

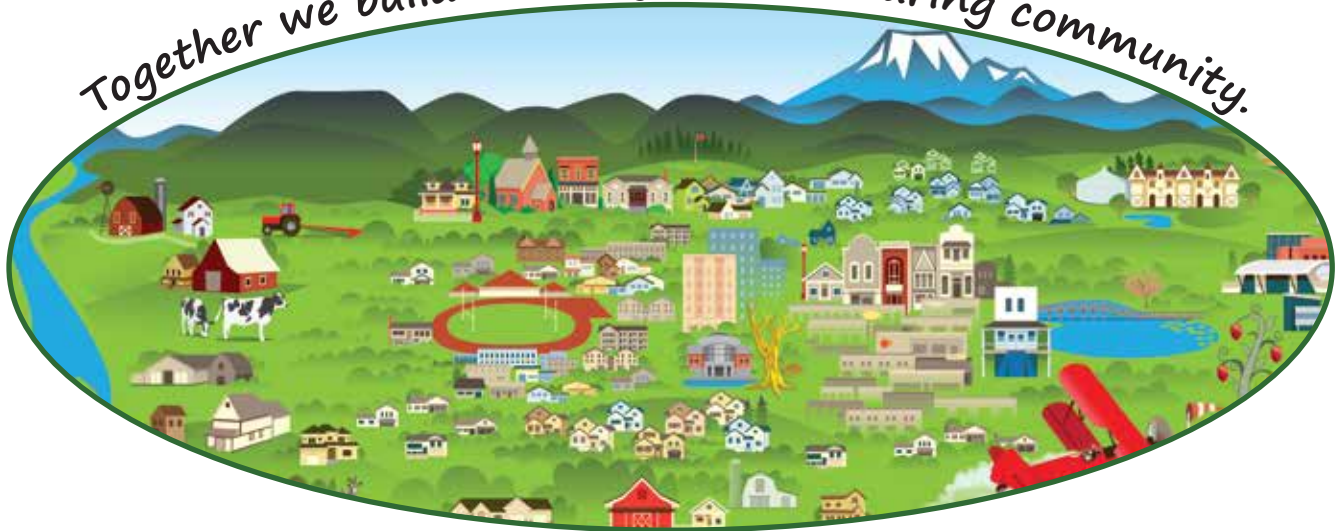


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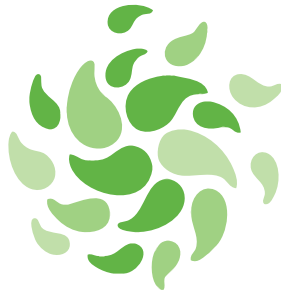
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Together we build a stronger, more caring community.



"I would just like to think I passed through this era, this world, and hopefully made something a little better for the average person."

- Former Abbotsford Mayor George Ferguson
on how he would like to be remembered



ABBOTSFORD COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

Our Vision:

Together, we build a stronger, more caring community.

Our Mission:

To inspire philanthropy and develop partnerships by investing in people, projects, and programs to strengthen our community.

Our Definition of Success:

To be an outstanding community leader and capacity builder in the not-for-profit sector.
To have \$20 million in endowment funds by the year 2020.

Our Strategic Priorities:

Grow our endowment funds
Deepen our impact through granting
Raise our Foundation profile

Our Values:

Caring, engaged, responsible, trustworthy, accountable



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Abbotsford is a community with deep roots, great diversity, and an open and welcoming spirit. As people, we are more generous than any where else in Canada. Philanthropy exists in many ways, but the history of our organization speaks to commitment of sustainable generosity.

The Abbotsford Community Foundation was conceived by a series of initiating events that started with a substantial donation by the Trethewey Family to the Matsqui Parks and Recreation Commission in 1978. The Directors of the Commission at that time felt that the sizable donation could have a much longer effect on the community if it was invested in perpetuity and revenues from the investment spent annually.

Since its inception, Abbotsford Community Foundation has granted almost \$10 million back into the community, which includes close to \$5 million in student awards. It is the Foundation's goal to have at least \$20 million in our endowment funds by the year 2020. With your help, we will continue to grow our endowments so that we can further invest in our community, creating a lasting impact that will inspire future generations.

We *inspire* donors to give
or maybe you are already inspired but not sure where
you want your charitable dollars to be best used.

We *invest* whatever you invest
and we ensure you are completely aware and comfortable
with the process and the intended outcomes.

Your *impact* will be felt across our community
by many people who need assistance and care.



2017 Board of Directors
(Board Chair pictured on next page)



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Andrea Senft
2nd Vice Chair
Chair - Community
Grants Committee



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Chair - Finance &
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Mark Driediger
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Giving Committee



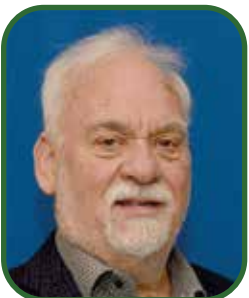
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Chair - Agricultural
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Chair - Student
Awards Committee



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& Governance
Committee



Judy Redekop
Director
Chair - Fund
Development
Committee



Kal Sidhu
Director



A Message from Executive Director, Wendy Neufeld

It was my distinct pleasure to join the Abbotsford Community Foundation in April 2017 as Executive Director. With appreciation to former ED, Susan McAlevy, we continue to grow in both our endowments and our grants to our caring community. Our staff has worked diligently to meet the goals and strategic direction set by the Board of Directors. As we look toward to our 40th anniversary in 2019, we will set an even higher bar for our leadership as a charity for charities.

