



PRINCE GEORGE
COMMUNITY
FOUNDATION
all for our community.

**2018-2019
ANNUAL REPORT**

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Being part of a community is so much more than just sharing space or living in the same area. It is about creating and cultivating a sense of belonging. It is about understanding, acknowledging, celebrating and leveraging our differences to give rise to a greater collective strength and vitality. It is about both supporting and challenging those around us and inspiring an ongoing commitment to improving the quality of life for all.

Founded in 1995, the Prince George Community Foundation has helped facilitate donations to build permanent endowment funds that inspire, support and engage Prince George, particularly in the areas of health, sports, recreation, arts, culture, social services and the environment. To date more than \$2.4 million in funds have been granted back to our community.

We are thankful to our prior Boards, and the work they have done to date, and to our past and present donors who allow us the opportunity to grant back into the community. We also know there is much more work to be done. As we approach our 25th anniversary in 2020, we take pause and recognize that there are serious needs in our community and those needs are continuing to grow.

With that, we challenge you, to be a champion in your community, and to be inspired to help build and shape our society, providing a powerful legacy for our future.



Alain LeFebvre
Board President

ALL FOR OUR COMMUNITY

We, the Prince George Community Foundation, are passionate about our community and are entrusted with its future, a responsibility we take to heart.

Our goal is to build a resilient, healthy, philanthropic community and we aim to achieve this through our three strategic goals:

1 the development of a sustainably managed endowment

2 strategic grant giving to projects that make an impact to our community

3 demonstrating community leadership

Established in 1995, the Prince George Community Foundation manages charitable gifts from donors whose generosity allows us to create permanent income-earning funds.

The proceeds from these funds are distributed as grants to charitable organizations throughout our community. To date, we have granted more than \$2.4 million to registered charities within our community.

Our Key Areas of Support



The Community Foundation brings together people who care about their community. The original vision for the Foundation was imagined by a group of passionate community leaders and that mandate is carried on today by our board of directors, our lifetime and honorary members, and small but mighty staff team.

The Foundation hosts several engagement events every year to recognize community leadership, the efforts of charitable organizations throughout Prince George, to thank sponsors and partners, and to continue to raise funds for future giving back to our community:

- Citizens of the Year Gala
- FARR/WIC Golf Tournament
- Grant Award Receptions
- Vital Conversations

VITAL SIGNS

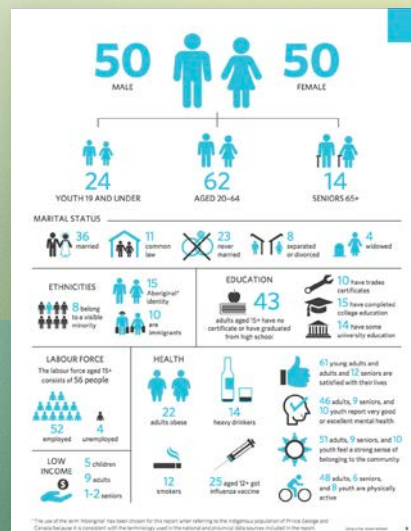
Vital Signs is a national program led by community foundations and coordinated by Community Foundations of Canada that leverages community knowledge to measure the vitality of our communities and support action towards improving our quality of life.

As an organization that is focused on giving back to our community, it is important that we seek to understand where the areas of greatest need are. With this in mind, in 2019 we presented our second Vital Signs Report, a community checkup that measures the vitality of our city, identifies concerns, and supports action on issues that are critical to our quality of life.

This complete Vital Signs report examines 10 indicator areas. The Prince George Community Foundation also accepted the call to action by the Community Foundation of Canada to connect this report to the UN Sustainable Development Goals to help further the connection between change at the local and global level.

The Vital Signs report connects philanthropy to community needs in the following areas:

1. Our Community
2. No Poverty
3. Zero Hunger
4. Good Health & Wellbeing
5. Quality Education
6. Decent Work, Economic Growth & Gender Equality
7. Sustainable Cities & Communities
8. Climate Action, Clean Water & Sanitation
9. Peace, Justice & Strong Institutions
10. Culture & Arts



INTRODUCING NEW FUNDS

Every year the Foundation welcomes new funds from our donors to our suite of nearly 200 funds. Our funds contribute to the Foundation's endowment

for general granting and to specific areas of need. The following are new funds created in 2018/2019.

