



COMMUNITY FOUNDATION GREY BRUCE

We're here for good.

Listening to our community is important. Community Foundation Grey Bruce has been reaching out across the region, meeting people in their communities and reflecting back the stories we've heard about the amazing work of local charities and non-profits. Our first Summer Road Show, with the help of generous community sponsors, helped us to stage pop-up granting events across Grey and Bruce. We utilized social media to broadcast the wonderful pictures and stories about what we saw and heard.

[#youmakeyourcommunity](#)

Summer Road Show

22 Road Show stops

15 communities visited

Dundalk . Port Elgin . Hanover
Kincardine . Markdale . Neustadt
Saugeen First Nation . Southampton
Meaford . Thornbury . Walkerton
Neyaashiinigmiing . Warton
Ripley . Owen Sound

\$188,000 in community grants distributed

65 projects, scholarships & bursaries awarded



Report to the Community 2018

Join the Vital Conversation!

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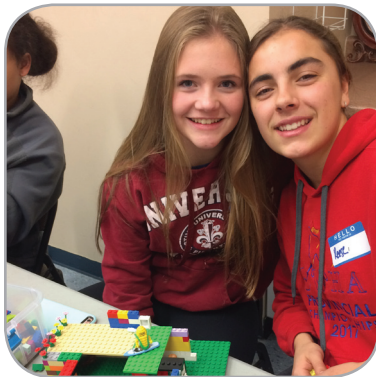


A Message from the Chair of the Board of Directors and the Executive Director

Report to the Community 2018



Our first Vital Signs® report released in 2016, pointed out that youth retention is a big issue in Grey Bruce. Over the past year, the Foundation has been reaching out to youth to talk to them, listen to them about what needs to change in our community from their perspective. Over the summer of 2018, the Foundation released a series of short videos created by youth on topics important to them. Each video addresses an issue that was brought forward at the two Vital Conversations held at youth centres in Hanover and Wiarton in November 2017. We heard concerns about the lack of a regional transportation system, the missing opportunities for youth to have a voice on key decisions that affect their lives, the need for more safe youth gathering spaces, an awareness of the need for support for mental wellness, and the impacts of substance abuse in Grey Bruce. The concepts and scripts for the videos were developed by a group of high school students from Owen Sound District Secondary School, in consultation



Youth participants at Vital Conversation in Wiarton, 2017.

with Youth Facilitator Jason Cranny. The videos urge adults to pay attention to youth, and reinforce the understanding that youth have lots to say – they just need to be invited to the table. The Vital Conversations, the production of the videos and consultation have been supported by The Community Fund for Canada's 150th and Community Foundations of Canada. The videos are intended for sharing and use the hashtag #JustAskUs. You can view them on the Foundation's website or Facebook page.

In 2017, our Board, with generous support from Bruce Power, engaged David McLaren and Lenore Keeshig Tobias to run a day long workshop on the history of treaties in the Saugeen Ojibway Nation for a circle of community leaders. This opportunity for self-education on shared histories with Indigenous peoples follows through on calls to action outlined in the Truth and Reconciliation report.

This year, with the financial assistance of Joe and Marilyn Hunt and the Eva LeFlar Fund, we were able to purchase a new online software system designed for community foundations. We utilized Foundant Grant Lifecycle to administer our granting programs in 2018. Presently, we are transitioning our finance and fund management over to Foundant Community Suite. You will see some new services available to donors, fundholders and grant seekers in the coming year. These support systems are essential for our staff to manage the growth and complexity of our work and we are delighted to be utilizing a system that is specifically designed for community foundations.

Our Staff



Wendy Bachiu, Kate Baker, Stuart Reid, Sonya Mount and Brenda O'Neill



Participants at Spring Granting Fair, 2018.

Our Spring Granting Fair is another important event on the yearly calendar. Last year we had 7 funders available to meet and talk with over 120 reps from regional charities and non-profits. The speed-dating table rotations meant everyone met 5 of the funding bodies.

It's the people that make Community Foundation Grey Bruce an effective organization. On behalf of the Board of Directors we would like to extend our gratitude to our talented staff and all the Ambassadors who are committed to the cause. This year we offer special thanks to two retiring colleagues for their many years of service to our Foundation Board: Glen Henry and Nicole Amos-Uotila are concluding their terms. Justin King resigned his post mid-year and we also thank him for his time with CFGB. Our Foundation is governed by local talent and expertise – these important community members know that #YouMakeYourCommunity.

Thank you for your support and engagement with our Foundation. We're here for good.

Maureen Solecki

Maureen Solecki, Chair

Stuart Reid

Stuart Reid, Executive Director

Board of Directors 2017- 2018



Nicole Amos-Uotila



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Glen Henry



Cheryl Ann Hynds



Justin King
(Retired June 2018)



Terry King



Martha Pedoniquotte



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New Endowment & Education Funds

Chapman House Endowed Fund

supports Residential Hospice of Grey Bruce operations

Clark & Sugarman Family Fund

supports education, the environment or projects with a focus on Indigenous people

Ojibwe Cultural Foundation Endowed Fund

supports ongoing operations of the Ojibwe Cultural Foundation

Owen Sound Artists' Co-op (The Workshop) Endowed Fund

supports operation of The Workshop, an extension of the Owen Sound Artists' Co-op

Sheguiandah First Nation Scholarship Fund

provides bursaries to students from Sheguiandah First Nation to pursue post-secondary education

Ted & Carol Hopper Endowed Fund

assists Owen Sound area youth to access sports and recreation

The Reider Cup Endowment Fund

set up in July 2018, this fund intends to benefit the community for generations to come

Featured Fund

Owen Sound Artist's Co-Op (The Workshop)



Members at felting demonstration.
Right: Jewellery tools.

