

Bob Putnam, Erian Baxter and the DCO Team, Deep Cove Outdoors 352 Lynn Avenue, North Vancouver, BC V7J 2C5 Jackets for Jasper Fundraising LTD. 752 East 15th Street North Vancouver, BC V7L 2S4

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Dear Bob and Erian and EVERYONE at DCO!

Amy told us that you're nominated for a Community Contribution Award, so this seems like the perfect time to send you an "official" letter about how truly you are in your support of our "little project"!

Bob's initial suggestion in 2012 that we display our jackets in your shop during your slower season was game-changing for us. Our partnership has blossomed into something that we not only feel warm and fuzzy about, but that has resulted in our ability to fund the educations of three children in Nepal!

Everyone who knows you - from race events to Women on Water, from your shop to your social media - now knows us too, because of your support of our cause. These connections between your community and ours have exponentially increased our ability to meet our fundraising goals, while introducing us to many wonderful, like-minded people, many of whom have gone on to volunteer to help us in meaningful ways.

Our ability to continue running Jackets for Jasper is in large part because of your generosity: providing us store space for our jackets through the autumn and winter; providing a pick-up location for customers; and your staff's cheerful willingness to manage transactions and enquiries on our behalf when we can't be there in person. Sometimes we still pinch ourselves that we are so lucky!

Your beyond-all-expectations "BBQ, Bank and Beer for Nepal" event after the devastating spring earthquakes mean more to us that we can ever say. In such a short time, you pulled together a fun and successful event, involving many other like-minded businesses and people on the North Shore. The fact that our entire "J4J Team" in Nepal, plus all their families and neighbouring villagers, were all safely re-housed before the start of the monsoon season is a testament to how your efforts at rallying community here resulted in safer, healthier communities in Nepal.

Your community-mindedness shines through in everything you do, and we are grateful to paddling along beside you!

Sincerely, Liz Leboe and Lenard Reid