



LONDON
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FOUNDATION

This is *your*
foundation.

2016 Impact Report

This is your London,
your foundation,
your opportunity to
make an impact.





LONDON COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

*You don't need to be a millionaire to give back to the community.
Whatever your charitable goals are, we can help you achieve them.*

*As your philanthropic partner, we are your community foundation. We
provide personalized service, making your giving flexible and easy.*

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Our Mission

Through the power of giving,
we create a vibrant and caring
community by investing
strategically in innovative
community-based solutions.

Our Vision

A community working together
so that each member has the
opportunity for an enriched
quality of life.

LONDON COMMUNITY FOUNDATION is a charitable organization dedicated to improving communities across London and Middlesex County through collaboration, strategic leadership, and innovative solutions to charitable giving. Investing gifts in perpetuity, London Community Foundation ensures the long-term vitality of the community emphasizing prevention rather than remediation. Belonging to a network of over 191 Community Foundations across Canada, our movement works to build smart and caring communities across the nation.

A message from
**The President/CEO
and Board Chair**



Martha Powell, President & CEO



Fred Galloway, Chair of the Board of Directors

*Anyone can be a philanthropist (really!).
London Community Foundation is
your Foundation — created by people
like you, for the community, forever.*

We realize the power of our donors' collective impact through the Foundation's endowment, year after year. The endowment, built by donor support for more than 60 years, now stands at \$75 million and enables \$3–\$4 million in granting annually. This is all thanks to you – individuals, families and organizations in our community who believe in making London and Middlesex a more vibrant and caring community.

One of our past board chairs, Bob Siskind, said it best: "It's like contributing to a savings account for our community — one that keeps giving back." Through the power of endowment, we're able to maintain a long-term vision while making an impact, now and forever.

We're proud and honoured to be part of this incredible movement. In 2016, we were able to do more than ever before. Reaching new heights, the Foundation granted \$3.4 million to 179 charities and was the catalyst of several game-changing initiatives.

Our Vital Signs report was a bold call to action highlighting the need for mental health and addictions agencies to streamline the delivery of care. Since the release of this report, the Foundation has been advocating for collaboration and enhanced communication between organizations in this sector. Additionally, we made our largest grant yet, an amount of \$378,000, to Family Service Thames Valley. In partnership with Anova, Craigwood Youth Services, Women's Rural Resource Centre, Vanier Children's Services, and WAYS Mental Health Support, their resources and experience will combine to deliver a walk-in/talk-in clinic providing seamless service for people of all ages- now, that's game-changing!

Another important project we supported was the Welcome Fund for Syrian Refugees. The Foundation partnered with Community Foundations of Canada,

Manulife, CN, and GM to contribute \$250,000 locally to the London United for Refugees Initiative, a collaboration between the London Cross Cultural learner Centre, United Way London and Middlesex, and the City of London. The Welcome Fund for Syrian Refugees provided an important investment in the successful resettlement of hundreds of refugees in our community with a particular focus on supporting accessible and affordable housing.

In addition to our granting, The Foundation also made inroads into the world of impact investing. Launching the social impact fund, to replace the loan fund, this has expanded our social finance mandate to offer more funding options to non-profits and social entrepreneurs, as well as opportunities for donors who are looking to make social investments that have local, national and global impact.

As for Back to the River, the environmental assessment is well underway and promises to be complete by 2018. We are excited to announce that several donors have come forward to fund both the inaugural project at the Forks as well as the second project in the SoHo neighbourhood. This support validates the vision of this initiative as well as the Foundation's role as a leader and mobilizer of change.

These are just a few examples of how the Foundation is making an impact in the community through your generosity. This is your community and your Foundation. It's thanks to you that we're able to create community change now and for years to come.

We hope you will feel inspired by the stories in this report and join us in celebrating **you**.

Sincerely,





COVENT GARDEN
MARKET
OUTDOOR FARMERS MARKET
Thurs. 8-2 Sat. 8-1
INDOOR MARKET OPEN 7 DAYS/WEEK

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Our team

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Staff (pictured on right, in order)

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Director, Grants
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Ulyana George (on parental leave)
Executive Administrator
Stephanie Winterton
Executive Administrator
Cathy Dunmore
Finance Administrator
Cathie Antonissen
Operations Administrator



Tribute to retiring board and committee members

The following individuals will be greatly missed and we would like to thank them for offering their time, talent, sincerity and commitment to the Foundation.

Joni Baechler
Board of Directors
Mary Ann Colihan
Grants Committee
Ian Dantzer
Grants Committee
Teji Dhami
Leadership Development Committee
Murray Faulkner
Board of Directors; Grants Committee; Leadership Development Committee

Mike Jaczko
Board of Directors
Tony Kyle
Board of Directors; Grants Committee
Laurie Lashbrook
Grants Committee
Sandy Levin
Finance & Audit Committee
Glen Pearson
Board of Directors

Our Impact

We are part of a national movement of over 191 community foundations across Canada. Our impact reaches locally, nationally, and internationally.

2016 in numbers

\$3,414,168

Total grants

694

Total number of donations

14

Number of new funds

486

Number of grants

265

New donors

\$71,883,471

Total assets as of 2016

\$302,656

Largest grant in 2016

\$646,165

New donor donations

\$66,856,935

Total endowments as of 2016

2016 Grants by Fund Type

An unrestricted fund that strives to improve the overall well-being of our community through strategic and innovative granting

Smart & Caring Community Fund

\$1,335,531

Functioning like a private foundation, a Donor Advised Fund allows you to choose which charities to support each year

Donor Advised Fund

\$1,118,717

Allows registered charities to create their own endowment, building a sustainable source of funding for their organization

Registered Charity Fund

\$440,285

Allows donors to select the causes they would like to support in perpetuity

Donor Designated Fund

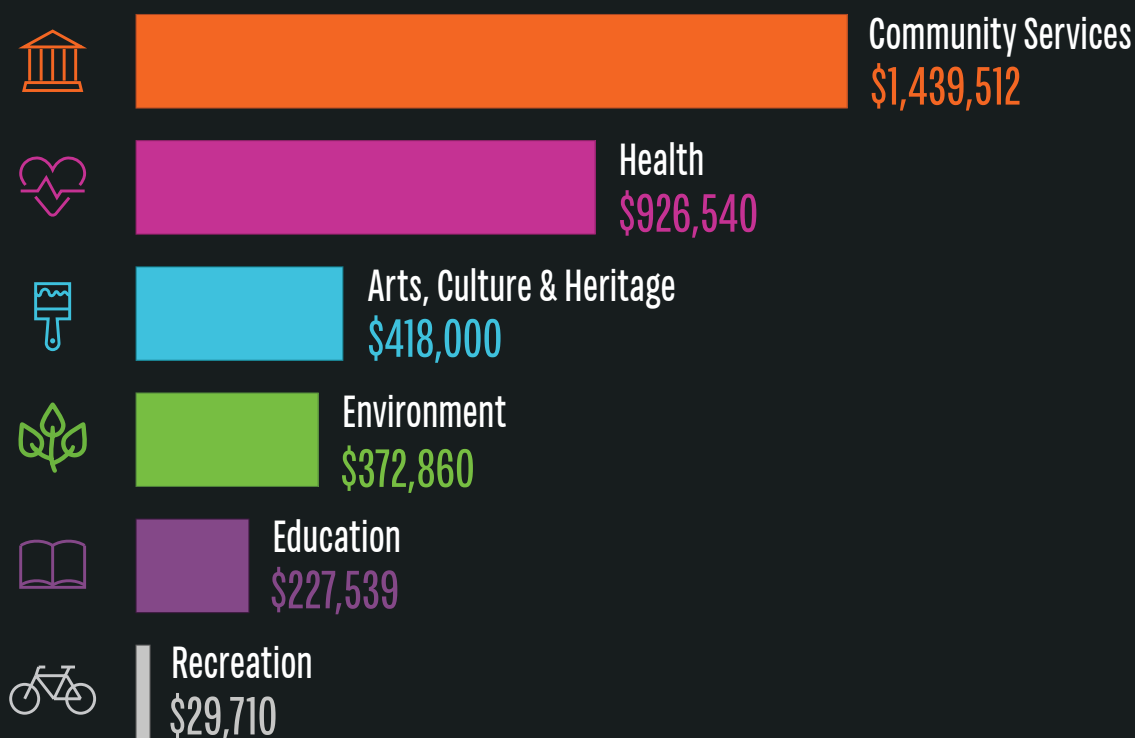
\$298,570

Target gifts to address an issue area that you feel is important to community life

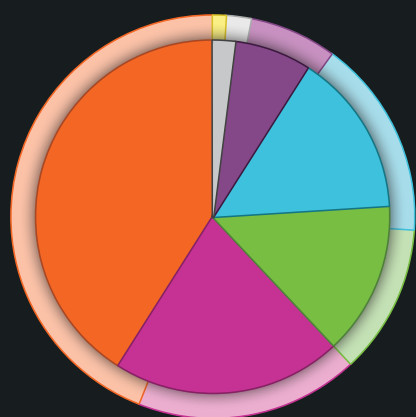
Field of Interest

\$221,065

2016 Grants by Sector



5 and 10 Year Grants by Sector



■ 5 Year %, Grants by Sector
■ 10 Year %, Grants by Sector

Community Services	5 Year: 41%	10 Year: 44%
Health	5 Year: 21%	10 Year: 18%
Environment	5 Year: 14%	10 Year: 12%
Arts, Culture & Heritage	5 Year: 15%	10 Year: 16%
Education	5 Year: 7%	10 Year: 7%
Recreation	5 Year: 2%	10 Year: 2%
Special Projects	5 Year: 0%	10 Year: 1%

Building a stronger community, *together*

The following are the 2016 grant recipients demonstrating the diversity and depth of our granting through our donors' engagement. We support areas such as social services, health and wellness, recreation, education, environment, work, and arts and culture. Thanks to the help of our donors, we are creating a community in which every member has the opportunity to thrive. By supporting London Community Foundation, you are helping build a more vibrant London and Middlesex region.

