

December 31, 2012

South Saskatchewan Community Foundation

2012 Annual Report

Helping Good People Do Great Things
Building Better Communities for Today and Tomorrow



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Foundation



Greetings from the President

On behalf of the Board of Directors of the South Saskatchewan Community Foundation, I am pleased to present some important developments from 2012.

After more than twelve years at the helm as Executive Director of the Foundation, Wain Birch retired at the end of 2012. During his tenure, with the able assistance of Cindy Chamberlin, Wain oversaw significant growth in the Foundation. The assets under administration grew 17-fold through the receipt of many donations and the careful investment of the funds. Wain built a strong network within the charitable sector in Saskatchewan and beyond, and thereby raised the profile of the Foundation. His passion for community foundations and, in particular, the South Saskatchewan Community Foundation was and remains palpable. The Foundation, its donors and its supporters owe Wain a considerable debt.

The Foundation was pleased to announce the appointment of Ms. Susanne Hamilton as the new Executive Director, effective January 2013. Susanne joined the Foundation in November in order to have some time to work with Wain and ensure a smooth transition. The Board of Directors looks forward to a long association with Susanne as she builds on the foundation established during Wain's tenure to expand the profile, assets and influence of the Foundation.

Through a combination of new donations and favourable financial markets, the Foundation's assets grew by more than twelve per cent during 2012 and exceeded \$33,000,000 at year-end. These results enabled the Foundation to provide \$1,464,552 in grants to 173 community organizations and charities.

Their terms of office having come to an end and not being eligible for re-election, Allen Goudie, Don Savaria and Brian Zawacki left the Board of Directors in 2012; the Foundation thanks them for their commitment of time and energy in support of the Foundation and its activities. Doug Johnson's term also ended but, in accordance with the Foundation's by-laws, he remains a director in his role as Past President. The Board was pleased to welcome four new members: David Brundige, Bob Perry, Barbara Pollock and Greg Swanson.

As President, I am fortunate to have had this opportunity to work with such a strong and supportive Board of Directors. I know that I speak for the entire board as I express my gratitude to Cindy Chamberlin and Wain Birch for their advice, help and encouragement during the year and to our many donors and supporters. 2012 was a very active and successful year for the South Saskatchewan Community Foundation.

Jim Tomkins

Executive Director's December 31st, 2012 Report



A quote I like: "Attack every challenge with enthusiasm and commitment!"

It has been a very rewarding experience for me starting on April 1st, 2000 and ending on the last day of 2012! I feel very honoured and lucky to have had so many great people, family, friends and my teammate Ms. Cindy Chamberlin help The South Saskatchewan Community Foundation achieve excellent results. Over these 12-plus years, our assets have increased more than 17-fold and our community grants by 26-fold. My sincere thanks to everyone who helped! It fits my definition of "T.E.A.M.-Together, Everyone, Achieves, More!" Vince Lombardi is reported to have said: "Individual commitment to a group effort, that is what makes a team work, a company work, a society work, a civilization work!" I believe it is also what made our community foundation work!

This past decade has seen the world of philanthropy change very significantly, within all charitable organizations, including the community foundation movement: changes in government regulations (all needed improvements I must add), government

cutbacks, many changes in the ways we communicate, the technology we use, the rise and fall of the global financial markets – especially the uncertainty, new financial products, increased competition (big Canadian banks, trust companies, etc.), and many other changes that affect the lives of everyone in the communities we serve, in Saskatchewan, in Canada and right around the world. It was very challenging, yet very exciting to have been the person leading the community foundation through this period of significant change!

It has indeed been my pleasure to know you and share my very pleasant experiences with you - yes, all of you: donors, donees, staff, directors, so many good friends of our foundation, friends from other community foundations across Canada and many others.

I thank you again for the opportunity you gave me to serve the wonderful people of southern Saskatchewan. I shall be forever grateful, as this has been the BEST job I have ever had!!

Wain Birch

Message from the Executive Director, Designate

For the last two months of 2012, I have had the honour of working with Wain, Cindy and the Board as Executive Director Designate. I am truly amazed at the far-reaching impact the Foundation has and continues to have in so many communities across South Saskatchewan. The vast range of community needs and challenges that are helped by the generosity of the Foundation's donors continues to make a positive impact every day for so many people, and organizations working towards community betterment. I know this personally from formerly working for a charitable organization in Regina, whose programming was significantly impacted every year due

to the generosity and kindness of donors from the South Saskatchewan Community Foundation. Community foundations can give anyone and everyone the opportunity to give back to their community in a way that creates a lasting legacy and sees their giving passions realized. I look forward to working together with you, to continue the meaningful work of the Foundation that is building philanthropic partnerships with our fund-holders and non-profit organizations, to enable vibrant and caring communities across southern Saskatchewan for today's and future generations!

Susanne Hamilton

Community Foundations

All for community, forever



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all for community.



"I have made it a priority during my mandate as governor general of Canada to speak of the vision of Canada as a smart and caring nation, and to focus on three pillars, all of which I believe play a vital role in Canadian communities.

In helping families and children, we are ensuring community continuity. In strengthening learning and innovation, we are creating community knowledge. And in encouraging philanthropy and volunteerism, we are cultivating community development."

