

Community Corner

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An update for the donors, friends, volunteers and beneficiaries of SSCF.



A Message from our **Executive Director**

Building momentum and forming new relationships in the community.

I would like to thank everyone that SSCF has been able to connect with for the first time during the spring and summer. We held a variety of public events for donors, charities and professional advisors at our office space and have been humbled by the positive response of those who attended. I hope we can continue to nurture these relationships and find ways to grow a vibrant community, together.

On behalf of all of us at SSCF, I'm pleased to welcome our newest board members who have joined the Foundation this year. Jakaeden Frizzell, Deb Rush, and Benson Thoudsanikone all bring a wide variety of backgrounds and talents to help push the Foundation forward in the years to come.

I would also like to acknowledge and appreciate our outgoing board members, Gordon Braun and Cheryl Zankl. Gordon's deep-rooted experience and connections to the charitable sector brought unique insights to the Foundation that helped shape the course we are on. Cheryl's commitment, knowledge, and leadership of the Foundation will never be forgotten. She even stepped up as the interim Executive Director for a period of time to keep the Foundation moving forward before I was hired.

it has been exciting to watch a bright and optimistic group of summer students who've joined the Foundation to help us advance our presence, gratitude and commitment in south Saskatchewan with community leaders, charities and donors. Karley, Emma, Chloe, Brooklyn, Abdul, Merika, and Yanj are all busy connecting with the community through the planning of events, capturing stories, and increasing the Foundation's footprint.

There is an incredible amount of momentum happening at the Foundation right now and we looking forward to bringing as many of you along with us as we champion our community today and forever.

Ana Zieglew



SSCF's 2022 Annual Report:

Growing the Community Giving Movement

The Foundation is pleased to publish our 2022 annual report, 'Growing the Community Giving Movement'. Take a look at the report to read heartfelt stories from charities and donors making an impact, see the ways legacy giving is powering our community, and we hope you're inspired to take action.

2022 was an interesting and challenging year for SSCF. Leading an organization through market fluctuations, office relocation, retirements and new hires as well as organizing new programs and services, has been possible because of our dedicated staff and board.

This year we worked hard to turn those challenges into opportunities that would serve us well into the future.

Read the full Annual Report at sscf.ca today.



Acknowledging Presence On Treaty Land

South Saskatchewan Community Foundation acknowledges our presence on Treaty 4 and Treaty 6 territories; the original lands of the Cree, Dene, Ojibwe, Saulteaux, Dakota, Nakota, Lakota, and on the homeland of the Métis Nation. In the spirit of reconciliation, we have an ongoing commitment to work together to uplift Indigenous communities with guidance from Indigenous representatives.



G. Murray and Edna Forbes Foundation Fund

Priority shall be given to specific proposals related to:

Arts and Culture, Education, Environment, Health, Homelessness, Indigenous Programming, Poverty, and Youth.

Grant Amount: \$5,000 to \$30,000

The Lorne and Evelyn Johnson Foundation

Grants are made to promote social, cultural, religious, and other activities deemed beneficial to communities in southern Saskatchewan with priority given to the City of Regina. Grants often focus on supporting outreach to those in need, providing educational opportunities, and supporting the arts.

Grant Amount: \$5,000 to \$15,000

Joyce Gemmell Jessen Habitat Conservation Fund

The purpose of the grant is to support projects that preserve and conserve Saskatchewan's native flora and fauna. Priority shall be given to specific projects in southern Saskatchewan related to:

Land Acquisition, Prairie Restoration, Habitat Preservation, Natural Wildlife, and Ecosystem Conservation, and K-12 Ecosystem Education.

Grant Amount: Project: \$10,000 - Land Acquisition: \$25,000

Visit **sscf.ca/grants** for more information or to apply today.



\$243K Granted to Truth and Reconciliation Projects

We are pleased to announce the recipients of the April 2023 Truth and Reconciliation Fund grants. This deadline, the Fund supported 15 programs for a total of \$120,364.85.

In total throughout 2023, the Fund supported 26 charitable programs for a total of \$243,000. The fund is intended to address programs that will help advance the Truth & Reconciliation Calls to Action in the areas of Education, Culture and Language across the South Saskatchewan Treaty 4 and Treaty 6 areas.

