

2023 ANNUAL REPORT

OUR MISSION STATEMENT

"The Chatham Kent Community Foundation is a broad-based, volunteer driven, philanthropic organization creating, preserving and growing perpetual funds to enrich the quality of life of our citizens, now and in the future."

The goal of the Chatham Kent Community Foundation is to assist in the development of this community through grants to registered charitable organizations that focus on education, health, the arts, recreation, social services and the environment.

By supporting these organizations, the Chatham Kent Community Foundation strives to enrich the quality of life of our citizens, now and in the future.

The Chatham Kent Community Foundation builds endowments and other funds to provide lasting support for local priorities. The income earned by the Foundation's invested permanent funds is used to give grants to a wide range of community groups, while the original investment is retained, and grows over time.

Donors have chosen to work with the Chatham Kent Community Foundation because of the flexibility it affords them. Donors can support any number of registered local charities by giving to the Foundation, and their contribution responds to needs in the community that are current and relevant.

A donation to the Chatham Kent Community Foundation is a fiscally responsible investment. The Foundation is able to minimize costs by pooling funds for investment and administration costs. As well, Foundation volunteers take care of all the administrative and grant-making decisions, saving the donor both time and money.

The strength of the Foundation lies with its volunteers. The Board is made up of 11 dedicated Directors, and many more Directors at Large, who contribute significantly on Foundation committees. These volunteers also reflect the diversity of Chatham-Kent, which is truly a 'Community of Communities.'



REPORT FROM THE CHAIR

Wow, what a year! In 2023, we were able to distribute \$1,026,837 in our community--the most money the Chatham Kent Community Foundation has ever been able to allocate to charitable organizations! In collaboration with the South Kent Wind Community Fund, this included \$560,430 in grants and \$125,457 in Donor Designated grants, Multi-Year grants and scholarships. In addition, we were able to distribute \$340,950 in grants from the Community Services Recovery Fund, a Government of Canada program aimed at helping community service organizations to adapt and improve post-pandemic systems and processes, run in cooperation with Community Foundations of Canada, Canadian Red Cross and United Way Centraide. In total, 70 charitable organizations were able to enhance the services they provide to our community through the grants they received.



One of the highlights of the past year was the creation of a new Field of Interest Fund called the Dr. Don and Denny Patterson Environmental Legacy Fund, and a new Named Fund called

the Dr. Don and Denny Patterson Community Fund. Each of these funds was endowed with \$250,000, and both funds will begin disbursing grants in 2024. In addition, the Community fund benefited from several donations from bequeathals and other significant annual donations. These substantial contributions have helped grow our endowment fund to over \$12,000,000. With the recent government directive for community foundations to increase the annual amount of grants disbursed, we will be able to distribute even more funds to aid community efforts in the future. We continue to follow our directive to prudently invest all donated funds, utilizing the earnings to benefit community projects.

We were thrilled that so many donors and grant recipients were able to attend our Annual General Meeting last June. Our annual golf tournament was also successful, thanks in no small part to all of the volunteers and sponsors. We sincerely appreciate the hard work and dedication of our Directors, Directors-at-Large and committee members. Through their volunteer efforts, we are able to minimize our operating costs, enabling more funds to be available to support worthwhile projects. Finally, special thanks goes to Chris Pegg, our Executive Director for his exemplary administrative work.

In closing, I am again astounded by the generosity of the Chatham-Kent Community. I am proud and humbled to have served as Chair of the Chatham Kent Community Foundation, and know the organization will be in capable hands with our incoming Chair, Janine Griffore.

Sincerely,
Dr. Irene Moore
Board Chair, 2023

On the cover:

Left:

Volunteers with The Historical Society of Blenheim and District have digitized over 130 years' worth of indexes, newspapers, and images with the support of a CKCF grant.

Top Right:

FreeHelpCK used grant money to build four accessible free food pantries in the municipality, and to purchase non-perishable food for each pantry.

Bottom Right:

The Common Grounds Cafe at the Active Lifestyle Centre in Chatham, which was renovated in 2023 with funding from the CKCF.

THANK YOU!

Welcome Bags
provide a sense of
comfort and
security for families
the moment they
come to stay with
RMHC-SWO.





Ronald MacDonald House of Canada distributes Welcome Kits to patients from Chatham-Kent and their families who are staying at Ronald McDonald House.

THE YEAR IN REVIEW

Board Member Receives Order of Canada

Congratulations are extended to Chatham Kent Community Foundation Board member Shannon Prince and her husband Bryan, who were invested as Members of the Order of Canada in December, 2023.

Shannon and Bryan were honoured for their 'commitment to the documentation, preservation and celebration of Black Canadian history, particularly the Underground Railroad in southwestern Ontario.' Shannon recently retired as curator of the Buxton National Historic Site and Museum after 25 years, and is now its Curator Emeritus.

Shannon's other accolades include an honorary doctorate from the University of Windsor in 2022, and in 2018 she was named one of "100 Accomplished Black Canadian Women." She has received the Women of Excellence award from the May Court Club of Chatham for her contributions to the arts, cultural diversity, and heritage, and the Lieutenant Governor's Ontario Heritage Thomas Symons award for commitment to conservation. Shannon and Bryan have also been named Citizens of the Year, received the Harriet Tubman Award from the Ontario Black History Society, and the YMCA Peace Medallion.

Shannon is a sixth-generation descendant of North Buxton, where she farms with Bryan and their family.

The Chatham Kent Community Foundation relies on the experience and sensitivities of its volunteer directors to support our community in the best way possible. We appreciate the depth of knowledge that Shannon brings to her role as the Chair of the Foundation's Grant Committee.



