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407 ETR Employees Support Vital Community Service Agencies Throughout the GTHA

On June 21, 2017, as part of 407 ETR's "One Big Day" event, over seventy 407 ETR staff members volunteered at various community service agencies throughout the Greater Toronto and Hamilton Area. One Big Day represents the largest single-day, multi-location volunteering event in the history of the company, and forms part of the company's "407 For Our Communities" initiative, a successful corporate social responsibility program that encourages employee volunteerism.

At this year's One Big Day event, 407 ETR staff members volunteered at the Daily Bread Food Bank in Toronto, the Knight's Table in Brampton, the Kipling Acres' Long-Term Care Home in Etobicoke, the Vita Community Living Services Centre in North York, and the Horizons for Youth Shelter in Toronto. Activities included packing groceries, cooking and distributing food for families in need, facilitating a birthday celebration for seniors, painting and cleaning at care facilities, as well as preparing shelter space for youth in need.

"I am very proud that the 407 ETR team came out in such great numbers and continue to do this important work in the community," said 407 ETR President and CEO, Andres Sacristan. "We've had amazing feedback from our volunteers and the community organizations we've assisted and we are happy to be able to make a difference for people in our communities."

Stacie Murie from Horizons for Youth in Toronto said, "We are very appreciative that 407 ETR employees took time out of their busy days to volunteer at Horizons for Youth. Their passion, enthusiasm and hard work made a difference in the lives of the homeless and at-risk youth we serve."

Lena Shaw from Knight's Table in Brampton said, "407 ETR team members are a force of goodness exemplified in dedication, desire and teamwork – like a well-oiled machine. We would welcome them back in a second."

In addition to engaging our staff in volunteerism through the 407 For Our Communities program and the annual One Big Day event, 407 ETR is focused on supporting the communities we serve through donations and sponsorships to community organizations, such as giving back through the United Way, financial support to hospitals and rehabilitation centres, sponsorship of youth sports teams, university graduate program scholarships and the Lassonde School of Engineering, research into cures for childhood cancers, and ongoing driver safety/education initiatives.