

Celebrating
35 Years of Inspiration

2017-2018









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COur Mission

To build a better Windsor-Essex Community by: attracting and managing legacy funds, making grants to support community programs, and bringing partners together.



OUR HISTORY – Celebrating 35 Years of Inspiration!

In 1983, a group of civic leaders had the forward-thinking idea to develop a foundation where legacy-giving would fund future gift-giving, and from this vision Heritage Windsor was formed. Originally dedicated to reclaiming Windsor's riverfront through projects such as the Peace Fountain, the Peace Beacon and Bert Weeks Memorial Garden, the Foundation soon broadened its scope. Changing names to the Greater Windsor Community Foundation, our reach and support extended to countless landmarks across Windsor-Essex including the Ojibway Prairie Complex, the Ganatchio Trail extension, Charles Clark Square, Willistead Manor, and more recently, the Great Canadian Flag Project. Another name change in 2008, to the WindsorEssex Community Foundation (WECF), reflected our commitment to serve both City and County. We are proud to continue our outreach of funding to charitable organizations throughout the community, increasing capacity through community partnerships.

Over the past 35 years the WECF has accumulated **\$16.3 million** in assets and has granted **\$6.9 million** to a wide array of charitable programs. Today, the WECF has expanded its legacy-giving through the form of community initiatives, such as Random Act of Kindness DayTM, Vital Signs[®] and the Vitality Legacy Program, providing donors with unique ways to support and build Windsor-Essex. We look forward to what the next 35 years will bring!

MESSAGE FROM THE BOARD CHAIR & EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

On this 35th anniversary we are pleased to report another notable year and are proud to continue to work with you to build our strong and philanthropic community!

Our impact continues to grow as we invest in our local organizations and the work that they do, this year granting \$519,937 to worthy causes within our community. We are proud of the scope of our various programs including our donor advised and designated funds, scholarships, agency partnerships, and granting initiatives and will work with our local non-profits and philanthropists to build long lasting partnerships and legacy funds. We are honoured that seven new funds were created at the WECF this year and we want to thank all of our new, current, and past fund holders for selecting the WECF as the steward of your funds.

As our presence in Windsor-Essex expands, so do our programs. This year, for the first time, the members of the Inspiration 100™ Association disbursed a total of \$20,000 to four local charities. Random Act of Kindness Day™ reaches more people every year, promoting kindness and building our sense of community. The 2017 Vital Signs® program added your voice to local and provincial data, taking a

snapshot of our region and reporting on how you feel we are doing pertaining to 11 different issue areas. We partnered with the Windsor Essex Local Immigration Partnership to host a Vital Conversation on Getting Started, which focused on the newcomer experience.

While we are thrilled with this year's results, we never forget, especially in this celebratory year, that they reflect the sum of the work of successive generations over three decades: donors who put their trust in the Foundation, boards whose foresight enabled us, and community partners who carry out the front line work with innovation and compassion. We appreciate all of the outstanding support we received from our Board of Directors, volunteers and the community to make this year, once again, a success! We thank our sponsors, fund holders, and donors who supported our specific programs, initiatives and funds. Please join us in supporting our community and helping make Windsor-Essex a great place in which to live, work, play and grow!



LISA KOLODY EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



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OUR TEAM – Board and Committees

We are proud to be guided by a group of talented and dedicated volunteers. Thank you for all that you do to make our community stronger!



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OUR LEADERSHIP

The WindsorEssex Community Foundation is helping to build a better Windsor-Essex through its many programs and activities including:



Vital Signs® is a national program coordinated by Community Foundations of Canada that leverages local knowledge to measure the vitality of our communities and supports action towards improving our quality of life. The report, released every October, combines national and local data with residents' views on key issue areas important to the quality of life in Windsor-Essex. Today over 100 communities across Canada and around the world use Vital Signs® to mobilize the power of community knowledge for local impact.

Thank you to our vital sponsors for their generous support!