*His Excellency the Right Honourable David Johnston, Governor General of Canada
From a speech given to the Community Foundations of Canada Conference
Vancouver, May 2011*

Thank You!

The South Saskatchewan Community Foundation is indebted to many individuals and businesses for their dedication and support of our goal to serve the needs of South Saskatchewan Communities large and small.

We proudly thank our valued business partners:

National Bank Financial, Joyce Marbach and her team
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*For their Leadership, Commitment
and Dedication!*

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South Saskatchewan Community Foundation

Vision

To advance community well being by supporting and assisting charities, companies and individuals achieve their charitable goals and dreams.

Our History

It was Jack Ambler's idea to create a Community Foundation in Regina. Jack had arrived in Regina from Charlottetown, P.E.I. in 1962 to assume the position of the Executive Director of the Regina United Appeal. The Regina Community Chest had over \$60,000; monies that had been collected over the past twenty years. Jack suggested that the money from the Community Chest form the basic capital for the Community Foundation of Regina. According to Jack, the purpose of the Foundation was to assist non-profit agencies to acquire equipment and develop new programs that would enhance the lives and well-being of all who lived in the community. The Regina Community Foundation was the first of its kind in Saskatchewan and was incorporated under the provisions of The Societies Act of the Province of Saskatchewan on the 15th of July, 1969 with Jack Ambler serving as voluntary manager- secretary for over twenty years. The Regina Community Foundation was changed to The South Saskatchewan Community Foundation in 1989.

Today, as of December 31, 2012, the Foundation has over \$33,000,000 in assets, and disbursed a total of \$1,464,552 in grants to a wide variety of charitable organizations and causes, and scholarships. We are a proud member of Community Foundations of Canada, our national membership organization that includes a network of over 180 community foundations across Canada. Community Foundations are among the fastest growing forms of philanthropy in Canada today.

What We Do

The South Saskatchewan Community Foundation acts as a bridge between donors and charities in southern Saskatchewan to help create and maintain a strong, vibrant community for generations to come. We provide a means of keeping charitable donations within the community. The Foundation does not compete with other charities but provides an opportunity for donors to ensure support of their favourite charity or charities in perpetuity, or to use the expertise of the foundation to identify areas of greatest need in the community.

We bring donors to the table as community builders, and help them formulate and realize their philanthropic goals, matching their interests and concerns with community needs and organizations, through innovative and responsible ways to give their investments lasting impact.

We pool the charitable gifts of many donors and agencies into permanent income earning endowment funds that benefit local communities. We are a cause-neutral charity, with our grants supporting a vast range of community needs and initiatives including arts and culture, health, education, sports and recreation, social services, youth, seniors, poverty relief, emergency relief, animal welfare and the environment, and many charitable causes.

Thanks to all our fund holders for investing in our communities. Your generosity has benefitted so many!