Congratulations to the successful applicants!

View the full list of 2023 grant recipients at **sscf.ca** today.



ORGANIZATIONS	FUNDS
Athol Murray College of Notre Dame	\$2,320
Big Brothers Big Sisters of Regina and Area Inc.	\$12,000
Eastend Arts Council	\$1,500
Four Directions Community Health Centre (SHA)	\$5,000
Friends of St. Victor Petroglyphs Co-op Ltd	\$1,470
Heritage Community Association Inc.	\$9,999
Ignite Adult Learning Corporation	\$12,000
Mother Teresa Middle School Inc.	\$12,000
Multicultural Council of Saskatchewan	\$5,000
North Central Family Centre Inc.	\$13,075.85
Palliser Regional Library	\$5,000
Prairie Valley School Division	\$5,000
Rainbow Youth Centre Inc.	\$12,000
Regina Multicultural Council	\$12,000
Town of Lumsden	\$12,000

TOTAL \$120,364.85

Moffat Family Fund Grants over \$99K

SSCF is pleased to announce the recipients of the February 23, 2023 Moffat Family Fund grants. This year the Fund supported 12 charitable programs for a total of \$99,668. The fund is intended to support and advance the economic, social, physical and intellectual well-being of children and families, consistent with and in furtherance of the vision and mission of the Moffat Family Fund within the City of Moose Jaw and District.

Congratulations to the successful applicants!

ORGANIZATIONS	FUNDS
Caring Hearts Counselling Inc.	\$5,000
Creative Kids Canada Inc.	\$15,000
Hope Air	\$3,000
Hunger in Moose Jaw Inc.	\$30,000
Inclusion Moose Jaw	\$5,000
Joe's Place Youth Centre - Generation Hope Youth Inc.	\$12,568.33
Moose Jaw and District Food Bank Inc.	\$5,099.67
Moose Jaw Multicultural Council Inc.	\$7,000
Moose Jaw Museum & Art Gallery	\$5,000
The Salvation Army	\$5,000
Saskatchewan Festival of Words	\$1,000
YMCA of Regina (Moose Jaw)	\$6,000
TOTAL	\$99,668

The Lorne and Evelyn Johnson Foundation Supports Community with \$151K to 10 Programs

SSCF is pleased to announce the recipients of the March 1, 2023 Lorne and Evelyn Johnson Foundation grants. So far this year the Fund supported 10 charitable programs for a total of \$151,000. The fund is intended to to promote social, cultural, religious, educational and other activities deemed beneficial to communities in southern Saskatchewan with priority given to the City of Regina. This also includes providing educational opportunities, and support for the arts within these communities.

Congratulations to the successful applicants!

ORGANIZATIONS	FUNDS
Big Brothers Big Sisters of Regina and Area Inc.	\$15,000
Camp Monahan Association	\$5,000
Creative Kids Canada Inc.	\$15,000
Learning Disabilities Association of Saskatchewan - Regina Branch	\$15,000
Mother Teresa Middle School Inc.	\$15,000
North Central Family Centre Inc.	\$15,000
Regina Public Library	\$6,000
Regina Symphony Orchestra	\$50,000
The Salvation Army	\$10,000
SCEP CENTRE Society (Regina)	\$5,000
TOTAL	\$4E4.000



Creative Kids Saskatchewan

Creatively Impacting Kids Through Arts and Culture

The Foundation recently wrapped up recording the first season of the 'Planting Seeds: Philanthropy in Saskatchewan' show on AccessNow TV. The show aims to connect viewers to the donors and charities powering community impact across south Saskatchewan.

In the final episode of the season, Victor Roman Morrow sat down with Shawn Bauche, Program Consultant at Creative Kids Saskatchewan to discuss the ways their organization empowers children through arts and cultural opportunities. The organization assists children and youth whose families face financial barriers to accessing and participating in arts and cultural activities. Since 2010, Creative Kids has helped children in over 251 communities across the province and has granted over \$6 million to help over 13 thousand children access programming.

