



Timmins Chamber of Commerce

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And the survey says....local businesses give Chamber two thumbs up

January 5, 2003 (TIMMINS). The Timmins Chamber of Commerce is doing a great job of representing the interests of local businesses, according to a recent membership survey.

The survey found that 97% of respondents considered the Chamber to be an effective voice for the Timmins business community, and 94% felt that it adds value to the Timmins area. An overwhelming majority of 95% agreed that it also provided good value for the cost of membership.

“In addition to having a strong voice on business issues, members also get benefits that have a direct impact on their bottom lines”, said Chamber President Fred Barabas. “For example, some of our members save thousands of dollars on their Visa transaction fees because of our specially-negotiated rates. They also get discounts on group insurance, rental cars, phones, and many other products”.

Currently, the Chamber of Commerce has ____ members.

“All these business owners can’t be wrong”, commented John Lapraik, long-time Chamber member and owner of _____. “Most of our members have been part of the Chamber for a substantial amount of time. That really reflects the confidence in their performance.”

The Chamber of Commerce represents a wide range of local business interests, serving as advocates and sources of information on business issues, such as taxation, transportation infrastructure and government policy. If you would like more information on membership and benefits, please call the Chamber at 360-1900.

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