Aids Regina	Habitat For Humanity	Queen's University	St. Joseph's Hospital Fdn.
Alzheimer Association of Sask.	Heart & Stroke Fdn.	- Arts & Science Bursary	St. Paul's Cathedral
Amnesty International	Heart & Stroke Fdn. BC & Yukon	Queen's University - Ban Righ Centre	St. Paul's Cathedral Mission Fund
Arcola Curling Club	Heart & Stroke Fdn. of Sask.	Ranch Ehrlo	St. Paul's Hospital Fdn.
Arcola Food Bank	Hospitals of Regina	RCMP Heritage Centre	St. Thomas More College
Arcola Prairie Place Complex	Hunger In Moose Jaw	Regina Anti Poverty Ministry	T C Douglas Performing Arts Centre
Arthritis Society of Sk.	Immigrant Access Fund Society of AB	Regina Early Learning Centre	Tisdale United Appeal
BC Lung Association	Inuit Taperiit Kanatami	Regina Food Bank	Transition House
Beth Jacob Synagogue	JDRF	Regina Food For Learning	Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church
Bethel United Church	Jewish National Fund of Winnipeg	Regina Humane Society	Twin Lake Ministries
B'Nai Brith Foundation	Joe's Place	Regina Little Theatre	U of S - College of Engineering
Boy Scouts of Canada	Juventies Choir Inc.	Regina Lyric Musical Theatre	U of S - College of Law
Breast Cancer Action	Kid Sport (BC)	Regina Music Festival	U of S - College of Nursing
British Columbia Paraplegic Assoc.	Kid Sport (SK)	Regina Musical Club	U of S President Fund
Calvary Baptist Church, Weyburn	Kids Help Phone	Regina Public Library	United Israel Appeal (UIA)
Campion College	Kindersley Crisis Centre	Regina Sexual Assault	United Way Central North Van
Campion College Fr. Nash Chair	Kinsmen Telemiracle Fdn.	Regina Summer Stage	United Way of Estevan
Canadian Breast Cancer Fdn.	Knox Metropolitian Mission & Service Fund	Regina Symphony Orchestra	United Way of North Battleford
Canadian Cancer Society	Knox Metropolitan Church	Ronald McDonald House	United Way of Regina
Canadian Cystic Fibrosis	Last Mountain Lake Conservatory	Royal Winnipeg Ballet	United Way of Saskatoon
Canadian Diabetes Assoc.	Leader Post Xmas Cheer Fund	Salvation Army	United Way of Swift Current
Canadian Federation University Women	Lifelong Learning Centre	Salvation Army - Comox Valley	University of Regina
Canadian Liver Fdn.	Lumsden Beach Camp	Salvation Army Weyburn	University of Regina - Campion College
Canadian Medic Alert Fdn.	Lumsden High School	Santa Maria Senior Citizens Inc.	University of Regina
Canadian Red Cross	Luther College	Sask. Abilities Council Riding Program	- College Ave. Campus
CARE Canada	Luther College High School	Sask. Cancer Agency	Valour Place
Catholic Family Services	Lutheran Theological Seminary Saskatoon	Sask. Fdn. For the Arts	Visitation House
Cedar Hills Cemetery Assoc.	MacKenzie Art Gallery	Sask. History & Folklore Society	War Amps
Child Find	Marion Centre	Sask. Lung Association	Wascana Centre Authority
Children's Health & Hospital Fdn.	Melville Food Bank	Sask. Writers Guild	Waskesiu Foundation
Chili For Children	Moose Jaw Cultural Centre	Saskatchewan 4H Fdn.	Wawota United Church
CNIB	Moose Jaw Literacy Network	Saskatchewan Express	Weyburn & District United Way
Comox Valley Marine Rescue Society	Moose Jaw Multicultural Council	Saskatoon Food Bank	Weyburn Triple C Centre Corp
Covenant House Vancouver	Moose Jaw Youth String Orchestra	SCEP Centre	Weyburn Wor-Kin Shop
Crohns Colitis Fdn.	Moosomin Library	Shaw Festival	World Vision
Dystonia Medical Research Fdn.	Moosomin Organization Transportation	SIAST	YMCA of Regina
Epilepsy Canada	Mothers Against Drunk Driving	Soo Line Historical Society	Youth Ballet & Contemporary Dance
Estevan Art Gallery	MS Society of Canada	Sophia House	+ more....
Fairmede 4H	Muscular Dystrophy Canada	Souls Harbour	
Fairmede Cemetery Fund	National Theatre School of Canada	South East Integrated Care Home	
Festival of Words	Nature Conservancy Canada	South Saskatchewan Community Fdn.	
Friends of Canadian Museum for	Osteoporosis Canada	South Saskatchewan Youth Orchestra	
Friends of Simon Weiesenthal College	Parkinson Society Canada	South Shore Comm. Council	
Globe Theatre	Perpetual Care Cemetery	St. Andrew United Church	

***This is not a complete list.
Ever since 1969 when the Foundation
began, donors and communities
continue to support a growing number
of charities of their choice.***

Schedule of Net Assets Restricted for Endowment

Balance at the end of this year December 31, 2012

Donor Advised:

United Way Tomorrow Fund	\$435,742
United Way Community Legacy	416,950
Friends of the MacKenzie	
Acquisitions Endowment	215,683
Kramer Ltd.	663,799
Donald and Claire Kramer Foundation	4,027,357
Jim Rose Memorial Fund	24,131
Kramer Science Fund	10,549
Stan Doucette Memorial	4,269
MacKenzie Art Gallery Endowment	61,386
Maynard & Ida Gray Fund	15,211
Lyn Goldman Foundation	11,948
South Shore Community Foundation	25,777
Regina Auxiliary War Service	40,558
G. Murray & Edna Forbes Foundation	11,970,633
Prairieview Wealth Mgmt.	22,392
Moosomin Music Festival	3,682
Sask. Assoc. of Social Workers	9,823
Lieutenant Naismith Benevolent	56,836
McClelland North Okanagan	1,844
SCEP Centre Scholarship Fund	4,679
Lawrence Wilson Scholarship	63,607
Dorothy Wilson Scholarship	70,648
Gerald B. Wilson Scholarship	70,652
Kathleen Wilson Scholarship	69,831
Sylvia Wilson Scholarship	68,319
Marlene Wilson Scholarship	68,017
Larry Wilson Fund	279,790
Lloyd & Duna Barber Family Foundation	2,623,465

Cowasjee Small Animal Fund	122
Doris & Clarence Taylor Foundation	50,965
Cedar Hill Cemetery Trust Fund	10,637
Janice Brenier Endowment	
for Food Security	47,574
Options Pregnancy Centre	376
Clark & Anne Lewis	457,775
Doug Barber Memorial Fund	16,326
Shooting Stars Foundation	(3)
Derril McLeod Family Foundation	2,792,582
St. Michael's Retreat & Ministries	582
Moose Jaw Century Club	611
George Butt Foundation	97,395
Globe Theatre Society Endowment	10,051
Regina Symphony Orchestra	174,511
Bill & Helen Davidson Foundation	1,385,281
Gary Hyland Literacy Scholarship	19,210
Gary Hyland ALS Fund	4,297
Pauline Boesser Insurance Fund	6,833
Marian Gardens Charitable Fund	413
Steven Dale Ripplinger Fund	87,048
RPCI Good Mourning Fund	22,560
National Theatre School	92,801
Hertha Pfeifer Foundation	133
Art & Joyce Marbach Family Foundation	11,630
Wain Birch Family Foundation	13,907
Kent & Rachelle Smith Family Fund	300,000
Duke of Edinburgh's Award	1,000
The Book Project Fund	2,300