Children of Prince George Fund

To provide an on-going legacy for Miracle Theatre's productions with the earned income or a portion of the earned income being granted to children charities focusing on the essential needs for children such as: food and nutrition, children abuse support, psychological health, social services, and education.

Anchikowski - Wakabayashi Family Fund

To provide an on-going legacy in the name of the Anchikowski-Wakabayashi family with the earned income or a portion of the earned income being distributed to the Canadian Red Cross Prince George Branch - Health Equipment Loan Program, BC Women's Institute, Prince George Council of Seniors as well as additional grants decided through the PGCF.

The Fantastic Walter Kamerlingh Fund

To provide an on-going legacy in the name of Walter Kamerlingh with the earned income or a portion of the earned income to be distributed annually to the Prince George Humane Society and the SPCA for the continued purposes of helping animal welfare in the city of Prince George and area. This includes animal care, food, medicine, and other needs of animals looked after by these two organizations.

Doris DaSilva Family Fund

To provide an on-going legacy in the name of Doris DaSilva with the earned income or a portion of the earned income being distributed to the St. Vincent De Paul in Prince George for the continued purposes of helping the those in the city who need assistance by providing meals, hampers, support finding resources, clothing and home furnishings and by providing a warm and safe place to gather.

Joe Vanderzwan Legacy Fund

To provide an on-going legacy in the name of Joe Vanderzwan with the earned income or a portion of the earned income being distributed to St. Vincent De Paul in Prince George for the continued purposes of helping the those in the city who need assistance by providing meals, hampers, support finding resources, clothing and home furnishings and by providing a warm and safe place to gather.

Carmen & Alain Foucher Legacy Fund

To provide an on-going legacy in the name of Carmen and Alain Foucher with the earned income or a portion of the earned income being distributed to St. Vincent De Paul in Prince George for the continued purposes of helping those in the city who need assistance by providing meals, hampers, support finding resources, clothing and home furnishings and by providing a warm and safe place to gather.

Supporting Families with Autistic Children Fund

The fund was created by the Basserman family in conjunction with the Child Development Centre to provide long-term access to funding for families who have needs and challenges in regard to autism.

Godbout Family Fund

To provide an on-going legacy in the name of Neil Godbout with the earned income or a portion of the earned income being granted to education with a preference on promoting literacy within the community and/or arts and cultural organizations.

The Board of Directors Legacy Fund

To provide an on-going legacy in the name of the PGCF Board of Directors in honour of the Foundation's 25th Anniversary in 2020. The earned income or a portion of the earned income will go to supporting the continued operations of the PGCF.

CITIZENS OF THE YEAR

The Prince George Citizen of the Year award was first held in 1996, and The Prince George Community Foundation was extremely pleased to become involved with this celebration in 1999, and has continued to hold this event each year, marking this year as it's 20th.

In 2016 this recognition was changed to "Citizens of the Year" which is awarded to those who have gone above and beyond in community volunteerism and philanthropy. Whether it be giving of their time, talent, expertise, or just being a good advocate, all of these play a role in making Prince George the wonderful community it is.



Congratulations to the 2019 Citizens of The Year: Albert Koehler, Noreen Rustad and Chuck Chin.



MIRACLE THEATRE

A special project we have been looking forward to reporting on all year is the Miracle Theatre production "Halfway There". This amazing opportunity saw us as the benefiting charity for the 2019 theatre production, as well as a raffle to benefit the Child Development Centre.

For Anne Laughlin and Ted Price this was their 4th annual production and became the highest grossing to date. A total raised of just over \$84,000.00 for the newly formed "Children of Prince George" fund.

This successful endeavour led to us being named again as their charity of choice for the March 2020 production "The Birds & the Bees."



HITTING THE GREEN

The Prince George Community Foundation was again pleased to partner with FARR Installations, Western Industrial Contractors, and the Prince George Golf & Curling Club for the 19th Annual FARR/WIC Men's Two-Ball Tournament during the September long weekend. We would like to thank all of the participants, tournament committee members, volunteers and staff for helping to make this another successful event!

Congratulations to the overall tournament winners: Denis Dunkley and Ryan Dunkley.



