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Royal LePage agents Karen Wood, Linda Gill-Sonley, Susan Bowie, Sandy Boyd and Jennifer Richter

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National Garage Sale for Shelter Raises over \$1,100 in Peterborough

Peterborough, ON – July 11, 2011 -- Communities across the country helped put an end to violence against women and children as the Royal LePage Shelter Foundation recently hosted its 3rd annual National Garage Sale for Shelter. The Royal LePage Shelter Foundation is Canada's largest public foundation dedicated exclusively to funding women's shelters and violence prevention and education programs.

Thanks to their dedication, creativity and hard work, and the support of local community members, Royal LePage offices across the country set a new record by raising more than \$400,000 in support of the Royal LePage Shelter Foundation.

The Peterborough Royal LePage FRANK Real Estate office at Sherbrooke and Aylmer held a garage sale and plant sale to raise money. Royal LePage FRANK Real Estate agent Robert Norman Clarke also shaved his head to raise money for the Shelter Foundation as well as the Canadian Mental Health Association and his pony tail went to the Canadian Cancer Society. Special thanks goes to Carole Peddler, Carol Morton, Karen Wood, Robert Norman Clarke, Sandi Boyd, Susan Bowie, Linda Gill-Sonley, Dave Sonley, Jennifer Richter, Spencer Brown, Jo Pillon, Chiarina Payne, Shannon McCain, Bob Caister, Sharon Guppy, Jane Campbell, Chris Campbell, Mark Fisher, Stan Hammond, Fran Allen, Dave Tomlinson, Bernie Hartshorn, AMJ Campbell, Best Homes, Peterborough Examiner, 100.5 Kruz FM, No Frills, and our students from TASSS, Tanner and Tyler for supporting this event and helping make it such a success.

"Because of the funds raised at the National Garage Sale for Shelter, women and children who have experienced family violence have a safe place to stay, a refuge from the worry and fear," said Shanan Spencer-Brown, Executive Director of the Royal LePage Shelter Foundation. "Each year, this event raises awareness of the issue of family violence and shows that we can all make a difference."



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"Helping You Is What We Do™ is not just a tagline, it is our corporate philosophy and it translates into a collective commitment to giving back to the community," said Phil Soper, President and Chief Executive of Royal LePage. "Royal LePage professionals are tireless in their efforts to create safer homes and safer communities through the Shelter Foundation and the National Garage Sale for Shelter."

To break the cycle of violence, the Royal LePage Shelter Foundation also supports long-term violence prevention and education programs. All funds raised by Royal LePage offices remain in their local community and because Royal LePage pays the costs of administration, one hundred percent of all money and effort goes toward this important cause.



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