

### **Sponsorship Overview**

The City of Hamilton & Meridian Credit Union for The Hamilton Farmers' Market

> General Issues Committee March 22, 2017







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- Revenue Generation team & Meridian Credit Union have developed a strong relationship over the past 2 years
- This opportunity has developed from mutual successes
- <u>Terms of the Sponsorship</u>
  - 5 years plus a 5 year option to renew
  - \$150K per year:
    - \$125K direct to Market offsetting levy pressures
    - \$25K direct to the levy as part of Rev. Gen. team's budget commitment
  - Includes community outreach beyond the Market, joint marketing, and a non voting seat on the Market Board







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- The Hamilton Farmers' Market is celebrating its 180<sup>th</sup> year in 2017
- The Board is excited to welcome Meridian and their thousands of members to the Market
- They have honoured the history and the name, adding a wonderful tag line "...proudly supported by Meridian"
- The relationship goes beyond money:
  - Providing expertise to the Board and our vendors
  - Joint marketing opportunities to build our customer base
  - An extensive network of members to introduce to the Market









#### **General Issues Committee**

March 22, 2017 Sue Bennison District Vice President



## Who Are We ...

- We are the largest Credit Union in Ontario
- We are 100% Member-owned
- We serve over 250,000 Members
- We are Member-centric and Employee-centric
- We empower our employees enabling local decision-making
- We are disruptive innovators within the Co-operative Movement
- We are committed to help *grow* our communities by:
  - giving back 4% of our pre-tax profits and
  - <u>through active volunteerism</u>





# The Ambitious City of Hamilton ... Hamilton

- The City of Hamilton is a priority market
- Since coming to Hamilton, we have demonstrated our commitment through expansion
- The vast majority of our employees working in the Hamilton Market *call* Hamilton Home
- We continue to entrench ourselves in our communities throughout the City of Hamilton by *actively partnering* with many like-minded Organizations to give back and make a difference through on-going Community Engagement initiatives







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#### Why Hamilton Farmers' Market



- Opportunity to further grow our partnership with the City of Hamilton to give back in a *meaningful* way, where:
  - Our financial contribution will go right back into our community
  - We will have the ability to assist Small Business Owners through our support and assistance from a financial perspective and through workshops financial and mentorship literacy perspective
  - Increase awareness of the Hamilton Farmers' Market to drive patrons through on-going promotional activities