RBC FUTURE LAUNCH

Earlier this year, the RBC Foundation made a \$5 million donation to Community Foundations of Canada and participating community Foundations across the country. RBC Future Launch is part of a commitment by RBC and the RBC Foundation to empower Canadian youth for the jobs of tomorrow. Over the next 10 years, RBC Future Launch is dedicating \$500 million to help young people access meaningful employment through practical work experience, skills development opportunities, networking solutions and mental well-being supports and services.



RBC Future Launch Community Challenge is a national initiative that supports youth leaders as they respond to local priorities and prepare for the future. The Challenge will support bold, youth-led ideas that address urgent community priorities in 150 communities across Canada, including Prince George.

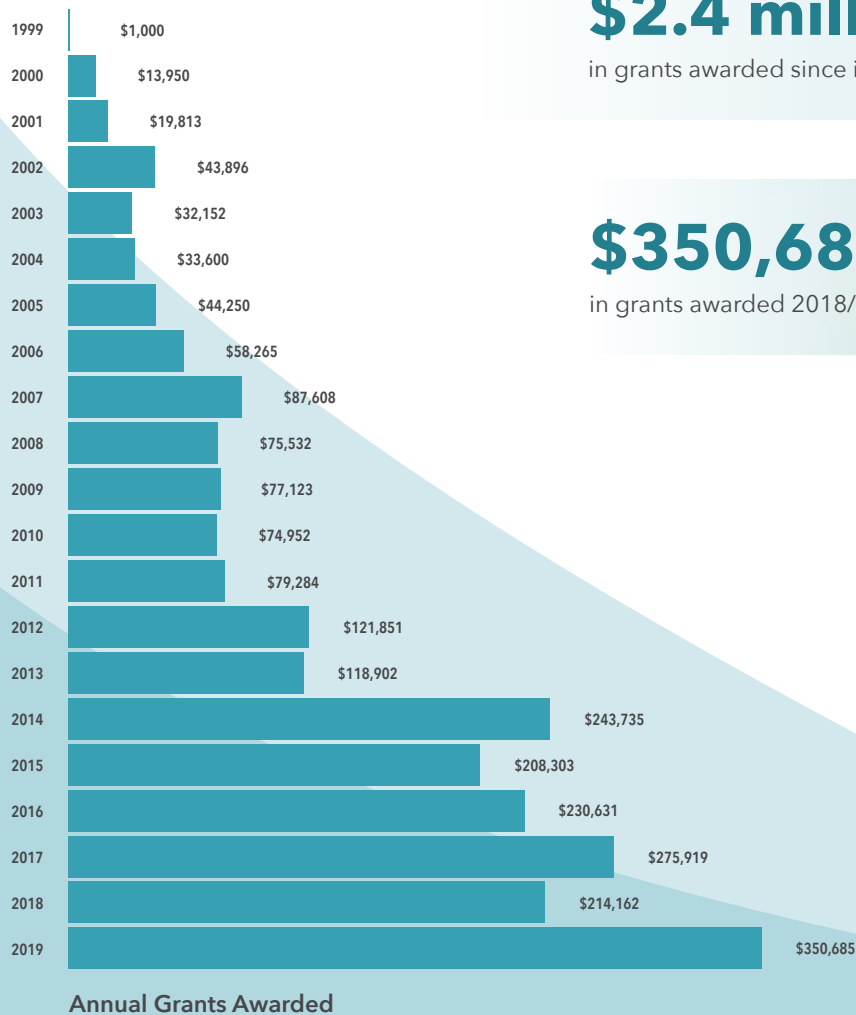
Applications will be accepted in the Fall of 2019, with funding being announced in late 2019.

SUPPORTING COMMUNITY DRIVEN PROJECTS

We're so honoured to be able to support community-driven projects through our grant programs every year. These projects have been identified by local non-profit organizations as being important to serving our community.

In 2018, we offered special one-time Vital Signs grants. These \$10,000 grants were targeted for projects that aligned with the four key areas of priority as identified through the Foundation's first Vital Signs report.

Continuous growth and sustainable management of the Foundation's endowment provides us with the resources to fund more and more projects that matter to our community. To date, the Foundation has infused more than \$2.4 million in grant funding into community projects since inception. In our 2018/2019 year, a record of \$350,685 in grants were awarded, including regional grants.