Joseph P. and Colleen O'Neill Community Betterment Fund

For more than a decade Joseph and Colleen O'Neill have been able

to keep an eye on the community they love through their support of the Chatham Kent Community Foundation.

In 2010 the Chatham couple established the Joseph P. and Colleen O'Neill Community Betterment Fund with an initial donation of \$250,000. Since that time, this donor-advised fund has contributed over \$125,000 to a wide range of programs in Chatham-Kent, benefitting both seniors and youth.

Joseph said he and Colleen continue to appreciate having a say in where their annual grant monies are directed.

"We're still involved in choosing the recipients, and I like being involved," he said.

In 2023, the fund supported renovations to the Common Grounds Cafe at the Active Lifestyle Centre.

COMMUNITY SERVICES RECOVERY FUND

The resources that community service groups across Canada offered were stretched during and after the Covid 19 pandemic years. Last year, the Government of Canada recognized the important role that charities and non-profit groups play in addressing persistent and complex social problems by launching the **Community Services Recovery Fund**. The \$400 million fund was designed to help community service organizations, including charities, non-profit groups, and indigenous governing bodies, adapt and modernize to become more efficient, accessible, and sustainable through pandemic recovery and beyond.

The Chatham Kent Community Foundation was chosen to deliver these funds to agencies within the municipality. Grants were awarded to the following projects:

Opportunity Villages Community Land Trust \$98,650

The Land Trust is developing a 30-unit small home community on Taylor Ave. in Chatham. The project will incorporate life lease, Net Zero, and affordable home ownership for low- to moderate-income individuals and families.

The Alzheimer Society of Chatham Kent \$91,650

Funding was used to help the Alzheimer Society modernize and adapt its systems and processes. These updates will allow the ASCK to increase its capacity and alleviate pressure on the local health-care system, and provide better services to their clients and their care partners.

Vision Us \$71,500

This non-profit develops strategies and programs to help change-makers, groups, and organizations in Chatham Kent achieve their full potential. The CSRF grant has been used to modernize and streamline the agency's ability to collect, analyze and utilize data from grassroots groups and smaller non-profits.

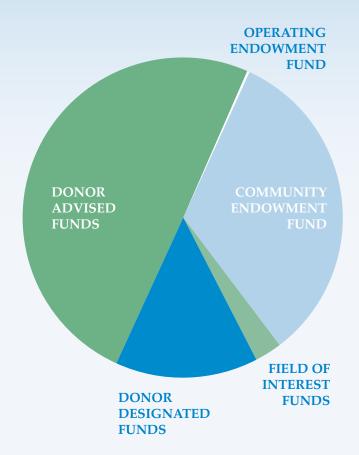
ComeTogetherCK \$79,150

The grant allowed this non-profit to create a contact database and fundraising plan.

The plan will help ComeTogetherCK better engage and organize its large corps of volunteers.

ABOUT OUR FUNDS

The Chatham Kent Community Foundation has five types of funds. The first fund, namely the COMMUNITY ENDOWMENT FUND, is a general type of fund that leaves control over the granting of investment income to the discretion of the Foundation Board. The remaining four types of funds, specifically the FIELD OF INTEREST FUNDS, DESIGNATED FUNDS, DONOR ADVISED FUNDS and the OPERATING ENDOWMENT FUND, differ from the Community Endowment Fund essentially in the way they direct how the investment income is granted.

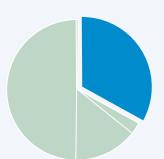


1. Community Endowment Fund

These discretionary funds offer the greatest amount of flexibility to the Foundation in responding to the immediate and changing needs of the community. Donors do not place restrictions on the use of the funds and rely on the Board of Directors to make grant decisions that meet current community priorities and needs. The Community Endowment Fund has within it the opportunity to have Funds "Named" in the name of the donor or some other honoree.

Named Funds within the Community Endowment Fund

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The Allen Family Fund	\$32,143
Anakin Templeton Fund	34,284
Dave & Brenda Baute Fund	235,000
The Bellringer Family Fund	25,000
J.P. Bickell Foundation	5,000
Tom & Charlaine Campbell Fund	10,575
Proctor A. Dick Family Memorial Fund	24,019
Ross & Lois Eberlee Fund	69,860
Richard & Eva Eddington Family Fund	10,000
H.J. (Sandy) & Geraldine Elliot Fund	5,550
Beryl M. Ivey Fund	103,500
Honey MacDonald Fund	1,162,000
Raymond & Lucienne Myers Estate	141,710
Ruth Sadlier O'Rourke Memorial Fund	18,200
Robert & Verna Parry Family Fund	55,992
Robert & Mary Rule Family Fund	11,770
Sybil & Blake Ward Fund	10,166
Neil Wood & Janet Mallory-Wood Fund	50,620
Edward T. Little Fund	6,000
Dr. Jack and Doris MacWilliam Fund	20,000



2. Field of Interest Funds

These funds work much like the Community Endowment Fund except that the donors will identify an area of interest that they would like to support. The donor empowers the Foundation's Board to select worthwhile projects to support. Named Funds are also possible. The Chatham Kent Community Foundation has seven Field of Interest Funds currently available to our donors:

Wayne & Sylvia Barnard Family Fund

Established in 2017 by Wayne and Sylvia Barnard, the Wayne and Sylvia Barnard Family Fund was created to provide grants to support Chatham-Kent organizations that provide services or programs to Chatham-Kent residents under the age of 19 years. The services or programs may be recreational, educational, artistic, therapeutic, medical, cultural, social or environmental in nature. Wayne & Sylvia Barnard Family Fund



Mary & Al Woods Animal Welfare Fund

Established in 2020 by the Estate of Mary Woods, the Mary & Al Woods Animal Welfare Fund will support organizations in Chatham-Kent that are involved in the care, maintenance, benefit and general welfare of domestic and wild animals, with a particular emphasis on cats.