The Workshop, located in downtown Owen Sound, is a natural extension of the city's Artists' Co-op.

The endowed fund will support five streams of use for the new facility. As an artistic and creative hub, it will build partnerships with Georgian College, Tom Thomson Art Gallery, local artists and galleries, single media arts and community service organizations. An artist resident program will provide studio space and equipment for recent accredited arts graduates. Workshops and teaching opportunities provide professional development for artists. Access to studio space and equipment helps practicing and emerging artists. Access to hands-on education opportunities will benefit youth, adults, seniors and community service groups. The emphasis is on printmaking, pottery and jewellery, and a swing space/classroom, where other media can be explored.

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Community Foundation Grey Bruce Balance Sheet

December 31	2017	2016
Assets:		
Current		
Cash	\$ 95,575	\$ 117,319
Investments	16,034,053	15,361,841
Cash Surrender Value of Life Insurance	11,772	13,218
Accounts Receivable	15,615	11,828
Prepaid Expenses	1,243	1,243
	<u>\$16,158,258</u>	<u>\$15,505,449</u>
Liabilities and Fund Balances:		
Current		
Accounts Payable	\$ 8,693	\$ 16,243
Fund Balances		
Externally Restricted		
Endowments	14,057,931	13,642,937
Donor Restricted	1,695,604	1,438,429
Operating	396,030	407,840
	<u>16,149,565</u>	<u>15,489,206</u>
	<u>\$16,158,258</u>	<u>\$15,505,449</u>

Audited statement, prepared by BDO Chartered Accountants, available on line at www.communityfoundationgreybruce.com

Great Lakes One Water (GLOW) Partnership



The Huron Basin working group gather on the Saginaw River in Bay City, MI.

Community Foundation Grey Bruce has joined 30 shoreline community foundations that will work across borders to drive progress on water challenges. It is a multi-year initiative supported by the Great Lakes Protection Fund and the Council of Michigan Foundations. Community Foundation Grey Bruce is one of 6 Canadian foundations participating in the project. The project will focus on engaging shoreline community foundations in collaborative working groups to advance a new era of water infrastructure management for the benefit of our ecosystems as well as the people and businesses that thrive around the Great Lakes. We look forward to sharing our Action Agenda with you in 2019.

Goal of \$1M in New Education Funds Surpassed



(L to R) Lyle Love, fundholder; Kim West, fundholder and Past Board Chair; Stuart Reid, Executive Director; Bill Walker, fundholder and MPP Bruce Grey Owen Sound; Alana Murray, Bluewater District School Board; Maureen Solecki, Board Chair. Photo: Jamie Pettit, Bluewater District School Board

In 2011, then Governor General of Canada, David Johnston extended a call to action to all Community Foundations across Canada: "Join me in imagining our country as it could be ... a smart and caring nation, where all Canadians can succeed, contribute, and develop their talents to their fullest potential."

Community Foundation Grey Bruce rose to the challenge in 2013, creating a Smart & Caring Community Fund initiative with a 4-year goal of \$1 million in new education endowed funds to support Grey Bruce students with their studies. One of the highlights of the past year was announcing that the goal was not only

met but exceeded! Community Foundation Grey Bruce's education fund now totals more than 1.8 million dollars. This fund is available to students seeking post-secondary education, skills upgrades, work-place training, apprenticeships and trades education for both Indigenous and non-Indigenous students across our region. We're so grateful to all the individuals and families that accepted the challenge along the way and came forward to contribute new funds to support local students in their chosen education pathway. Grey Bruce is truly a Smart & Caring Community!

Community Funds

Community Foundation Grey Bruce is pleased to have 5 Community Funds under its umbrella: Grey Highlands, Kincardine, Meaford, Owen Sound and Saugeen Shores.

The grants from each Community Fund are disbursed to projects within that municipal

boundary. Community Funds are managed by a volunteer advisory committee. These funds enrich the quality of life for the people of each municipality by supporting the good work of non-profits and charities.



Owen Sound Community Fund celebrates Random Act of Kindness Day, November 2017.



The Foundation team participated in the Kincardine Community Fund's Cardboard Boat Race in 2017.

A Heartfelt Thank You To Our Volunteers

The Board is supported by volunteers that sit on committees. To these dedicated community members, we also extend our thanks.

Community Ambassadors



Ambassadors at Spring Forum in Port Elgin.

Reaching out across our region, the Community Foundation is served well by over 28 Ambassadors – former Board members and community leaders who continue to represent the Foundation in their areas. Over the past year we had two Ambassador Forums: in the fall we gathered at Wes for Youth Online in Walkerton then in the spring we met at the Port Elgin Public Library. These meetings are an important opportunity to gather together to network and discuss new topics in the world of community philanthropy.

Board Members Recognized with Provincial Honours



Lisa Thompson, MPP (left) and Bill Walker, MPP (right) congratulate Terry King, Kim West and Glen Henry.

In April, five Board members were recognized for Years of Service with the Foundation at the Ontario Volunteer Service Awards held at the Bayshore Community Centre, Owen Sound.

- 5 years: Donna Elliott, Glen Henry
- 10 years: Kim West, Ron Todd
- 20 years: Terry King



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