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RBC Royal Bank makes \$700,000 donation to Trinidad and Tobago Red Cross

PORT OF SPAIN (TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO) – May 12, 2020 — Today, RBC Royal Bank (RY on TSX and NYSE) (“RBC”) announced that the Red Cross Society of Trinidad and Tobago has received TT\$700,000 to help support vulnerable families and individuals with access to food during the ongoing novel coronavirus pandemic.

RBC’s donation is expected to assist over 1,000 people across Trinidad and Tobago by providing food vouchers and gift cards to be redeemed at Massy Stores, JTA Supermarkets, Maharaj Westside Supermarket, Jumbo Foods, West Bees, and Penny Savers in Tobago.

This donation is part of a larger USD \$330,000 initiative previously announced by RBC to help support food security across the Caribbean. In addition to Red Cross societies across the region, donations are also being made to Hands for Hunger in The Bahamas, and Cayman Feed our Future and the Cayman Food Bank in the Cayman Islands. This initiative is on top of RBC’s global commitment of more than CAD \$2 million to fight COVID-19 through various partners such as the World Health Organization’s COVID-19 Solidarity Response Fund, Feeding America, and Food Banks Canada.

Quotes

“This gift will go directly to feeding those severely affected by this pandemic,” says Jill De Bourg, President of the Trinidad and Tobago Red Cross Society. “We can give our heartfelt thanks on behalf of the families who are struggling with food insecurity. Particularly in these uncertain times, when food needs are likely to grow, it’s important to receive aid from our corporate partners as now more than ever we all need to support each other.” She added, “We are reminding everyone to be responsible because #WeAreInThisTogether.”

“We understand the impact COVID-19 has had on households across the country, and we are committed to helping our communities,” said Gretchen Camacho-Mohammed, Managing Director for Trinidad and Tobago, RBC. “We are proud to work with the Red Cross Society to ensure our donation brings relief where it is most needed.”

“We are all in this together and we all must do our part,” added Camacho-Mohammed. “RBC has a long history of standing by our communities through challenging times and this commitment will continue throughout this crisis and beyond.”

Photo caption 1: Gretchen Camacho-Mohammed, Managing Director RBC Royal Bank Trinidad and Tobago and Jill De Bourg, President of the Trinidad and Tobago Red Cross Society pose with a symbolic cheque to mark a donation from the Bank to the Society to provide food support to at-risk families.

Photo caption 2: A Trinidad and Tobago Red Cross volunteer distributes supermarket vouchers following a TT\$700,000 donation from RBC Royal Bank to help support vulnerable families and individuals with access to food.

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