Mary & Al Woods Animal Welfare Fund \$1,025,199

Lindsay and Cindy Boyd Fund

Established in 2020, the Lindsay and Cindy Boyd Fund will support those in Chatham-Kent who face food insecurity issues, specifically those served by food banks and soup kitchens.

Lindsay and Cindy Boyd Fund \$10,000

JoLynn Deprez Athletic Fund

Established in 2021, the JoLynn Deprez Athletic Fund will support Youth in Athletics in Chatham-Kent, specifically to those living and pursuing athletic activities in Blenheim and Ridgetown.

JoLynn Deprez Athletic Fund \$32,568

Ontario Endowment for Children & Youth in Recreation in Chatham-Kent

This Fund was established through a matching grant from the Ministry of Citizenship, Culture and Recreation, of the Province of Ontario. Within this Fund there are a number of "Donor Named Funds" all of which are used for advancing and supporting participation by children and youth in healthy and safe physical activity and recreation.

Named Funds within the Ontario Endowment for Children & Youth in Recreation in Chatham-Kent Fund:

H.J. (Sandy) & Geraldine Elliot Fund 16,615 10,200 William & Eve Stacey Fund 54,095 Ontario Ministry of Citizenship, Culture & Recreation Rotary Clubs of Chatham Fund 13,000

\$500 - \$999 Other Donors Francis Denomy

Ross & Lois Eberlee Don & Janet Braddon \$2,500 - \$5,000 Robert & Lynne Fox John Bradley **KPMG** Rick Kempling Brad-Lea Meadows

Lyle & Nancy McCormick Robert McKinlay Paul Courey

David & Anita Pudwell Hugo & Tomassina Rossini \$1.000 - \$2.499 Russ & Shirley Templeton Paul & Rosemarie Roy Uffe & Sharon Blok-Andersen Neil Wood & Janet Mallory-Wood Leigh Ann Shoji-Lee Jack & Janette Carroll

Many others below \$500

The Environmental Legacy Fund

\$1,400 This Fund was established through a partnership with the J.W. McConnell Foundation of Montreal. The income from this fund is used to financially support environmental initiatives within Chatham-Kent that relate to increasing our understanding of environmental issues and interconnection with the community. It supports initiatives that acknowledge the impact of today's environmental actions on future generations and build relationships with service groups and funding providers to ensure long term sustainability.

The Environmental Legacy Fund is principally financed by a major contribution from the Stan Wonnacott Family. There have also been other donations that were directed to the Environmental Legacy Fund.

Named Funds within the Environmental Legacy Fund

Stan Wonnacott Environmental Fund \$40,895

Dr. Don and Denny Patterson Environmental Legacy Fund

Established in 2023, grants from this fund will support organizations that prioritize protection of waters and wetlands, endangered species and natural habitats; that address air, soil and water quality issues of concern to humans; and that seek to educate and raise awareness at all levels including students, decision makers and the general public.

\$250,000

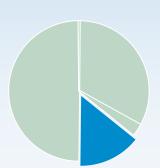
\$1,477,965

Total of Field of Interest Funds

3. Donor Designated Funds

By establishing a Designated Fund, donors have the opportunity to specify which particular charity or charities they would like to support in perpetuity. If a specified charity ceases to exist and the donor has not named a successor beneficiary, and the donor is unavailable to advise the Foundation, the Foundation will redirect the funds to a Named Fund within the Community Fund.

Larry Babcock Memorial Fund	\$82,756
Jack & Janette Carroll Fund	10,965
Carlo Corsini Fund	34,550
Rosa G. Corsini Fund	16,115
Dr. Doug & Betty Keeley Fund	269,342
Mayrand Family Fund	57,668
McKeough Library Endowment Fund	18,350
William & Eve Stacey Fund	33,823
Wesley D. & Pat Thompson Fund	79,850
Frank & Mary Uniac Fund	259,325
Adolphus & Armintha Weese Scholarship Fund	219,133
Jim & Jann Wicket - Dr. Jack Parry Scholarship Fund	12,340
Steve & Lorie Baker Fund	40,100
Carlo Rossini Memorial Diabetes Fund	81,529
Lois and Margaret Pearce Fund	35,000
Walter P Coulter Memorial Garden Fund	50,000
Dr. Jack and Doris MacWilliam Fund	20,000



4. Donor Advised Funds

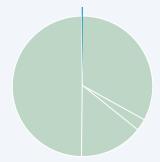
Donor Advised Funds enable a donor to have ongoing participation in the selection of charities that will benefit from their gift. Donors are involved in the grant making process; however, the Foundation, as trustee, retains the responsibility for final decisions. Provisions should be made in the Donor Advised Fund Agreement to provide directions to the Foundation in the event of the death of the donor or designated advisor.

Bradley Family Fund	\$742,643
Garnet George Case Fund	330,000
Donald Allan Cottingham Fund	57,784
Joseph P. & Colleen O'Neill Community Betterment Fund	251,125
Dr. Jim Richardson Fund - for registered charities in Tilbury	506,804
South Kent Wind Community Fund	3,840,465

5. Operating Endowment Fund

The purpose of this fund is to help offset the costs of operating the Foundation. A Named Fund can be established within the Operating Endowment Fund.

J. Bradley Administrative Fund	\$22,650
Scott Geddes	\$3,750
Mike & Penny McGregor Fund	16,998



The Chatham Kent Community Foundation Managed Funds

In addition to managing the Endowment Funds of the Chatham Kent Community Foundation, the Foundation also manages one other Fund for a charity within the community, namely the Chatham-Kent Canadian Diabetes Fund. This Fund is owned by the donors and is invested in strict accordance with the Foundation's established Investment Policy.

