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Report to the Community



SUNSHINE COAST FOUNDATION

BUILDING COMMUNITY. CREATING A LEGACY.

New Name and Look

Same mission to serve our Community

After nearly two decades as the Sunshine Coast Community Foundation, we are very pleased and proud to announce that we have changed our name to **Sunshine Coast Foundation**, with a new motto *“Building Community. Creating a Legacy.”* We hope to reduce confusion between the Foundation and similarly named organizations and to provide the opportunity to strengthen awareness of and support for our Foundation in the community. Our mission and commitment to serving the people and organizations of the Sunshine Coast remain the same. Please watch for our new website at www.sunshinecoastfoundation.ca.

WHAT DOES THE SUNSHINE COAST FOUNDATION DO?



GROW

We carefully and permanently invest donors' gifts to generate annual funding for local charities.



GUIDE

We advise donors where the needs in our community are greatest and which charities are meeting those needs.



GIVE

We provide funding each year to charities that are enriching life on the Sunshine Coast.

COVID-19 Pandemic and the Foundation's Response

► See the full list of COVID-19 Relief Grant recipients at www.sccfoundation.com.

IN MID-MARCH 2020, THE ENTIRE world virtually shut down to prevent the spread of the coronavirus and protect people with health vulnerabilities. These measures caused unanticipated and significant impacts on many local organizations, which had to cancel fundraising events and most other scheduled activities. The Foundation responded quickly, establishing its COVID-19 Emergency Relief Fund less

than a month into the shut down and seeding it with \$50,000.

Our community also responded, donating more than \$20,000 to the fund. Additional gifts were provided by the Vancouver Foundation, the Rotary Club of Gibsons, and the District of Sechelt's Community Forest Legacy Fund. The Foundation established a streamlined application

and decision-making process to award grants to charities serving the most vulnerable of our neighbours or those incurring unexpected expenses as they work to find new ways of carrying on. The outcome is the awarding of financial support of more than \$109,000 to dozens of Sunshine Coast charities.

To make a donation or apply for a grant, visit sccfoundation.com.

2020 Grant Recipients

Twelve community grants were made on the recommendation of the Foundation's Grants Committee. Nineteen additional grants were awarded on the recommendation of donor advisors.

Arts, Culture, and Heritage

Fibreshed Slow Fashion Climate Action Project \$2,500

Sunshine Coast Arts Council and Sunshine Coast Fibreshed Society

New Music \$235

Sunshine Coast Music Society and Suncoast Phoenix Community Choir

Operations Support \$280

Gibsons Landing Heritage Society

Operations Support \$15,080

Sunshine Coast Festival of the Written Arts

Operations Support \$710

Sunshine Coast Museum and Archives Society

Education

Operations Support \$440

Gibsons Marine Education Centre Society

Pender Harbour Learning Centre \$4,000

Pender Harbour Community Improvement Foundation and Pender Harbour Community School

Environment

Restoring Fire-damaged Wetlands near John Phare Lake \$3,555

British Columbia Conservation Foundation and Sunshine Coast Wildlife Project

Volunteer Environmental Education Program \$4,425

Gibsons Marine Education Centre Society

Health, Wellness, and Safety

Complicated Bereavement Clinical Counselling \$4,180

Sunshine Coast Hospice Society

Kids Don't Float PFD Program \$850

Pender Harbour & District Marine Rescue Society and RCMSAR Station #61

Operations Support \$310

Arrowhead Clubhouse Society

Operations Support \$1,700

Sunshine Coast Hospice Society

Operations Support \$9,890

Sechelt Hospital Foundation

Operations Support \$2,290

Sunshine Coast Marine Rescue Society and RCMSAR Station #12

Operations Support \$700

Sunshine Coast School District #46 Breakfast for Kids

Sunshine Coast Capacity Building in Suicide Prevention \$4,315

Crisis Intervention and Suicide Prevention Centre of BC

Social Development

Gibsons Parent and Tot Drop In \$1,930

Sunshine Coast Community Services Society

Operations Support \$510

RainCity Housing Society

Operations Support \$1,650

Sunshine Coast Association for Community Living

Operations Support \$1,822

Sunshine Coast Community Services Society

Sechelt Parent and Tot Drop In \$4,500

Sunshine Coast Community Services Society

Tiny Gumboot Farm \$5,650

Roberts Creek Childcare Society and One Straw Society

Sport and Recreation

High School Track and Field Program \$3,706

School District #46 Secondary Schools

Operations Support \$2,800

KidSport Sunshine Coast Chapter

Scholarships

This year, three graduating secondary school students benefitted from scholarships held at the Community Foundation:

Larry Ennis Scholarship in Woodworking

James Kooyman, Chatelech \$1,000

Robertson/McDonald Education Scholarship

Carmen Fuller, Pender Harbour \$1,000

Visual Arts Scholarship

Hana Shinkai, Elphinstone \$1,000



► Staff and members of the Clubhouse in the Kitchen.