TwelveCanada	Town Jerusalem	Daya Counselling Centre
Art Canada Institute	Canadian Guide Dogs for the Blind	Days for Girls Canada Society
Alzheimer Society of London & Middlesex	Canadian Medical Hall of Fame	Doctors Without Borders / Medecins Sans Frontieres
Amabile Choirs of London, Canada	Canadian Mental Health Association	Dundas Street Centre United Church
Anago (Non) Residential Resources	Canadian Red Cross Society	Ecological Farmers Association of Ontario
Animal Aide Association of St. Thomas-Elgin	Canadian Tennis Association	El Sistema South London
Animal Love Foundation	Carolinian Canada Coalition	Elgin Children's Foundation
Animal Outreach	Chelsea Green Children's Centre Inc.	Elgin-St. Thomas Community Foundation
Animalert Pet Adoptions Inc.	Childcan the Childhood Cancer Research Association	Family Service Thames Valley
Ark Aid Street Mission Inc.	Childreach Centre	Fanshawe College Foundation
Arthritis Society	Children's Health Foundation	Fanshawe College of Applied Arts & Technology
Arts Project London	City Art Centre (London)	Forest City Gallery
At^Lohsa Native Family Healing Services	Colborne Street United Church	Friends of the Coves Subwatershed Inc.
Big Brothers Big Sisters of London and Area	Community Foundations of Canada	George Bray Sports Association Inc.
Bishop's University	Community Living London	Glen Cairn Community Resource Centre
Boys' & Girls' Club of London	Congregation Or Shalom at London, Ontario	Goodwill Industries, Ontario Great Lakes
Brain Tumour Foundation of Canada	Conservatory Canada	Grand Bend Community Foundation
Canadian Cancer Society	Corporation of the City of London	
Canadian Diabetes Association	Crouch Neighbourhood Resource Centre	
Canadian Friends of Boys		

Growing Chefs! Ontario Society
Habitat for Humanity
Heartland Ontario
Heart & Stroke Foundation
of Ontario
Hockey Helps The Homeless
Ilderton Lions Club
Charitable Trust
Incorporated Synod of
the Diocese of Huron
Ingersoll Support Services Inc.
Investing in Children
Islamic Centre of
Southwest Ontario
Jet Aircraft Museum
Jewish National Fund of Canada
Junior Achievement of
London & District Inc.
K9resQ Dog Adoption Services
King's University College at UWO
L'Arche London
Learning Disabilities
Association-London Region
Literacy London Incorporated

London & Area Food Bank Inc
London Abused Women's Centre
London and Middlesex
Heritage Museum
London Arts Council
London Choral Foundation
London Community Chaplaincy
London Community Players
London Cross-Cultural
Learner Centre
London District Catholic
School Board
London Family Court
Clinic Incorporated
London Health Sciences
Foundation
London Humane Society
London Potters Guild
London Public Library Board
London Regional
Children's Museum
London Symphonia
(Formerly #WePlayOn)
London Wheelchair
Basketball Association

London Youth for Christ
Low-Income Family Empowerment
Sole-Support Parents
LUSO Community Services
Make-A-Wish Foundation S.W.O.
March of Dimes Canada
Maria Luisa de Moreno
International Foundation
McCormick Home Foundation
Meals on Wheels London
Merrymount Children's Centre
Metropolitan United Church
Mission Services of London
Municipality of Middlesex Centre
Museum London
Muslim Resource Centre for
Social Support & Integration
Nature Conservancy of Canada
Northwest London Resource Centre
Oakridge Presbyterian Church
Ontario Lung Association
Easter Seals
Operation Walk Canada Inc.



Ottawa Friends of Tibet	St. Joseph's - Hospice of London	The Tyndale Foundation
Oxford Community Foundation	St. Joseph's Health Care Foundation of London	Theatre London
Parkinson Society	St. Michael and All Angels Church	Toronto Foundation
Southwestern Ontario	St. Paul's Cathedral	True Sport Foundation
Participation House Support Services London & Area	St. Paul's Social Services	Turning Point Inc.
Pathways Skill Development and Placement Centre	St. Thomas Elgin General Hospital Foundation	United Jewish Appeal
Pets/Friends For Life	St. Thomas-Elgin Second Stage Transitional Residen	United Way of London & Middlesex
Pillar Nonprofit Network	Start2Finish Canada	Unity Project for Relief of Homelessness in London
RCL Last Post (Ontario#410) Branch-Poppy Trust Fund	Stevenson Children's Camp Foundation	University of Michigan
ReForest London	Stevenson Ministries Foundation - New Beginnings	Upper Thames River Conservation Authority
Right To Play International	Stratford Shakespearean Festival of Canada	Urban League of London
Ronald McDonald House Charities	Strathroy Middlesex Museum	VHA Home Healthcare
Salthaven Wildlife Rehabilitation & Education Centre	Swimming Canada	Violence Against Women Services Elgin County
Salvation Army	Temple Israel (Of London)	VON Middlesex-Elgin Community Corporation
Scouts Canada Foundation	Tetra Society Of North America	Wellspring London and Region Foundation
Sexual Assault Centre London	Thames Talbot Land Trust	Western University
Sisters of St. Joseph of the Diocese of London	Thames Valley District School Board	Women's Community House
South Huron Hospital Foundation	Thames Valley Education Foundation	YMCA of Western Ontario
South London Neighbourhood Resource Centre	The Architectural Conservancy of Ontario Inc.	
South West Community Care Access Centre	The London Community Orchestra	
Southern Ontario Sheltie Rescue Society	The N'Amerind (London) Friendship Centre Inc.	
Southwest Ontario Aboriginal Health Access Centre	The Ontario Registered Music Teachers' Association	
Special Ability Riding Institute	The Raoul Wallenberg Centres	
St. Aidan's Anglican Church	The Stratford Arts Foundation	
St. George's Anglican Church		
St. John The Evangelist		

You will see that our granting is expansive. Please inquire for information on how you can support the collective impact our granting makes.



Did you know we facilitate local, national and international giving?

In 2016 three of our funds; the Matthew Pieszchala Foundation, Tom and Sue Allan Family Fund, and the Megan Holliday Memorial Fund supported relief efforts in Fort McMurray through the Canadian Red Cross. This is just one example of how we are able to support the immediate needs of our communities locally and nationally. Thanks to the contributions of these donors, the people of Fort McMurray were able to start rebuilding their lives after weeks of stress and uncertainty.



The London Community Woodshop fosters social connections through meaningful activity.

Community Vitality: *Game-Changers*

FUNDED BY THE SMART & CARING COMMUNITY FUND, the Community Vitality grant program strives to build a strong and vital community by investing in initiatives that will move the needle on our community's most pressing issues identified in the Foundation's Vital Signs report. The Community Vitality grant program supports high-impact, innovative, and collaborative initiatives that will create systemic change in the London and Middlesex Region. Thanks to your commitment and dedication to the community, we were able to grant \$1 million to four game-changing initiatives.



The Foundation helps the little guy in the community make a big impact. You not only see the impact of the gift today, but the long-term effect of the endowment and how that will impact for generations. It's about making strategic decisions that are game-changers for the community.



— Sheri Templeton, fundholder, John Henry Clinton Family Fund

NO. 1

Transforming the System Response to Mental Health Through Cross Sector Collaboration

Family Service Thames Valley • \$378,000 over 2 years

This project will transform the system response to mental health in London and Middlesex by working collaboratively across organizations and sectors with mental health community partners to leverage resources and expertise. Through the creation of a whole life, mobile, walk-in/talk-in clinic, this project will break down silos that shift the way we support and respond to children and adults with mental health issues.

NO. 2

The London Community Workshop

Pathways Skill Development & Placement Centre • \$190,000 over 2 years

The London Community Woodshop will break down social barriers that lead to isolation through an inclusive and accessible community woodshop. With affordable memberships the London Community Woodshop will offer seniors, adults, and retirees skill development, mentoring, social supports, therapeutic programming, and shared learning opportunities.

NO. 3

London/Middlesex County Hoarding Support Services Network

VHA Home HealthCare • \$186,000 over 2 years

The Hoarding Support Service Network will focus on building the capacity of community agencies in London/Middlesex to respond to low-income individuals who are struggling with serious hoarding issues, which are jeopardizing their own safety (and possibly the safety of others), and their housing. Nothing like this currently exists to address this challenging issue. A service network will enable a customized service solution for our community.