\$2.4 million

in grants awarded since inception

\$350,685

in grants awarded 2018/2019, including regional grants

VITAL SIGNS GRANTS

Organization	Project	Grant Value
Alzheimer Society of BC	PG Dementia Support Group	\$10,000
Blackburn Community Assn/Big Brothers Big Sisters	All Wheels Adventure Park	\$10,000
Junior Achievement	Personal Finance for Youth	\$10,000
Two Rivers Gallery	Indigenous Ways of Learning	\$10,000

PG FOUNDATION GRANTS

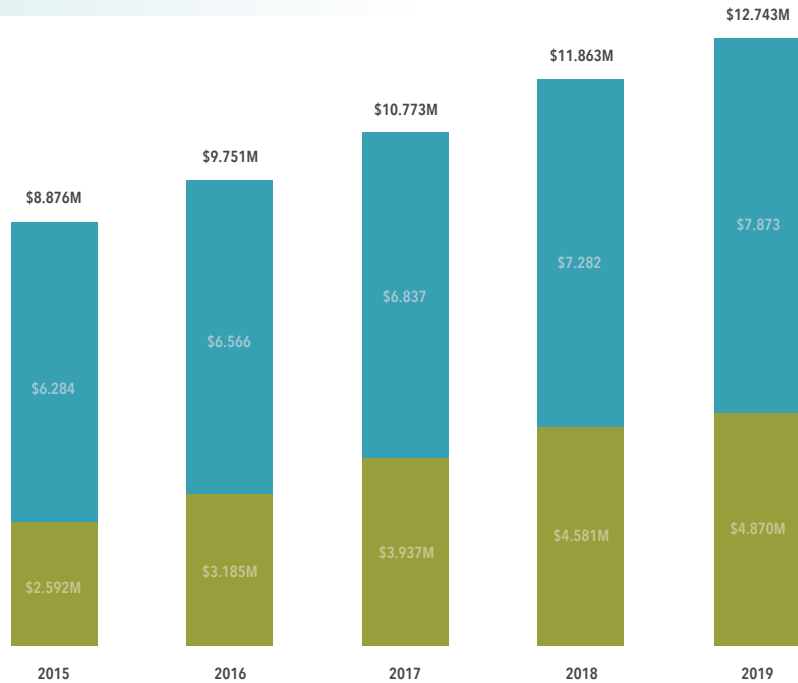
Organization	Project	Grant Value
BC Cancer Foundation	BC Cancer - Prince George: Precision Radiation Program	\$2,500
BC Epilepsy Society	Partners in Teaching	\$1,800
BC Schizophrenia Society: Prince George Branch	Guidelines for the Practice of Family Peer Support (Mental Health)	\$2,000
BC Schizophrenia Society: Prince George Branch	Healthy Minds & Bodies Building	\$2,500
BC Wheelchair Basketball Society	Let's Play - Northern Expansion	\$2,500
Canadian Mental Health Association Prince George Branch	Shelter Outreach	\$2,500
Carney Hill Neighbourhood Centre	Food for Thought	\$2,500
Child Development Centre	Purchase of a Bugzi	\$2,500
The Community Arts Council of Prince George & District	Teen Art Project	\$1,500
The Community Arts Council of Prince George & District	Prince George Community Podcasting Program	\$2,500
David Douglas Botanical Garden	Marketing the Botanical Garden Expansion Project	\$2,292
Fraser-Fort George Regional Museum (DBA The Exploration Place)	3-D Artifact Printing and Scanning Project	\$2,500
Fraser Lyric Opera	Community Chorus Enhancement	\$2,500
KidSport - Prince George	KidSport - Prince George	\$2,500
Minerva BC	Learning to Lead	\$2,500
Northern BC Friends of Children Society	Friends of Children Accommodation Support	\$1,000
PEERS	Outreach Program	\$2,273
PEERS	Harm Reduction	\$2,469
PG Conservatory of Music	Healing Music Project	\$2,500
PG Folkfest Society	Coldsnap for Kids (a project within Coldsnap 2020)	\$2,500
PG Sexual Assault Centre	Moving Forward Facilitator Training for Male Survivors	\$2,500
PG Symphony Orchestra	Youth Scholarship Program	\$1,000
PG Therapeutic Riding Association	Arena Grounds	\$2,500
Scouts Canada (Camp Hughes)	Cub Cabins (bunk houses)	\$5,000
Spinal Cord Injury BC	Active Living for All	\$2,500
TNW Theatre Northwest Society	Weird, an exhibition of alternative art	\$2,000
Two Rivers Gallery	Project Plastic	\$5,000
United Way of Northern BC	Establish BC 211 Phone Service 46283	\$2,500
YMCA of Northern BC	YMCA Beyond the Bell	\$2,500
YMCA of Northern BC	YMCA Camp Kanannaq	\$2,500