The earnings from this fund are distributed to the designated organizations on an annual basis. Donations to the Chatham Kent Community Foundation may be directed to this fund.

Chatham-Kent Canadian Diabetes Fund

\$80,483

DONORS OF DISTINCTION

Over \$150,000

Dave & Brenda Baute John D. Bradley Dr. Doug & Betty Keeley Reg & Kathie MacDonald Joseph P. & Colleen O'Neill Dr. Don & Denny Patterson Dr. Jim Richardson South Kent Wind Frank Uniac Armintha Weese Estate Mary Woods Estate

\$50,000 - \$149,999

Katharine Cottingham Anne Coulter Lois Eberlee Beryl M. Ivey Olive Grant MacLean Estate Paul Mayrand Elizabeth McKay Estate Raymond & Lucienne Myers Estate Robert & Verna Parry Hazel Jean Richardson Estate Wesley D. & Pat Thompson

\$30,000 - \$49,999

Dr. Hugh H. Allen Steve & Lorie Baker Dr. David & Margaret Campbell Carlo Corsini William & Eve Stacey Russ & Shirley Templeton Neil Wood & Janet Mallory Wood

\$15,000 - \$29,999

Alexandra Babcock & Todd Cowan Dorothy Babcock Baelda Holdings **Bellringer Family** Brad-Lea Meadows **Bob & Shelley Chinnick** Paul Courey Francis & Lillian Denomy David & Delynne Dick Elizabeth MacWilliam Mike & Penny McGregor McKeough Family Robert McKinlay John & Jan Meko Christine Muckle Wesley T. & Nancy Thompson

\$10,000 - \$14,999

Ken & Betty Campbell Tom & Charlaine Campbell Jack & Janette Carroll Casilco Corporation Richard & Eva Eddington

Robert & Mary Rule Sybil & Blake Ward Western Equipment Jim & Jann Wickett Jeff & Jennifer Wilson

\$5,000 - \$9,999

Skip & Mary Adair

Gordon & Donna Alexander Dr. & Mrs. Blake Barlow J.P. Bickell Foundation Garry & Gaye Black Richard Bradley H.J. (Sandy) & Geraldine Elliot Scott Geddes Steven & Ruth Hook Richard Ivey Peter Jamieson & Stephanie VanDerMeersch Glenda Lansens John & Lorna Lawrence Michael & Sherry Lenover Colin & Gail McGregor Bill & Jayne Park Dr. George Parry Jack & Jane Parry Ralph & Lyn Parry Helen & John Perkins Jerry Prelaz David & Anita Pudwell Dr. John & Eleanor Roe Ricardo & Rebecca Rossini Frank Thompson & Josette DeBrouwer Ian & Ann Tilley Estate of Helen Tyndall Union Gas Ltd.

Mike Lenover

W.J. Letang

Ed Little

\$2,500 - \$4,999 Frank & Florence Archibald Dr. Ray & Janet Bernreuter Uffe & Sharon Blok-Andersen Don & Janet Braddon David & Marg Bradley Elizabeth Bradley Murray J. & Mary Campbell Canadian Tire Corp. (Chatham) Cangram International Inc. -Maureen Geddes Dr. Martha Clendenning Comiskey Ltd. Insurance Adjusters -Joe Comiskey DPM Insurance - Ed Kys Chris Deprez Elaine Hook Bill & Alice James Peter & Veronica Jamieson **KPMG** Lawson Foundation Clayton & Betty Leach

LPB Investment Ltd. John & Cathy Mallory David & Mary Lynn McGuire Ralph Parry Dr. Lois Pearce Ed & Maxine Robbins Ricardo & Rebecca Rossini Jack & Elaine Shillington Paul & Bonnie Sunnen Donald & Mary Sutherland **Tech Trailers** Valderose Gardens Rosemary Waekens Western Equipment Daniel Whittal Christopher & Addie White

\$1,000 - \$2,499 Jim Allin Joseph Anderson Marilee Asher Arc Energy - George Monckton Richard Babcock Paul & Jeanine Barnicke John & Diane Beattie Murray & Carol Bowman Lindsay Boyd Dean Bradley Dr. Peter & Dianne Brown **Burgess Advanced Technologies** Dr. Richard Charteris Collins Barrow Chartered Accountants Timothy Child Michael Comiskey John & Janet Cook Ives & Besse Dagneau Deloitte Chartered Accountants Ingrid Deprez David & Amy Eberlee **Economical Insurance Entegrus Energy** Robert & Lenore Fletcher Robert & Lynne Fox Dr. Brian & JoAnne Gamble **Jack & Mildred Garlick** Peter & Ann Gilbert Larry Gilhula Helen Glassco Glengate Investments Inc - Jim Bullock Goodman & Company Barry Graham Dr. Henry Paul & Marlene Hines K.A. (Al) Hinnegan D. Kent & Margaret Kirkland Bert & Audrey Kraemer

Lally Kia John & Lorna Lawrence William & Catherine Long Dean & Lorraine MacDonald Mark MacKew Rae & Bessie Mallory

DONORS OF DISTINCTION

Stan Mayes

Iack & Trisha McFarlane Bill & Sally McGregor

William & Betty McGuire Fund

Brian & Susan McNeill Jack & Ann Morrison

Betty Nash Robert Nash

Rick & Hilary North Norquay Development Ltd.