NO. 4

Youth City

Boys and Girls Club of London • \$85,200 over 1 year

Youth City is an initiative by youth, for youth. A revamp to the Boys and Girls Club's regular programming, Youth City will allow youth to build skills, and explore career opportunities by expositing them to digital creative activities. In collaboration with local organizations, the programming will focus on areas of science, technology, art, design and math. Youth City will ensure that youth have access to all opportunities to learn, grow and become prepared for life as independent adults and future leaders within our community.

Community Fund for *Canada's 150th*

AS WE CELEBRATE CANADA'S 150TH ANNIVERSARY, we reflect on not only 150 years but 150+. That is, we honour not only the 150th anniversary of Confederation, but the Indigenous Peoples who came before us, their history and their heritage. Canada's 150th anniversary of Confederation is a historic moment with the power to bring people and places together as we dream big about our communities and country. It's a chance to encourage all Canadians to contribute to their communities in a way that will foster a greater sense of belonging, support meaningful reconciliation and leave a lasting legacy now and for future generations.

All projects work towards the following principles:

- **Encourage** participation in community activities and events to mark Canada's 150th anniversary
- **Inspire** a deeper understanding about the people, places, and events that shape our country and communities
- **Build** vibrant and healthy communities with the broadest possible engagement of all Canadians, including indigenous peoples, groups that reflect our cultural diversity, and youth and official language minorities





In 2016, the following Foundation funds contributed \$75,000, which was matched, making available \$150,000 locally for this program.

- Bowden Family Fund
- Milton and Jean Broderick Charitable Fund
- Richard and Beryl Ivey Fund
- Jung Family Fund
- Kayser Family Foundation
- William and Katharine Kostuk Family Fund
- Ashley Grace Powell Memorial Fund
- Rasmussen Family Fund
- Rick and Carol Richardson Family Fund
- William Thomson Family Fund
- Faith Tilk Memorial Fund
- Smart & Caring Community Fund

Representatives of each fund had the opportunity to be a part of the selection committee chaired by Madeline Lennon, a long serving grants committee member. After reviewing almost 50 applications, the following projects were selected as successful recipients:

The Community Fund for Canada's 150th is a small grants program made possible by London Community Foundation, the Government of Canada and extraordinary leaders from coast to coast.

NO. 1

London Cross Cultural Learner Centre

Connecting Newcomers to Canada's 150th Anniversary • \$14,440

NO. 2

Twelve Canada

Regional Youth Reconciliation Gathering • \$14,185

NO. 3

London Regional Children's Museum

Celebrate Kids! • \$12,650

NO. 4

London Potters Guild

Mosaic Celebrating Canada 150 & London Clay Art Centre • \$11,000

“Words are not enough to express our sincere appreciation for what you’ve done for us. With the anchor of your \$15,000 Canada 150 grant, we approached TD for a community grant – and were awarded an additional \$16,100. Our kindergarten playground will be exceptional and unique in the province with its First Nations, Métis and Inuit cultural focus. And with the school facilitating these initiatives, the school board has agreed to tackle a much-needed redo of our main outdoor play area. The positive energy among our faculty and students is palpable!”

— Jeff Holbrough,
Vice Principal of CC
Carrothers Elementary
School, 2016 recipient of a
grant from the Community
Fund for Canada’s 150th



NO. 5

Forest City Gallery

Vaulted: A Commemorative Arts and Culture Project • \$10,000

NO. 6

Salthaven Wildlife and Education Centre

Go Wild for Canada’s 150th • \$10,000

NO. 7

Pillar Nonprofit Network

Celebrating 150 Years of Innovation in London • \$7,500

NO. 8

Maria Luisa de Moreno International Foundation

Canada’s 150 Years Celebration @ One Day for Kids • \$6,800

NO. 9

United Way London & Middlesex

Bands 150 • \$6,490

NO. 10

Urban League of London, On behalf of SoHo Community Association

SoHo Celebrates Canada • \$5,000

NO. 11

Crouch Neighbourhood Resource Centre

Heritage Railway Event • \$4,000

NO. 12

Ark Aid Street Mission, Inc.

New School of Colour 150 • \$3,000

NO. 13

City Art Centre

Inspiring possibilities through Canadian art and culture • \$2,832

NO. 14

London Middlesex Heritage Museum – Fanshawe Pioneer Village

The First World War: Vimy Remembered • \$2,600

NO. 15

Municipality of Middlesex Centre, On behalf of Middlesex Centre Archives

Canada 150 – Middlesex Centre • \$2,500

NO. 16

Strathroy Middlesex Museum

Celebrating Canada – Museum Exhibit • \$2,000

NO. 17

University Heights Public School

University Heights Public School Playground • \$15,000

NO. 18

C.C. Carrothers Elementary School

Outdoor Learning Centre • \$15,000

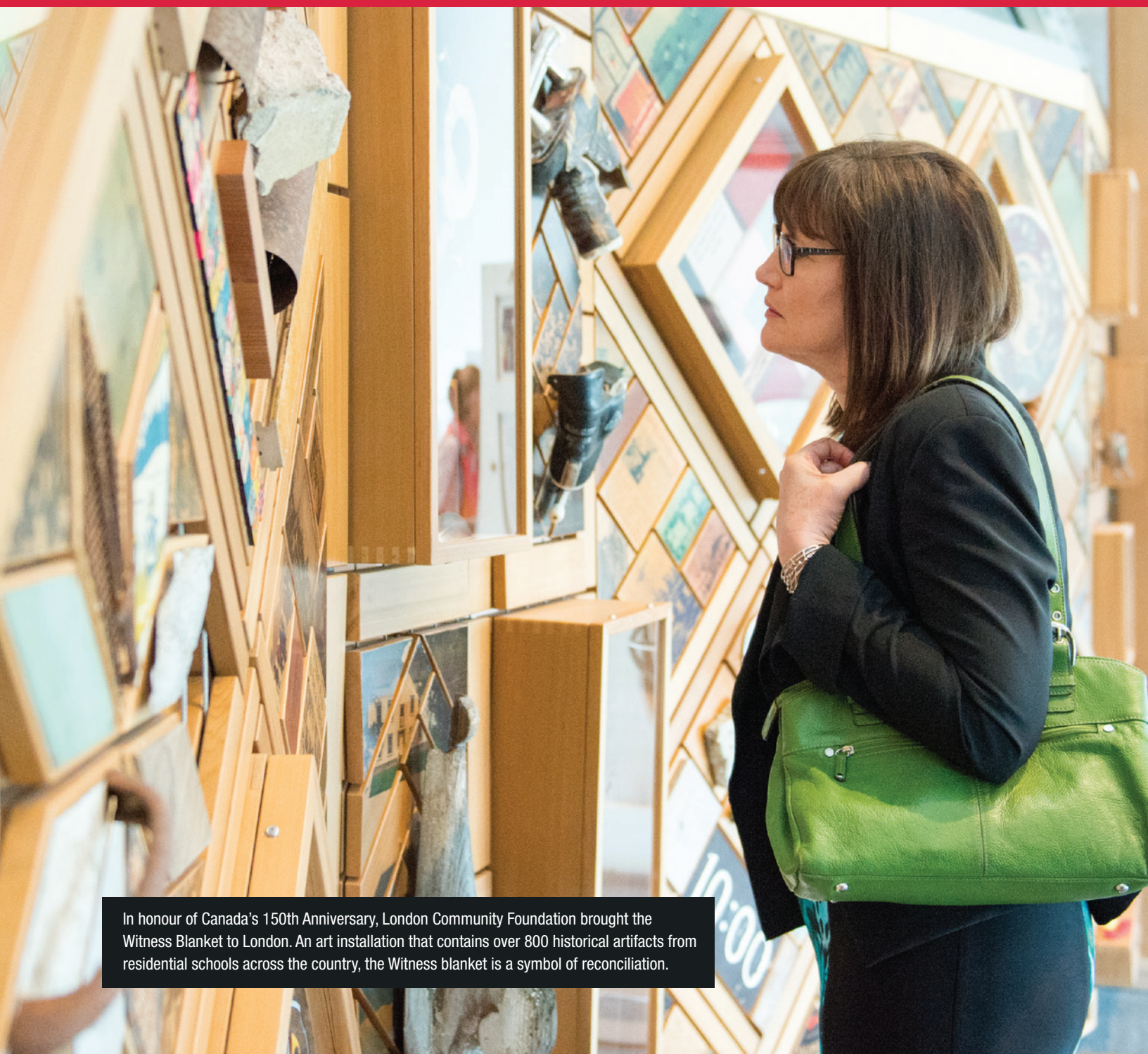
NO. 19

Habitat for Humanity Heartland Ontario

Canadian Heroes Build – Carter Work Project & Canada’s 150th • \$5,000

“ I was proud to support the Fund for Canada’s 150th as myself and my family are so blessed to live in such a beautiful country. We Canadians accept everyone into our great country which is diverse, polite, and proud. ”

— Darlene Broderick, Milton and Jean Broderick Charitable Fund



In honour of Canada's 150th Anniversary, London Community Foundation brought the Witness Blanket to London. An art installation that contains over 800 historical artifacts from residential schools across the country, the Witness blanket is a symbol of reconciliation.



