



years of giving
1999-2019

Annual
Report
2018 - 2019



Community
Foundation
of Whistler

\$690,560

GRANTED OUT
IN 2018

30

SCHOLARSHIPS
& BURSARIES

\$6.43
MILLION

INVESTED
AS OF DEC 31, 2018

\$2.8+

MILLION

IN GRANTS
GIVEN OUT SINCE 1999

35

FUNDS

27

ORGANIZATIONS
SUPPORTED

39

GRANTS

Messages

MESSAGE FROM THE BOARD

I am delighted to report that your local community foundation is moving forward in shifting power, strengthening community and taking the long view. In just 20 years, you have trusted us with a growing portfolio from which to gift; from a modest \$25,000 seed money at start-up we have grown to just under \$7 million in assets today.

The past fiscal year has been one of significant returns as the Community Foundation of Whistler continued to experience growth. As a community-wide funder, CFOW was able to distribute over \$690,000 during the past year. These grants were directed to charitable organizations and projects that provide vital services within our community and to our residents.

We also believe that it is our responsibility as the Community Foundation of Whistler to promote thoughtful collaboration and innovative collective action when facing our community's most pressing challenges. Our support to local initiatives has been guided by that belief. Our Vital Signs research is widely used by community leaders, plus we are convening and leading conversations through our Vital Cafés alongside people who can truly make Whistler a better place.

In 2018, our Board made several changes to ensure CFOW is properly positioned to play a significant role in furthering the betterment of our community. We have developed a more collaborative mindset in our work and are promoting increased engagement with partners. We have also more fully embraced the value of shared leadership throughout the organization. Through innovative governance and strategic foresight, our goal is to identify emerging opportunities, build increased trust and collaboration and honour a diversity of voices and perspectives.

We continue to be grateful for your support of our work.

Sue Lawther, Chair



EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE

For over seven years, I have felt very privileged to have had the opportunity to work with amazing people. This journey has enlightened me to the true meaning of community. You have all taught me about acceptance, sharing, honesty, inclusion, and the power of collective action. For those who know me well, I am passionate about supporting the talented people who provide support and services throughout the corridor, from protecting the natural environment to helping the most vulnerable in the community. I hope I have accomplished this goal in some small way.

Learning about the importance of belonging is a powerful gift that the people of Whistler and the Community Foundation movement has given to me. I wish to give my gratitude to all who have been so supportive of the Foundation's work over the past 7.5 years. I have felt very privileged to have had the opportunity to work with the amazing people in this community.

Carol Coffey, Outgoing Executive Director

Financials

The following excerpt is from our annual financial statements. Please see our website for the complete financial statements.

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

For the year ended December 31

	Endowment Funds (Note 7)	Restricted & Flow-through Funds (Note 6)	Unrestricted	2018	2017
Assets					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$217,613	\$237,699	\$37,773	\$493,085	\$272,628
Accounts Receivable	-	-	\$1,301	\$1,301	\$1,336
Investments (Note 2)	\$5,968,894	-	-	\$5,968,894	\$6,263,441
	\$6,186,507	\$237,699	\$39,074	\$6,463,280	\$6,537,405
Managed trust funds (Notes 2 and 3)				\$141,372	\$128,288
Liabilities and Net Assets					
Accounts payable & accrued liabilities	-	-	\$17,156	\$17,156	\$14,465
Grants payable	\$76,024	\$203,289	-	\$279,313	\$50,694
	\$76,024	\$203,289	\$17,156	\$296,469	\$65,159
Net Assets	\$6,110,483	\$34,410	\$21,918	\$6,166,811	\$6,472,246
	\$6,186,507	\$237,699	\$39,074	\$6,463,280	\$6,537,405
Managed trust funds (Notes 2 and 3)				\$141,372	\$128,288

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

For the year ended December 31

	2018	2017
Revenue		
Donations	\$691,924	\$377,115
Interest and dividends	\$164,198	\$154,031
(Loss) Gain on investments	\$(347,527)	\$421,805
Administration fee	\$1,958	\$1,883
	\$510,553	\$954,834
Expenses		
Grants	\$690,560	\$230,410
Administration	\$125,428	\$103,922
	\$851,988	\$334,332
(Deficiency) Excess of revenues over expenses for the year	\$(305,435)	\$620,502

Our Purpose

Community Foundations across Canada are relentlessly pursuing a future where everyone belongs by:



SHIFTING POWER

We have a responsibility to shift power to those who best know the needs of our communities, as well as ensure diverse voices are at the table where important decisions about our future are being made.



