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From: The United Way of Perth County
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(Stratford, ON): “150 Gifts in 150 Communities”

James Richardson & Sons Limited is celebrating the Firm’s 150th Anniversary by distributing grants of \$10,000 in each of the communities where it has done business over the course of its history. This corporate initiative, dubbed “150 Gifts in 150 Communities” chose to partner with local United Ways for assistance in identifying organizations and community projects that fit with their corporate charitable giving philosophy.

Upon learning that philosophy included youth initiatives, United Way of Perth County Executive Director Ellen Balmain had no hesitation when contacted by James Richardson & Sons Ltd. “We were delighted to nominate one of our funded agencies, ShelterLink, which for many years was known as SAAIL (Stratford and Area Access to Independent Living). The establishment of a permanent safe haven for homeless youth in Perth County seemed to be a perfect fit for this type of grant.”

“The timing,” agrees ShelterLink Executive Director, Donna Pammer, “is perfect. We are grateful to the United Way for their role in facilitating this process and to James Richardson & Sons Limited, a great example of a community-minded corporate citizen. Their generous gift will help us ensure sustainable shelter is available for youth for any number reasons find themselves without a roof over their heads.”

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For more information please call Donna Pammer at Shelterlink 519-272-2294.

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