Andrew Young, the AY Foundation

Andrew Young

The AY Foundation

Andrew Young is making money have meaning through the Community Mortgage Movement; an initiative that allows his clients to give back by donating percentage of his commissions to his fund, the AY Foundation.

Growing up, Andrew never dreamed he'd be able to start his own foundation.

"Raised in a modest household, I just didn't realize what was possible," he said.

After his father's passing in 2011, Andrew felt inspired to give back to the community but didn't know where to start. A quick Google search led him to London Community Foundation. Before he knew it, Andrew found himself a participant in the 2011/2012 Engage! London class. Surrounded by like-minded young professionals who were passionate about making a difference, this experience was a turning point in Andrew's life.

Fast forward to 2015, Andrew was thriving professionally as a local mortgage broker and had received personal gratification through his volunteer experiences working with various boards and committees in the city. Now, Andrew was ready to share the gift of giving with others in the community.

Andrew saw a need for smaller organizations and individuals to not only start giving, but to think bigger when giving back. He believes giving back should be a community approach; that was the inspiration for the AY Foundation.

"With London Community Foundation you're making an impact now AND later. I can have a living legacy. I feel an immense sense of pride knowing that I'm creating real community change."

Through the Community Mortgage Movement, Andrew is helping others support the community through collective impact. With a percentage of his commission going back to the AY Foundation, Andrew uses London Community Foundation's Vital Signs report to guide his granting decisions each year.

"The Community has given so much to me and I want to make it stronger," says Andrew. I am very fortunate to be in the position that I am, so I believe it's important to help those in need."

At 38 years-old, Andrew breaks down stereotypes that you need to wait until you're older and wealthy to be a philanthropist.

"Why wait to give? Anyone can be a philanthropist. The earlier you start, the more people you can influence. If you give back over a longer period of time, you're able to have an even greater impact on the community."

CARDIAC REHAB WEEK



Dr. Patrick (centre) and his colleagues at the Cardiac Fitness Institute at London Health Sciences Centre

Dr. Larry Patrick

Fostering Positive Health through Preventative Care

For some individuals in our community, certain aspects of health care remain out of reach. Though our health care system is inclusive for the most part, many individuals find themselves unable to afford the care they need when OHIP coverage falls short.

Dr. Larry Patrick, Medical Director, Cardiac Fitness Institute (CFI), London Health Sciences Centre (LHSC), has dedicated the last 36 years of his life to bridging that gap so patients can receive the care they need, when they need it most.

Cam Willis, Donor-Advised Fundholder, has been one of Dr. Patrick's strongest supporters over the years.

A true unsung hero, Dr. Patrick runs the CFI at LHSC, a program that relies completely on the support of local donors. Providing integral, preventative care to those who are at risk or have suffered from heart disease or cardiac arrest, Dr. Patrick has the privilege of impacting the lives of his patients every day.

"Dr. Patrick's efforts to create and grow the CFI at LHSC –Victoria Campus helps scores of cardiac patients pursue exercise, nutrition and general well-being in a facility that does not require the patient to pay significant sums in order to get better, or to become stable and enjoy life to the fullest," says Cam. "Many of the patients would not be able to afford this type of care or facility because of the expense they would incur. Moreover, they are in a managed and supervised program that is second to none."

Understanding the importance of prevention in cardiac health, Dr. Patrick founded the CFI at LHSC 36 years ago. The centre focuses on cardiovascular risk management. Since some of the most common adjustable risk factors for cardiac problems include smoking, high blood pressure, diabetes and elevated cholesterol, Dr. Patrick's programs are aimed at providing patients with the tools to improve these areas such as exercise and nutrition advice.

"Cam is one of our biggest fundraisers," says Dr. Patrick. "His regular generosity is really appreciated. He goes above and beyond the call of duty."

It is donors like Cam who make this program a reality. Dr. Patrick sees 1000-1800 patients of all ages come through his door at the CFI each year. It's thanks to his generous supporters that he is able to bridge the gaps for those individuals who otherwise would never be able to afford these services.

"I am pleased to be able to support this program through London Community Foundation because I know first-hand of its success and what this program is able to do for anyone who wishes to use its services," says, Cam. "Dr. Patrick works tirelessly to make it happen and is to be commended for his efforts. There is not a lot of glory to be gained publically in his efforts, but I for one am most grateful for all his support and services that the Institute provides. I am glad that our Family Fund supports it and hope that others will help it grow and flourish."



2016 Engage! London Alumni (left to right): Kamal Kaawar, Liz Snelgrove, Ashleigh Kirby, James Kingsley, Jessica Williams

Engage! London

Great-West Life, London Life and Canada Life help build the next generation of community leaders

Make an impact with a local charity, build long lasting friendships, receive valuable mentorship all while learning more about yourself; this is what London Community Foundation's ENGAGE! London program is all about.

Now in its ninth year, ENGAGE! London connects professionals in our community to local charities and mentors, and helps them learn how they can make an impact by giving their time, talent and/or treasure. With the help of Great-West Life, London Life and Canada Life, ENGAGE! London is inspiring the next generation of community leaders.

Thanks to their support, London Community Foundation has been able to multiply the impact of the ENGAGE! London program. Scott Johnstone, Regional Sales Manager, Wealth Management, with London Life is an enthusiastic champion of the program, stating "the program is the perfect marriage between business and community".

"I've enjoyed a 30+ year career (with Great-West Life, London Life and Canada Life). I'm a witness to the transition to a new generation in the workplace. I believe business and community leaders today have much wisdom and knowledge but how do we capture it? How do we transfer it? It's not easy, but ENGAGE! is doing it. I view this program as a knowledge and experiential conduit from one generation to the next."

In London and across Canada, the companies support numerous community initiatives, including projects to help young professionals grow as community-oriented leaders, adds Jen MacRae, Program Manager, Community Relations, London Life.

"Our companies are here to help Canadians achieve well-being financially, physically, and mentally. It speaks volumes that many of our local leaders and employees have chosen to be involved with ENGAGE! London."

Scott Johnstone's hope for the future is that participants stay connected with this vital program so they in turn are able to give back as leaders and mentors, and help shape our communities.

"ENGAGE! London is enabling the necessary new thinking – and with it, new opportunities – to address the challenges in our changing city, province, country and world."

Now that's community impact!

“*ENGAGE! London gave me the opportunity to immerse myself in a group of talented and like-minded professionals. Here I made long lasting friendships with not only my peers, but also mentors who are so incredibly generous in giving their time and resources to help me succeed.*”

— Beth Li, Associate Owner and Pharmacist at Shoppers Drug Mart, 2016 ENGAGE! London participant



Paul Seale, Manager OEV Grocer and ATN, at 630 Dundas St.

Foundation Launches Social Impact Fund

The Social Loan Fund is a social investment program that turns donations into capital loans for community and non-profit groups. With access to funding that they typically couldn't get from a bank, groups can further their mission more efficiently and effectively.

In 2016 the Loan Fund's main priority was the development of safe and affordable housing in the London Community. Offering builders of affordable housing up to \$500,000, the loan fund is a social investment that contributes to building a resilient community.

In last year's annual report we shared the first success of our Social Loan Fund, providing a \$500,000 loan to support a local entrepreneur who was building an affordable housing project in the downtown core.

In 2016 we issued our second loan in the amount of \$500,000 in support of the Italian Seniors Project (ISP). Building off the success of their inaugural "Residenza Italia", an affordable housing project built in 2011 and winner of numerous awards for both its architecture and social impact, this second loan will support a new affordable housing project for individuals of all ages.

The Social Loan Fund held outside of the Foundation endowment gives donors who have contributed to this fund the ability to directly support affordable housing projects. In 2016, the Foundation set aside \$1,000,000 for the purpose of providing the loans that will support this program and entered into an agreement with the Libro Credit Union for the purpose of supporting and administering access to the loans.

Like many Foundations across Canada and around the world, our board challenged LCF to come up with a long-term social finance strategy that was sustainable and could align more of our investments with our mission.

A special task force was created consisting of volunteers from each of the Foundation's committees, ensuring that the recommendation to the Board had an integrated and cohesive strategy aligned with the Foundation's mission statement and values.

As a result in 2017, the Foundation will be launching the "Social Impact Fund", which will replace the Social Loan fund. This fund will continue to be held outside of the Foundation's endowment and will expand the mandate to include increased funding and financing options for not-for-profits and social entrepreneurs looking to unlock capital in order to achieve their desired social enterprise outcomes. We will continue to prioritize local and direct opportunities, however we will work with partners both on a regional and national level if investments exist that align with the Foundation's values and target priorities.

An increased allocation of up to 5% of assets, will give the Foundation an opportunity to participate in additional projects and increase our "impact" in the community and beyond. Helping us continue to align more of our investments with our mission.

“ I've been aware for some time that London lacks affordable housing, and that getting vulnerable people housed really helps stabilize their lives and benefits their well-being in so many ways. As a donor, I was only too happy to contribute to a fund that would directly address this issue. I'm excited to see the progress it's already made and I look forward to seeing what else this fund can accomplish in the future. ”

— Clint Wilson, Donor, Loan Fund



The Italian Senior's Project Board of Directors

Back Row (L-R): Silverstro Palumbo (Director), Roger Caranci (Vice Chair); Middle Row (L-R): Giuseppe (Joe) Raffa (Director), Michael Masciotra (Director), Mary Manning (Resident); Front Row (L-R): Claudio De Vincenzo (Director), Carla Garagozzo (Chair), Lina Pittao (Director), Angela D'Oria (Treasurer), Angela Greco Wilson (Secretary).