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Inspiration 100[™] was launched in 2015 as an idea of Marty D. Solcz with the goal of assembling 100 community-minded people to commit to giving \$2,500 per year for 10 years to build an endowment within the WECF totaling over \$2.5 million over time. Inspiration 100[™] members meet annually to disburse grants to local charities. This year the Association made their first impact in the community by issuing 4 grants to local charities, totaling \$20,000! **100 people / infinite possibilities.**



For the past seven years, the WECF has brought Random Act of Kindness Day™ to Windsor -Essex, engaging our community for a one-day event celebrating kindness through small and simple acts. On November 3rd, 2017, the WECF joined the community in engaging in acts of kindness across Windsor-Essex. We are proud to say that each year, more and more individuals, groups and organizations are participating and helping to make this day a success. The 2017 Random Act of Kindness Day™ Program was made possible through the generous support of our partner:





This fund allows individuals to make monetary donations in memory of a loved one which benefit various areas of interest and support countless local charities. Every donation is held in perpetuity, ensuring your loved one's legacy will continue to support the community today and forever.



The Young Philanthropists are a group of local philanthropic-minded youth who are passionate about making Windsor-Essex an even better place to live, work, play and grow. Monies raised through various activities help to grow the Youth Endowment Fund which will help support local youth-serving charities across Windsor-Essex in perpetuity.



OUR IMPACT

GR8 Day - Crossroads Addiction Recovery Support Community Impact Grant

GR8 Day – Crossroad Addiction Recovery Support received a Community Impact Grant from the WECF to support the "We Can Help" program which provides access to individual and group counselling for marginalized individuals who are living with, or have been affected by substance abuse, and to help them address the issues and circumstances that will support their recovery. In the first seven months of the program 47 clients received services under the program, 34 new client assessments were done, 135 hours of individual addiction counselling was provided, and 20 weeks of client participation in a group relapse prevention program were subsidized.

"GR8 Day – Crossroad Addiction Recovery Support cannot express enough how truly grateful we are that the Community Impact Grant was available to us from the Windsor-Essex Community Foundation when we really needed it. Thank you. You really helped us assist fellow members of our community who are struggling." – Bruce Taylor, President, GR8 Day – Crossroad Addiction Recovery Support



The Honey Family Foundation Fund Inspires Philanthropy with their Donation to the Leamington Bank Theatre

The Honey Family Foundation, through their Donor Advised fund at the WECF, made a generous contribution of \$100,000 towards the revitalization of the Bank Theatre in Leamington. As part of the Theatre Matching Program, Mr. Honey hoped that his donation would inspire philanthropy and challenge other individuals, foundations and corporations in the community to follow suit. Not long after, the Theatre reached their fundraising goal. Working with donors like Mr. Honey, the WECF helps to make a difference in our community every day.





Inspiration 100[™] Association Members Grant a Total of \$20,000 to Four Local Charities

The Inspiration 100™ Association is a group of 100 community-minded philanthropic leaders in Windsor and Essex County committed to building a unique charitable fund held in perpetuity under the umbrella of the WECF. Granting for the first time, the Association awarded \$20,000 to four local charities. With \$5,000 each, this funding helped to support:

- The Wellness Centre at the United Church Downtown Mission
- The purchase of a Mini C-Arm, used to identify breaks and fractures in little bones, at the Windsor-Essex Care for Kids Foundation
- The provision of specialized training to 80 staff and volunteers who work with Victim Services of Windsor and Essex County
- The purchase of an infant ultrasound machine needed in the Windsor Regional Hospital Neonatal Intensive Care Unit







2017 - 2018 GRANTS

The WindsorEssex Community Foundation granted \$519,937 this year!

COMMUNITY IMPACT GRANTS

Community Impact Grants (CIG) provide up to \$15,000 in funding for projects or programs that forge partnerships, tackle important issues, and have a lasting impact on the Windsor-Essex Community. CIGs fall into seven categories: Health & Human Services; Arts, Culture & Heritage; Recreation & Sport; Environment; Education & Literacy; Children & Youth; and Community Development. CIGs open for applications once per year. This year we were proud to disburse \$90,000 worth of grants to local charities and communities including:

CommUnity Partnership
Dads Matter Steering Committee
GR8 Day - Crossroads Addiction Recovery Support
Multicultural Council of Windsor and Essex County
Pelee Island Community Arts

The Windsor Residence for Young Men Windsor Pride Community Education and Resource Centre Windsor-Essex Therapeutic Riding Association YMCA of Windsor and Essex County

FAST TRACK GRANTS

Open for applications on an on-going basis throughout the year. Fast Track Grants provide up to \$1,000 in funding to those that require funds quickly to help cover unexpected expenses.