Designated Fund:

Federation of the Blind	118,431
Scholarship Fund	39,792
Drs. L.W. and E.P. Brandt Fund	887,451
Whitespruce Fund	47,441
Fred & Margaret Greenough Fund	26,365
Doug Barber Fund	9,312
Helen Shearer	983,603
Anonymous Donor – Designated	457,526
Valerie Whalley Education Foundation	8,634

Undesignated:

Smart & Caring Fund	58,668
Anonymous Donor Grant	18,713

Contributed:

Millennium Fund	17,241
22nd Century Club	48,705
Constance M. Acton Fund	15,144
Mr. and Mrs. Jack Ambler Fund	6,625
Patton Fund	20,594
Gen and Murray Grant Fund	11,024
Mr. and Mrs. J. Houston	5,637
Mann Family	15,248
John Rowand Fund	551
CKCK/TV Fund	15,859
Mary and Vern Fowke Fund	26,914
Marjorie E. Staple	138,615
Operating	293,529

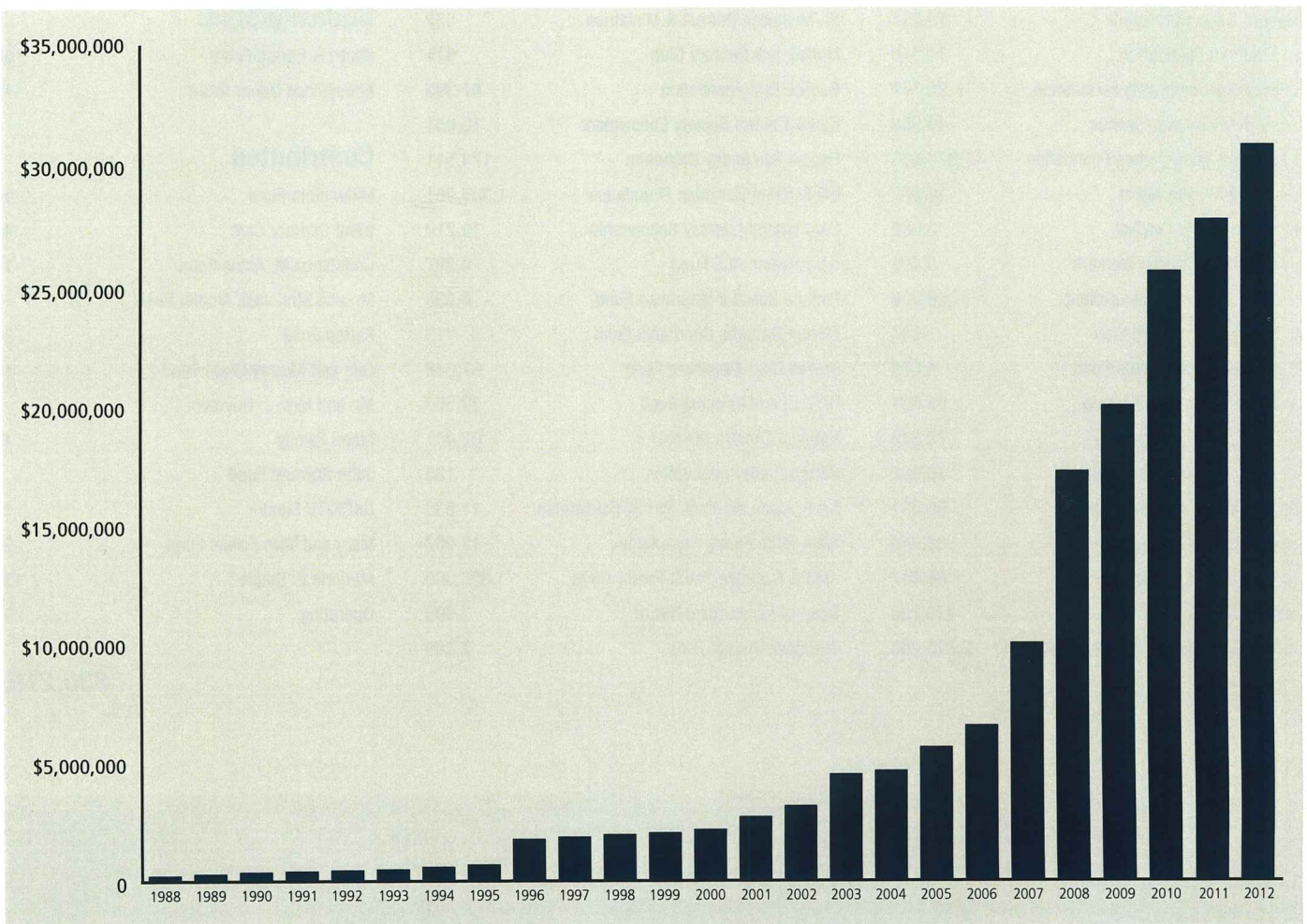
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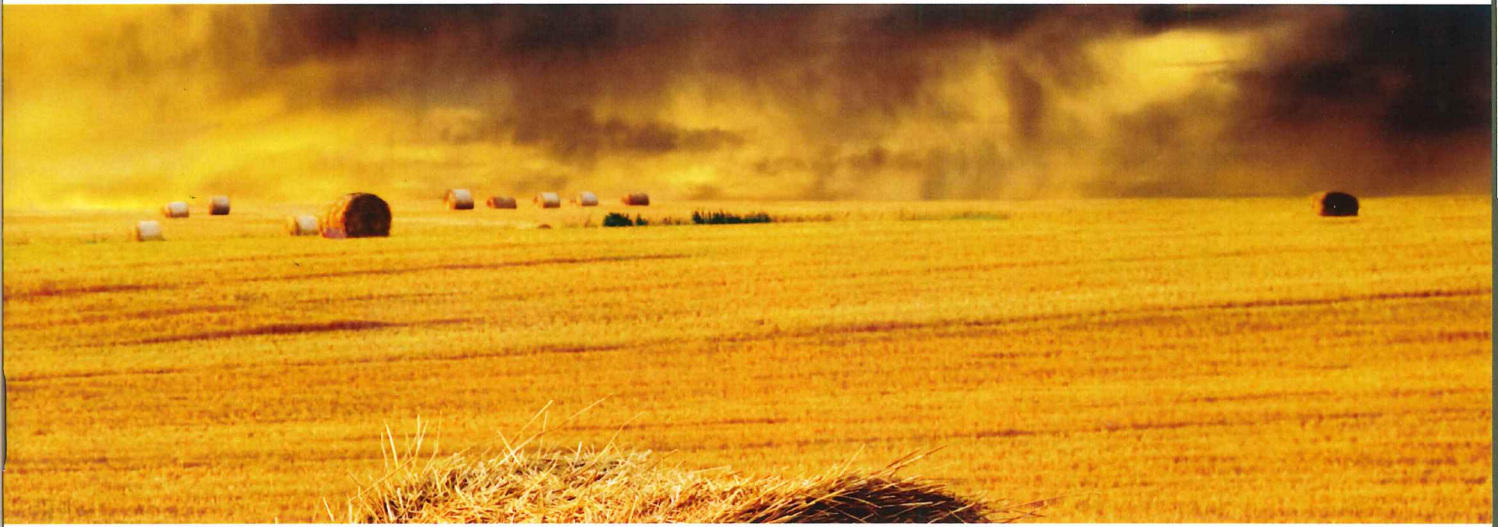
All contributions, including bequests and donations identified by the donor as endowed are recorded as an increase to net assets restricted for endowment. Donors may specify that the contribution be used for a special charitable purpose (designated), make specific recommendations regarding the charitable use (donor advised), make a contribution for the broad charitable purpose of the foundation (undesignated), or make a contribution where the investment income earned net of administration expenses is used for the administration of the Foundation (contributed).



