

Quesnel Community Foundation

2023 Report to the Community



Quesnel River

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We give here
because we live
here.

President's Message

On behalf of the Board of Directors of the Quesnel Community Foundation, I am pleased to provide our community update for 2023.



Total fundraising for 2022, including in-kind support and sponsorship, was \$207,472.00. As of December 31, 2022, the QCF Endowment Fund was \$3,739,862.00. In 2023, thanks to the generous support and donations from the people of Quesnel and area, we were able to award \$140,970.00 to community groups in the form of grants. We also awarded \$20,250.00 in bursaries and scholarships to local students.

Over the past year, we said goodbye to two long serving members of the Board, Mary Sjostrom and Doug Service. We thank them for their significant contributions to the success of the QCF. We are pleased to welcome Mike Hayman, Bruce Broughton, Bob Lebeck, Bob Norman and Jim Gorsline to the Board of Directors.

Our annual Community Fall Challenge Donation Campaign will run this year from October 15, 2023 to December 15, 2023. Again, our generous anonymous donor will be matching Funds, up to \$50,000. It is a great time to donate to the Quesnel Community Foundation.

Bob Salmons, President



Board of Directors

From left to right, Mike Hayman, Treasurer Laurie Rice, Vanessa Salmons, President Bob Salmons, Jim Gorsline, Sandra Lewis, Vice Pres. Graeme Armstrong, Kathy Somerville, Bruce Broughton, Candice Gibbs, Secretary Bob Lebeck, missing from pic, Bob Norman.

Meet our New Coordinator



Shirley Keen is a Chartered Professional Accountant and has been a part of the Quesnel community for over 40 years. She has a long history with the Quesnel Community Foundation, as a donor, board member, treasurer, and Gala Committee member. Shirley has always shown strong support for the success and growth of the Foundation.

She's found that helping the Foundation succeed is her way of giving back to the Quesnel community. Shirley's family has also started a fund in memory of Harry and Mildred Keen.

Besides her work with the Foundation, Shirley is a board member and mentor for Big Brothers Big Sisters Quesnel. She also enjoys spending time outdoors with her dog Maddy, and cheering on the Toronto Blue Jays.

Vision Mission

Quesnel Community Foundation supports a vibrant community, following Provincial and National best practices and maintains a robust endowment fund

The Quesnel Community Foundation works in a progressive, active, and cooperative way with its donors and partners to support the needs of not-for-profit organizations from the annual proceeds of its endowment fund

- Alex & Luanne Coffey
- Amber & Mike Mattock
- Ann Yager
- Anne Lloyd
- Barbara Nielsen
- BC Hydro Power Pioneers
- Bernice Carr
- Bev & Joe Cardle
- Bob & Sandy Norman
- Brenda Bare
- Brenda Peebles & Stephen Demos
- Brian & Karen Balkwill
- Brian Black
- Bruce & Leanne Broughton
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- Cariboo Regional District Area B
- Cariboo Regional District Area C
- Cariboo Regional District Area I
- Carol Richter
- Carol Weremy
- Charlene Thomas
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- Cody Morgan
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- Colleen Gauthier
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- Elizabeth Hunter
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- Harlene Hunt
- Helen & Alfred Krause
- Helen Nome
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- Karen & Les Delawski
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- Kelly & Teresa King
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- Lorne & Donella Martindale
- Maria & Greg Dawson
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- Mary Herauf
- MaryAnn Kopetski
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- Peter & Marilyn Van Leusden
- Peter McLoughlin
- Quesnel Bakery
- Ray & Edie Ferris
- Richard Prosk
- Robert & Loretta Grady
- Robert & Marjorie Sales
- Robert Salmons
- Rosemarie Shopa
- Shirley Keen
- Shirley Ritchie
- Simon & Linda Turner
- Suzanne Barclay
- Suzanne Law & James Gilbert
- Terry Kawahara
- The Estate of Brian Rankin
- Val Sanderson
- Vicky Predan
- Vivian Wurm
- Wendy Fisher
- West Fraser Mills
- West Fraser Mills Employees



West Fraser

In May of 2023, the Quesnel Community Foundation announced the new West Fraser Community Fund established by a \$100,000 donation from the company to our endowment fund. This fund will support mental health and related community support services.