Italian Senior's Project

Thanks to a loan from London Community Foundation's Loan Fund, the Italian Senior's Project will embark on its second affordable housing project that aims to provide a sense of belonging to all residents.

There was something about the 1109 Hamilton road apartment building that captured Mary Manning's attention the first time she drove by.

"I had a feeling that this was the one, this was my new home," she exclaims. "It had a unique look to it." It was then and there that she decided to take a leap of faith and add her name to the waiting list for a unit. This turned out to be one of the best decisions Mary has made.

In addition to the striking architecture, beautiful walking paths, gardens, and indoor amenities, there's something special about Residenza Italia that sets it apart from other affordable housing units - a sense of community.

Residenza Italia is an affordable housing unit that was conceived by the Italian Senior's Project, a registered charity created in response to the need for affordable housing for seniors in a culturally sensitive environment.

The 52 unit Residenza Italia has been fully occupied since it opened its doors in 2011. The building which became an award winning design by Nicholson Sheffield Architects has had a significant positive impact on the lives of seniors in the London area. That's because Residenza Italia is more than just affordable housing, it's about building community and a sense of belonging.

"It gives me piece of mind knowing that people look out for you here," says Mary. "You don't get that in other places. You never feel alone. There's a real sense of community."

Without places like Residenza Italia, seniors may find themselves isolated, living alone or in long-term care facilities. This affordable housing unit provides seniors with limited income another option that allows them to thrive in a supportive, community environment.

"We believe in affordable housing; we saw a need for affordable housing, and the need can be seen through the ageing demographics and number of seniors waiting for quality affordable housing," says Carla Garagozzo, Board Chair, Italian Senior's Project.

Thanks to a loan from London Community Foundation, a second unit across the street will be built. However, this time the new 62 unit building will welcome individuals and families of all ages. Additionally, the board hopes to set aside a number of units to support local veterans in need of housing.

Due to the success of the first project and the identified need for affordable housing, this new Hamilton Road unit will bring the benefits of Residenza Italia to the general population.

Carla believes the impact Residenza Italia has on people's lives is a reward you cannot buy.

"Knowing that you're improving people's lives is an incredible feeling. To know these people are in a place where they are happy and have a community of people who care about them makes all the hard work worth it."



“ *Our community is only as strong as our most vulnerable person.* ”

— Susan MacPhail, My Sisters' Place, CMHA London Middlesex

The Time is Now

London Community Foundation's 2016 Vital Signs report
brings awareness to gaps in mental health and addictions care.

Repeated visits to the emergency room, endless waitlists, incorrect diagnoses, lack of post care support, bouncing from one service provider to the next: this is the state of the mental health care system, and a reality that many individuals face every day.

On October 4th 2016, London Community Foundation launched its biennial Vital Signs report - a community 'check-up' that examines issues that are key to quality of life and well-being. Focused on the issue of mental health, the event brought together local mental health and addictions leaders, individuals of lived experience, mental health advocates, donors and community influencers. The message that morning was loud and clear: mental health is the single greatest issue facing our community. The community needs a transformative change in the way mental health services are delivered for efficiency, service capacity and sustainability.

For the past several years, the Foundation has observed an influx of grant requests targeted at tackling the issue of mental health, specifically regarding systems coordination in our local community. Crisis response, wait times, and coordination between service providers to address the gaps for individuals who are at-risk or in transition, are just a few of the most critical needs.

These challenges are all too familiar for David and Lee Ann Berlet who shared the story of their late son, Austen Berlet, who battled with mental health. "In hindsight, what would we have liked the system to offer us? The answer is simple: we would have liked to be a part of the solution. No parent should ever have to feel the immense pain and loss that we have," exclaims David.

As leaders and mobilizers of social change, London Community Foundation is taking a stand to address this pressing need. In response to the findings in our 2016 Vital Signs report, the Foundation believes there is a need to convene mental health stakeholders to catalyze change in our mental health system.

Vital Signs 2016 is not only challenging stigma that exists in our local community but is addressing systems gaps, calling for a more inclusive network of mental health organizations. It identifies a need to unify resources and organizations to provide help to individuals who need it, in a comprehensive, all-encompassing, and unified system.



Andrew Chunilall, CEO, Community Foundations of Canada and Martha Powell, President & CEO, London Community Foundation announce a \$250,000 grant to London United for Refugees

London receives \$250,000 from *Welcome Fund for Syrian Refugees*

For newcomer Syrian refugee families who have experienced conflict, political unrest and displacement, settling into their first home in Canada is the first step to feeling a sense of belonging as new Canadians.

Housing instability can compromise successful settlement and integration, negatively impacting quality of life. This is why offering Syrian refugee families support with affordable housing has been the primary focus of Community Foundations of Canada's Welcome Fund for Syrian Refugees.

Offering support with housing, job training and skills development, the Welcome Fund has been our movement's collective response in welcoming refugees from Syria to Canada. The Welcome Fund was seeded by Manulife, and quickly augmented by CN's historic \$5 million donation, as well as by generous support from GM and community organizations.

As Canadians welcomed refugees from Syria, the Welcome Fund provided an important investment in their successful settlement in cities across Canada. Established to respond to an urgent gap in accessible and affordable housing, the Welcome Fund invested in community-driven solutions that enabled newcomer families to transition into suitable permanent housing.

In Partnership with the Welcome Fund, London Community Foundation announced a \$250,000 contribution to London United for Refugees, a collaborative initiative between United Way, Cross Cultural Learner Centre, and the City of London. This funding has provided support to three housing stability programs that supported the transition of these new Canadians in their new homes.

1. Cross Cultural Learner Centre, Housing Assistance Fund

Provided an additional source of funding for Syrian refugee families who are experiencing difficulties in finding and securing adequate housing and require immediate, short-term assistance to pay for the cost of housing.

2. LUSO Community Services, Cultural Awareness & Sensitivity Training for Landlord & Building Managers

Provided customized training to landlords and building managers about cultural differences and how to best support newcomers residing in their buildings.

3. South London Neighbourhood Resource Centre (SLNRC), Good Neighbour, Safe Home

Introduced new Syrian families to local support services by hosting interactive community events.

As of March 10th, 2016, more than 880 Government-Assisted Refugees from Syria arrived in London, Ontario. Efforts like the London United for Refugees initiative are key in supporting the successful settlement and integration of Syrian refugee families.



2016 Financial, Investment, and Operational Highlights

BY VIJAY VENKATESAN, VICE-PRESIDENT, FINANCE & OPERATIONS

London Community Foundation (“LCF”), through its Finance & Investment Committees, has been diligently managing over \$70 million of assets during 2016 to ensure stable and consistent community impact in 2016 and beyond.

LCF is once again pleased to report strong financial results for the year ended December 31, 2016. The generosity of our donors past and present has resulted in donations of \$2.3M (2015: \$4.4 million) for the year. Our donors commitment to their funds, as well as support for our community leadership projects allowed us to grant \$3.4 million in 2016 (2015: \$3.6 million), making both our 2016 and 2015 our two biggest years of granting in the 62 year history of the Foundation. Our Investment Committee through their continued role in monitoring and oversight of our endowed assets saw continued growth in our overall invested assets. 2016 investment returns generated a return of 7.9% (2015: 4.9%) adding an additional \$4.8 million investment income (2015: \$2.5 million).

The following are financial, investment and operational highlights, including key historical trends. In keeping with our commitment to financial accountability and transparency, full audited financial statements are available on our website at www.lcf.on.ca or by mail.

Condensed Statement of Operations

Year ending December 31, 2016

Revenue	2016	2015
Donations	2,349,557	4,437,900
Investment Income (Net)	4,794,532	2,541,842
Total	7,144,089	6,979,742
Expenses		
Operating Expenses	1,048,112	940,715
Grants & Distributions	3,414,168	3,600,365
Total	4,462,280	4,541,080
Excess of revenue over expenses, grants and distributions	2,681,809	2,438,662
Interfund transfers	—	—
Fund balances, beginning of year	64,175,126	61,736,464
Fund balances, end of year	66,856,935	64,175,126
Expenses as % of average total assets	1.49%	1.40%

Condensed Statement of Financial Position

Year ending December 31, 2016

Assets	2016	2015
Cash	1,687,981	18,549,021
Investments	68,537,092	48,941,851
Other	1,658,398	1,196,860
Total	71,883,471	68,687,732
Liabilities		
Grants & Other Liabilities	118,967	401,025
Deferred capital contributions	170,621	175,154
Funds held on behalf of other parties	4,736,948	3,936,427
Total	5,026,536	4,512,606
Fund Balances		
General Fund	2,836,480	2,914,649
Restricted Fund	10,304,510	8,992,816
Endowment Fund	53,715,945	52,267,661
Total	66,856,935	64,175,126

2016 Year in Review

2016 was another good year for our Endowment fund. LCF's focus on balancing between our capital preservation mandate and investment growth in our portfolio saw continued success in managing our invested assets, volatility and risk during the year.