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PROUD TO BE A PARTNER OF THE SOUTH SASKATCHEWAN COMMUNITY FOUNDATION.

It is our great pleasure to work with the South Saskatchewan Community Foundation.

While our primary role is in the management of the endowment funds, we actively promote and support the Foundation in their efforts to preserve and improve the quality of life in our communities by encouraging philanthropic endeavors.

The preceding chart graphically outlines the growth the Foundation's endowment funds have achieved and that we believe will continue to enjoy in the future.

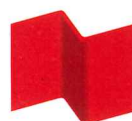
We look forward to our future continued involvement with the South Saskatchewan Community Foundation.

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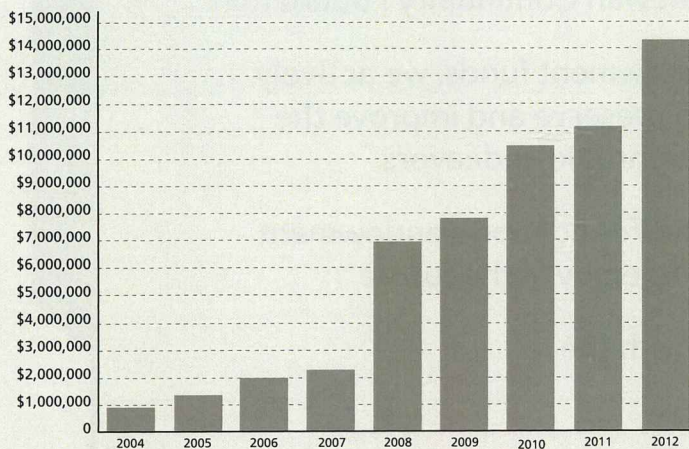
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Community Giving

We are pleased with our on-going partnership with the Foundation and the continued growth in the assets that we manage on behalf of the Foundation. The accompanying chart outlines the continued growth in the Foundation funds.

Growth of Permanent Funds



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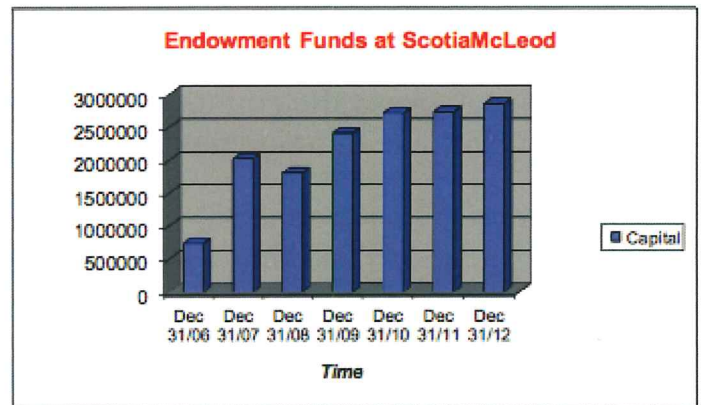


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We are pleased to continue to work closely with the South Saskatchewan Community Foundation and their Investment Committee. Our approach to the financial management of the endowment funds continues with a disciplined approach. The special contributions received and held as endowment funds at ScotiaMcLeod are shown below:



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"We endeavor to build and maintain a long-term business relationship by focusing on the financial success of your foundation."