Wendy

A Message from Board Chair, Harvey Wiens

This AGM marks the completion of my two-year term as Board Chair and I am very thankful for all the dedicated board and committee members who have worked so diligently and volunteered in many different roles to help move the ACF forward on a number of its strategic priorities. Thanks too, to Dee, Jean and Wendy for their hard work and commitment that has enabled the foundation to have a very successful year. You are valued and much appreciated!

Two years ago, when I started my tenure as Board Chair, I stated that it was my personal goal to have the ACF's endowed funds grow significantly from 2016-18. In 2017, our endowed funds grew by over \$1,000,000 and in total over the two year period the ACF saw growth of almost \$1.5M! I look forward to the next year working with incoming Chair, Lorna Hart, as I serve as the Past Chair.

Thank you,

Harv



2017 Board of Directors

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2017 Committee Chairs

Marion Juhasz - Finance and Audit
Andrea Senft - Grants
John Morrow - Student Awards
Patricia Ouellette - Nominating and Governance
Judy Redekop - Fund Development Committee
Tony Duffield - Investment Committee
Mark Driediger - Planned Giving Committee
Brian Loughlin - Agricultural Enhancement Grants

2017 Staff

Wendy Neufeld - Executive Director
Jean Vanderbyl - Financial Coordinator
Dee Quiring - Admin & Awards Coordinator*
*Retired July 2018

2017 HIGHLIGHTS

2017 was a fantastic year, where we continued to build on the legacy the Foundation initially established in 1979. With new staff, new events and new community partners on board, we were able to increase awareness and inspire philanthropy to new heights in this amazing community.

Thanks to the support of our members and community partners, we were able to achieve the following milestones:

Over **3/4 of a million dollars** total granted in Abbotsford - a record year!

- ✓ **\$1,027,227** - Total endowment gifts received.
- ✓ **\$10,974,934** - Total endowment capital, including five new endowment funds in 2017.
- ✓ **\$389,270** - Total flow through donations received.
- ✓ **\$459,985** - Awarded in grants, bringing the total amount granted since 1980 to **\$9,598,359**.
- ✓ **\$354,000** - Total scholarships and bursaries awarded to **347** students, which brought the total amount awarded since inception of the program in 1995 to **\$4,763,561**.
- ✓ **\$314,000** - Exceeded our 4 year Canada150 goal to grant \$300,000 in Smart & Caring funds to charities supporting children living in poverty in our community.
- ✓ Completed the process of hiring a new Executive Director to replace Susan McAlevy who retired at the end of April.
- ✓ **8** stories were added to our “What’s Your Story – Leave a Legacy” program.
- ✓ **April 6, 2017** - Hosted our annual **Donor Advisory** night to select student award recipients.
- ✓ **June 21, 2017** - Held our first annual **What’s Your Story Tea** hosted by former Board chair, Marilyn Hamilton.
- ✓ **September 21, 2017** - Held our 2nd Annual Smart & Caring Golf Classic, resulting in **\$45,000** being added to the capital of our Smart & Caring Community Endowment Fund.
- ✓ **October 24, 2017** - The Board held a strategic planning session and established a new strategic plan for 2017 - 2019, which is included on page 2 of this report.
- ✓ **November 2, 2017** - Annual Donor Recognition Event was held at The Reach Gallery, attended by approx. **125** fund holders, donors and community partners.
- ✓ **November 15, 2017** - Held our 7th annual National Philanthropy Day event at the Quality Inn, with keynote speaker Michael de Jong. Presented 3 awards to the following recipients:
 - **Youth Philanthropy Award:** Elana Huget who chose to support Abbotsford Community Services’ Starfish Backpack program with her \$500 award;
 - **Business Philanthropy Award:** Jack’s Towing who chose to support Communitas Supportive Care Society’s Matthew’s House with their \$500 award; and
 - **Volunteer of the Year Award:** Gerri Charles who chose to support Abbotsford Restorative Justice & Advocacy with her \$500 award.



WAYS TO GIVE

Abbotsford Community Foundation (ACF) gives individual donors, family foundations, businesses and charitable organizations a number of ways to fulfill their philanthropic objectives while supporting the well-being of our community.

We believe that by strengthening the gifts, assets and capacity of individuals and groups, we strengthen our community. We specialize in building endowment funds, where the capital is not encroached upon, and uses the funds' earnings to support the ever-changing needs of our community.