Community Living Essex County
Coronation Public School
Essex County Diversion Program
F.J. Brennan High School Justice League
Italian Canadian Handicapable Association

Multicultural Council of Windsor and Essex County Ontario Student Nutrition Program Windsor-Essex Children's Aid Foundation

KIDSTART GRANTS

KidStart Grants are offered in partnership with the GECDSB and the WECDSB. They provide funding up to \$500 to individual classrooms at the elementary level in order for students to undertake a special project in the community.

Greater Essex County District School Board

A.V. Graham Public School
Colchester North Public School
Coronation Public School
Giles Campus French Immersion Public School
Princess Elizabeth Public School
Tecumseh Vista Academy

Windsor Essex Catholic District School Board Assumption College Catholic Middle School



The Community Foundation can help you make the most of your charitable giving by:

- Giving you the benefits of a private foundation without the administration.
- Connecting you with programs that interest you.
- Building your legacy by providing maximum tax savings and investment management.



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2017 - 2018 GRANTS

AGENCY GRANTS

Kiwanis Music Festival Fund Kiwanis Music Festival Windsor-Essex County

Sunshine Point Camp Fund Sunshine Point Camp

Toldo Foundation Arts Fund Windsor Symphony Society

Toldo Foundation Arts Matching Fund Windsor Symphony Society

Windsor Symphony Society Matching Fund

Windsor Symphony Society

DONOR ADVISED GRANTS Chad Ranni Memorial Fund

Rotary Club of LaSalle Centennial United Church Downtown Mission Windsor-Essex Children's Aid Foundation

Class Action Community Fund Sunshine Point Camp

Facca Endowment Fund Windsor Regional Hospital Foundation

Freed-Orman Families Fund United Way / Centraide of Windsor-Essex

Hitchcock Family Foundation Fund Amherstburg Food and Fellowship Mission

Cambridge Self-Help Food Bank Inc. District 69 Society of Organized Services Sarnia and District Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Society of St. Vincent de Paul, St. Raphael of Hamilton ON University of Toronto University of Waterloo Windsor Essex County Cancer Foundation

Honey Family Foundation Fund

Learnington Horticultural Society Municipality of Leamington - The Bank Theatre The Jack Miner Migratory Bird Foundation

Inspiration 100™ Endowment Fund

United Church Downtown Mission Victim Services of Windsor and Essex County Windsor-Essex Care for Kids Foundation Windsor Regional Hospital Foundation - NICU

J & J Vollmer Fund

Alzheimer Society of Windsor and Essex County LaSalle Hangout for Youth Rotary Club of Windsor Foundation Fund

DONOR DESIGNATED GRANTS Dorothy and Sydney Lawton Fund

Italian Canadian Handicapable Association

FLOW THROUGH GRANTS

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Windsor Essex Foundation Canterbury ElderCollege Hiatus House Second Chance Ministry

Sunshine Point Camp The Windsor Symphony Society VON Windsor Essex Community Corporation Windsor Regional Hospital Foundation

Community Foundations of Canada Welcome Fund for Syrian Refugees

Multicultural Council of Windsor and Essex County

SCHOLARSHIP GRANTS

Constable John Atkison Memorial Scholarship Fund

St. Clair College

Elaine and Harvey Snaden Endowment

University of Windsor

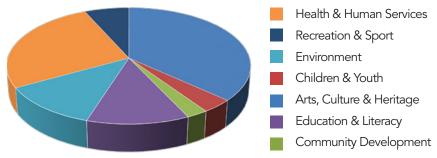
Father Matt Sheedy Scholarship Fund University of Waterloo

Gale and Irene (Knister) Taylor Scholarship Fund

Fanshawe College St. Clair College University of Windsor

Harding Electric/Morris and Ruth Harding Memorial Scholarship Fund St. Clair College

Grants Awarded by Sector 2017 - 2018









TYPES OF FUNDS:

Agency Funds allow charities a safe and efficient way to establish their own endowment fund while benefiting from our investment and administrative expertise.

Bursary and Scholarship Funds allow donors to make lasting gifts recognizing student potential. Funds provided are directed to the College or University of the student's choice.

Community Funds are composed of many gifts, large and small, each symbolizing a lasting investment in our region. Grants from these funds are awarded through our Community Impact, Fast Track and KidStart Grant programs, allowing us to respond flexibly to our communities immediate needs and priorities.