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What do Community Foundations Do?

Help good people do great things!

Community Foundations:

- Pool the charitable gifts of many donors into permanent, income-earning endowment funds that benefit local communities.
- Donors choose to designate favourite charities or causes to support. Flexibility is the key.
- Make grants from the earnings of these funds to support a wide range of local initiatives—from health, education and social services to arts, culture and the environment.
- Provide leadership to their communities by bringing people together from all sectors to identify and address local issues.

Who gives to Community Foundations?

All kinds of people. Many types of gifts; cash, real estate, stock, Mineral Assets, RRSPs, RIFs, Mutual Funds, and Life Insurance are contributed to Community Foundations.

How Are Community Foundations Structured?

Each Community Foundation is autonomous and governed by a volunteer board of local leaders. Yet they are linked and supported by Community Foundations of Canada's strong national network.

It's Easy!

Our staff at the South Saskatchewan Community Foundation are available to work with you, your financial advisor, estate planner and lawyer to design a fund that will meet all your charitable giving needs. The South Saskatchewan Community Foundation wants you to be happy, satisfied and secure in the vision you hold for your Gift.

Please contact us to learn more about your options or have your financial or estate planning advisors forward your questions to us for more information.

Types of Funds at the South Saskatchewan Community Foundation:

Smart and Caring Community Fund

Allows the Foundation Board of Directors to address the most pressing needs in our community, now and into the future through our South Saskatchewan Community Grant program.

Donor Advised Funds

Donors are actively involved in recommending the charities they wish to receive grants.

Designated Funds

Donors choose to support specific charities, forever.

Scholarship Funds

Support students education and training opportunities.

Flow Through Funds

Charitable donations in flow through funds are disbursed, and are not endowed in perpetuity.

Agency Funds

Can be established by charitable organizations to provide sustainable long term funding for their organization.

Contributed Funds

Help to support the operating and administration costs of the South Saskatchewan Community Foundation.



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THE SOUTH SASKATCHEWAN COMMUNITY FOUNDATION INC.

Statements of Financial Position


December 31, 2012, December 31, 2011 and January 1, 2011


	December 31, 2012	December 31, 2011	January 1, 2011
Assets			
Current assets:			
Cash	\$ 1,296,162	\$ 1,148,069	\$ 2,000,858
Accounts receivable	65,373	2,474	-
Accrued interest receivable	124,298	130,864	180,162
	<u>1,485,833</u>	<u>1,281,407</u>	<u>2,181,020</u>
Investments (note 2)	29,358,825	26,026,490	23,391,570
Capital Assets (note 3)	2,515,478	-	-
	<u>\$ 33,360,136</u>	<u>\$ 27,307,897</u>	<u>\$ 25,572,590</u>

Fund Balances

General	\$ 631,449	\$ 494,569	\$ 364,570
Endowment	32,728,687	26,813,328	25,208,020
	<u>\$ 33,360,136</u>	<u>\$ 27,307,897</u>	<u>\$ 25,572,590</u>

On behalf of the Board:


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THE SOUTH SASKATCHEWAN COMMUNITY FOUNDATION INC.

Statements of Operations and Changes in Fund Balances

Year ended December 31, 2012 and 2011

	General	Endowment	Total 2012	Total 2011
Revenue:				
Contributions	\$ 53,060	\$ 6,705,668	\$ 6,758,728	\$ 4,243,042
Investments Income	-	773,352	773,352	635,426
Income from equity - accounted investment	-	98,495	98,495	-
Realized gains on sales of investments	-	26,408	26,408	60,460
GST rebate	-	12,221	12,221	4,397
Unrealized (losses) gains on investments	-	1,011,889	1,011,889	(728,961)
	53,060	8,628,033	8,681,093	4,214,364
Expenses:				
Distributions	-	2,198,838	2,198,838	2,164,593
Investment management fees	-	126,111	126,111	117,499
Amortization	-	75,572	75,572	-
Administration (Schedule 1)	(59,923)	288,256	228,333	196,965
	(59,923)	2,688,777	2,628,854	2,479,057
Increases in fund balances	112,983	5,939,256	6,052,239	1,735,307
Fund balance, beginning of year	494,569	26,813,328	27,307,897	25,572,590
Transfer from Endowment fund to the General Fund	23,897	(23,897)	-	-
Fund balance, end of year	\$ 631,449	\$ 32,728,687	\$ 33,360,136	\$ 27,307,897

Statement of Operations

Year ended December 31, 2012, with comparative figures for 2011

	2012	2011
Revenue	\$ 8,681,093	\$ 4,214,364
Expenses	2,628,854	2,479,057
Increase in fund balance	\$ 6,052,239	\$ 1,735,307

Detailed financial statements are available on request.