The following types of endowment funds are available for donors:

- ✓ ACF Discretionary Endowments
- ✓ ACF Managed Funds
- ✓ Donor Endowment Funds:
 - ✓ Donor Advised (each year the donor advises where income is to be paid)
 - ✓ Donor Designated (each year, income is paid to a designated charity chosen by the donor)
 - ✓ Agency (each year income is paid to the charity that established the fund)
- ✓ Student Awards Program Endowment Funds

Some of the above are open funds where gifts may be made by any interested contributor thereby allowing even modest contributions to be joined with others' gifts for maximum charitable benefit.

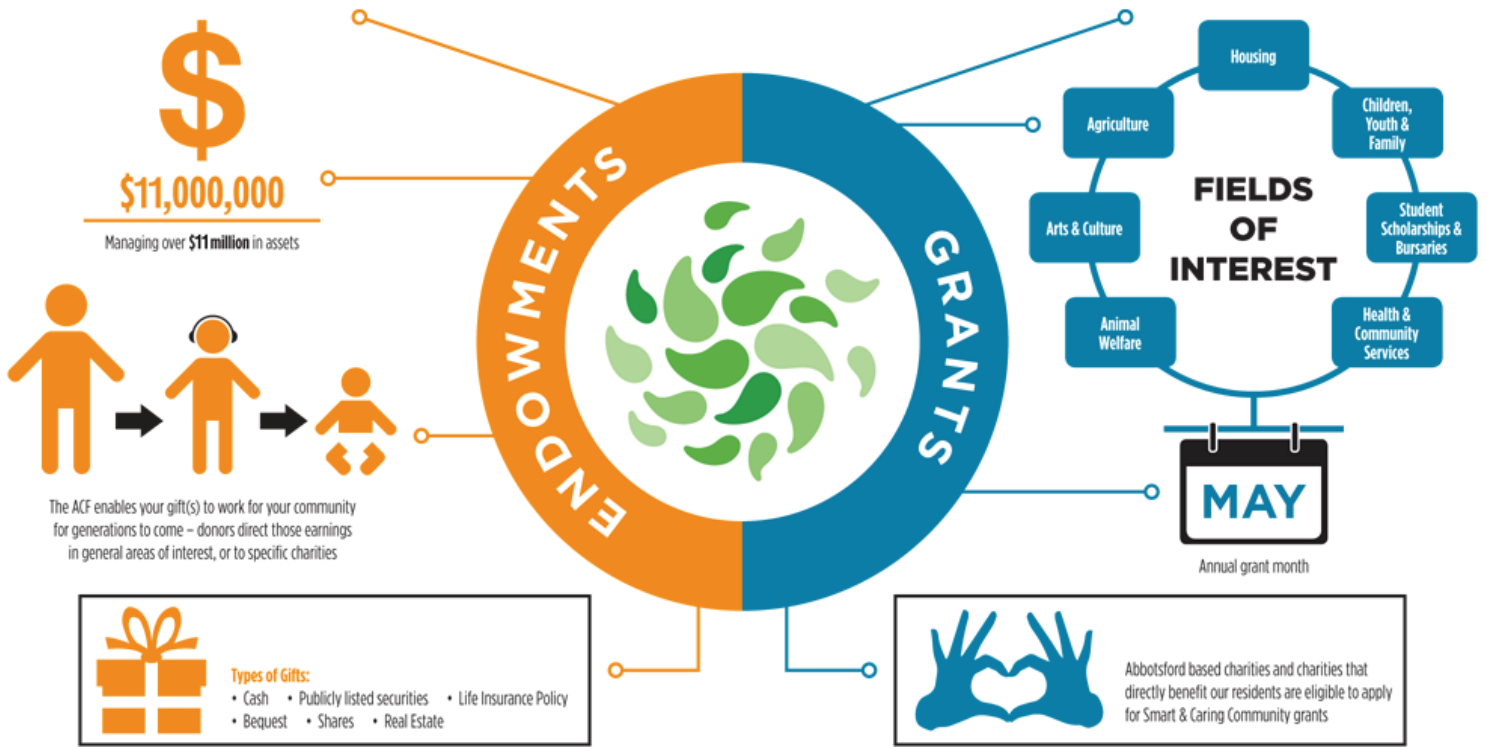
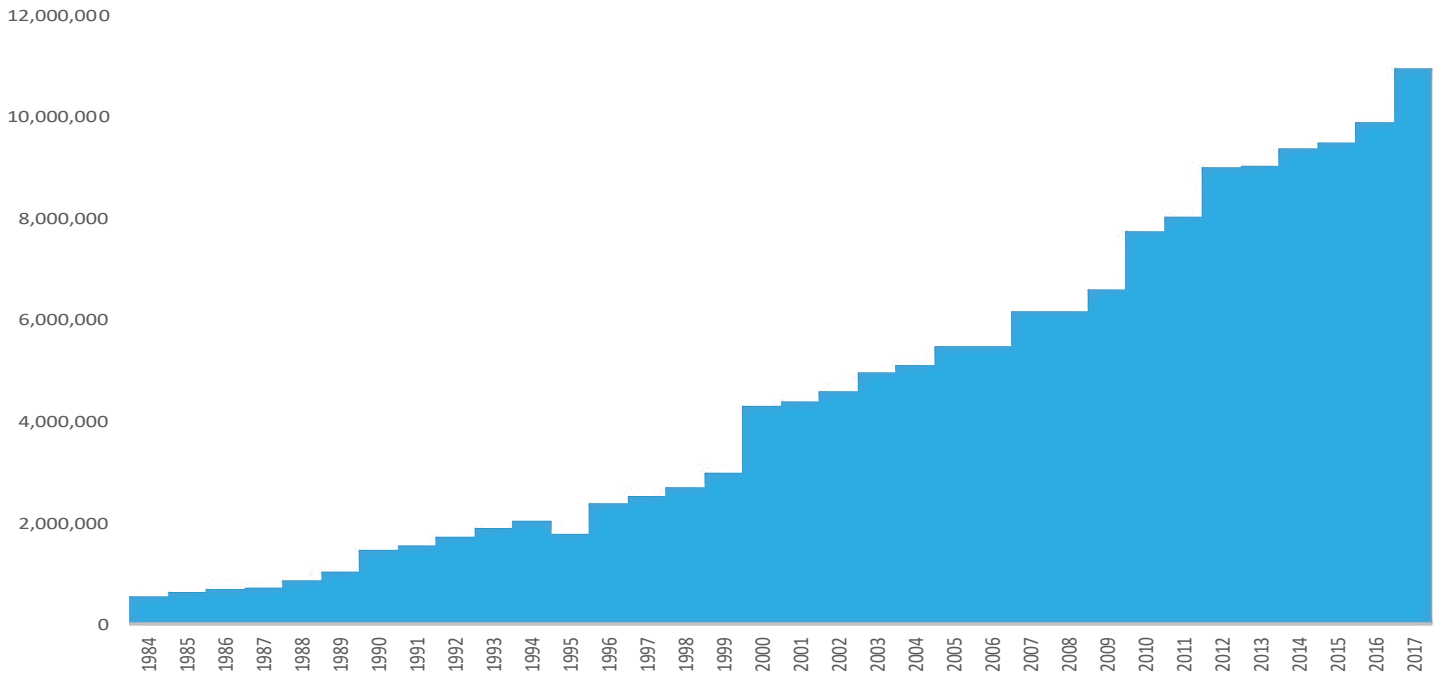
Named Endowment Funds