\$12.7 million

of endowed funds under active management

Through ongoing charitable contributions as well as the Foundation's financial management plan, the Prince George Foundation has grown its endowment to over \$12.7 million. Grown of the endowment allows the Foundation the opportunity to infuse more dollars annually into projects that matter to our community.

- PG Community Foundation Funds
- Regional Partners Funds



Philanthropic Development - Investment Growth Year over Year
Fiscal Year as of August 31

\$588,382

on average contributed to the Foundation over the past five years

The Prince George Community Foundation relies on the generous donations and contributions of individuals and organizations to continuously grow our endowments. Between 2015 and 2019, the Foundation collected between \$475,000 and \$820,000 each year to contribute to the general endowment or to specific directed funds.

2017 was a particularly strong year due to several regional partners pooling funds.

- PG Community Foundation Funds
- Regional Partners Funds



Philanthropic Development - Donations & Contributions Year over Year
Fiscal Year as of August 31

CHEERS TO 25 YEARS

2020 marks the 25th Anniversary of the Prince George Community Foundation. The Foundation was built by pioneers of our community who had the forethought to create a legacy for our community in order to help others.

During 2020, the Foundation looks forward to celebrating how we got started, what has been accomplished to date and the impact the Foundation has had not only on the City of Prince George, but the region, and a look ahead to the next 25 years. We hope you will join us in our Anniversary year.

Follow us on Facebook, Instagram and our website as details will be announced beginning in the New Year.



COMING UP IN 2020

Investment Readiness Grant Application Deadline (First Intake)	February 10, 2020
Miracle Theatre	February 12 - March 4, 2020
Spring Grant Application Deadline	March 15, 2020
Citizen of the Year Nomination Deadline	April 30, 2020
Spring Grant Award Reception	TBD
FARR/WIC Annual Golf Tournament	TBD
Fall Grant Application Deadline	October 15, 2020
25th Anniversary & Citizens' of the Year Gala	October 16, 2020
Fall Grant Award Reception	TBD

OUR PEOPLE

The Prince George Community Foundation would not exist without the dedicated staff and volunteers who freely give of their time, resources and skills to provide the leadership and future direction of the Foundation.

The Foundation recognizes and thanks the following individuals who have shown particular passion and regard for the Foundation.

Life Members

Prominent and respected individuals who have made significant long-term contributions and advocacy to the benefit of the Foundation.

- Brian Brownridge
- Jan Christiansen
- Ron East
- Dr. Charles Jago
- Murry Krause
- Elizabeth MacRitchie
- Dr. Jack McKenzie
- Dr. Lance Morgan
- Henry Novak
- George Paul
- Noreen Rustad
- Tom Steadman
- Leonard Zirnhelt

Honourary Members

Prominent and respected individuals who have provided valuable in-kind services or financial support, who have been recognized in perpetuity.

- Don Basserman
- Bev Christensen
- Lorraine Grant
- Judy Jackson
- Jim Imrich
- Colin Kinsley
- Ray Noonan
- Henry Reiser
- Horst Sander
- Bill Stewart
- Dick Voneugen
- Les Waldie
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REGIONAL PARTNERSHIPS

The Prince George Community Foundation works closely with partner Foundations across Northern BC. These partnerships mean that Foundations across the region are able to combine resources to improve processes, leverage financial returns, share knowledge and learnings and pursue opportunities.

Burns Lake Community Foundation

Fort St. James Community Foundation

Fraser Lake Community Foundation

Kitimat Community Foundation

McBride Community Foundation

Regional District Fraser Fort George

Salmon River & Lakes Community Endowment Fund

Chilako River-Nechako Community Endowment Fund

Hixon-Woodpecker Community Endowment Fund

Willow River-Upper Fraser Community Endowment Fund

Crooked-River Parsnip Community Foundation Endowment Fund

South Cariboo Community Enhancement Foundation (100 Mile House)

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