Frances O Brien Jerry U Brien

E. & G. Odette Foundation P. & L. Odette Charitable Foundation Fund

Ioan Patterson Rich & Teri Pogue Shirley Powers Premstar Energy

RBC - Employee Volunteer Program

RBC Dominion Securities The Howard J. Rees Foundation

Henry & Sarah Regts

Brian Reid

Jack & Barbara Ripley Bruce & Patricia Rogers

Audree Rossini Bill & Jean Rossini Dr. & Mrs. J.H. Roth Paul & Rosemarie Roy Brian & Shelly Skipper Bob & Kris Stevens

Smalley, Brisco & Thompson

Marjorie Storey Tom & Cindy Storey

Molly Stowe

Dr. Shig & Janet Sugiyama

George Sulman

August & Marian Sunnen Don & Ruth Tetrault

Tetrault Management Services

Hugh Thomas Thompson Limited Ann Tilley

Annie & Peter Timmermans Herb & Irene Todgham Jerry & Denise Tremblay

Deborah Verhey Paul & Donna Watson Dr. Donna Watterud Waddick Fuels Jim & Janet Wilcox Jennifer Wilson

World Wide Properties

\$500 - \$999

Larry & Patricia Allen

Terry Amerlinck

Richard & Frances Anderson

Atlific Inc. Whitney Babcock Winnifred Babcock

Andrew William Barnicke

Peter Barnicke

Richard & Andrea Battista

Mary Beattie

Bedell's Frozen Foods Ltd.

Edna Benoit Margery Black

Blenheim Management Ltd.

Dean Bradley Robert S. Bradley Paul Brisbois Brenda Burgess Frederick (Steve) Bush James G. Campbell John & Stella Cheek

Carscallen, Reinhart, Mathany, Maslak

Thomas Chalmers Jeanne Chandler Lloyd Clapp James Cooke

Noel & Shirley Courtice Rex & Ruth Ann Crawford Clare & Roberta Curtis Roy & Elvy Deline Ken Denure

Dominion Group Foundation

Sheila Dutton Eaton Yale

Elcon Engineering of Wallaceburg Ltd. Elric Contractors of Wallaceburg Ltd.

Essex Hybrid Seeds Co. Ltd. Barry & Carolyn Fraser Don & Faye Geddes Mike & Mary Genge Larry Goddard Gwenne Gold Larry & Flory Grant William & Harriet Green

Erie & Main Consulting

Lucy Grover R.G. Hackett Handy Bros. Ltd.

Henry Heyink Contruction Ltd.

Hopkins Canada, Inc. Connor Horak

Humdingers Baseball Team

AJ Kirkwood W.F. Johnson Ltd. Dr. Robert & Vira Iones Stephanie Keeley-Bunting Jack & Mary Jane Kerr Lawrence Kerr

David Leach

Leon's Furniture - Ken & Jan Edwards

Richard MacDiarmid Mainstreet Credit Union Maizex Seeds Inc. **Jason Mallory**

Maple City Office Equipment Ltd.

Alan Marchment Mariconda Holdings I. & T. Mason Margaret McCallum Don & Virginia McGeorge John & Joanne McGorman Kenneth McGowan John & Diane McGuigan

David McKeand

Jeannette McKinlay

Drs. Zeke & Heather Milkovic

Miller, Canfield, Paddock & Stone PLC

Maureen Myers Daniel B. Nicol Jessie P. O'Neill Marnie Perkins Pioneer Hi-Bred Ltd.

Dana Porter Raphael Partners Richard Reid Joseph & Jane Rivers Edward S. Rogers

Rosati Family Foundation

Ann Ross

Hugo & Tomassina Rossini

Paula Rusak Bill & Vera Rusak

Salus Mutual Insurance Company

Dr. Eileen Scott Diane Scott-Pearse Charles & Peggy Seaman

Ruby Shaw SheLeads Mike Smart Sonya Roe Jewelers Sparks Carpet One Ltd. Tom & Cindy Storey **Tatro Properties**

TD Bank

Margaret Thompson

TL Ltd.

Trimark Investment Management Inc.

Jim Tunks

Hank Vanderpol Bill & Mary Watson Dr. Hub & Sue White

Richard & Katherine Whittington

Dr. Jack & Peg Willard

Others below \$500

COMMEMORATIVE TRIBUTES 2023 In honour or memory of...

David Bradley Mike Denomy

Ann Parry Scarfone

Marlene Hines

David Dick

JoLvnn Deprez

GRANT MAKING

Timeline:

The Chatham Kent Community Foundation follows a Grant Review Process. The Grant Committee reviews all requests twice per year and makes grants in June and November. In this way, it is hoped that the Foundation can be responsive to the needs of charitable organizations within the community.

Guidelines:

The Board of Directors has developed the following application guidelines:

- The Foundation supports charitable organizations concerned with EDUCATION, HEALTH, ARTS and CULTURE, RECREATION, the ENVIRONMENT, HERITAGE, and SOCIAL SERVICES that operate for the citizens of Chatham-Kent.
- 2. Grants are made only to REGISTERED CHARITABLE ORGANIZATIONS. Organizations seeking funds must demonstrate a strong, committed Board, fiscal responsibility and management qualifications.
- 3. Grants are awarded for DEFINITE PURPOSES, and for projects covering a specified period of time. Multi-year grants are subject to periodic performance reviews.
- 4. Preference is given to projects which:
 - (a) encourage more efficient use of community resources
 - (b) expect to test or demonstrate new approaches and techniques in the solution of community problems
 - (c) are developed in consultation with other agencies and planning groups, and those which promote coordination, co-operation and sharing among organizations, and the elimination of duplicated services
 - (d) promote volunteer participation and citizen involvement in the community
 - (e) expect to strengthen internal management capabilities of agencies.
- 5. CAPITAL PROJECTS will be considered if there is a demonstrated need.
- 6. BURSARIES and SCHOLARSHIPS are usually awarded to educational institutions and not to individuals.
- 7. Grants are not usually made to support OPERATING EXPENSES of established organizations or programs.
- 8. Grants are not made to establish or add to ENDOWMENT FUNDS.
- 9. Grants are not usually made to RELIGIOUS or POLITICAL organizations for direct activities.

