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Subject: The Novatio Foundation launches its first fundraising campaign

The Novatio Foundation is pleased to launch its first annual fundraising campaign under the theme “*Your donation today gives new life to the future of our communities*”. This campaign will run until June 2024. The launch took place as part of the Archbishop of Gatineau's brunch tour, an event in which Novatio is an official partner in support of community organizations.

Goal of \$50,000

The Foundation's Board of Directors hopes to raise \$50,000 for this first campaign. The funds will be used to finance projects submitted to Novatio by parishes and community organizations in the Outaouais region. Already in February 2023, the Foundation announced its support for eleven initial projects for a total of \$71,000. In addition, the Foundation contributed \$20,000 to the Indigenous Reconciliation Fund, as part of the Archdiocese of Gatineau's five-year commitment.

At the invitation of Foundation President Richard Rochefort and Archbishop of Gatineau Paul-André Durocher, the population of the Outaouais region is urged to "create a renewed and brighter world with a gift that reflects our Christian values". Donations can be made by cheque (one-off or monthly) or online by credit card. The Foundation also offers a major gift and a planned giving program. The Foundation would like to thank and to recognize the generous donors who have supported Novatio's mission since its creation.

The Novatio Foundation was created by the Archdiocese of Gatineau to ensure the continuity of the Church's mission in the Outaouais. Its main mandate is to build up a fund and to provide funding for projects to help the most disadvantaged communities regardless of their beliefs, to promote the welcome of newcomers, to act in favor of reconciliation with Indigenous peoples, and to support the senior citizen as well as the parishes and communities of the faithful in the region.

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