Asset Allocation of the Investment Fund

The Investment Committee continued commitment to the strategic asset allocation in 2016 (same in 2015), and rebalancing with the following target asset mix.

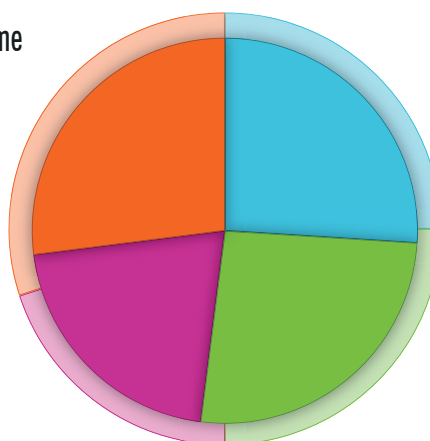
London Community Foundation is a long-term investor and believes the asset mix, combined with value added performance from our investment managers, ensures we can continue to impact our community in a positive and meaningful way.

Canadian Fixed Income

26.7%
TARGET: 30%

International Equity

21.0%
TARGET: 20%



Canadian Equity

26.5%
TARGET: 25%

U.S. Equity

25.8%
TARGET: 25%

Investments

The total assets of the Foundation's primary endowment portfolio ("Endowment") at December 31, 2016 were **\$66.9 million**, representing 93 percent of the total assets (2015 - \$64.2M and 93 percent of total assets).

The Endowment is managed by external investment managers in accordance with the LCF Investment Policy Statement ("IPS"). The principle purpose of the IPS is to formulate guidelines for the prudent investment of the Endowment. The IPS establishes and communicates the Foundations' investment objectives and principle governance policies. The Foundations' primary investment objective is to earn a rate of return over the long term that preserves the real purchasing power of the Endowment's assets. The long-term average rate of return objective, as measured over moving 10 year periods, is expected to be 6.0% - 6.5%. The Foundation recognizes and acknowledges some risk must be assumed in order to achieve the long-term investment objectives of the portfolio, and there are uncertainties and complexities associated with investing in capital markets.

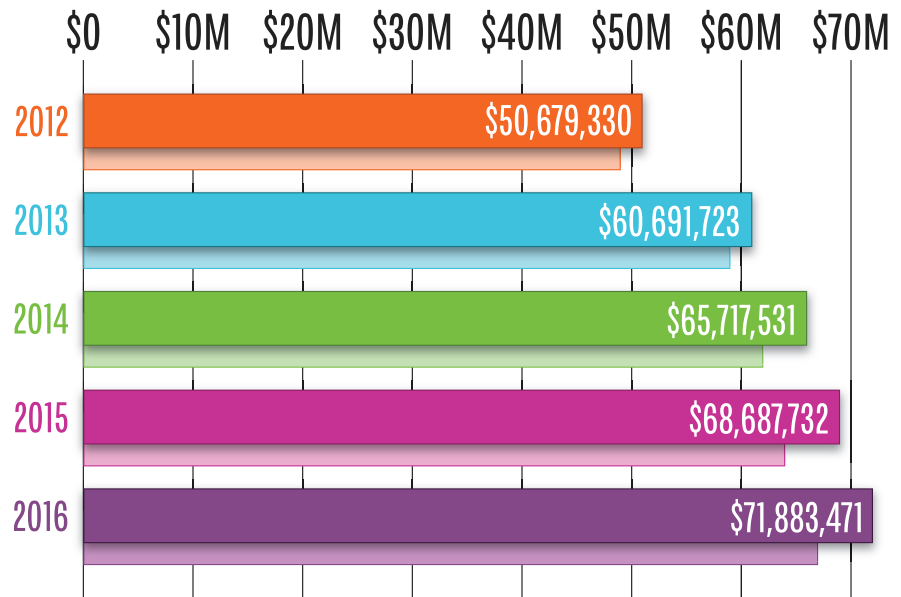
For additional details on LCF's IPS and investment beliefs, please visit our website, as they are both available.

Five Year Review: 2012–2016

Total Assets

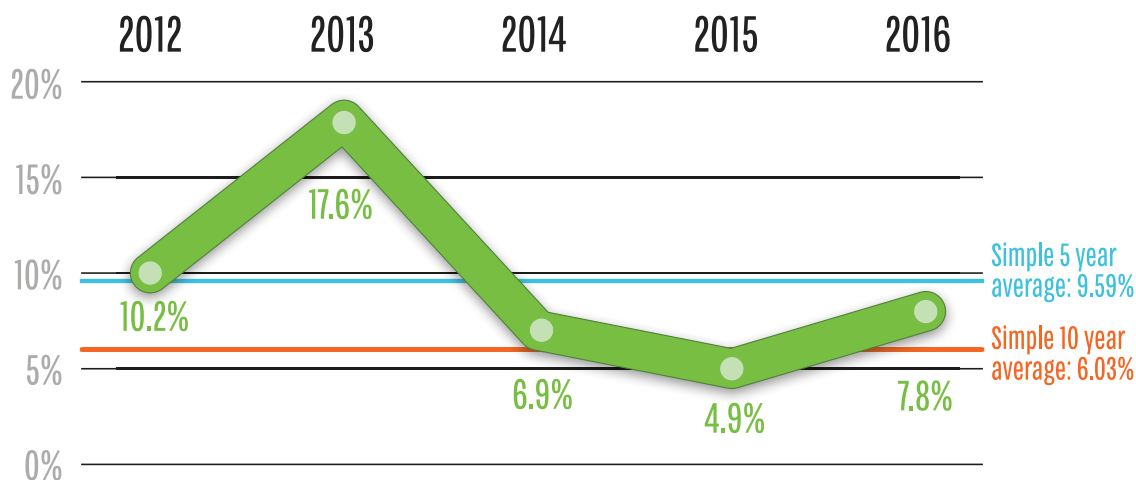
Positive financial markets combined with generous gifts contributed to the significant increase to total assets for a fifth consecutive year.

- Total Asset Balance
- Total Endowment Fund Balance



Investment Returns

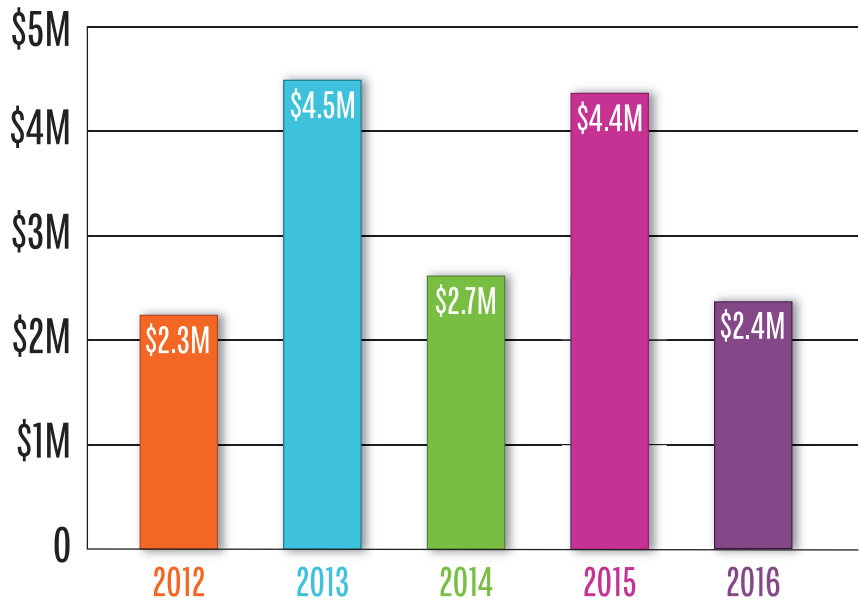
The Foundation's financial stewardship strategy looks at a long term horizon to ensure legacies created by donors are respected and grant-making will continue in perpetuity. A combined focus on capital preservation as well as income growth has allowed for our continued success in both down and up markets. The 2016 total return is 7.8%. As of the end of 2016 we continued to track well at slightly over 6.0% against our long-term return objective of a total annualized nominal rate of return of 6.0%–6.5% over a 10 year moving average.



Five Year Review: 2012–2016

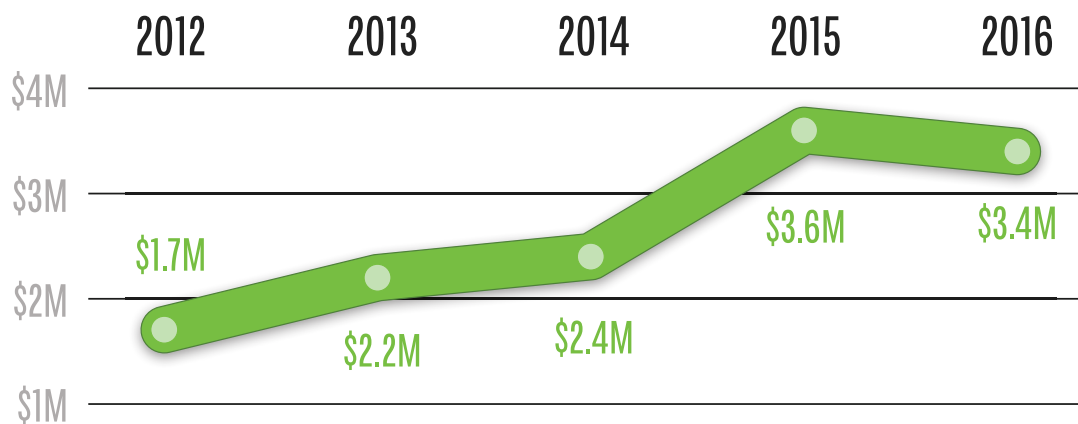
Total Contributions

In 2016, the Foundation received \$2.4M in new gifts (2015: \$4.4M). 14 new funds were established (2015: 11); the threshold for establishing a named fund begins at \$5,000 and varies with fund type.



