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United Way
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19 Wing Hosts Buffalo Plane Pull for United Way Fundraiser

Comox Valley, BC - November 19, 2015 – 19 Wing organized a Buffalo Plane Pull event on Friday, October 23 to raise money for the 2015 United Way Government of Canada workplace charitable campaign.

The plane pull brings in a lot of excitement (and bragging rights). Teams of 10 compete to see who can pull the plane the fastest over a distance of 50 feet. This year about 10 teams participated.

“The buffalo pull was an event that really highlights this year’s United Way Together, We Are Possibility campaign. Teams came together and made it possible to pull a DeHavilland Canada CC-115 Buffalo plane that weighs 1,338 kg,” said Captain Dennis Power, Public Affairs Officer at 19 Wing.

The fastest team pulled the plane 50 feet in 21 seconds. The United Way team’s wasn’t far behind with a time of 26 seconds. The event raised \$1,262.

19 Wing is very active in raising funds for United Way Central and Northern Vancouver Island (UWCNVI). This year, 19 Wing’s campaign goal is to raise \$40,000 for UWCNVI. The plane pull is just one of the many events planned during the campaign.

Donations raised at the base stay local, contributing to 18 life-changing programs in the Comox Valley that impact over 3,400 people. Together, we are creating possibility of a better life for people and their families living in the Comox Valley. For more information on the programs United Way funds, visit uwcnavi.ca.

The workplace campaign is an excellent opportunity for employees to give to their respective communities by making a Payroll Deduction Program donation. Contributions stay local, and go towards funding crucial community programs.

United Way Central and Northern Vancouver Island (UWCNVI) has been at work for more than 57 years in our community. With a mission to improve lives and to build community by engaging individuals and mobilizing collective action, UWCNVI invests in strengthening people and communities.

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The United Way team at the Buffalo Plane Pull hosted by 19 Wing in Comox.