Supporting Children and Early Education



Regina's Early Learning Centre is a child and family development centre working co-operatively with low income families to provide programs which foster healthy development of children from prenatal to five years of age.

Thanks to a generous donation from the South Saskatchewan Community Foundation, in the fall of 2012 five teaching staff and the supervisor from the Regina Early Learning Centre Preschool were able to attend the Canadian Association for Young Children Conference in Vancouver to learn about the Reggio Approach in teaching young children. The Reggio Approach - inspired from Reggio Emilia, Italy, the home of world renowned preschools is based on the belief that children are full of curiosity and creativity. We use this principle at the Centre to allow children to be the teachers and persuade them to go further and use their own ways of expression to grow into creative beings that are confident and capable. Children are at the forefront of the curriculum; are shown respect, and seen as confident and capable in everything they do. For Meredith as a new teacher at The Early Learning Centre, Karen, a teacher at the Centre notes "I have been able to transfer many things I learned from the Reggio Approach to the classroom, in activities that let the children see how important the small steps are and how these become the stepping stones for deeper thinking.



"In the park behind the school the children discovered a puddle in the grass. Along the bottom of the puddle were leaves from the fall. As the children walked in the leafy water, their feet stirred up the ladybugs that had been hibernating under the leaves. The children began gathering the ladybugs, and, with the warmth of their hands, were able to wake them from their winter slumber. The very excited children continued to collect as many lady bugs as their little fists could clutch. It was decided by the children to move the newly awoken critters to higher ground where they could be warm and dry. The children chose to place all the ladybugs under a tree on the hill where there was no water or snow."

Chantelle and Daria

Staff Members
Regina Early Learning Centre

Investing in Youth

Thanks to support from the Moffat Family Fund in 2012, Joe's Place in Moose Jaw, was able to take numerous low income and at-risk youth to various camps, retreats, day trips and outings. Several youth who are recent immigrants to Canada were able to go horseback riding and knee-boarding for the first time. Other youth who were terrified of heights were able to overcome their fears as they climbed Castle Butte and experienced the zip lines at Cypress Hills.

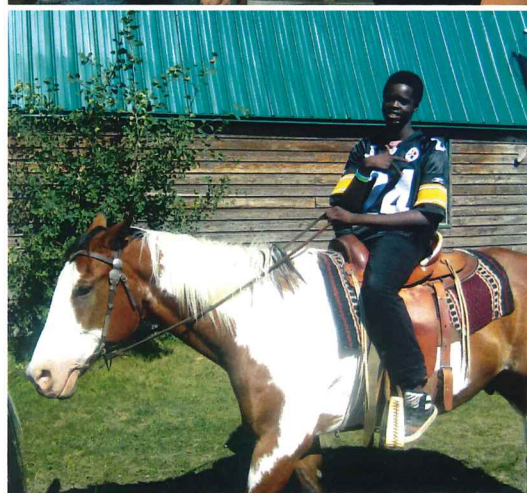
We were also able to teach these youth work skills that will help them become healthy, contributing members of society. Some youth learned to cook in our commercial kitchen while others learned woodworking skills as they built their very own custom long-boards thanks to a dedicated volunteer instructor. Youth enjoyed many first-time experiences thanks to your funding. For some youth these trips are their only chance to go horseback riding, knee-boarding or to do something as simple as making a smore over a campfire. These are just a few examples of how your generous support has made a big difference in the lives of numerous youth!

Joe Dueck

Joe's Place, Moose Jaw

"Learning how to cook in the Joe's Place kitchen is a really fun experience! I'll use what I've learned in the future and I already use it at home." - Will (Age 16)

"Riding my new long board is only half as fun as building it was!" - AJ (Age 13)



GIVING WITH IMPACT

The South Saskatchewan Community Foundation, through the generosity and kindness of its donors and communities, support a growing number of charities of their choice each year – here are a few examples of the impact these gifts have made in 2012.

We wish we could highlight every gift made through the South Saskatchewan Community Foundation last year in this report - because we know every gift large or small made a meaningful difference for so many in our shared communities!



Supporting Healthcare



The generosity of Derril McLeod and his family continues helping kidney dialysis patients across southern Saskatchewan.

Last year, the Derril McLeod Family Foundation made a gift of \$20,000 in support of the Renal Unit in the Wascana Rehabilitation Centre. The Renal Unit solves a critical healthcare challenge—the demand for hemodialysis services.

An aging population and an increasing number of Canadians with diabetes are contributing to a growing number of patients with kidney disease. The Renal Unit provided 4,434 treatments over a one-year span alone from March 2012 to 2013. This gift helped create another location for patients to receive dialysis.

Improving the quality of life for hemodialysis patients would not be possible without gifts like the McLeod family donation.

The McLeod family's gift to Hospitals of Regina Foundation (HRF) was made possible through the South Saskatchewan Community Foundation (SSCF). In total, \$105,000 was contributed to HRF from SSCF, benefiting all three of Regina's hospitals. These contributions benefit patients by ensuring doctors have the very best equipment.

