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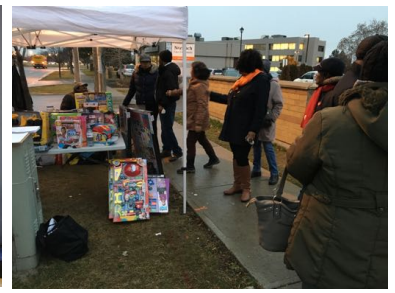
Picket-line solidarity is one of the foundations of trade unionism where the smallest acts of kindness, encouragement, and support give members the strength needed to continue the fight for a fair settlement. **Be Union – Buy Union – Support Union!**



Thank You For All Your Support!

390 + TOYS handed out, **66 VOLUNTEERS**, **124** unions, labour
councils and supporters raising **\$95,646** for **655 FAMILIES** with an avg of 4 per
household = **2620 LIVES TOUCHED**. Travelled over **1325 km'**
delivering over **10,000 POUNDS of FOOD** in **2015**





DELIVERING CHEER TO PICKET-LINES



REFLECTION

By Sean McKenny, President → Ottawa & District Labour Council

The holiday season is time for many to gather with family and friends. To share stories and exchange laughter, to share gifts and exchange thanks, to share food and exchange blessings. But for many in our city, in our province, in Canada and the world over the time has become a reflection of hope. A desire by most that we, all of us, can do more, can do better to help create an intention set towards that which is fair, that which is equitable, that which is just.

Canada will celebrate its 150th birthday in 2017 and though celebrations and events will occur across the land none will experience to the same heightened degree the festivities planned for Canada's Capital. Incredible, mind blowing, awesome, breathtaking will be used to describe all that is Ottawa in 2017 and rightfully so.

Yet behind a façade will be the reality of our community not unlike other communities where that which officials want to hide, want to have others believe does not exist, although may disappear from sight will not vanish simply because it is hidden. We need to continuously remind ourselves that for all that we have gained there is so much more for us to accomplish. Although it is our hope that our gains are reflected in some of the lives of others it is not always so.

It is that in which is hidden from us and that in which we choose to not see that we need to change. For surely by our very nature these are things that none of us would ever nor should ever find acceptable.



VOLUNTEERS ROCK!

SPECIAL THANKS to Kelly Tosato + Shawn Haggerty and EVERYONE at UFCW 175/633 + UNIFOR Staff Rep Harry & Heidi at UNIFOR Ottawa for providing space to sort + pack and so many volunteers!

In Loving Memory - Jim Freeman



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