Please obtain a GRANT APPLICATION FORM online: www.chathamkentcommunityfoundation.ca or call 519-351-3348. Once your application has been submitted, the Grant Committee will review the request and make a full report to the Chatham Kent Community Foundation Board of Directors for a final decision.

Grants from Donor Designated Funds

Carlo Rossini Memorial Diabetes Fund — Carlo Rossini Memorial Diabetes Foundation \$3,544

Larry Babcock Memorial Fund — Chatham-Kent Pool Sharks \$1,997

Larry Babcock Memorial Fund — Chatham Kent Women's Centre \$999

Larry Babcock Memorial Fund — Junior Achievement of South Western Ontario \$999

Jack & Janette Carroll Fund — Outreach for Hunger \$267

Jack & Janette Carroll Fund — Tri-County Literacy Network \$267

Carlo A. Corsini Fund — Children's Treatment Centre of Chatham-Kent \$1,525

Rosa G. Corsini Fund — May Court Club of Chatham \$774

Dr. Doug & Betty Keeley Fund — CKHA Foundation Surgical Unit \$13,122

Mayrand Family Fund — Community Living Chatham-Kent \$2,584

McKeough Library Endowment Fund — Chatham-Kent Public Library \$894

William and Eve Stacey Fund — CKHA Foundation MRI \$1,648

Wesley D. & Pat Thompson Fund — Blenheim and Community Senior Citizens Group \$172

Wesley D. & Pat Thompson Fund — Blenheim Youth Centre \$3,645

Frank & Mary Uniac Fund — St. Clair College nursing scholarship \$10,832

Adolphus & Armintha Weese Scholarship Fund — student scholarship \$10,676

Jim & Jann Wickett — Dr. Jack Parry Scholarship Fund — student scholarship \$552

Mary & Al Woods Animal Welfare Fund — Chatham-Kent Animal Rescue \$8,000

Mary & Al Woods Animal Welfare Fund — University of Guelph, Ridgetown Campus \$41,696

Steve and Lorie Baker Fund — Children's Treatment Centre of Chatham-Kent \$611

Steve and Lorie Baker Fund — Chatham-Kent Hospice Foundation \$611

Lois and Margaret Pearce Fund — Chatham-Kent Public Library \$548

Lois and Margaret Pearce Fund — Chatham-Kent Hospice Foundation \$548

Dr. Jack and Doris MacWilliam Fund — Chatham-Kent Health Alliance Foundation \$122 Dr. Jack and Doris MacWilliam Fund — Chatham-Kent Hospice Foundation \$122 Walter P Coulter Memorial Garden Fund - Walter P Coulter Memorial Garden \$1,218

Grants from Donor Advised Funds

Joseph P. & Colleen O'Neill Community Betterment Fund — Chatham-Kent Hospice Foundation \$6,118 Joseph P. & Colleen O'Neill Community Betterment Fund — Active Lifestyle Centre \$6,117 Donald Allan Cottingham Fund — Tilbury Solid Rock Café Youth Centre \$2,815 Garnett George Case Fund — Rotary Club of Dresden Service Fund \$10,078 Garnett George Case Fund — Four Counties Health Services Foundation \$6,000

Grants from Field of Interest Funds

Wayne & Sylvia Barnard Family Fund — Restorative Justice Chatham-Kent \$1,169

Wonnacott Environmental Fund — Sydenham Field Naturalists \$2,068

Ontario Endowment for Children & Youth in Recreation Fund — YMCA of Southwestern Ontario \$6,132

JoLynn Deprez Athletic Fund — Blenheim Youth Centre \$655

Grants from Funds that Support the Operations of the Chatham Kent Community Foundation

J.Bradley Administrative Fund \$1,104 Scott Geddes Operating Endowment \$183 Mike & Penny McGregor Fund \$793

GRANTS MADE BY THE CHATHAM KENT COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

YMCA of Southwestern Ontario \$20,000

This grant, made to the Chatham YMCA, was used to make improvements to the facility's automatic pool equipment. Funding included a contribution from the Ontario Endowment for Children and Youth in Recreation.

Municipality of Chatham-Kent \$5,000

This multi-year grant will be matched by the Municipality of Chatham-Kent to a total of \$15,000 over three years. Funding will be used to establish a Public Art Grant.

Rotary Club of Dresden Service Fund \$10,560

The funding allowed the Rotary Club of Dresden to carry out roof repairs at its community hub building. Funding included a contribution from the Garnet George Case Fund.

Chatham Kent Animal Rescue \$8,000

This money funded a variety of projects: a grant-writing course for volunteers, dental work on four dogs, microchips, and the purchase of a storage unit. Funding included a contribution from the Mary and Al Woods Animal Welfare Fund.

Friends of the Chatham Pipes & Drums \$5,500

The Chatham band was able to purchase equipment and upgrade uniforms for band members with this grant money.

Alzheimer Society of Chatham-Kent \$5,000

This grant was used to develop a social media campaign for the Society, and create promotional materials and videos.

Ronald McDonald House \$5,000

RMHC was able to create 1,000 Welcome Kits that will be given to patients from Chatham-Kent and their families who are staying at Ronald McDonald House.

SWONT Conductive Education Trust Fund \$5,000

This grant helped cover the cost of housing, transportation, and wages for a Conductor Teacher to come to Chatham-Kent and provide programming to local children and their caregivers.

