MEDIA RELEASE

Scotiabank gives to the Autism Association & Save Foundation

Warrens St. Michael, March 27, 2013 – Scotiabank's Lending Services Employee Action Team recently donated funds to fight autism and domestic abuse in Barbados. Scotiabank commissions Employee Action Teams (EAT) in each of its units to build staff morale, give back to the community, solicit feedback, ideas and suggestions within the branch, and act as liaison with management regarding employee and customer issues.

The Autism Association received \$1,200 as a result of fund raising efforts by the EAT; funds which would be used for the Respite Care Centre for children with Autism, a neurological brain disorder. The Centre is a supportive living facility with four caregivers on staff, providing daily activities for autistic children including computing, arts and crafts, gardening and cooking.

Delphi Walcott, Vice President of the Autism Association commented: "We the executive and members of the Autism Association would like to thank Scotiabank for their generous gift of \$1,200.00. This is the second year that your organisation has contributed to the work we are doing at the Respite Centre for children with autism and we are extremely grateful for your continued support towards the care of these children with special needs."



Photo 1: From left to right: Jamar Watts of Scotiabank, Kathy-Ann Joseph of Scotiabank, Delphi Walcott. Vice President of the Autism Association, and Lawton Walcott. President of the Autism Association.

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Over the last three years, Scotiabank has been providing monetary donations and toiletries to the Save Foundation, for women in need and those fleeing domestic violence situations. Many times these ladies leave everything behind in a hurry to get to safety, while those who remain in their homes are deprived of basic necessities including sanitary napkins. Scotiabank donated just over \$1,600 to the cause.

Liesel Daisley, President of the SAVE Foundation commented: "The SAVE Foundation is pleased to partner with Scotiabank for the third consecutive year. Both the monetary donations and toiletries are a great help toward fighting the cause... we look forward to continue our relationship with Scotiabank.



Photo 2 - From left to right: Jamar Watts of Scotiabank, Kathy-Ann Joseph of Scotiabank, presenting to Liesel Daisley, President of the SAVE Foundation.

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The Scotiabank Bright Future program is our global philanthropic vision which brings together the passion of our employees, the insight of our partners and the spirit of our communities. For over 175 years, Scotiabankers have had a history of giving back to our communities in order to create better places to live and work. As a prominent financial institution on a global level, our international reach, has provided a unique opportunity to help people around the world.

Through the Scotiabank Bright Future program, our charitable efforts are aimed at being relevant and responsive to the needs of the local community at a very grassroots level. Our community efforts span the arts, education, social services and health care. In the Caribbean, Latin and Central America, the program focuses primarily on children and children's causes.

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