Centraide Outaouais

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News Release

A compassionate woman to chair the Centraide Outaouais campaign

GATINEAU – Wednesday, June 15 – We are pleased to announce that Nicole Gibeault will chair the 2022 Centraide Outaouais campaign. A woman with an exceptional professional background, Nicole Gibeault is an Outaouais native and knows well the issues of poverty in the community where she still lives. She was appointed the first woman judge in the Outaouais in 1991 and sat on the Court of Quebec for twenty-three years. Since retiring from the bench, she has been a legal columnist on TVA, LCN and radio stations throughout Quebec, including 104.7 FM Outaouais, 98.5 Montreal, FM 93 in Québec, and QUB radio.

Civic and community involvement is a family affair for Nicole Gibeault, whose grandfather, Alexis Caron, was himself the Campaign Chair for Centraide Outaouais in 1949. Responding to Centraide Outaouais's call was only natural, she explained. *"I couldn't refuse to help my community in the face of real needs,"* she said, noting that the cause of women and children is especially close to her heart. The Centraide Outaouais team is delighted to welcome her and launch the 2022 campaign at her side to help the 70,000 people who use the services of the agencies supported in the four Outaouais RCMs and in Gatineau.

"The Board of Directors of Centraide Outaouais is delighted that Nicole Gibeault has agreed to chair the next campaign. With her well-known energy and the support of a great team, she is sure to run a great campaign for the benefit of the poorest in our community," said Board Chair, Murielle Brazeau.

"We are confident that, with her conviction and energy, our new chair will rally the community around those with the greatest needs in our community. The engagement process begins now to be ready for the campaign's kick-off this fall," said Nathalie Lepage, Executive Director of Centraide Outaouais.

Centraide Outaouais supports 83 community organizations, along with eight programs and partnerships in our community. These organizations fight poverty and social exclusion and provide essential services to those who need it most, including children, families, and seniors.

Firmly rooted in the community for 78 years, Centraide Outaouais has become a key player in philanthropic and social development.

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