For a minimum of \$10,000, donors may establish a named endowment fund for themselves, a family member, a company or a valued friend. Some funds have names that convey specific goals or purposes, or hold special meaning to the donor.

Emerging Endowment Funds

Donors that do not have the minimum \$10,000 initial donation to establish an endowment fund may create an "Emerging Fund" with an initial donation of \$3,000 and a pledge to meet the minimum donation level of \$10,000.00 within three years of the initial gift. Until such time as the pledge is fulfilled, no distribution will be made from the Emerging Fund. If the donor fails to reach the required \$10,000.00 minimum within three years the capital and distributable income will be transferred to either the ACF Smart and Caring Community Endowment Fund or the ACF Student Award Endowment Fund. The decision of which fund the money will be transferred to will be based on the purpose described in the Emerging Fund Agreement.

ENDOWMENT FUND GROWTH



2017 was a record year, with the Foundation granting over **\$775,000 back into our community. Here is a snapshot of the areas those grants supported:**

SMART & CARING GRANTS - \$82,500

The focus of our Smart and Caring Community Initiative has been to support children and families living in poverty. We chose this area based on our 2013 Vital Signs report that revealed that 40% of the 5,000 people a month using Abbotsford’s Food Bank are children.

In 2017, the following nine local charities received grants totaling **\$82,500**.

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| Abbotsford Community Services | Best for Babies Program |
| Abbotsford Community Services | Starfish Backpack program |
| Abbotsford Restorative Justice & Advocacy Assoc. | Counseling for At Risk Children |
| Abbotsford Youth Commission | Youth Nutrition and Cooking Classes |
| Central Abbotsford Community School | After School Homework Assistance |
| Fraser Valley Brain Injury Association | Summer Camp |
| Fraser Valley Child Development Centre | Family Enrichment Program |
| Rick Hansen Secondary Super Science Club | Financial Assistance for Science Club |
| Vibrant Abbotsford | Financial Literacy Program |
| West Abbotsford Community School | Summer Literacy Support |



2017 Smart and Caring Grant Recipients

AGRICULTURAL ENHANCEMENT GRANTS - \$130,000

The Agricultural Enhancement Grants Program is a partnership between the City of Abbotsford and Abbotsford Community Foundation. In 2017, the Agricultural Grants committee established program criteria based on new technologies with a focus on the environment and sustainability.

In 2017, the following three organizations received grants totaling **\$130,000**.

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|---------------------|---|
| KPD Consulting Ltd. | MagPi Plus, innovation to harvest nutrients from animal manures |
| Lepp Farms Inc. | Local, safe food production year round |
| Eleos Robotics | Culture Bot, automated pest management system |



KPD Consulting Ltd.



