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# Media Release

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Presentations to VON Middlesex-Elgin:  
Middlesex County Wardens Charity Golf Tournament  
NextEra Energy Canada, LP  
Ailsa Craig Community Breakfast Committee

## Middlesex County Wardens Charity Golf Tournament

At the Middlesex County Council meeting held on Tuesday, August 22, 2017, Warden Don Shipway presented a cheque in the amount of \$11,885.04 which represents the proceeds from the Wardens Charity Golf Tournament held on Wednesday, June 13<sup>th</sup> at Oxbow Glen Golf Club.

It was my privilege to select the VON Middlesex Elgin to receive the proceeds from our yearly golf tournament said Warden Don Shipway. VON Middlesex-Elgin provides important support to residents of Middlesex County, said Warden Don Shipway

## NextEra Energy Canada Presentation

Peter Miller, Kevin Bill and Steven Albas of NextEra Energy Canada also presented a cheque in the amount of \$5,000.00 in support of the Middlesex County Wardens Charity Golf Tournament

“NextEra Energy Canada is pleased to support local VON programs and services that help individuals across Middlesex and Elgin receive safe and reliable home and community care,” said Doug McIntosh, Wind Regional General Manager for NextEra Energy Canada. “This contribution reflects our commitment to making a positive difference in the communities we serve.”

## Ailsa Craig Community Breakfast

Jackie Wells, Don and Jean Shipway and Tania Gregory representing the Ailsa Craig Country Breakfast Committee also made a presentation to the VON in the amount of \$9,000.00 which represented the proceeds of the Ailsa Craig Country Breakfast held on June 4th.

"The success of this family event is only made possible by the generosity of the folks of our community. For the past 23 years, a small group of individuals, including those standing with me to-day, have raised almost \$120,000 for VON. This is truly a testament to the ability of a small rural community to do so much.

I believe this quote by Margaret Mead sums it up: "Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed, citizens can change the world. Indeed, it is the only thing that ever has"

## VON Middlesex-Elgin

It was a trifecta summer for VON Middlesex-Elgin thanks to the incredible efforts of Middlesex County residents. **VON Middlesex-Elgin** relies on the community to support a myriad of volunteer-driven programs and support services designed to encourage healthy aging, community building and independent living.

Our organization is grateful to have been chosen as beneficiary of the **Middlesex County Warden's Charity Golf Tournament**. "The generosity of Warden Don Shipway, County Councillors and staff, golfers and sponsors, will allow more people in our community to live safely and independently in their own homes for as long as they choose while remaining connected to their community" says Fund Development Manager Michelle McKay. VON would like to recognize and thank **NextEra Energy Canada** for their generous sponsorship support. Thank you to all involved for believing in the VON vision of "**Health Starts at Home**". The combined donation of **\$16,885.04** will truly make a difference in people's lives.

"The **Country Breakfast**, also in support of local VON programs and services is a great example of "**community helping community**". As VON Middlesex-Elgin's longest standing third party community fundraiser, this hard-working volunteer committee has made a tremendous impact on the health and well-being of countless families and neighbours. This year, we are thrilled to receive support in the amount of **\$9,000.00**. We sincerely appreciate the continued dedication, loyalty and coordinated efforts of these talented members of our community! Thank you Middlesex County.

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