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## SHOP LOCAL Dollar (AKA Chamber Dollars) Participation Agreement

between:

**CHAMBER**

North Perth Chamber of Commerce  
580 Main Street West, Listowel ON, N4W 1A8

AND

**MERCHANT**

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The MERCHANT agrees to be a voluntary participant in the SHOP LOCAL Dollar Program run by the NORTH PERTH CHAMBER OF COMMERCE and consents to following the terms as set out in this Agreement.

The MERCHANT agrees to accept SHOP LOCAL DOLLARS at their place of business, treating these dollars like legal tender, and providing change if necessary to the customer.

The MERCHANT will receive email updates regarding the current amount of dollars in circulation, and updates regarding the dollars.

If at anytime the MERCHANT decides to discontinue participation in the SHOP LOCAL Dollar Program, we must be informed, to remove your business name from our lists.

The CHAMBER agrees to provide the MERCHANT with a professionally printed sign for your window and decals for your cash register that will allow patrons to know that SHOP LOCAL Dollars are 'accepted here'.

The CHAMBER agrees to include the MERCHANT's name on their website naming them as a participant in the SHOP LOCAL Dollar Program.

The CHAMBER agrees to market and promote the SHOP LOCAL Dollar program on behalf of all participants.

The CHAMBER will work diligently to exchange a cheque for your Shop Local Dollars being redeemed within five business days.

**MERCHANT SIGNATURE**

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Date \_\_\_\_\_  CHAMBER MEMBER  NON-MEMBER



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## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

### **Q- *What is the purpose of Shop Local Dollars?***

- A- These dollars can only be spent at participating North Perth businesses. This will put a cap on a great amount of retail leakage as well as create excitement among shoppers. These dollars were created by the Chamber of Commerce in 2008, and the entire expense of running this program is embraced by your local Chamber to encourage and support shopping locally.
- B- As of 2019, there is \$50, \$20, \$10 & \$5 denominations in circulation.

### **Q- *Is there any cost to the merchant?***

*Members get signs and decals for free, Non-Member cost is \$20*

### **Q- *How do people get Shop Local Dollars?***

- A- Dollars can be purchased at Libro Credit Union using cash, certified cheque or e-transfer. It is recommended that the dollars are ordered ahead of pick up, using a PURCHASE DOLLARS form.

### **Q- *If I accept Shop Local Dollars how can I be sure they are not counterfeit bills?***

- A- Each bill is numbered and printed on KANT KOPY PAPER. They are all embossed with the NPCC seal. DO NOT ACCEPT BILLS THAT DO NOT HAVE THE SEAL.

### **Q- *Where can people spend these Shop Local Dollars?***

- A- Any business in North Perth has the opportunity to participate. All participating businesses are given a professionally printed sign to display letting patrons know they can spend their Shop Local Dollars in this establishment. There is also a list at [www.npchamber.com/shop-local-dollars](http://www.npchamber.com/shop-local-dollars) and people will receive a list when they purchase the dollars.

### **Q- *As a business, how do I redeem my Shop Local Dollars***

- A- At any time you can submit your dollars at the Chamber office, filling out the 'REDEEMING DOLLARS' online form, that is found on our website. Within 5 business days we will issue you a cheque for the redeemed dollars. We make every attempt to redeem as quickly as possible for our Chamber members!

### **Q- *Can I give change?***

- A- Yes. Give change. We hear that usually people do spend most of their dollars intentionally. Keeping staff informed of this is important as well. We do encourage you to make this transaction as easy as possible for the shopper.

**UPDATES TO THIS PROGRAM ARE FOUND ONLINE:**  
[www.npchamber.com/shop-local-dollars](http://www.npchamber.com/shop-local-dollars)