Granting Impact: Arrowhead Clubhouse Society

Arrowhead is a local community centre in downtown Sechelt operated in partnership with the Sunshine Coast Community Services Society. It provides a safe space and promotes recovery for adults with persistent mental health issues. At the Clubhouse, members can access meals (7,500 meals served last year), peer support, computers, laundry, bathroom and shower facilities, advocacy and referrals,

We were able to open on six Sundays this past year; that helped to keep our vulnerable members off the street and engaged in healthy activities more often.

FOYE HATTON, PROJECT LEAD

and training services. The Clubhouse serves 230 members, 30-40 of whom use the facility daily. It also operates eight housing units, a community garden, and offers field trips. Last year, the Clubhouse found itself with more demands for its services than it was able to meet with the existing staff complement. It approached the Foundation and was awarded a grant to help it hire additional staff and increase its opening hours.

Intentional Grants Program



IN 2020, THE FOUNDATION INITIATED A NEW GRANTS stream that we call “intentional grants”. Its purpose is to address systemic and challenging issues that hold our community and its residents back from fulfilling their potential. Based on past Vital Signs reports and community surveys, our Board has chosen to focus on housing affordability and food security as the priorities for these grants. By offering larger grants for up to three consecutive years, we hope to provide increased capacity to organizations that are making headway against these issues.

This year, the Foundation awarded \$20,000 each to the Sunshine Coast Affordable Housing Society in partnership with the New Market Funds Society to address critical housing needs, and to the Sunshine Coast Community Services Society for food security and community kitchen programming associated with its new facility in Sechelt. These grants are renewable in 2021 and 2022.

Donor Spotlight

Schell Family Endowment: A Lasting Legacy for the Love of Reading



STORYTELLING IS TRADITION IN THE SCHELL FAMILY.

Anne and Bill Schell shared their love of literature through weekly library visits, reading aloud and bedtime stories, and giving gifts of books on special occasions to

their children and grandchildren.

Anne’s daughter, Maggie, describes her mom as a life-long learner for whom reading was a way of exploring and expanding her view of the world. After moving to the Sunshine Coast, Maggie became a regular attendee of the Sunshine Coast Festival of

the Written Arts. Her mother Anne, her aunt, and the members of their book club made the pilgrimage to the Festival several times. Maggie volunteered with the Festival and then joined the Board of Directors. Maggie established the Schell Family Endowment through the Sunshine Coast Foundation in 2019 to honour her mother Anne on her 100th birthday. Sadly, Anne passed away in the spring of 2020.

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**THE SCHELL FAMILY ENDOWMENT WILL
GENERATE AN ANNUAL GRANT TO SUPPORT
THE LEGACY OF LITERACY TO WHICH THE
SUNSHINE COAST FESTIVAL OF THE WRITTEN
ARTS IS PASSIONATELY COMMITTED.**
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Contact the Foundation to discuss starting a fund in honour of someone you love.

Community Legacy Funds provide resources for the Foundation's annual grants program

Barrie and Frances Stewart Family
Bill and Trudene Longman
Community Legacy
Fiedler Family
John and Maria Manley Memorial
TELUS Community Ambassadors
Sunshine Coast Credit Union
Terry and Sandy McBride Family
Vera Elizabeth Barron Memorial

Agency Funds provide a reliable stream of income to their creators

Sunshine Coast Arts Council

Doris Crowston
Award in Honour of Frances Wasserlein
Music Award in Honour of Louise Baril
Award in Honour of Anne and Phillip Klein
Award in Honour of Gillian Lowndes

Sunshine Coast Community Services Society

Sunshine Coast Community Services
Daniel Kingsbury Music for Youth

Sunshine Coast Festival of the Written Arts

Sunshine Coast Festival of the Written Arts
Arts Legacy of Literacy
● Gwen Bennett

