

FirstOntario Credit Union – celebrates 85 years of serving members

Hamilton, ON, July 10, 2024 – Today, FirstOntario celebrates an important milestone in the history of our organization – our 85th anniversary.

It was back in 1939 when Stelco Employees Credit Union opened their doors for the first time, followed a few years later when a group of auto workers opened Family Savings & Credit Union in 1945. Over the years, through a number of successful mergers and amalgamations and strong organic growth FirstOntario has evolved and grown into the fifth largest credit union in Ontario, serving 15 different communities spanning Hamilton, Niagara, Halton, and parts of southwestern Ontario.

“Much of our success is thanks to our dedicated employees. A mainstay in our 85 years has been delivering the best member experience that we can, while making a difference in the communities that we serve,” said Lloyd Smith, CEO of FirstOntario. “We have been rewarded with invaluable loyalty and commitment from both members and employees. We are a strong, compassionate, talented and resilient credit union. I’m proud of our accomplishments and excited about the future.”

About FirstOntario Credit Union

FirstOntario is a full service cooperative financial institution, serving members for more than 80 years throughout the Golden Horseshoe, Niagara Region, and Southwestern regions of Ontario. With \$6.6 billion in assets under management, FirstOntario is one of Canada’s largest credit unions. Everyone is welcome to be part of FirstOntario for financial services including daily transactions, mortgages, lines of credit, loans, and investments. FirstOntario profits are re-invested back into the communities we serve through support for entrepreneurs, competitive rates and charitable pursuits including our award-winning student nutrition program. Learn more about us today at [FirstOntario.com](https://www.FirstOntario.com).

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