STRENGTHENING COMMUNITY

Resilient communities are strong communities. Investing and supporting all facets of community and civic life is at the core of who we are.



TAKING THE LONG VIEW

We have the opportunity of taking the long view. The capacity to work nimbly and collaboratively toward systemic change.

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Funds

Discretionary Funds

- American Friends of Whistler
- Bob and Sue Adams Leadership Funds
- Community Fund
- Emergency Fund
- Environmental Legacy Fund
- Kathy Barnett Memorial fund
- Moving Mountains for Children Fund
- Pemberton and Area Community Endowment Fund
- Whistler Blackcomb Fund
- Whistler Youth Foundation Fund

Discretionary funds, also known as Community Funds and Field of Interest Funds, provide grants as determined through our community granting program each year.

Administrative Funds

- Community Foundation of Whistler Operating Endowment Fund

Administrative funds support the administration and growth of the Foundation.

Charity Funds

- Arts and Culture Legacy Fund
- AWARE Environmental Fund
- Whistler Adaptive Sports Program
- Whistler and Pemberton Big Brothers and Sisters Fund
- Whistler Animal Galore Fund
- Whistler Museum and Archives Society Fund
- Whistler Public Library Fund
- Whistler Search and Rescue Fund
- Whistler Skier's Chapel Fund
- Whistler Summit Centre Fund
- Zero Ceiling Society Fund

Charity funds are managed by the foundation on behalf of a registered charity. Each charity benefits from professional support and a stable income. We accept donations direct to each of these charity funds.

Donor Advised Funds

Barb and Terry
Deutscher Fund

Deborah Smythe
Family Fund

Emerald Foundation

Jill Ackhurst Social
Action Fund

Mischa Arnott Fund

Whistler Employee Fund

Donor advised funds are often established by individuals, families and groups who would like to be actively involved in granting decisions. In this type of fund, we provide a simple solution to private family foundations.

Donor Designated Funds

Ackhurst Rotary Club of Whistler

Marlene Siemens Callanish Society Fund

Donor Designated Funds offer grants to specific named charities.

Scholarship Funds

Chili Thom Memorial Scholarship Fund

Doug and Mary Forseth Fund

Grad 2014 Legacy Scholarship Fund

Kelty and Riley Dennehy Scholarship Fund

Sarah McSeveney Scholarship Fund

Wendy Thompson Scholarship Fund

Whistler Scholarship Society Fund

Scholarship funds are often made in memorial and can be developed by individuals or organizations with a defined field of interest. Scholarships are distributed to Sea to Sky high school graduates to pursue further education.



Donate to an existing fund or establish a new one - *the choice is yours!*

Helping you support the causes that you are passionate about is what we do best. Make a gift to any of the specific funds listed, or to the Community Endowment Fund to support the community. Should you prefer to set up a new fund, we can tailor it to the specific interests and needs of you, your family, organization, or company.

To discover the power of your generosity visit whistlerfoundation.com

2018 Grants

COMMUNITY GRANTS PROGRAM

1. **Sea to Sky Community Services & Whistler Multicultural Network: Parenting Across Cultures.**
Grant amount \$2,690
2. **Whistler Centre for Sustainability: Resilient Streets,** Grant amount \$3,000
3. **Crisis Intervention and Suicide Prevention Centre of BC: Whistler Suicide Prevention Program.**
Grant amount \$5,000 (together with funding from the Whistler Youth Foundation Fund)
4. **Whistler Writing Society: Authors in the Schools.**
Grant amount \$1,000

JILL ACKHURST SOCIAL ACTION GRANTS

1. **Whistler Adaptive Sports Program: Hawkes PTSD program.** Grant amount \$2,000
2. **Howe Sound Women's Centre: Mama Baby Connection, prenatal yoga and birth preparation classes.** Grant amount \$2,800
3. **Zero Ceiling Society: Work to Live.**
Grant amount \$3,000 (together with funding from the D. Smythe and Family Fund).

