Women's Business Network of Peterborough held their annual Christmas Social and Fundraising Auction on December 4th at the Holiday Inn, raising \$5,000. for the Crossroad's Women's Shelter. One hundred and twenty-five women from the business community, including members and guests turned out for this fabulous evening, organized by Jennifer Welsh and Leah Curtis (WBN Social Directors) and their committed team of volunteers.

The evening consisted of:

- ... hors d'oeuvres from local member restaurants, 38 Degrees and Nicholini's
- ... Live entertainment with Terry Guiel on the acoustic guitar
- ... Live Auction with auctioneer, Rob Rusland
- ... Silent auction of donated items from members, guests and community sponsors
- ... Santa Gift Shoppe filled with Stocking Stuffers

Lynn Zimmer from Crossroads at the YWCA was delighted to hear about this year's record-breaking tally. "Wow! That's the biggest donation ever from the WBN!" exclaimed Lynn. "This group of women have found a very creative way to support other women who are escaping violence. The WBN Christmas event is truly a celebration of the resourcefulness of women."

The WBN would like to thank everyone involved!

The Women's Business Network, founded in Peterborough in 1961, operates with the mandate, "To promote and support women in business through personal and professional growth opportunities."

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