Barrie Wilbee Bursary for Entrepreneurs, for Sunshine Coast Community Futures
Canadian Federation University Women Bursary Committee-Sunshine Coast
Coast Recital Society
Gibsons Public Art Gallery
● Habitat for Humanity Sunshine Coast

Endowments are permanently held and invested funds that generate revenues. Each year the Foundation awards a portion of that income to fund the operations or projects of local charities. In 2019, the Foundation established four new endowments. ● *Indicates a new endowment*

Iris Lowen, for Sechelt Public Library Association
Joop and Jessie Burgerjon, for Sargeant Bay Society
Marine Rescue, for Royal Canadian Marine Search and Rescue of Gibsons, Halfmoon Bay, and Pender Harbour
Pender Harbour and District Health Centre Society
Sunshine Coast Botanical Garden
Sunshine Coast Foundation Operating
Sunshine Coast Hospice Society

Donor-Designated Funds direct grants to a specific organization

Bill and Joan Humphries for the Town of Gibsons
Dickey Family in Support of Sechelt Hospital Foundation
Frank and Muriel Daly Youth in Sports, for Sunshine Coast chapter of KidSport
Halfmoon Bay Heritage, for Sunshine Coast Museum and Archives
Hungry Children on the Sunshine Coast, for Sunshine Coast School District #46
Jack and Sheila Carlson Family, for Sunshine Coast Hospice Society
John and Janey Talbot Family, for Arrowhead Clubhouse Society
Ken Moore Marine Rescue, for Sunshine Coast Marine Rescue Society
Lynn Pakulak, for Sunshine Coast Festival of the Written Arts
Marie Steel Memorial, for Sunshine Coast Festival of the Written Arts
Marine Education, for the Nicholas Sonntag Marine Education Centre
● Schell Family Endowment, for the Festival of the Written Arts

Vulnerable Communities on the Sunshine Coast, for Sunshine Coast Community Services Society

Donor-Advised Funds allow donors to influence grant-making

Bate and Foley Family to End Homelessness
Chad and Erika Price Family
Crosby/Esson Family
Howe Sound Pulp and Paper Employees
Jean and Arthur Clarke
John Vance Legacy
McFarland Family
R. Clayton Family
Robert Johnston Family
Rotary Club of Gibsons
Sunshine Coast Youth Sports Endowment

Field of Interest Endowments provide funding to specific charitable causes

Blane and Henny Hagedorn Family, for Health and Wellness
Environmental Legacy
Gibsons Landing Fibre Arts Festival
Sue Milne Memorial Choral Youth Legacy

Scholarships and Bursaries support graduating high school students

Larry Ennis Scholarship in Woodworking
Robertson/McDonald Family Education
Sunshine Coast Visual Arts
● Thielke and Cox Scholarship

Temporary Funds draw down the capital over time

Town of Gibsons Capital Projects Fund
Covid-19 Emergency Relief Fund

Jonathan Mason Hird
A Legacy of Giving

IN 2019, THE SUNSHINE COAST FOUNDATION RECEIVED a generous gift from the estate of Jonathan Hird, a long-time Gibsons resident.

Jon grew up in Australia and served five years in the Australian Royal Navy before moving to Vancouver. In 1989, Jon moved to Gibsons, where he lived for the next 30 years. Throughout that time, Jon volunteered with the Food Bank, the Legion, the Jazz Festival, and Sea Cavalcade. He also served on the Sunshine Coast

Museum and Archives Board. In 2018, Jon was recognized by the RCMP for a decade of volunteering with Speed Watch.

In summer 2017, Jon became ill. He arranged in his Will to gift the proceeds of his home to organizations that were important to him. He was drawn to the values of the Sunshine Coast Foundation and saw an opportunity give locally in a meaningful and sustainable way. We are honoured to be a part of Jon's generous legacy to our community.



▶ Jonathan Hird receiving recognition from the RCMP in 2018

Our Foundation

2020-2021

- ▶ Foundation Executive Director, Wendy Francis, is top centre. Clockwise from top right are Board members Elfie Hofmann, Doug Allan, Vicki Dobbyn, Cathy Smider, Chad Price, Judy Rother, and Manjit Kang, with Carmen Sombrowski in the middle. Missing: Dave Doig.



