

SSCF Board Appoints New Executive Director

The Board of Directors of the South Saskatchewan Community Foundation is pleased to announce the appointment of Ms. Christina Attard as Executive Director of the Foundation, effective June 1, 2015.

Ms. Attard has more than fifteen years of fund development experience, including positions at the University of Toronto, Queen's University in Kingston, Ontario and, most recently with the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Regina. She has developed a deep understanding of the local community through her professional and volunteer commitments. Ms. Attard currently serves as the Executive Chairwoman of the Canadian Association of Gift Planners, South Saskatchewan Chapter. She holds a Bachelor of Arts Honours degree from the University of Toronto and has earned several fund-raising credentials.



Thank you for inviting me to join with you as the Executive Director of the South Saskatchewan Community Foundation. I am proud to be a partner in the incredible work being done to build our community.

Community vitality has been the South Saskatchewan Community Foundation's purpose, promise and passion since 1969 when the Foundation started connecting donors to community needs and opportunities.

The Foundation exists as a bridge between donors and charities in our community. We offer a pathway to philanthropy through the expert advice we offer to donors and the professional fund management we support for charities.

In concrete terms, 2014 was a year in which the collective efforts of our donors made it possible for the Foundation to distribute over \$1.6 million in grants to charities that touch lives right here in Saskatchewan.

Your commitment and accomplishments over the past 46 years have moved this province forward. Your hard work inspires me and everyone in Southern Saskatchewan. With your help, I know we will continue to live in a community that is strong, vital, resilient and fair. Thank you for the great hope that you give me and thank you for the hope that you give to those who need our help the most.

Let's keep spreading awareness about how good people can do great things and continue to invite others into the joyful experience that comes from smart and intentional giving!

*Christina Attard
Executive Director*

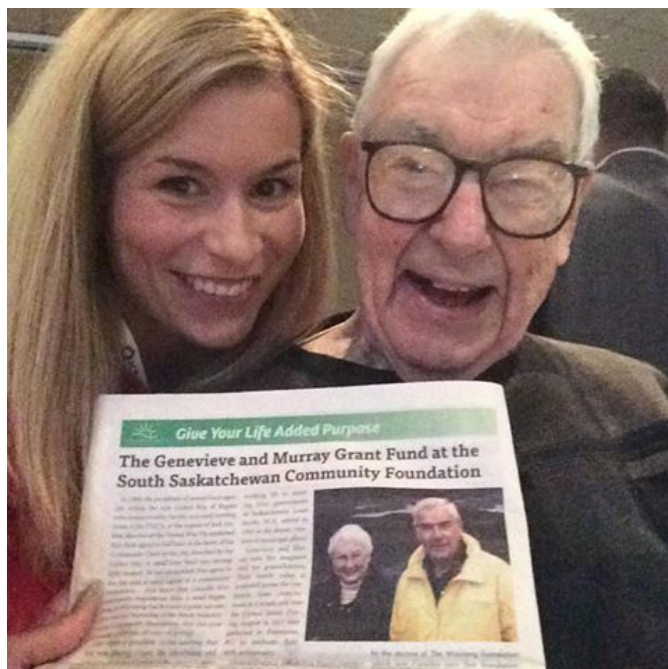
NEWS & EVENTS

The Big Sky Centre for Learning and Being Astonished! Inc Fundraiser Announcement

On March 7th, the Big Sky Centre for Learning and Being Astonished! Inc (Astonished!) held their annual Wings on Our Wheels Fundraiser, where they announced a partnership with the South Saskatchewan Community Foundation. Astonished! has opened two funds with the Foundation - a Flow Through Fund as well as a Permanent Endowment.

This partnership has increased donor options and contributes to Astonished's long-term financial stability. Donors now have opportunities to make gifts of cash, Bequests, Securities, RRSP's, RRIF's, Life-Insurance, Land, etc., to Astonished!

Astonished! is a user-led organization based in Regina that works towards inclusive community where young adults with complex physical disabilities can share their dreams, explore their strengths, and lead others to a more authentically inclusive society.



Leave a Legacy™ Month

May was Leave a Legacy™ month and the South Saskatchewan Community Foundation was once again a sponsor of the Leave a Legacy™ Luncheon which took place May 13th. Guest speaker Oksana Kishchuk encouraged attendees to “be the change” through the charitable support of a social cause.

Additionally, the Foundation had an opportunity to share a story in the Leave a Legacy™ insert, distributed through the Prairie Dog Magazine. The editorial featured one of our founding board members, Murray Grant. Murray explains why he got involved with the Foundation and why he and his wife decided to create the Genevieve and Murray Grant Fund.

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South Saskatchewan Community Foundation Board Member Receives National Honour

The Governor General's Caring Canadian Award recognizes individuals who volunteer their time to help others and to build a smarter and more caring nation. The award also highlights the fine example set by these volunteers, whose compassion and engagement are so much a part of our Canadian character.

We are pleased to announce that Renu Kapoor, who sits on the Foundation's Board of Directors, was a recipient of this prestigious award in 2015.

Thank you for all that you do, Renu!



Annual General Meeting

The following Board of Directors was elected at the Annual General Meeting held on June 11, 2015:

Chair	Greg Swanson
Vice Chair	Ted Delanghe
Past Chair	Jim Tomkins
Secretary	Bob Perry
Treasurer	Barbara March-Burwell
Director	Renu Kapoor
Director	Barbara Pollock
Director	David Brundige
Director	Elaine Kivisto
Director	Janet Barber
Director	Adam Yuzik
Director	Darryl Pizio

The South Saskatchewan Community Foundation thanks retiring Chair, Jim Tomkins, Treasurer, Chris Selness, Director, Doug Johnson and Director, Dave Molesky for their years of service. Jim will now fill the position of Past Chair and Greg Swanson takes over as Chair.

Additionally, the Foundation welcomes three newly-elected Directors: Janet Barber, Adam Yuzik and Darryl Pizio.

COMMUNITY FOUNDATIONS OF CANADA

CFC National Conference: *The Wild, Wild Why*

Community foundations from across Canada, and around the world, gathered in Calgary from May 7 - 9 to share knowledge, experience, opportunities and inspiration in the lead-up to the 150th anniversary of Confederation in 2017. More than 600 community and philanthropy leaders made the trip to Calgary to explore the priorities facing Canadian communities as we look to celebrate 150 years as a country and work to meet our full potential as citizens and community builders.

The Wild, Wild Why Conference featured a diverse array of speakers, including: Chris Hadfield, Calgary Mayor Naheed Nenshi, Zita Cobb, David Mead, Khalil Shariff, Ann-Marie Harrington, and Dave Kelly. Topics at the conference ranged from Aboriginal reconciliation to food security to impact investing and more.



CFC's Youth Catalyst Fund

The Youth Catalyst Fund is an innovative initiative that will mobilize private, public and philanthropic investments to address youth employment issues raised in Community Foundations of Canada's landmark #GenerationFlux report.

The Youth Catalyst Fund grant program will make available more than \$1.2 million in grants to charities across Canada that are helping young Canadians who are facing barriers or disadvantages to obtaining employment or completing post-secondary education or training. Grants will range from \$30,000-\$200,000 and be offered over one, two or three years.

The impact focus is on building pathways to career success and making a catalytic impact in the critical period that takes place at the end of secondary school when young people are building their capacity and resources to have a successful transition to post-secondary options, be that further education, training or apprenticeships.

There are two steps to the application process - a short initial application and a longer invitation-only application that will be available in July and due in September.

The deadline for the first stage of the application process is 5:00 p.m. EST on June 30. For more information, [click here](#).