Granting Activity

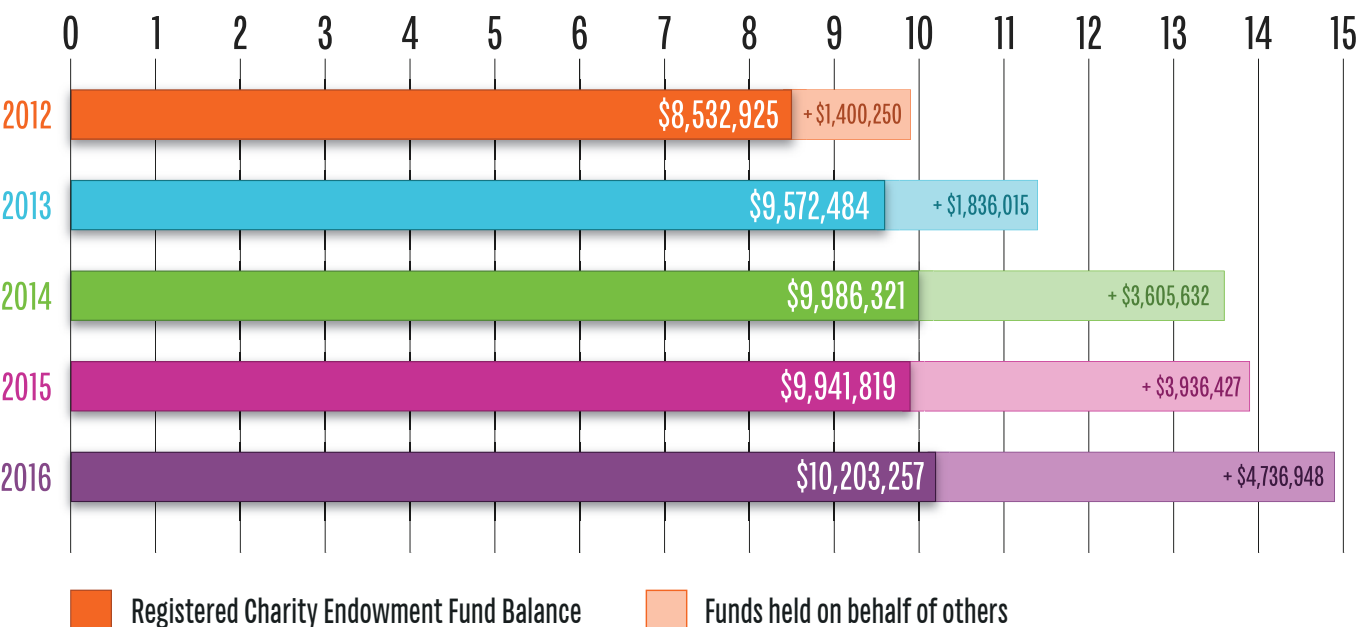
2016 continued to be the biggest year in the Foundations' history in a number of categories related to our community initiatives and granting, both in number of charities supported, number of grants issued, as well as in largest individual grant issued (\$377K). In 2016 our grants disbursements for charitable causes were \$3.4M (2015: \$3.6M). 478 grants supported 178 charitable organizations (2015: 470 supported 176).



Five Year Review: 2012–2016

Managed Funds & Registered Charity Funds (in millions)

In 2016, LCF continued in being a partner to other not-for-profit organizations and foundations with a mandate of improving the community. Our Managed Funds Program was established to support other Foundations that entrust LCF with the management of their endowed asset. Registered Charity Endowment Funds are established by charitable organizations to build endowments that provide secure sources of operating income to help ensure sustainability.

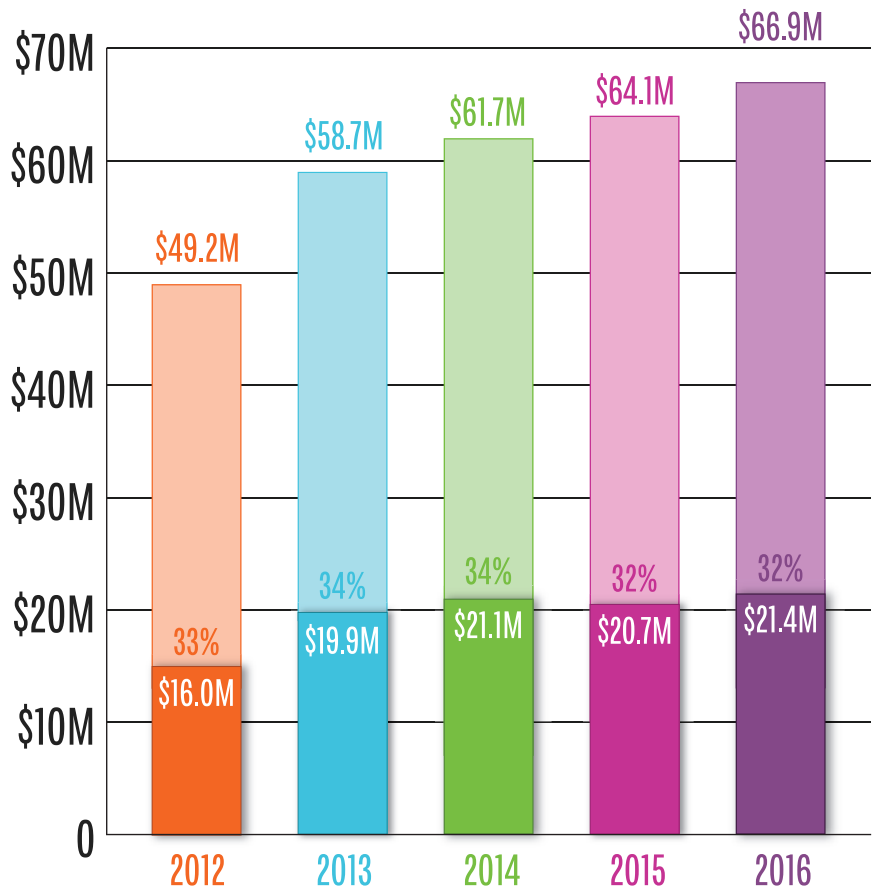


Five Year Review: 2012–2016

Unrestricted Endowed Assets

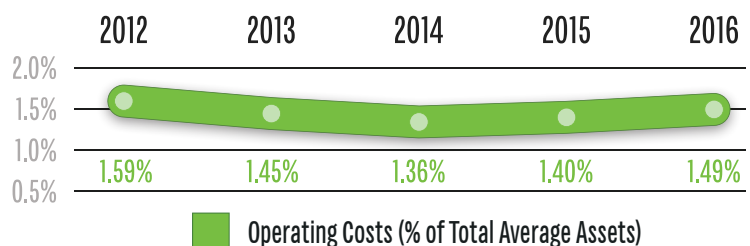
LCF through the continued support of our donors has established a growing unrestricted asset base, consisting of an Operating Endowment, to help offset administration and overhead costs and The Smart & Caring Community Fund, used to support the LCF Community Vitality grant program and other discretionary community initiatives. This trust in the LCF board and Staff has allowed LCF to be able to make increased and meaningful grants in the community.

■ Unrestricted Assets
■ Total Endowment Fund Balance
% of Endowment Fund Balance



Organizational Effectiveness

LCF continues to be focused on sound management and strong governance, pillars that support the achievement of goals in a healthy workplace where employees and volunteers work as a team and thrive, and where resources and expectations are aligned. Operating costs as a percentage of average asset value has been commonly used by community foundations as a benchmark of efficiency. Operating costs are impacted by the projects undertaken to support operations, the asset classes and structure of the investment management program, professional and technical costs directly attributable to gift acceptance and charitable initiatives in the community. The benchmark for Foundations' of similar asset size to LCF are approximately 1.5%–2.0%. We continue to be a lean, mean, community-building machine!



2016 Award Recipients

EACH YEAR, we have the privilege of honouring the work of ordinary people who do extraordinary things for our community. Congratulations to our 2016 award recipients! You make our community a better place.

Rainbow Youth Leadership Bursary

The Rainbow Youth Leadership Bursary honours an area high school student for accomplishments and contributions the nominee has made to the community; whether at home, school, religious institution, athletic or academic team, or another social group. Specifically, the nominee's contributions must include leadership that has supported tolerance and acceptance of London and the surrounding area's lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer and two-spirited people, their supporters, or any community group represented under the diverse Rainbow banner.