Chatham Kent Drug Awareness Council \$5,000

This funding was used to help pay for advertising, as well as the design and printing of new brochures.

Best Buddies Canada \$2,000

This grant allowed Best Buddies Canada to expand its Friendship Program in Chatham-Kent. Best Buddies promotes inclusion by creating one-to-one friendships between individuals living with and without intellectual and developmental disabilities (IDD and Autism Spectrum Disorder).

Active Lifestyle Centre \$6,117

The funding supported the renovation and revitalization of the Common Grounds Cafe at the Active Lifestyle Centre. Funding included a contribution from the Joseph and Colleen O'Neill Community Betterment Fund.

The Scottish Borderers Foundation \$35,994

This grant covered the cost of erecting and maintaining Regimental monuments and memorials to the Scottish regiments of infantry in Essex and Kent counties. Grant money also supported the digitization, restoration and maintenance of historical artifacts. Funding included a contribution from the Bradley Family Fund.

University of Guelph, Ridgetown Campus \$41,696

Improvements were made to the facilities housing the small animal colony at the Ridgetown Campus of the University of Guelph. The grant included a contribution from the Mary and Al Woods Animal Welfare Fund.

GRANTS MADE BY THE SOUTH KENT WIND COMMUNITY FUND, A DONOR ADVISED FUND OF THE CHATHAM KENT COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

Chatham-Kent Health Alliance Foundation \$10,000

This grant covered the purchase of a surgical table with bariatric extensions for the hospital's operating room.

Reach Out Chatham Kent (ROCK) Missions \$15,000

This funding supported the Mission's drop-in centre in Chatham, and was used to purchase food, hygiene products, and first aid supplies.

Chatham Kent & Lambton Children's Water Festival \$3,000

Grant money was used to support a number of infrastructure costs associated with hosting the Water Festival. The SKW grant covered the costs of tent and golf cart rentals, Port-a-John rentals, providing First Aid, sponsoring the "Sciensational Snakes" group, and providing lunch to volunteers.

Meals on Wheels (Dresden) \$1,286

Funds were used to replace and update equipment, and to purchase food preparation utensils.

Blenheim Christian Reformed Church \$5,000

This grant enabled volunteers to purchase equipment and groceries needed for a food outreach program in Blenheim and Ridgetown.

Blenheim Youth Centre \$6,650

Grant money was used to cover staff costs, and to purchase supplies and equipment for snack programs, leisure programming, and winter recreational programming.

Chatham Kent YMCA \$4,000

This grant enabled the YMCA to provide financial subsidies for children, families, and individuals, allowing them to access Y programs.







Chatham-Kent Drug Awareness Council \$5,000

Funds were used to purchase winter items for homeless and precariously housed individuals in Chatham-Kent.

Dresden Sidestreets Youth Centre \$14,610

This grant covered the cost of replacing the roof on the youth centre facility with new plywood and steel.

Duart Community Hall \$8,916

Funds were used to purchase a 4-ton air conditioning unit for the community centre.

Family Service Kent \$8,500

Grant monies were used to purchase a used mini-van, and a new IT server.

Knox Pantry and Soup Cellar \$4,000

These funds were used to purchase groceries and supplies for the Wallaceburg church's pantry and Soup Cellar lunch program.

Lower Thames Valley Conservation Authority \$3,250

The LTCVA used this grant money to purchase native Carolinian trees, which were given to residents of Chatham-Kent to be planted on their private properties

Mary Webb Centre for the Arts \$7,220

Some of the funds were used to purchase a new furnace and A/C unit for the concert hall. The remainder supported work to digitally archive historic documents of Orford Township and the Village of Highgate.

Merlin United Church Food Bank \$3,000

Funds were used to purchase groceries for the Merlin United Church Food Bank.

New Beginnings ABI & Stroke Recovery Association \$5,800

Through this grant the association was able to install accessibility equipment in washrooms at the New Beginnings Centre, making it easier for members who use assistive devices to use the washroom independently.

Society of St. Vincent de Paul, Our Lady Help of Christians Church, Wallaceburg \$4,000

This grant money supported a food pantry that is used by families in Wallaceburg and Walpole Island First Nation. The funds helped the church respond to a 40% increase in the need for its services.

Thames Horizon Shuffleboard Club \$7,500

The Shuffleboard Club partnered with Community Living Chatham Kent to secure this grant, which was used to upgrade the kitchen and lounge facilities at the shuffleboard clubhouse.

VON Chatham-Kent \$9,815

Funding was used by VON CK to expand services in the Kids' Circle Bereavement Program, specifically the addition of music, art and drama therapy. Additional funds were used to replenish library resources.

GRANTS MADE JOINTLY BY THE SOUTH KENT WIND COMMUNITY FUND AND OTHER FUNDS OF THE CHATHAM KENT COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

The Village Resource Centre, Wheatley \$30,500

The Village Resource Centre serves as a community hub in Wheatley, which experienced a devastating environmental disaster in the village core in August 2021. This grant allowed the volunteer group to purchase office equipment and supplies, pay honoraria for instructors, and cover the cost of life skills workshops.

Canadian Red Cross Society \$20,000

This grant supported the 'Let's Go Home with Homeward Bound' program, a local initiative that helps people transition back into their own home after a hospital admission, a visit to the emergency department, or a day surgery at hospital.

CTC Foundation of Chatham-Kent \$21,900

This three-year grant of \$7,300 annually will be used by the CTC to set up three locations in Chatham-Kent where adults and children can have access to amphibious wheelchairs and Mobi Mats.

Tilbury Solid Rock Café Youth Centre \$15,600

These funds were used to purchase supplies, and cover programming and staff costs. Funding included a contribution from the Donald A. Cottingham Fund.