PEMBERTON AND AREA COMMUNITY GRANTS

1. **Pemberton Childcare Society: New Storage Solutions.** Grant amount \$1375.33
2. **Pemberton Youth and Seniors Centre: Identity Wall.** Grant amount \$561

ENVIRONMENTAL LEGACY GRANTS PROGRAM

1. **AWARE: Zero Waste Initiatives.** Grant amount \$2000
2. **AWARE: Capacity Funding.** Grant amount \$10,000
3. **AWARE: Step Into Nature.** Grant amount \$4,000
4. **AWARE: Nature-Based Youth Programming.**
Grant amount \$29,000
5. **AWARE: Eco-Citizen video.** Grant amount \$5,000
6. **AWARE and the Whistler Naturalists Society: Fungus Among Us Mushroom Festival.**
Grant amount \$4,500
7. **AWARE and the Whistler Naturalists Society: Whistler BioBlitz.**
Grant amount \$17,000
8. **Whistler Museum and Archives Society and the Whistler Naturalists: Wedgemount Glacier Monitoring.** Grant amount \$1,636
9. **Whistler Museum and Archives Society: Discover Nature.** Grant amount \$8,000
10. **Sea to Sky Invasive Species Council: Inventory, Control and Monitoring.** Grant amount \$18,000
11. **Sea to Sky Invasive Species Council: Education, Outreach and Training.** Grant amount \$15,000
12. **Whistler Centre for Sustainability: Energy Literacy Teaching Modules.** Grant amount \$3,201
13. **Rotary Club of Whistler: Don's Sign Project, Whistler Interpretive Forest.** Grant amount \$9,620
14. **Stewardship Pemberton Society: Feast for Change.**
Grant amount \$8,000

BOB AND SUE ADAMS LEADERSHIP GRANTS

1. **Whistler Arts Council for Imogen Osborne.** Simon Fraser University Executive Leadership Certificate.
Grant amount \$500

KATHY BARNETT LEADERSHIP GRANTS

1. **Whistler Arts Council for Imogen Osborne.**
Simon Fraser University Executive Leadership Certificate. Grant amount \$2,500
2. **Howe Sound Women's Centre for Shannon Cooley-Herdman:** Project Management Institute: Facilitating Meetings with Ease.
Grant amount \$2,087.07
3. **Skate Canada for Diane Diamond and Katia Barton (Whistler Skating Club):** Ice Summit.
Grant amount \$1,255
4. **Howe Sound Women's Centre for Amber Gould:**
Marie Forleo's B-School, Desire Map Facilitation.
Grant amount \$2,500

CHARITY FUNDS

Charity funds provide support for the operational expenses of local charities as a host of scholarships and bursaries. (Disbursement Amounts)

- Arts and Culture Legacy Fund.** \$12,780
- AWARE Environmental Fund.** \$320
- Big Brothers Big Sisters Sea to Sky Fund.** \$195
- Whistler Adaptive Sports Program Fund.** \$1,386
- Whistler Animals Galore Fund. Disbursement** \$340
- Whistler Museum and Archives Fund.** \$565
- Whistler Public Library Fund.** \$325
- Whistler Search and Rescue Fund.** \$36,500
- Zero Ceiling Society Fund.** \$357



2019 Citizens of the Year

Keith Reynolds (left) and Pat Montani (right) are sharing the honour of Citizen of the Year in 2019. Both are long-time locals, and founders of organizations that help communities abroad, who share a desire for impactful giving.

The Community Foundation of Whistler is honoured to be hosts to the Citizen of the Year Selection Committee.

Whistler's Vital Signs



CONNECT + ENGAGE REPORT RELEASED IN OCTOBER 2018

We ALL belong here...but not all of us FEEL a sense of belonging.

The Community Foundation of Whistler's Vital Signs initiative uses local knowledge to measure the vitality of our community, create conversations and encourage collective action.

We believe that the vitality and resiliency of our community are linked to the strength of our social connections and support in the community. People who feel a sense of belonging and who are connected to their community are physically and mentally healthier.

The Vital Signs Connect + Engage report continues to explore how community members connect at a personal, neighbourhood and community level.

Visit whistlerfoundation.com/vital-signs for the 2018 report and updates on our 2019 Vital Café initiative.

Thank You

SUPPORTERS AND PARTNERS



Thank you to the many volunteers whose dedication ensures the responsible and caring operation of the Community Foundation of Whistler.

STANDING VOLUNTEER COMMITTEES

Citizen of The Year Selection
 Community Grants Advisory
 Emergency Fund Advisory
 Environmental Legacy Fund Advisory
 Executive and Governance
 Finance and Investment
 Fund Development

Jill Ackhurst Social Action Fund Advisory
 Marketing
 Pemberton In Area Community Endowment Fund Advisory
 Vital Signs
 Whistler Employee Fund Advisory
 Youth and Scholarship Nominating

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