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‘Starting Over in Ottawa’

Sky’s the Limit Youth Organization lends a helping hand to Ottawa’s new Burmese Refugees

(Toronto) November 28, 2007 - Together with Ottawa’s **CompuCorps Mentoring (CCM)** and **CNC Global Limited**, Sky’s the Limit Youth Organization continues to support the Burmese refugee community by distributing another 50 computers to Burmese families who have limited access to technology on Tuesday, December 4th from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. at CompuCorps’ new Community Technology Centre located at 1040 Somerset Street West, Ottawa. Previous recipients will be present to share how receiving a computer has impacted their lives.

Photo Opt: There will be a photo opt. from 2:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. with all of the recipient families and key stakeholders from Sky’s the Limit Youth Organization, CNC Global Limited and CompuCorps Mentoring. Please **RSVP** to sonya.bhatia@sadharana.com if you are able to attend.

This brings to a total of 100, the number of computers the organization has given to this community. Funds for this initiative come from the charitable contributions of employees of CNC Global Limited, Canada’s leading IT services provider. Company president Mr. Power will be on hand, along with volunteers from the company’s Ottawa branch, to distribute computers.

"It's important to make sure all Canadians have access to the technology they need in order to be successful in today's economy," said Mr. Power. "We are committed to being a part of the communities in which we operate and we are thrilled to be able to support Sky’s the Limit’s Ottawa expansion with proceeds from our annual Charity Auction."

The auction—an internal effort that sees employees gather goods and services for bidding, and then win those items back through a raucous live event—recently collected over \$200,000 at their last auction on November 9th, 2007.

Since August 20th, 2007, 50 computers have been delivered. Many of Sky’s the Limit’s Ottawa recipients will be using a computer for the first time. The objective of the program is to significantly enhance learning and employment opportunities for refugees through access to technology. Families use their computers for work, school, and social activities. For example, “by using **Skype**, many of the families have been able to contact relatives and friends still living in Thailand and India” says Toe Kyi, a Burmese immigrant himself, who works for CompuCorps Mentoring. “They have also been using **YouTube** to watch the news in Burma” adds Kyi, as the political upheaval continues in their homeland.

Burma is a multicultural country with a majority of ethnic Burmans and many smaller ethnic groups. Due to overcrowding and health issues in refugee camps, the UN called for resettlement in other countries. Over 800 Burmans' refugees, specifically "Karens" will be relocated to Canada with 150 to Ottawa.

The computer distribution will take place at CompuCorps Mentoring's facility, located at 1040 Somerset West, Ottawa, (corner of Breezehill, major intersection is Preston). For more information contact 613.234.8988 x111, x116 or email info@compucorps.org.

About Sky's the Limit Youth Organization:

Sky's the Limit Youth Organization, founded in 2004 by Lara Tavares, is dedicated to addressing the widening digital divide in Canada by providing students with access to the tools and resources they need to pursue the infinite opportunities available to them online. Sky's the Limit provides refurbished computers to students from under-resourced communities. For more information, please visit www.stlonline.org

About CNC Global Limited:

With more than 300 employees in 11 branches across Canada, CNC Global specializes in sourcing IT professionals for full-time and contract positions and offers customized solutions for contractor administration, Recruitment Process Outsourcing (RPO), payroll administration, vendor management, recruitment advertising and HR communications. CNC Global is one of Canada's Top Small-Medium Employers and ranks 5th on Branham's list of the country's Top IT Services Companies. Visit CNC Global at www.cncglobal.com.

About CompuCorps Mentoring:

CompuCorps Mentoring is an Ottawa-based Canadian charity helping other charities and their clients through volunteer projects, computer re-use and technology planning. TechMentor Burmese volunteers have refurbished all the computers for Sky's The Limit Ottawa over the last six months. Over the last 7 years, CompuCorps Mentoring has engaged over 250 TechMentors as volunteer 'mentors' for 100 charitable groups who needed help in how to use technology to achieve their missions. For more information, please visit www.CompuCorps.org.

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