



Timmins Chamber of Commerce
Chambre de commerce de Timmins

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BUYING POWER OF CHAMBER MEANS BUSINESS SAVINGS FOR MEMBERS

Timmins – A new affinity program released today will mean significant savings to businesses belonging to the Chamber of Commerce. After a Request for Proposals, the Timmins Chamber has entered into a contract with Grand & Toy to provide a savings program on the office supply needs of its members.

“The Timmins Chamber has made a commitment to help our members experience savings as part of their membership. This program, like others we offer such as our cell phone plan and Esso program, can reduce our members’ operating costs, and that is good news for our business members,” says **Marilyn Wood, 1st Vice- President of the Timmins Chamber of Commerce**. “This program is a great example of how the pooled buying power of business can achieve savings for all. Chamber members with one employee and members with 100 employees can benefit directly from this program.”

“We approached our membership to offer savings in the area of office supplies because we felt it was a program that would benefit all of our members, regardless of size,” explains **Mary-Lou Pollon, 2nd Vice-President of the Timmins Chamber of Commerce**. “As a business organization, we are always looking for programs that reduce our members cost of doing business. The Grand & Toy program is an optional benefit that our members can choose when making their business purchases.”

“The discount we receive as a group depends on the use of the program and the items purchased,” emphasizes **Wood**. “We encourage the 615 members of our Chamber to investigate the program to see if it is the right for their business needs.”

Information on the Grand & Toy Chamber Affinity Program can be found on-line at www.timminschamber.on.ca in the members section.

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The Timmins Chamber represents more than 615 businesses in the City of Timmins, who employ more than 8000 residents.

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