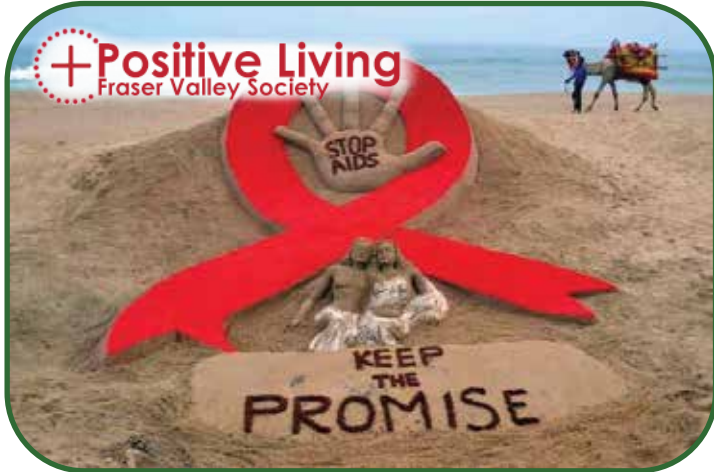
Rob & Charlotte Lepp



Yahoel Van Essen

HOUSING GRANT RECIPIENTS - \$18,000

Raven's Moon Resource Society provides affordable, supportive housing that facilitates permanent, positive life changes. They welcome men and women who need help making a significant change in their personal lives. Their priority is to address homelessness in Abbotsford by providing an environment with inclusive and individualized support.



Positive Living Fraser Valley Society exists to provide inclusive preventative health related services to ALL those affected by or at risk of HIV, Viral Hepatitis, TB and Sexually Transmitted Blood Borne Infections with a primary focus on vulnerable populations impacted by Addictions, Mental Illness, Housing Insecurity and other related barriers such as racism, stigma and cultural challenges.

NEIGHBORHOOD SPIRIT GRANTS - \$12,892

These grants, in conjunction with the City of Abbotsford and the Vancouver Foundation, make it possible for small groups of volunteers to implement projects that bring people together for a common good, ranging from community safety programs, neighborhood beautification, an anti-bullying day run by youth, and a community gathering space. There were 17 applications and 13 projects approved, equaling **\$12,892**.





ANIMAL WELFARE GRANT - \$13,000

Every fall, ACF is pleased to invite local animal welfare charities to submit proposals for the Mary Wakefield Animal Welfare Grant. The fund representatives review these applications and allocate the funds.

CANADA 150 GRANTS FOR ARTS & CULTURE - \$60,000

Abbotsford Community Foundation received \$30,000 from The Community Fund for Canada's 150th and \$30,000 from its partner the City of Abbotsford. Jointly, we have allocated \$60,000 to seven arts and culture projects, designed to foster a greater sense of belonging and inclusion in Abbotsford in 2017.

In 2017, the following local charities received grants totaling \$60,000.

- Abbotsford Arts Council
- Abbotsford Community Services
- Fraser Basin Council
- MSA Museum
- Sikh National Archives
- The Reach Gallery Museum
- Women's Resource Society of the Fraser Valley

- Aboriginal Public Art Engagement Initiative
- Celebration of Heritage
- The Art of Storytelling
- Abbotsford History Exhibition
- Turbans, Eh?
- Canada 150 Decolonization and Reconciliation Project
- Walking Together - Women's Perspective on Community Building



ACF ADMINISTERED ENDOWMENT FUNDS - \$260,646

In 2017, ACF granted out into the community a total of \$260,646 from the following endowment funds:

- Abbotsford 2006 BC Senior Games
- Abbotsford Community Safety Society
- Abbotsford Heat Hockey Team
- Abbotsford Symphony Orchestra Society
- ACF Administration - For operations
- ACF Housing

- ACF Smart & Caring Community
- ACF Student Award
- Agricultural Enhancement
- John Kroger Fund for Children
- Oakland Thompson



STUDENT AWARDS PROGRAM - \$354,000

In 2017, the ACF student awards program allocated **\$354,000** for **347** scholarships and bursaries for Abbotsford high school students attending post-secondary institutions.

Student Award Endowment Funds:

Abbotsford 2004 BC Summer Games
 Abbotsford Chamber of Commerce
 Abbotsford Community Foundation
 Abbotsford Masonic Lodge #70
 Abbotsford Rotary Club
 Abby Senior Memorial Student
 Access to All
 Al Pauls Memorial
 Allstar Mechanical Ltd.
 Ashley Lowey Memorial
 Beatrice Marchant Memorial
 Beehive Rebekah Lodge #69
 Bertram A. Bickford Memorial
 Brent Wilson Memorial
 Calder-Giacchini Memorial
 Carole Rempel Memorial
 Chris Dahl Memorial
 Christine Caldwell Memorial - Arts
 Citadel Club
 Cst. John Davidson "Shine On" Memorial
 Dallas Saunders Memorial
 Darlene Gottschalk Memorial
 Darren Readhead Memorial
 Derek Matty "Passion for Life" Memorial
 Douglas Ward McGimpsey Memorial
 Dr. J. Muir Memorial
 Eileen Hardbattle Memorial