Shawn expressed gratitude towards the many donors who support Creative Kids and the families they serve each year. He said, "we are so thankful for [our donors] support. For instance, the Lorne and Evelyn Johnson Foundation have helped us a couple of times and kids in Regina really appreciate their support. The Moffat Family Fund has been helping us since 2017 and I think about half of the children and youth we're able to help in Moose Jaw are because of the Moffat Family Fund. The G. Murray and Edna Forbes Foundation are relatively new to us, but they've been great to us too. And another one that has been with us since 2019 is the Bill and Helen Davidson Foundation - they've been consistent and that is so great. I know as soon as we tell families the results, we get emails back saying, 'thank you, my son can continue guitar,' or 'I really want to take this camp.' ...It is really appreciated by us and by the applicants."

When I received the support from Creative Kids to take dance lessons when I was ten, it really set me on a path for success that gave me the opportunity to learn new skills and to gain the confidence I was lacking at the time.

- Emily Tang, Creative Kids Champion

You can watch the episode featuring Shawn Bauche and many other stories of community impact on 'Planting Seeds: Philanthropy in Saskatchewan' every week on Access Now TV through Access Communications services.



Welcoming our 2023 **Board of Directors**

Announcing our Board of Directors for 2023:

Shelley Thiel, Chair Bula Ghosh, Vice-Chair Jack Ritenburg, Treasurer Gina McGinn, Past Chair Edmund Bellegarde, Director

Mo Bundon, Director Denis Carignan, Director Phoebe De Ciman, Director Teresa Drew, Director

Welcome to our new board members:

Iakaeden Frizzell. Director Benson Thoudsanikone, Director Deb Rush, Director

A special thanks to outgoing board members:

Cheryl Zankl

Gordon Braun

Ann Phillips

The Foundation Plants Seeds at Spring Events





Thank you to everyone who attended our events through the spring months and to those who logged in virtually to learn about the exciting and new ways to engage with long-term sustainability through legacy giving. If you're interested in viewing past events, you can find them on our website or on YouTube.

Visit South Saskatchewan Community Foundation on YouTube for event videos.



New Funds Established at The Foundation

We would like to welcome all of the new Funds that have been established so far in 2023.

Your commitment to the the community causes you care about is inspiring and we hope the examples you are setting inspires others to make an impact.

The most recently established funds from February to May include:

Anne Luke Legacy Fund

Since 1977, the Regina Early Learning Centre (RELC) has been changing young lives while creating a community of care that makes the city a better place for everyone. Founder Anne Luke saw the need to help children and their families in the vitally important early years. She knew that making a difference at the very start changes lives forever. The organization began in partnership with parents as a preschool program for 10 children and has since grown to serve over 250 vulnerable children and their families through a variety of programs. It also serves hundreds more through the Regina Early Years Family Resource Centre and the Regina Perinatal Health Network.

Your donation to this legacy fund will give back to the Regina Early Learning Centre programming for many years to come. You're helping children in our community establish the foundation for a love of learning and setting them on a path for lifelong success, and at the same time helping their parents become the best parents they can be.

Broncs Football Capital Project Fund

To commemorate our 75th Anniversary we are now launching another amazing capital project - The McCall Field Improvement Project. This multi-phase project will include an irrigation system, football field & track resurfacing, upgraded bleachers and permanent field lighting. This project will take place throughout 2023 and 2024.

Carlyle Community Complex Fund

A donation to this Fund is to raise funds for additional space requirements in a new PreK-Grade Twelve school and multi phase community center. You will receive a tax receipt for your donation.

Donavon Puttick Memorial Scholarship Legacy Fund

The Donavon Puttick Memorial Scholarship was established in honour of Donavon Puttick, who lost his battle with mental illness at the age of 16.

Despite his own struggles, Donavon was known among his friends and family as someone who could be relied on to help talk others out from their own darkness or self-doubt. He was kind, fair, and perceptive to others emotions well beyond his 16 years.

In establishing this scholarship, Donavon's mom hopes to help reduce stigma around mental illness by encouraging mental health awareness among our youth and supporting students who are active in this area.



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