“We are grateful to West Fraser for their generous financial support, earmarked for mental health, which will go a long way to support local organizations making a difference,” said President Bob Salmons of the Quesnel Community Foundation.

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Named Funds

When donations over any period from one donor, cumulatively exceed \$5,000.00, donors qualify for a "Named Fund". We now have over 40 Named Funds and we thank those who choose to give to the Foundation annually!

FAMILY & ORGANIZATION FUNDS

- Alex & Luanne Coffey Family
- Beta Sigma Phi Quesnel
- Brian & Ann Rankin Family
- Briggs Family
- CHAAPS - Quesnel Branch
- City of Quesnel
- Corbett Family
- CRD Electoral Area A
- CRD Electoral Area B
- CRD Electoral Area C
- CRD Electoral Area I
- Dave & Isabel Lehane Family
- Dave & Janice Lakeman Family
- Donald & Jean George
- Ferris Family
- Friends of Quesnel Museum
- Glenn & Loretta Barr Family
- Hank & Janice Ketcham
- Harry & Mildred Keen Family
- Henry H. and Nancy K. Ketcham Foundation
- Henry Novak
- Island Mountain Arts
- Jim & Candice McKitrick
- Joe & Irene Kopetski Family
- John & Gloria Lazzarin Family
- John Davis Family
- John T. Richardson Family
- Keis Family
- Kelly & Teresa King
- Lebeck Family
- Mark Josephy
- Massier Family
- Matthew & Selena Gook
- Michelle Evans
- Quesnel Community Foundation
- Quesnel Youth Soccer Legacy Wall
- Ray & Muriel Hong
- Rippon Family
- Rogger Family
- Roy Josephy & Jean Atkinson
- Townsend Family
- Walsh Family
- Warden Family
- West Fraser Mills

NAMED MEMORIAL FUNDS

(excluding Scholarships & Bursary Funds listed on pages 8 & 9)

- Barbara Chatt Memorial
- Carol Pitkin Memorial
- Chris Tobin Memorial
- Dan Alexander Memorial
- Francine Gaetz Memorial
- Holger Bauer Memorial
- Katy Rankin Crofts Memorial
- Pete Ketcham Memorial (West Fraser Employees)

Donations in Memory

We kindly thank all of you who have made donations in memory of the following much loved individuals from October 1, 2022 to September 30, 2023. This is a powerful and touching way to honor the memory of someone.

- Amber Kotzer
- Ashleigh Smith
- Brenda Campbell
- Brian Rankin
- Case de Vries
- Deane Gorsline
- Dr Neil & Eva Barber
- Eileen Salmons
- Eva McCauley
- John & Gloria Lazzarin
- Jean Speare
- Joanne Marsh
- Joe & Irene Kopetski
- John Davis
- Kelly Bare
- Emil & Betty Eyolfson
- Kelly & Shane Pinske
- Ken Chesley
- Lynne Tingley
- Megan Vaupel
- Pam Crocker-Teed
- Peter Josephy
- Phil Warden
- Vincent Frank Yager

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Benefactors (>\$100,000)

Cariboo Regional District - City of Quesnel - Glenn & Loretta Barr - Jim & Barb Gorsline - Northern Development Initiative Trust - West Fraser Mills

Partners (\$25,000 - \$99,999)

2000 Winter Games Legacy Fund - Brad & Barb Kotzer - Brian Rankin - Cathy Walsh - CRD Electoral Area A - CRD Electoral Area B - CRD Electoral Area C - CRD Electoral Area I - Henry H. & Nancy K. Ketcham Foundation - Kelly & Teresa King - Lorne & Donella Martindale - Matthew & Selena Gook - Phil & Joan Warden - Quesnel Woodlot Association - Ray & Edie Ferris - Roy Josephy & Jean Atkinson - Vancouver Foundation - Vivian Wurm