SSCF donations helped purchase:

- Four new long-term care beds for Wascana Rehabilitation Centre
- A ceiling lift for the Cardiac Surveillance Unit at Regina General Hospital
- A new IOLMaster for the Eye Centre at Pasqua Hospital
- An Endoscopic Ultrasound
- A Bronchial Endoscopic Ultrasound
- Diagnostic equipment used by gastroenterologists

“The Hospitals of Regina Foundation is so very grateful and appreciative of the support we receive from the South Saskatchewan Community Foundation,” says Judy Davis, President and CEO of HRF. “Gifts like these have a meaningful and tangible impact on healthcare in our community.”

Judy Davis

CEO

Hospitals of Regina Foundation

Celebrating Art & Culture

The \$50,000 grant we received in 2012 from the South Saskatchewan Community Foundation was absolutely intrinsic to us moving forward with our vision of improving our building and making office purchases that we otherwise would not be able to do.

The grants we currently apply for are for operating purposes and go towards salaries, programming, utilities, advertising, professional development and day-to-day costs associated with our museum and gallery. We have had sponsors/donors in our past and typically they are interested in supporting our children's programs, which we are always pleased to see. Finding building maintenance and capital equipment grants is rare. So in short unless something is completely obsolete or broken, the gallery usually goes without unless it is absolutely needed. The gift of \$50,000 that could be used for these purposes has enabled us to truly move forward in so many areas.

A new venture we brought forward was to have at least one fundraiser a year and all of our public programming now taking place at the Estevan Art Gallery and Museum. This step was taken to increase awareness and numbers to our museum, which in kind is used as numeric stats for our granting purposes. With support from the South Saskatchewan Community Foundation we were able to purchase lighting and flooring for much needed enhancement of our gallery spaces to improve our space aesthetically, and how exhibitions looked within our space. We were also able to purchase small items like new stacking chairs and tables for events and programming in our space.

Thank you South Saskatchewan Community Foundation!

Amber Anderson
Director/Curator
Estevan Art Gallery and Museum





Building Community



I would like to take this opportunity to thank the South Saskatchewan Community Foundation for their extremely generous donation to the Triple C Centre project through the Bill and Helen Davidson Foundation. This community project has been long in the making but with your \$100,000 commitment to this fantastic vision, our idea is becoming a reality. We are so excited that the Choral Room, one of the most utilized rooms in the Weyburn Comprehensive School, will be named the “Bill and Helen Davidson Foundation” choral room.



Triple C stands for Community, Culture and Convention. The “Kenney and Jo-Anne Cugnet Centre” will function as a gymnasium, performing arts centre and as a convention centre. This facility will have 525 retractable seats on the floor and 200 permanent seats in the balcony. With even more portable seats on the floor, the centre can hold up to 1200 patrons. The entire centre is 896.7 square metres featuring a 50-foot wide stage and state of the art sound and lighting systems.

This wonderful gift was a catalyst to the giving of so many other businesses, families, organizations and individuals and so we thank you for that as well. We are very close to our \$3.5 million community commitment goal and we are hoping to have the facility completed by September 2013, the start of the new school year.

Presently, in the period of one week, close to one-thousand students utilize the Choral Room. This includes the grades 10, 11 and 12 choirs as well as the three extracurricular performance choirs – STARS Show Choir, Boy’s Chorus and Girl’s Chorus. We feel so blessed to have organizations like yourself take an interest in the future of our youth and to help strengthen and enhance the arts and culture in our community. We look forward to the total completion of the Triple C Centre project and know that the new Choral Room will be a profound asset to the overall purpose of the “Kenney and Jo-Anne Cugnet Centre”.

On behalf of the Triple C Centre Committee, Weyburn

Diana Mainil
Chairperson



Helping to Eliminate Hunger

Thank you for putting hope on the table. At a time of provincial economic prosperity it seems out of place that the role of food banks remains critical to ensuring food security for an average of 9,000 people each month. The effects of rising costs in a growing economy, particularly housing, impact those on fixed or low income disproportionately.

The South Saskatchewan Community Foundation and its many generous supporters has allowed us to provide essential services in many ways, importantly - ensuring a meal on the table for an average of the 250 families we serve daily in a welcoming, safe and accessible environment. Your support has enabled us to ensure choice and dignity in our offering through Canada's first in house grocery store the Village Market. Our commercial kitchen produces food, education and employment opportunities all aimed at independence and full participation in our community.

The ACERT (adult center for employment readiness and training) continues to feed the mind and spirit through providing valuable training and development opportunities in partnership with other community agencies and resources. These programs focus on employment readiness and training with the goal of facilitating the opportunity to be fully engaged and contributing in the community and eliminating the reliance on charitable feeding and food security programs. More important than these activities is who we are privileged to serve. The face of hunger may surprise you. It is working families, single parents, seniors, students and sons, daughters, grandchildren and people just like you and I.

We often speak of the Regina Food Bank as a community asset. The team that opens the doors each and every day is truly your ambassadors within the community and we are proud to be the stewards of your support and generosity. We are only able to meet these challenges through the continued support of the community. From everyone at the Regina Food Bank and most importantly those we serve: 9,000 thank yous! Congratulations to the South Saskatchewan Community Foundation for your community leadership and continued support.

Steve Compton

Chief Executive Officer
Regina Food Bank





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