Donor Advised Funds allow fund holders to work closely with the Foundation's Grant Review Committee to select projects and organizations that mean the most to them. They operate much like private foundations, but without the cost and administrative work for the donor.

Donor Designated Funds allow donors to make lasting gifts to their favourite charities. With the establishment of a fund, donors select one or more charitable organizations to benefit from their fund.

Field of Interest Funds allow donors to identify a specific area of interest that they wish to support. Local grant recipients are determined by the Foundation's Grant Review Committee, ensuring that the fund remains responsive to the community's needs while supporting the donor's interest.

Managed Funds are established by Agencies with the Community Foundation in order for the Agency to benefit from the Foundation's professional investment management and administrative expertise.

NEW FUNDS:

Canadian Mental Health Association Endowment Fund (established October 2017)

Elaine & Harvey Snaden Endowment Fund (established November 2017)

The Jack Miner Migratory Bird Foundation Managed Fund (established June 2018)

Michael G. Solcz Endowment Fund (established October 2017)

People First of Ontario Fund (established March 2018)

Rotary Club of Windsor (1918) Centennial Scholarship Fund (established December 2017)

Sandra Beatty Endowment Fund (established March 2018)



LIST OF FUNDS:

ATHENA Scholarship Fund Established in 2004

BERL Endowment Fund Established in 2012

Canadian Mental Health Association Endowment Fund Established in 2017

Constable John Atkinson Memorial Scholarship Fund Established in 2016

Class Action Community Fund Established in 2011

C.M. (Bus) Lossing AKO Endowment Fund Established in 1999

Chad Ranni Memorial Fund Established in 2009

Dorothy & Sydney Lawton Fund Established in 2002

Elaine & Harvey Snaden Endowment Fund Established in 2017

Essex Nature Fund Established in 2001

Essex County Nature Managed Fund Established in 2016

Essex Region Conservation Foundation Managed Fund Established in 2014

Facca Endowment Fund Established in 2010

Father Matt Sheedy Scholarship Fund Established in 1992

Freed-Orman Families Fund Established in 1996

Friends of Athletics Fund Established in 2009

Friends of Ojibway Prairie Managed Fund Established in 2016

Gale & Irene (Knister) Taylor Scholarship Fund Established in 1999 Girard Riberdy Fund Established in 2016

Great Canadian Flag Project Fund Established in 2015

Harding Electric/Morris & Ruth Harding Memorial Scholarship Fund Established in 1999

Hitchcock Family Foundation Fund Established in 2015

Hocktoberfest Legacy Scholarship Fund Established in 2016

Honey Family Foundation Fund Established in 2013

Inspiration 100TM Endowment Fund Established in 2015

Islands of Green Fund Established in 2009

The Jack Miner Migratory Bird Foundation Managed Fund Established in 2018

James L. Scorgie Leadership Fund Established in 2007

Joan & Clifford Hatch Fund Established in 1997

J & J Vollmer Fund Established in 2014

Joe & Hazel Lacey Memorial Fund Established in 2009

Kiwanis Music Festival Fund Established in 2001

Michael G. Solcz Endowment Fund Established in 2017

People First of Ontario Fund Established in 2018

Riverfront Development Fund Established in 1983

Rotary Club of Windsor (1918) Centennial Scholarship Fund Established in 2017 Sandra Beatty Endowment Fund Established in 2018