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Alex & Luanne Coffey - Barbara Williamson - Brenda Bare - Brian & Karen Balkwill - Brian Black - C-2000 Construction - C.L. Smith - Canadian Arts & Heritage Grant - CHAAPS - Community Foundations of Canada/Government of Canada - Darcy Lazzarin - Dave & Isabel Lehane - David & Theresa Metzger - David Peebles - Don & Colleen Winthrope - Donald & Betty Prestage - Dr. Irvine Corbett - Friends of Quesnel & District Museum - Garth & Shauna Vaupel - Gary & Lorna Townsend - Gloria Lazzarin - Gold Pan Home Emergency Response - Hank & Janice Ketcham - Henry Novak - Integris Credit Union - Island Mountain Arts Donors - Jay & Janice Lazzarin - Jim & Candice McKitrick - Joanne Lee - John & Hazel Massier - John & Jeannette Richardson - Kathleen Davis - Ken & Debbie Richardson - Mark Josephy - Mary Ann Kopetski - Maureen Trotter - Michelle Evans - Novak Family Foundation - Pete Ketcham Memorial (West Fraser Mills Employees) - Peter & Laurie Rippon - Peter B. Walsh - Peter Josephy & Guadalupe Fuentes - Ray & Muriel Hong - Robert & Lora Lebeck - Robert & Loretta Grady - Ross Campbell - Shirley Keen - Shirley Ritchie - Stephen Peebles - Sunrise 2000 Rotary Club - Tom & Kathy Briggs - Troll Resort Ltd. - Tru-Way Enterprises Ltd - Vancouver Fine Arts Renaissance Fund - Victor Chatt

Supporters (\$1,000 - \$4,999)

Alfred & Helen Krause - Alice Selzler - Andrea & Grant Spitz - Anne Lloyd - Archie & Henny Hlady - Audrey & Richard Prestage - Betty-Anne Russell - Bob & Sandy Norman - Bob Keen - Bruce Alexander - Butch & Mary Sjostrom - Canadian Forest Products Ltd. - Canis Lupus Logging - Cariboo Therapeutic Massage Clinic - Carl Rogger - Carol Richter - Carol Weremy - Charlene Thomas - Charles Von Hahn - Cheryl Swann - Chudiak Schmit & Co - Clara Antoniazzi - Colleen Brines - Connie Keen - Correlieu Secondary School - Cottonwood Reforestation - Dave & Nancy Preston - David Williamson - Dean & Genevieve Rubisch - Dennis Gaetz - Doug & Linda Woods - Doug & Sally Service - Ed Coleman & Laurie Rice - Ellen Facey - Ernie & Julie Thony - Eva Jean Veer - Excel Drapery Installation Ltd - Fioretta McDonald - Francine Gaetz - Fraser River Chevrolet - Fred Rogger & Anna Rankin - Gary & Nancy Lilienweiss - Glen & Wendy Chatfield - Gold Rush Trail Sled Dog Association - Graeme & Trine Armstrong - Heather Collins - Jim & Noreen Rustad - Jim & Cyndie Swaan - Joe & Bev Cardle - Keis Trucking Ltd - KJM Sales Ltd - Krista Bartels (Dunrovin Staff) - Larry & Darlene Gardner - Laureate Beta Omicron - Laureate Delta Gamma - Marilyn Hall - Marjorie Hessels - Marv & Lorna Schley - Maryalyce Massier - Masonic Lodge #69 - Quesnel - Maureen King - Michael & Milvia Hayman - Olive Walsh - P.L. Schmit Law Corporation - Paradigm Logging Ltd - Paul & Terry Nichols - Peter McLoughlin - Petrie & Liz Neave - Porter Engineering - Preceptor Beta Iota - Provincial Employee Community Service Fund - Quesnel Bakery Ltd. - Quesnel Crime Stoppers - Quesnel Downtown Association - Quesnel Minor Hockey - Raymond & Anne Levac - Richbar Nursery Golf & Garden - Rick Clauson - Robert & Marjorie Sales - Robert Salmons - Ron Paull & Patricia Morton - S & F Construction Ltd. - Sally Johnston - Simon & Linda Turner - Slocan Forest Products - Steve, Debbie, & Mark Dodge & Catharine Thomson - Sue Alexander - Sun Life Financial - Sylvie Bailey - The Forge Centre Inc. - Thomas R. Moffat - Tony & Liz Bensted - Ty & Susie Hepner - Val'dor Twinning - West Central Pipe