Erin Burgess Memorial
 Eugene Reimer Memorial
 Eveline Grace Hardy Memorial
 Fandrich Cone Harvesters
 Frank Huston Memorial
 Frieda T. Wiens Memorial
 Friends Of Abby/Reach for the Top
 Geoff Cowell Memorial
 Geoff Horner Memorial
 Gina Petrynko Memorial
 Harry Sayers Memorial
 Hartley & Roslin Lovick Memorial
 James Fisher Memorial
 Jerry Alamwala Memorial Agriculture
 Jill Nelson Memorial
 Jim Anderson Memorial
 John A. & Muriel Murphy Memorial
 Joshua Jensen Memorial
 Judith Ratzlaff Memorial
 Kari Bell Memorial
 Katie McKenzie Memorial
 Kody Ramsay "Inspirational"
 Ledgeview Legacy
 Leslie Forman Reg. Nurse Memorial
 Let's Keep The Dream Alive
 Main Chance
 Marion de Wit Memorial

Mark Redekop Memorial
 Mary Selby Memorial
 Meghan Williams Memorial
 Multicultural Diversity
 Natasha Buttar Memorial
 National High School Theatre
 Festival Pat & Dennis Healey
 Percy Darling Memorial
 Rachel Munroe Memorial
 Rachel Thiessen Memorial
 Rick Hansen Secondary Jr. Chef
 Robert & Birgit Bateman
 Robert Bateman Secondary Fine
 Arts/Technology
 Robert Bateman Secondary PAC
 Sam Posthumous Memorial
 Samuel & Isabella Gardner Memorial
 Sean Phillips Memorial
 Shane Travis Memorial
 Spencer Lightburn Memorial
 Tom Lindsay Memorial
 Tony Anning
 Trevor Dueck Memorial
 Vicky Bach Memorial
 W.J. Mouat Grad
 William J. Mouat Memorial
 Yale Lions Excellence

ACF presently has 81 permanent student award endowment funds totaling **\$4,012,526**. These endowments have been established by Community organizations, businesses, families and individuals to support student awards. The minimum donation required to establish an endowment fund is \$10,000. However, a donor may start an emerging fund with a gift of \$3,000 with the understanding that if the fund does not reach \$10,000 within three years, the monies will go into the ACF Student Award Endowment Fund. The income generated on the capital of the endowment fund awards a scholarship in perpetuity to graduating students of the public and private secondary schools in Abbotsford that participate in the Program.

Below is a list of community organizations, businesses, families and individuals who have established annual awards with ACF. To participate in our annual student awards program, donors must agree to annually fund an award for a minimum of three years.

Annual Student Awards:

Abbotsford Career Fire Fighters IAFF Local 2864
 Abbotsford Dental Group
 Abbotsford District Retired Teachers Association
 Abbotsford Female Hockey Association
 Abbotsford Masters Basketball Association
 Abbotsford Minor Fastball Association
 Abbotsford Minor Hockey Association
 Abbotsford Music Educators
 Abbotsford News
 Abbotsford Police Board
 Abbotsford Police City Basketball Tournament
 Abbotsford Principals & Vice-Principals Association
 Abbotsford Whalers Swim Club
 Aldergrove Credit Union
 Aldergrove Royal Canadian Legion #265
 ARHCC Medical Society
 ASIA North Poplar Alumni
 ASIA Sumas Mountain
 ASIA Sumas Mountain PAC
 Berry Industry
 Board of Education
 Business & Professional Women's Club
 Cal Mackintosh Memorial
 Chalk Spots Award
 Cheryl McCormack
 CIBC Wood Gundy
 City of Abbotsford Fire Rescue Service Benevolent Society
 Complete EyeCare Optometry
 Douglas Gosling Memorial
 Dr. Arthur Phillip-Stewart Memorial
 Ebisu Sushi
 Ed Schellenberg Memorial
 Fraser Valley Auto Mall
 Fraser Valley Indo-Canadian Business Association
 Fraser Valley Stage



Fraserway RV LP
 Fraternal Order Of Eagles Ladies Auxiliary #2726
 GirlKIND Foundation
 Gregory Potocky Memorial
 Hank Pankratz Memorial
 Harris & Co.
 Harwindip Singh Baringh Memorial
 International Baccalaureate Diploma
 Jagtar Singh Sekhon Memorial
 Kevin Lloyd Memorial
 Letisha Reimer Legacy
 Lion's Leadership
 Mamele'awt Aboriginal Education
 Marcus Ortner - PREC
 Medical Tower Drugs
 Mierau Construction
 Mierau Contractors Ltd.
 Mt. Lehman Community Association
 Peter Dobson Memorial Golf
 Philip Sheffield School PAC
 RDM Lawyers LLP
 RICOH Canada
 Rotary Club Of Abbotsford - Matsqui
 Rotary Club of Abbotsford - Sumas
 Roy Andersen Memorial
 Roy Craven Memorial - APAC
 Scott Gmur Memorial
 Tri-Link Systems Inc.
 upNext Media
 Upper Sumas Women's Institute
 Valley Women's Network
 Vandell
 Varing Marketing Group
 William A Mercer Memorial
 Yale Secondary PAC

