

PRESS RELEASE

UNSPONSORED STEELBANDS GET AN EARLY START FROM SCOTIABANK FOUNDATION

Over 25 unsponsored steel orchestras from all regions of Trinidad and Tobago were recently invited by Scotiabank Trinidad and Tobago Limited to its unsponsored steelbands cheque handover ceremony. The Bank has been providing financial assistance to unsponsored steel orchestras since 1978 and traditionally has been the first corporate sponsor annually to provide donations to members of the pan movement.

Attending the event were Richard P. Young, Managing Director of Scotiabank, Earl Gill, Senior General Manager, Scotiabank, Patrick Arnold, President of Pan Trinbago, Michael “Scobie” Joseph, Public Relations Officer of Pan Trinbago and representatives of various steel orchestras.

The donation was made possible by the Scotiabank Trinidad and Tobago Foundation, a member of the Scotiabank Group, which oversees the disbursement of charitable donations on behalf of the Bank. In addressing members of the pan fraternity, Gillian Benjamin, Scotiabank’s General Manager Strategic Marketing stated, “Our annual unsponsored steelbands cheque disbursement is in fact an initiative of the Foundation, which focuses on providing sponsorship in the areas of youth development, breast cancer education and awareness, general philanthropy, sport and of course, our culture – which the steelband movement in Trinidad and Tobago has played a significant role in enriching.”

Scotiabank has long supported the well-being of communities around the world in some 50 countries in which we operate. The Bank contributes to community causes focused on health, education, social services and arts and culture. In addition to Scotiabank’s corporate efforts, our employees at all levels volunteer their time, skills and money, individually and through teamwork, to support community causes that are important to them. Scotiabank is on the World Wide Web at www.scotiabank.com.

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