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Grants



768 Jet Ranger Squadron
\$4,800.00



Amata Transition House Society
\$3,000.00



Back Country Horsemen of BC
\$11,000.00



Baker Creek Enhancement Society
\$4,500.00



Barkerville Heritage Trust
\$10,000.00



Bouchie Lake Community Association
\$3,000.00



Canadian Mental Health Association of Northern BC
\$12,000.00



Cariboo Ski Touring Club
\$6,000.00



Gavin Lake Forest Education Society
\$4,938.00 & \$2,272.00
Holger Bauer



Island Mountain Arts Society
\$8,000



Kersley Community Association
\$12,000.00



Literacy Quesnel Society
\$2,830.00

Every year, The Quesnel Community Foundation is proud to distribute grants to local not-for-profit groups and organizations and supports a broad range of projects that offer a service to the community or an innovative approach to a community challenge or concern.

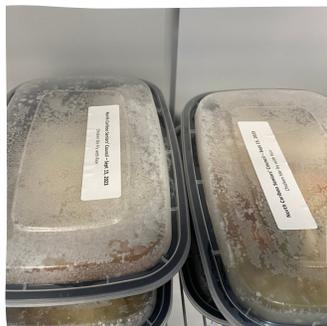
Projects approved for funding will encompass one or more of the following categories:

- Recreation • Education • Environment • Arts • Social Services

This year the Foundation distributed \$ 140,970.00 in local grants



North Cariboo
Agricultural Marketing
Association
\$7,415.00



North Cariboo
Seniors' Council
\$1,600.00



Quesnel & District
Hospice Palliative
Care Association
\$6,000.00



Quesnel & District
Community Arts
Council
\$10,000.00



Quesnel Downtown
Association
\$1,100.00



Quesnel Festival of
the Performing Arts
\$2,500.00



Quesnel Pride
Society
\$3,500.00



Quesnel River
Archers
\$3,900.00



Quesnel Technics
Gymnastics Club
\$7,500.00



Quesnel Women's
Resource Centre
\$5,000.00



Rotary Club
of Quesnel
\$6,340.00



Special Olympics BC -
Quesnel
\$1,775.00

Scholarship, Bursaries & Awards



Carter Moore
Ashleigh Smith
Memorial Award
\$750.00



Kailee Lefebvre
Ashleigh Smith
Memorial Award
\$750.00



Norah McKinnon
David Gibb
Memorial Arts Award
\$1,600.00



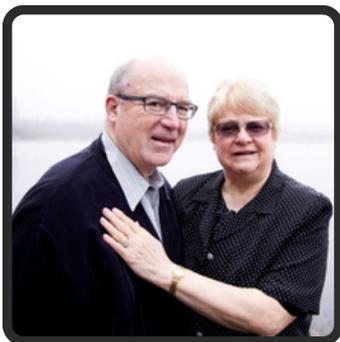
Noah Pontius
Megan Vaupel
Memorial Award
\$1,300.00



Kenya Kueber-McHone
Megan Vaupel
Memorial Award
\$1,300.00



Jaeana Dumais
QWA Ted Kennedy
Memorial Award
\$1,875.00



New for 2024 - Warden Family Scholarship

Phil and Joan Warden have been involved, well-respected members of the Quesnel community for many years. His work as a Chartered Accountant and hers as an elementary teacher impressed upon them the importance of both hard work and education. They are pleased to partner with Quesnel Community Foundation to provide financial support to current and future Quesnel students who are seeking post-secondary education.

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In addition to Grant Awards, we were also able to award 13 graduates scholarships / bursaries to assist with furthering their education. To establish a Restricted Fund Scholarship, Bursary, or Award, a minimum contribution of \$30,000 over five years is required. Please see our website at www.quesnelfoundation.ca or email quesnelcommunityfoundation@gmail.com for more information.

This year the Foundation distributed \$ 20,250.00 in Scholarships, Bursaries & Awards.