Message from the Chair, Manjit Kang

I am proud to have been chosen to Chair the Board of the Foundation for 2020-2021. I take the reins during a time of change and growth. Although the economic impacts of the global pandemic caused the value of our invested funds to fall during the first quarter of 2020, they have returned to their pre-COVID levels. We are now stewarding nearly \$6 Million and generating \$165,000 annually for community grants. Since the Foundation began granting in 2005, it has distributed more than \$1.5 Million in funding to local projects.

This year, in addition to awarding \$169,000 in regular grants, we have also forwarded more than \$109,000 to 25 community organizations who are struggling because of the restrictions associated with the coronavirus.

By participating in the national Vital Signs program, Sunshine Coast Foundation contributes to the knowledge respond to longstanding and emerging needs. In 2019, we celebrated the 10th anniversary of local Vital Signs reports by publishing an update on many indicators of our community's health.

I'm proud to be part of the Foundation's ongoing contributions to the well-being of our community, and invite you to help make a positive difference on the Sunshine Coast by donating to one of our funds or establishing a new fund with the Foundation. Please contact us to find out how.



Message from the Executive Director, Wendy Francis

This has been an unusual year, to say the least! Like many organizations, we have changed the way that we operate, while continuing to provide the same levels of funding to the local charities that we support. At the same time, our Sunshine Coast community responded very generously to the call for gifts to the Sunshine Coast Covid-19 Emergency Relief Fund and other local appeals for financial assistance.

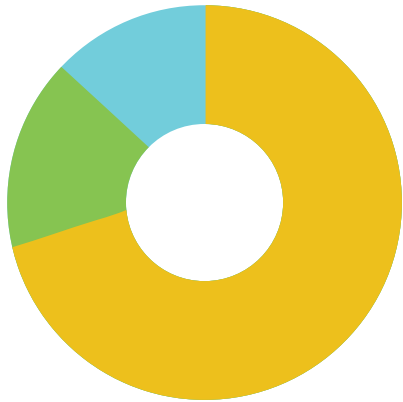
This generous response from our community is validated by the results of a survey of 400 Sunshine Coast residents conducted by the Foundation in July of 2019. It revealed very high levels of community engagement, in most cases higher than the provincial average, while also identifying barriers to civic involvement that need to be addressed. We were pleased to share the results of that survey earlier this year with local governments and community leaders.

Throughout 2019 generous donors helped to grow the capital in the Foundation's endowments by more than half a million dollars, allowing us to end the year with \$5.7 Million invested. As this pool of capital grows, so also do the size and number of grants that the Foundation is able to award to support local community needs.

Please contact me with any questions or comments about the Foundation or our work, or to discuss how you can make a gift that will generate community benefits forever.

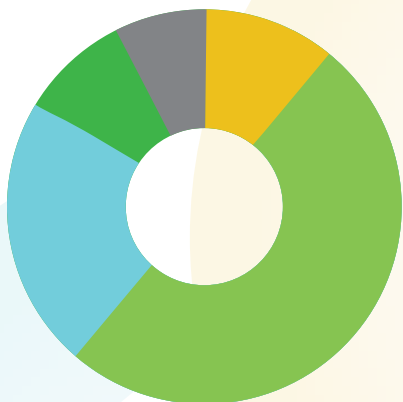
2019 Financial Summary

2019 Revenues: \$739,454



- Donations: \$552,551
- Earnings from Endowments: \$141,536
- Grants: \$99,367

2019 Expenses: \$739,454



- Charitable Programs: \$91,059
- Endowment Contributions: \$388,774
- Grants to Local Charities: \$165,365
- Salaries and Benefits: \$71,714
- Operating Expenses: \$76,542

How You Can Help

The Sunshine Coast Foundation's support for local charities depends on donations that come largely from individuals. You can make a tax-deductible donation of any size to support our operations, or you can give to the Community Legacy Fund, to help us grow the funding we give to organizations serving those on the Sunshine Coast. Alternatively, you can create your own endowment to support a specific cause or charity. Making a bequest in your Will is a great way to leave a legacy that will generate community benefits forever. Please contact the Foundation to discuss any of these options.

If you have an interest in helping us make a difference here on the Sunshine Coast, contact us to see if becoming a board member is right for you.

The Sunshine Coast Foundation is accredited by



Imagine Canada, your assurance that we adhere to the highest standards of accountability and transparency in managing our operations and funds entrusted with us.

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