NEW ENDOWMENT FUNDS IN 2017

Geoff Horner Memorial Scholarship Endowment Fund

After close to six decades as part of the Abbotsford community, Geoffrey (Geoff) Horner passed away on April 21, 2017 at the age of 82. Geoff was best known as a teacher in Abbotsford for 35 years, and he spent the 25 years prior to his retirement teaching Math, Chemistry and Physics at Abbotsford Senior Secondary School. In his memory, this endowment was created. The purpose of the Fund is to annually fund a student award to a Grade 12 student who is graduating from any high school that participates in the Abbotsford Community Foundation's Student Awards Program.

Abbotsford 2016 BC Summer Games Sport Legacy Fund

This endowment was established with a \$60,000 gift from the Abbotsford 2016 BC Summer Games Society. The Abbotsford Community Foundation agreed to add to the fund with a 10% matching donation of \$6,000. This fund will support school-aged athletes, teams and programs across the community of Abbotsford in perpetuity.



Christian Benevolent Legacy Endowment Fund

Donors wishing to set up an endowment as part of their estate planning process can set up a "Legacy Endowment Fund" with a minimum donation of \$1,000. Garnet Ann Crowley is one such donor and has resolved to establish a permanent Endowment Fund with ACF, with the commitment that she will provide a minimum of \$25,000 from her estate to fully fund it. The purpose of the fund, once it is fully funded, is for the income to annually support local, qualified charitable organizations who provide housing and related services for those in need.

Cst. John Davidson "Shine On" Legacy Endowment Fund

This memorial fund was created in honour of Cst. John Davidson for his dedication, commitment, and his work with youth.

The financial stewards of funds raised simultaneously with Operation X agreed to use the money to establish this endowment for a lasting legacy in his name. Those funds were raised with the support of APD officers and civilians during the Operation X awareness campaign, primarily through the sale of bracelets.



George F. Ferguson Legacy Endowment Fund

The George Frederick Ferguson fund was set up by Mrs. Ria Ferguson in her husband's honor. The fund was established to support Raven's Moon Resource Society to assist them with their programs that address homelessness issues in Abbotsford. This issue was one of vital importance to Mayor Ferguson.

ACF DONOR ENDOWMENT FUNDS

Donor Advised Endowment Funds

Abbotsford 2016 BC Summer Games
 Conexions
 CTC Excellence Award
 CTC Welding Excellence Award
 Daphne May Smith for Women
 Dr. Alex B. Patterson Memorial
 Eric Vanderham Memorial
 Investors Group Community
 Jean Mouat Memorial
 John A. & Muriel Murphy Community
 Kornelsen Family
 Mary Wakefield Animal Welfare
 Paul & Rose Anderson Community
 Prospera Ewald Rempel Memorial
 William A. & Violet Mercer Memorial

Agency - Donor Endowment Funds

Abbotsford Community Services "ACS"
 ACS Food Bank
 ACS Seniors Services
 Abbotsford Hospice
 Abbotsford Police Foundation
 Abbotsford Regional Hospital
 Big Brothers Big Sisters Fraser Valley
 Fraser Valley Brain Injury Association
 Fraser Valley Conservancy
 Heritage Abbotsford Society
 Tabor Home Society
 United Way of the Fraser Valley

Donor Designated Endowment Funds

Christian Benevolent Legacy
 Constance Smith Legacy
 Dave Kandal Elementary School
 David Froese
 Dennis Carter & Muffy Feed the Children
 George Frederick Ferguson Legacy
 Imperial Athletic Scholarship
 Lorna Keith Endowment for Music
 Major Singh Gill Memorial
 Mary Anne Curtin Children's Book Fund
 Pacific Sport Fraser Valley
 Shepherds Watching Over Us
 Spud & Jean Huestis Memorial
 Tsang Family Dentistry
 Valley Royals Track & Field

Legacy Tea

Our Legacy Stories program allows Abbotsford residents to leave both a financial and historical legacy to their community. In 2017, we held our first annual What's Your Story Tea, which was hosted by ACF's former Board chair, Marilyn Hamilton. As a result of this and other outreach efforts, we had 8 new legacy stories added to the program, including stories from George Ferguson and Ethel & Ewald Rempel. These stories are written in a leather-bound book that is on display at the Reach Gallery in Abbotsford.



Vital Conversations

In May 2017, ACF and Abbotsford Community Development Council (ACDC) invited the community to come together in world café style format for a Vital Conversation on four key social issues: Homelessness, Poverty, Diversity and Parenting, as they relate to emerging issues in our community like the fentanyl crisis and gang violence.