Blair MacDonald
QWA Ted Kennedy
Memorial Award
\$1,875.00



Jada Crossman
Brenda Campbell
Memorial Bursary
\$1,700.00



Dhana Aldred
Gorsline Family Bursary
\$1,900.00



Sierra Bullock
Gorsline Family Bursary
\$1,900.00



Maggie Shorthouse
Lorne & Donella Martindale
Bursary
\$1,700.00



Shayla McCuaig
Neil & Eva Barber & Friends
Health Care Education Bursary
\$1,000.00



Gracie Smith
Ray & Beth Peebles
Education Bursary
\$1,000.00



McKayla Bolitho
Robert & Vivian Wurm
Education Bursary
\$1,200.00



Amber Martin
Marilyn Heywood
Memorial Fund
\$400.00

Legacy Giving

By leaving a gift to the Quesnel Community Foundation in your Will, your gift will benefit future generations.



Brian and Ann Rankin and family emigrated to Canada from just outside London England in 1967. Although the town was much smaller then than it is now, and had very few amenities, they never looked back. They loved the friendliness and accessibility of small-town Canada where children could play outside unsupervised from day light to dusk. Brian went to work as a partner at Rigsby Lea Barr & Co. and Ann settled into learning the Canadian way of life with four daughters.

Grateful for their life in Canada and in Quesnel they looked for ways to give back. In 2001 the Quesnel Community Foundation was established with legacy funding from the Winter Games and when asked, Brian jumped at the opportunity to become the first President. From small beginnings and big ideas from some dedicated community members, the Foundation grew. The idea of creating an investment fund in perpetuity made a lot of sense.

In addition to annual fundraising drives and the Gala fundraiser, families were invited to establish funds in their name or in memory of loved ones. Brian and Ann were among many members of the community who contributed to the general endowment through a named fund. Until his death in 2021, Brian followed the growth and success of the Quesnel Community Foundation, and he was happy to leave a legacy donation in his Will to continue to ensure that future generations can build a strong and resilient community.

For information on how to create your own legacy fund please email quesnelcommunityfoundation@gmail.com or call our Coordinator at 250.985.1612

Sustaining Partners

Thank you to our Sustaining Partners for their multi-year committment to support the work we do! Their support helps with our operating costs and continues to build our Endowment Fund that supports our community.



Sandra Lewis



Omer & Enver Hrbinic



Gina Valois & Jonathan Metcalfe



Glen Boudreau



Tracey Roberts

We truly have a generous and giving community!

By the Numbers

**2023
Community
Grant Programs
\$140,970.00**

**Largest Grant
Given to Date!**

**Royal Canadian
Legion Branch 94**

**2022
Endowment
Fund
\$3,739,862.00**

**64
Named
Funds**

\$20,000.00

**Celebrating
22 Years**

**2023
Scholarships
\$20,250.00**

How to Give:

1. Paypal
2. Interact E-Transfer
3. Mailing your donation by cheque to:

**Quesnel Community Foundation
PO Box 4518
Quesnel, BC V2J 3J2**

**96
Donations**

**October 1, 2022 -
September 30, 2023**

Other ways to Donate:

- Cash - Contact our Coordinator @ 250-985-1612
- Multi-year pledges
- Stocks and bonds
- Real estate and other assets
- Gifts made through estate planning

THANK YOU!

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The following generous businesses assist with offsetting costs of this publication. We truly appreciate the continued support from the business community, who are such valuable partners to the Foundation.



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Edward Jones



2023

\$50,000.00 CHALLENGE



A very generous anonymous donor continues to support our foundation and has offered to match charitable donations up to \$50,000.00 received between October 15-December 15, 2023! So lets once again rise to the challenge Quesnel and make this a record setting year for building our Community Foundation. All donations are eligible for a tax receipt.

Please go to www.quesnelcommunity.ca to donate or submit the form below and mail it with your cheque to PO Box 4158, Quesnel, BC V2J 3J2.

Please find enclosed my donation of \$ _____

Mail this slip and your cheque to
PO Box 4158 Quesnel, BC V2J 3J2

Please mail my donation tax receipt to:

Donor Name(s): _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

Signature: _____



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