Solcz Group Inc. Community Fund for Children Established in 2008

Sunshine Point Camp Fund Established in 2001

Toldo Foundation Arts Fund Established in 2013

Toldo Foundation Arts Matching Fund Established in 2014

University of Windsor Scholarship Fund Established in 1997

Vitality Fund Established in 2016

Windsor Classic Chorale Managed Fund Established in 2008

WFCU Managed Fund Established in 2010

Windsor Public Library Foundation Fund Established in 2009

Windsor Symphony Society Managed Fund Established in 1993

Windsor Symphony Society Matching Fund Established in 2004

WindsorEssex Community Foundation Operating Fund Established in 2007

WindsorEssex Community Fund Established in 1989

Windsor/Essex County Sports Hall of Fame Fund Established in 2013

Youth Endowment Fund Established in 2016

Youth Sports Support Fund Established in 2009







WINDSORESSEX COMMUNITY FOUNDATION STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION JUNE 30, 2018	Community Fund Unrestricted	Endowment Fund	Restricted Fund	2018 Total	2017 Total	
ASSETS						
CURRENT ASSETS Cash Accounts receivable and other assets	\$ 58,720 24,697		\$ - -	\$ 58,720 24,697		
	83,417	-	-	83,417	96,209	
INVESTMENTS (note 4) PROPERTY, PLANT AND	1,981,068	12,917,596	1,329,911	16,228,575	15,380,945	
EQUIPMENT (note 5)	12,364			12,364	12,764	
	\$ 2,076,849	\$12,917,596	\$ 1,329,911	\$16,324,356	<u>\$15,489,918</u>	
LIABILITIES						
CURRENT LIABILITIES Accounts payable and accrued liabilities Managed funds (note 6)	\$ 11,993 	\$ - -	\$ - -	\$ 11,993 	\$ 19,534 3,605,395	
	1,150,834			1,150,834	3,624,929	
FUND BALANCES	926,015	12,917,596	1,329,911	15,173,522	11,864,989	
	\$ 2,076,849	\$12,917,596	\$ 1,329,911	\$16,324,356	\$15,489,918	
WINDSORESSEX COMMUNITY FOUNDATION STATEMENT OF CHANGES FUND BALANCES YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018	Community Fund Unrestricted	Endowment Fund	Restricted Fund	2018 Total	2017 Total	
FUND BALANCES, BEGINNING	\$ 985,806	\$ 9,645,236	\$ 1,233,947	\$11,864,989	\$10,383,641	
REVENUE OVER (UNDER) EXPENSES	(59,791)	3,272,360	95,964	3,308,533	1,481,348	
FUND BALANCES, ENDING	\$ 926,015	<u>\$12,917,596</u>	\$ 1,329,911	<u>\$15,173,522</u>	<u>\$11,864,989</u>	



WINDSORESSEX COMMUNITY FOUNDATION STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION JUNE 30, 2018		Fund nrestricted	Endowment Fund	stricted Fund	2018 Total	2017 Total
REVENUE						
Donations and fund development, net (note 3)	\$	21.241	\$ 2,926,637	\$ _	\$ 2,947,878	\$ 1.592.608
Investment income	_	262,327	859,646	121,223	1,243,196	782,733
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		283,368	3,786,283	 121,223	4,191,074	2,3/5,341
OPERATING EXPENSES						
Advertising and promotion		24,807	-	-	24,807	24,381
Amortization		3,200	-	-	3,200	2,996
Automotive and travel		2,331	-	-	2,331	2,194
Bank charges		1,886	-	-	1,886	2,801
Education and training		1,952	-	-	1,952	8,259
Insurance premiums		6,340	-	-	6,340	6,272
Investment and management fees		-	64,203	7,611	71,814	65,540
Licenses, memberships and dues		2,838	-	-	2,838	5,254
Office supplies and miscellaneous		11,083	-	-	11,083	15,678
Other: Board and committee work		4,063	-	-	4,063	5,812
Professional fees		19,762	-	-	19,762	18,364
Rent		38,406	-	-	38,406	37,493
Wages and employee benefits	_	183,621		 	183,621	187,965
	_	300,289	64,203	7,611	372,103	383,009
OTHER EXPENSES						
Administrative fees (recovery)		(97,050)	74,903	 12,648	(9,499)	(9,065)
NET REVENUE BEFORE GRANTS AND BURSARIES		80,329	3,647,177	100,964	3,828,470	2,001,397
GRANTS AND BURSARIES	_	140,120	374,817	 5,000	519,937	520,049
REVENUE OVER (UNDER) EXPENSES	<u>\$</u>	(59,791)	\$ 3,272,360	\$ 95,964	<u>\$ 3,308,533</u>	<u>\$ 1,481,348</u>

Fund Returns by Year 2008-2018



Fund Returns include assets from our own fund families, donor designated, donor advised, field of interest and agency funds.

Our objective is to provide a balance between current income and long-term capital growth through a diversified portfolio.

The WindsorEssex Community Foundation is committed to providing transparent financial information to the community. Complete 2017-2018 financial statements, audited by Collins Barrow Chartered Professional Accountants, are available at www.wecf.ca or by contacting the Foundation's office.



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