ACDC is made up of senior representatives from Abbotsford Community Services, Abbotsford Community Foundation, Abbotsford Police Department, Abbotsford School District, City of Abbotsford, Fraser Health, Mennonite Central Committee, Ministry of Children and Family Development, United Way of the Fraser Valley, University of the Fraser Valley.

The Council created a Vital Conversations document containing research on the four issues with a goal of proposing actions that can be taken locally through the sharing of knowledge and resources, supporting actions already underway, proposing that local research be undertaken and, advocating for action at the municipal, provincial or federal level. This document can be found on our website.

Donor Recognition Evening

This year, we had a record attendance at the annual Donor & Friends Recognition Evening, hosted at The Reach Gallery in Abbotsford. Over **125** fund holders, donors, and community partners enjoyed a wonderful evening.



Smart & Caring Golf Classic

Our 2nd annual event was held at Ledgeview Golf Course and was a resounding success! We were very pleased to host 128 golfers and guests, as well as having 40 community sponsors on board. This event raised a total of **\$45,000** for our Smart & Caring Community Endowment Fund.



National Philanthropy Day Lunch & Awards

ACF was honored to have MLA Mike de Jong join us as the keynote speaker for the 2017 NPD Lunch & Awards Ceremony. He spoke about creating legacies for our community and how philanthropy impacted him personally. When he graduated in 1981, he received an award from ACF that enabled him to continue his education. This event was attended by **138** donors and guests from the business and non-profit sectors of Abbotsford. We were pleased to present three philanthropy awards this year: The Alan and Vivian Trethewey Youth Philanthropy Award, awarded to Elana Huget for her work with various charities in Abbotsford. The award was presented by J.O. Trethewey, brother of the late Alan Trethewey, and his wife Marlene. The Business Philanthropy Award was presented to Jack's Towing by Allan Asaph, ED of the Abbotsford Chamber of Commerce, which sponsored the award. Volunteer of the Year is a new category this year and the recipient was Gerri Charles, who has dedicated her life to volunteering in the community, and is a founding member of the Crystal Gala. The creation of the Cst. John Davidson Shine On Fund was announced at the luncheon, and was inspired by the dedication and commitment of Cst. Davidson and his work with youth.

Keynote Speaker



Mike de Jong



Wendy Neufeld, ED



L to R: Christine Wiebe, Moe Gill, Vivian Trethewey
Donor Reception 2017



Grad 2017



Marilyn Hamilton, Wendy Neufeld, ED
What's Your Story Tea 2017



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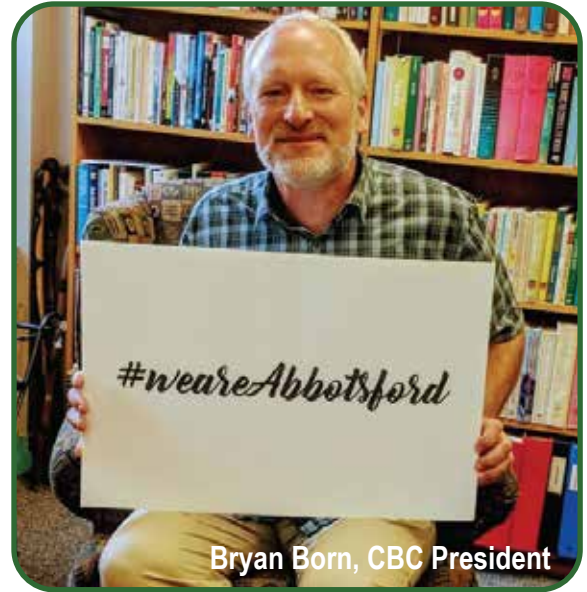
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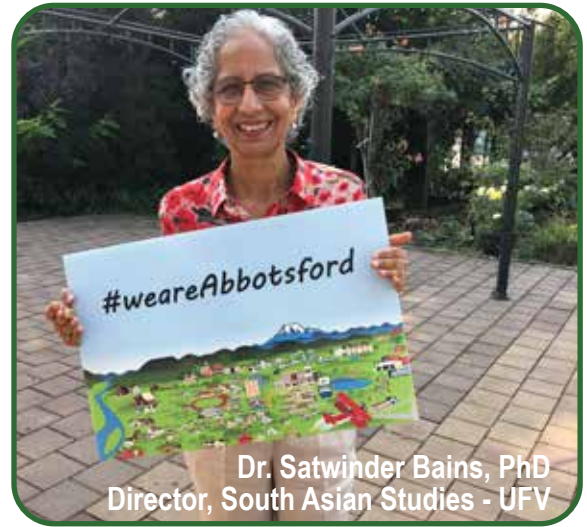
Mayor & Council



Bryan Born, CBC President



Stan Petersen, School Trustee



Dr. Satwinder Bains, PhD
Director, South Asian Studies - UFV



Ed Fast MP, Brad & Gil



Abbotsford Police Department

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Join us again in 2019 as we celebrate 40 charitable years in Abbotsford. Think about how to give where you live, where we thrive.

You can help us invest in, impact and inspire our community!



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