

## Greg Harvey

Greg has done everything he can to help his community during COVID-19, so it's no surprise he is receiving this award.

Throughout 2020, Greg managed to organize a COVID-19 emergency food response through his church, First Serving, providing meals for 750 people; he supported local restaurants by purchasing 120 meals for first responders; during Christmas season, he sponsored 400 meal servings through First Serving, and he sponsored two families through his children's school.

Greg says the response to these few acts of service during the pandemic has been overwhelmingly positive. The kids' school donation was a bit of a fluke, as Greg had been talking to one of the teachers, and she mentioned they were having a little trouble raising funds for two families from the school who were in desperate need. Greg went home discussed the issue with his family and they decided to help. Greg went and bought enough gift cards to meet their needs and delivered them that evening with his two boys.

Greg also is on the Norfolk General Hospital Golf Tournament Committee, participates in Movember, and actively supports the MS Society.

In his personal life, Greg coaches his sons' hockey teams and used to help out with their soccer, lacrosse and baseball teams.

Greg had no idea that his Regional Director, Kevin Reid, had nominated him for the Herbert H. Carnegie Community Commitment Program award. He was shocked and humbled when he found out he won, especially considering the many great people who work with IG, he says. He, his wife, and their two sons will be deciding together where the \$5,000 prize donation will be contributed to. It's important to Greg and his wife, Cheryl, to include their two sons in all of their charitable giving decisions, so that they will continue the tradition as adults, just as Greg's parents had done with him.

Greg says his greatest challenge in life has been raising his two boys. They are smart, funny, kind and loving. Greg and Cheryl decided early on to lead by example and hopefully give them the foundation they need to be pillars in their community. As the saying goes, it takes a village to raise a child, and Greg and Cheryl want to be active members in that village.

### **Advice to fellow Consultants**

*"We are very blessed in our profession and at IG. Giving back is just the right thing to do. I think if you find something you enjoy and are passionate about, it becomes a part of you and it just gets done."*

