

## Wednesday, June 5, 2013 FACT SHEET

- 1. Tim Hortons restaurant owners donate **100 per cent** of the proceeds from Camp Day coffee sales to the Tim Horton Children's Foundation (THCF)
- 2. Across Canada and the United States, **one in six** children (more than 17 million)<sup>1</sup> live in economically disadvantaged homes
  - The young people served by the Foundation are often isolated and excluded from the opportunities that many take for granted<sup>2</sup>
  - They are twice as likely to drop out of high school and be expelled or suspended<sup>3</sup>
  - They are three times as likely to have a teenage pregnancy<sup>4</sup>
- 3. Tim Horton himself came from an economically-disadvantaged home in Cochrane, ON
- 4. Since 1975, the Foundation has served more than 180,000 kids through a variety of camp programs
- 5. **More than 65 per cent** of revenue generated by the Foundation comes from Camp Day activities and Tim Hortons coin boxes
- 6. There are **six camps** across North America that run year-round programs:
  - Parry Sound, Ontario (built in 1975)
  - Tatamagouche, Nova Scotia (built in 1988)
  - Kananaskis, Alberta (built in 1991)
  - Quyon, Quebec (built in 1994)
  - Campbellsville, Kentucky (built in 2001)
  - St. George, Ontario (built in 2002)
- 7. There are three separate programs offered:
  - a. The Summer Camp Program a 10-day summer camp session for kids ages 9-12
  - a. **The Year Round Group Program** offers kids ages 8-18 from schools and groups serving the economically disadvantaged, a three to seven day camp experience throughout the fall, winter and spring
  - b. **The Youth Leadership Program** a five-level program for kids ages 13-18 focuses on the development of lifelong leadership skills, teamwork and independence through 10-day sessions over five successive summers
- 8. More than 16,000 children and youth will attend camp with the Tim Horton Children's Foundation in 2013
- 9. Local Tim Hortons **restaurant owners sponsor children in their own communities** to attend the Summer Camp program.
- 10. The Tim Horton Children's Foundation Carolee House Bursary Program has awarded close to **\$4 million in bursaries** since **2002** to graduates of the Youth Leadership Program who have pursued post-secondary education.
- 11. The Tim Horton Children's Foundation was established in 1974 by Ron Joyce, co-founder of Tim Hortons restaurants, in honour of Tim Horton's love for children and his desire to help those less fortunate
- 12. The first camp in Parry Sound, ON, welcomed more than 200 campers in its first summer of operation in 1975

<sup>1</sup> Statistics Canada's Income in Canada 2008, Low income cut-off before tax & U.S. Bureau of the Census, Income, Poverty and Health Insurance in the United States: 2010

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The Standing Senate Committee on Social Affairs, Science and Technology. In the Margins: A Call to Action on Poverty, Housing and Homelessness, December 2009, Page 29

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Jeanne Brooks-Gunn and Greg J. Duncan, "The Effects of Poverty on Children" The Future of Children No. 2 (Summer/Fall 1997), 57

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Brooks-Gunn and Duncan, 57