Brandon Christian

Brandon has shown determination, adversity, and a drive for inclusivity since he was young. Brandon has been part of the Gay-Straight Alliance for three years, spent two years with the Sea of Pink Anti-Bullying Campaign, and has taken part in raising funds for World Vision for five years. Brandon did not stop there though. He was nominated — and won — a Safe Schools Award for his skit against homophobia in youth.

Carlie Thompson

Carlie has been involved with Student Council since grade nine, and in her final year she held the Vice President position. Since grade nine, she has been involved in Parkside's Gay Straight Alliance, in addition to Thames Valley District School Board's (TVDSB) Safe Schools. She has used her role as the St Thomas Times Journal Parkside reporter to share the successes and triumphs of Parkside students with the broader community.

Carlie has gone above and beyond in her school environment, creating buttons for students to inform them of the identities under the LGBTQ2 umbrella, leaving money throughout the school for students to purchase food rather than go hungry, promoting and organizing Sea of Peak and IDAHOT Day of Silence, and taking a lead for creating lunch time activities during Bullying Awareness and Prevention Week, including the Pledge to End Bullying. She has received the TVDSB Leadership in Safe and Accepting Schools Award, in addition to the Rotary Club of St. Thomas' E. Frank Sanders Student Above Self Award.

Vital People Award

Recognizes employees at charitable organizations by providing grants toward professional development endeavours. Nominees must demonstrate leadership, be employed by a registered charitable organization, work in London or Middlesex County and have a passion for professional growth. Each recipient is awarded up to \$2,000.

NO. 1

Brittany Kinchen

Wish Coordinator, Make-A-Wish Southwestern Ontario

Brittany will attend the North American Make-A-Wish conference. She will gain new knowledge, skills and ideas to bring back and share, utilize and implement to achieve growth within her role and the organization.

NO. 2

Carolyn Underwood

Registered Social Worker, Alzheimer Society London and Middlesex (ASLM)

Carolyn will attend the Alzheimer Association International Conference (AAIC) held in Toronto. As well, Carolyn has submitted an abstract to the conference, in order to share outcomes and benefits of ASLM's Learning the Ropes for MCI program.

NO. 3

Kathy Chute

Program Coordinator, Learning Disabilities Association of London Region (LDALR)

Kathy will receive training for "Reading Rocks" for children with Learning Disabilities. As well as others who struggle with reading at their appropriate reading level. Reading Rocks combines the explicit teaching of foundational reading literacy skills including phonics, sight words, vocabulary, fluency and comprehension strategies.

NO. 4

Sonja Dennis

Director of Music, Colborne Street United Church

Sonja will take theological studies to combine her passion in music with the work of an ordained minister, so she can offer a holistic approach in the ministry of music through her work at Colborne, and further the outreach to the London community.

NO. 5

Sarah Montes

Community Youth Program Director, London Youth for Christ

Sarah will complete the Social Welfare in Canada course offered at King's University College. Her goal is to obtain a Bachelor Degree in Social Welfare. Sarah will be well-positioned to strategically support the needs of our community in her future endeavors.

Ivey Award for Excellence

The Ivey Award for Excellence recognizes a volunteer who has strengthened the community in London or Middlesex County. The award recipient receives a \$2,000 grant to be donated to a charity of his/her choice.

Jeff Macoun

Jeff has been a strong ambassador, advocate and active philanthropic leader in the area of health care for the last decade. He has served as a member and Chair of the Board of Directors of St. Joseph's Health Care Foundation, and most recently, co-chaired Phase 1 of the Foundation's Next Step Campaign, an effort to raise \$40M to advance clinical care and research innovation across St. Joseph's. For London Health Sciences, Jeff was also involved in supporting the 2015 See the Line initiative in concussion, an area of personal interest for him. In addition to St. Joseph's, Jeff has chaired the United Way campaign, and chaired the YMCA Foundation Board of Directors. He is deeply committed to the health of our community, and recognizes that health and wellness is key to quality of life and the overall wellness of our entire community.

J. Allyn Taylor Community Service Award

The J. Allyn Taylor Community Service Award recognizes students who exhibit outstanding service and are actively involved in their community. The award pays tribute to Foundation founder, J. Allyn Taylor, who was affectionately dubbed "Mr. London" for his passion for giving back to the community. The award recipient receives \$2,000: \$500 is distributed to the recipient's charity of choice and \$1,500 to a Canadian post-secondary institution for the recipient's education.

Majd Radhaa

Majd is a Youth Director on the Youth Council with the South London Neighbourhood Resource Centre (SLNRC) and is the youth representative on the Board of Directors. When Majd came to Canada from Syria four years ago, he wanted to become involved in whatever he could. He began volunteering with SLNRC assisting with various programs, activities and special events. Over the past three years he has volunteered not only with SLNRC but through many initiatives at his high school and through his church.

Despite having experienced so much adversity in his young life, Majd has the ambition, motivation and eagerness to give back to others. He has the heart to create and make change, especially for youth and those who are new to Canada. He is actively contributing his ideas to create a more inclusive Youth Centre and meet the needs of all youth in the South London community.

Majd offers his ideas, assistance and dedication with whatever he is involved with and truly make a difference not only in the South London community, but city wide!

Sovereign's Medal for Volunteers

The Sovereign's Medal for volunteers recognizes the exceptional volunteer achievements of Canadians and celebrates a wide range of voluntary contributions. As an official honour created by the Crown, the Sovereign's Medal is part of the Canadian Honours System. Formerly known as the Governor General's Caring Canadian Award, this honour was created in 1995 to recognize the unsung heroes who volunteer their time, their efforts and a great deal of their lives to helping others.

Thank you to Dr. William J. Wall, Member of the Order of Canada for representing the Governor General of Canada at our awards presentation as we honoured the four recipients below.



Donna Bourne

“Donna is a true leader. Her calm, straightforward demeanour immediately inspires respect. She is not afraid to make tough decisions but does so in a kind and compassionate manner. In sports, education, social services and many other areas, Donna is there, setting an example of quiet strength and genuine caring. It's difficult to imagine London without her!” —*Libby Fowler, Nominator*



Murray Faulkner

“Whether he is providing guidance in a mentorship capacity, fundraising for an important cause or the master of ceremonies at a charity event, Murray's commitment is evident and admirable. He brings years of leadership experience and a great deal of respect for others to everything he gets involved with. He stands out for his dedication and compassion for those he serves. Murray is completely deserving of this award.” —*Larry Myny, Nominator*



Fred Galloway

“I've worked and volunteered with Fred for nearly 20 years. I've found him to be caring, strategic, creative, conscientious and thoroughly reliable. He is extremely professional in his approach to volunteerism, has an enviable work ethic and has an astonishing command of critical issues over time. He is extraordinarily strategic and always has a thoughtful and comprehensive understanding of the problem at hand. Put simply, Fred is a go-to guy in our community, and London — and Canada — are the better for having him amongst us.” —*John Nicholson, Nominator*



Glen Pearson

“Glen works tirelessly on both local and international levels to help create societies of equity, caring and compassion. Making a difference is a constant theme in his life, and he does this by creating stronger community bonds and calling people to act from their best selves. Glen is deserving of this award not only because he is a caring person, but because he calls on all of us to create a more caring society and world.” —*Sister Sue Wilson, Nominator*

Thank you

Each one of our donors is a true community hero. Thanks to their generous support, we are able to support vital programs and initiatives that create community-wide change. We thank you for your commitment to our community. We sincerely appreciate all that you do!

Smart & Caring Community Fund

The Smart & Caring Community Fund is an unrestricted fund that strives to improve the overall well-being of our community through strategic and innovative granting.

Aaron Family Fund
Alec and Joy Richmond Family Fund
Allyn and Betty Taylor Family Endowment Fund
Angie and Cal Stiller Family Fund
Annabelle and Ron J. Logan Family Fund
Aurelia Hernandez Fund
Barrie & Anne Neal Family Foundation Fund
Barry Pawley Grunple Fund
Beth and David Girvan Family Fund
Betty and Len Macdougall Family Fund
Bettye and John Girvin Family Fund
Bogdan Popovic Family Fund
Bookmark Photography Fund
Brander Family Fund
Campbell Bros. Movers Foundation Fund
Canada Trust (London)
Employees' Charity Fund
Carol and Bud Johnston Family Fund
Charles and Sue Thompson Family Fund
CIBC Trust Corporate Fund
Community Fund for Canada's 150th
Dawn and Franco Paron Family Fund
Diane Y. Stewart Fund
Diann Vail's Fairy Godmother Fund
Dillon Consulting Fund
Dot and Verse Cronyn Fund
Dr. & Mrs. Frederick W. Luney Family Fund
Dr. Olive and Ila Stewart Family Fund
Echidna Solutions Corporation
Community Investment Fund
Edith Kains Fund
Edward and Dawn Ralph Family Fund
Eizenga-Cahill Family Fund
Evelyn and David Stiller Family Fund
Faust Family Fund
Franceschino Family Fund
Fred & Beverly Galloway Fund
Gael and William T. Webster Family Fund
Gordon Lindsay Fund

Grace and Donald Wallace Family Fund
Grace Earley Fund
H. Franklin Sherlock Fund
Heather and Gerald Klein Family Fund
Helen, Jean and Kay Renwick Memorial Fund
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