Squash Ontario \$15,000

This grant is continued support for the development of two concrete outdoor squash courts and two pickle ball courts in a newly-built subdivision in Dresden.

Restorative Justice Chatham-Kent \$14,000

This funding supported the Positive Strides program, which offers safe in-person one-to-one services with youth at risk in Chatham-Kent. Funding included a contribution from the Wayne & Sylvia Barnard Family Fund.

Four Counties Health Services Foundation \$12,000

The grant money was used to purchase an electrocardiogram monitor for the emergency department. Funding included a contribution from the Garnet George Case Fund.

Blenheim Youth Centre \$10,500

This grant supported the BYC Summer program. Money was used to purchase supplies and materials, cover travel costs for field trips, and pay for promotional material. Funding included contributions from the Wesley D. & Pat Thompson Fund, and the JoLynn Deprez Athletic Fund.

First Presbyterian Church \$10,000

The grant allowed volunteers to purchase supplies and carry out a weekly free breakfast program.

FreeHelpCK \$10,000

This local volunteer organization supplies meals to seniors and the unhoused, and supports 14 food pantries in the municipality. This grant was used to build four additional pantries, and to purchase non-perishable food for each pantry.

Kiwanis Club of Chatham-Kent \$10,000

In partnership with the Dollywood Foundation, the Kiwanis Club mailed out approximately 5,000 children's books to Chatham-Kent families in 2023.

Lower Thames Valley Conservation Authority \$10,000

This grant was used to purchase equipment and supplies for building maintenance for conservation and heritage programming at the C.M. Wilson Learning Centre.

NeighbourLink Chatham-Kent \$10,000

aWAY Opportunities is a seasonal NeighbourLink program that enables local children to attend summer camp at Kenesserie Camp at no charge.

Society of Saint Vincent de Paul \$10,000

The grant money was used to purchase food and supplies for food insecurity outreach programs at St. Joseph and St. Ursula Churches in Chatham.

Sydenham Field Naturalists \$10,000

This grant was used by the SFN to establish densely planted native forests in municipal parks using the Miyawaki-style planting technique. Funding included contributions from the Wonnacott Environmental Fund and the Environmental Legacy Fund.

New Beginnings ABI & Stroke Recovery Association \$8,500

These funds were used to purchase two foldable, motorized wheelchairs that will be made available to members of this community group.

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Chatham-Kent \$7,500

Grant dollars were used to purchase various pieces of technology to improve the agency's day to day operations, including a laptop, iPads and accessories, and to update the phone system.

May Court Club of Chatham \$7,500

This grant supported a daily Breakfast Program at Queen Elizabeth II Public School, and the Emergency Lunchbox Program that the May Court Club provides to 19 schools in Chatham Kent. Funding included contributions from the Rosa G. Corsini Fund, and the Lindsay and Cindy Boyd Fund.

Historical Society of Blenheim and District \$6,283

Volunteers have been able to digitize over 130 years' worth of indexes, newspapers, and images with the support of this grant.

Campfire Circle \$6,000

This grant covered the cost of sending a local family to a week-long camp program at Campfire Circle's Rainbow Lake facility. The camp supports children and families affected by childhood cancer.

Blenheim & Community Senior Citizens Group \$5,000

This local group has used the funds to purchase modernized Bridge equipment. Funding included a contribution from the Wesley D. & Pat Thompson Fund.

Christ Church Anglican, Chatham \$5,000

This grant enabled the church to upgrade its kitchen to meet safety codes and standards for an Outreach food insecurity program that the congregation has established.

Knox Presbyterian Church Pantry \$5,000

Funds were used to purchase fresh fruits, vegetables, meat, canned goods, and other staples for Knox Food Pantry.

No One Stands Alone \$5,000

Grant money supported the production and distribution of 80,000 mental health resource booklets to youth in Chatham-Kent.

Tilbury Rotary Club \$5,000

This grant allowed the club to offer leadership training, and educational and recreational activities for youth in Tilbury and the surrounding area.

Trinity United Church, Wallaceburg \$5,000

This grant was used to purchase food and supplies for a food insecurity outreach program.

North Dresden Baptist Church \$1,726

The congregation used the grant money to increase the accessibility of washrooms at the church, and to expand a community garden.

Chatham-Kent Hospice Foundation \$11,000

This grant was used to enhance end-of-life, and grief and bereavement support programs provided by the Hospice throughout Chatham-Kent. Funding included a contribution from the Joseph and Colleen O'Neill Community Betterment Fund.

Lend-A-Hand Meals Committee \$5,587

This local group used the grant to fund breakfast and snack programs in six schools in Wallaceburg.

INVESTMENT AND FINANCIAL REPORTS

CONDENSED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

December 31, 2023

	Operating Fund	Perpetual Fund	Total
Assets			
Current assets	61,240	1,931,942	1,993,182
Investments	348,224	10,997,515	11,345,739
	409,464	12,929,457	13,338,921
Liabilities			
Current liabilities	223,908	5,000	228,908
Fund balances	185,556	12,924,457	13,110,013
	409,464	12,929,457	13,338,921

CONDENSED STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES

Year Ended December 31, 2023

	Operating Fund	Perpetual Fund	Total
Revenue	112,311	2,253,281	2,365,592
Expenses Distributions	116,700	89,794 685,864	206,494 685,864
	116,700	775,658	892,358
Excess of revenue over expenses	(4,390)	1,477,623	1,473,234
Fund balances, beginning of year	189,945	11,446,834	11,636,779
Fund balances, end of year	185,556	12,924,457	13,110,013

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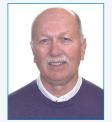
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