

THANKS TO YOU, 60 Comox Valley charities received more than \$747,849 in immediate funding to support critical programs and services that bridge gaps, reduce inequities, and advance solutions to our region's most pressing challenges.



BY THE NUMBERS

60
ORGANIZATIONS
SUPPORTED

53
STUDENTS SUPPORTED

\$747,849
TOTAL GRANTS &
SCHOLARSHIPS

\$75,000
IN COMMUNITY
LOANS

\$1,556,549
TOTAL DONATIONS
RECEIVED

224
NUMBER OF
DONATIONS RECEIVED

\$16,048,041
TOTAL NET ASSETS

116
TOTAL NUMBER
OF FUNDS

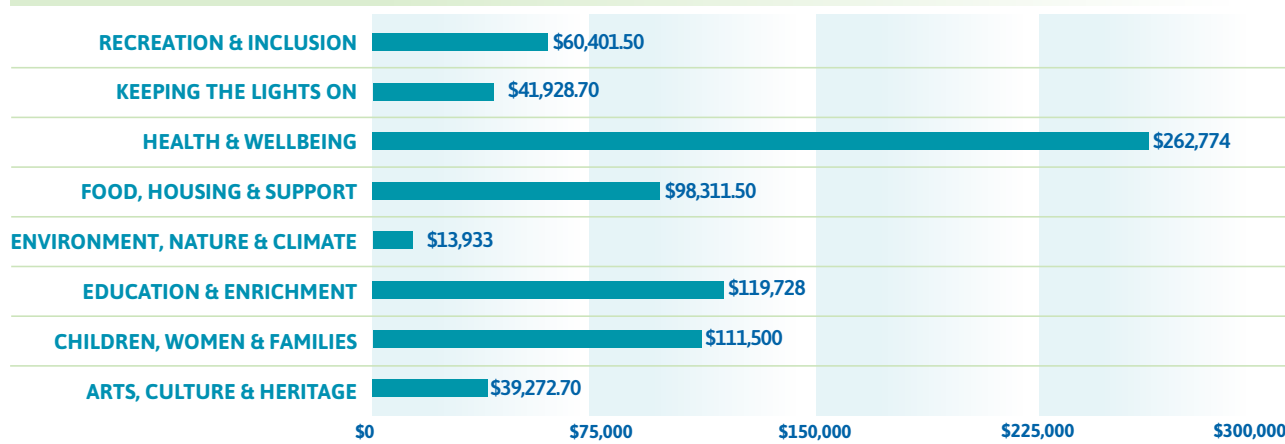
\$5,000,000+
GRANTS SINCE
INCEPTION IN 1996



TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS BY IMPACT

Our total disbursements are presented below by impact categories. Currently, more than 55% of funding is pre-designated by specific funding criteria, with 45% open for flexible distribution toward emerging opportunities and areas of greatest need.

2021/22 COMMUNITY IMPACT \$747,849



KEEPING THE LIGHTS ON: Funding bridges unexpected temporary operating shortfalls to prevent interruption of essential community programs and services

DID YOU KNOW... In addition to the successful recipients noted below, we received an additional 20+ eligible applications, totalling almost \$200,000 in community need that exceeded our available funding. Projects addressing support for seniors, arts and culture events and initiatives, renovations to aging facilities, operational support for numerous charities, and community wellness initiatives were among those in the shortfall. To support a project or learn more, contact us at 250.338.8444.

2021/22 GRANT RECIPIENTS

Adapted Programs for Adults with Disabilities (City of Courtenay Recreation) • Alano Club of Courtenay • BC Cancer Foundation • BC Children's Hospital Foundation • BC Lung Association • BC Marine Parks Forever Society • Beaufort Association • Canadian Cancer Society • Canadian Paraplegic Association (B.C.) • Comox Bay Care Society • Comox Valley Art Gallery • Comox Valley Child Development Association • Comox Valley Community Arts Council • Comox Valley Early Years Collaborative • Comox Valley Food Bank Society • Comox Valley Head Injury Society • Comox Valley Healthcare Foundation • Comox Valley Hospice Society • Comox Valley Marine Rescue Society • Comox Valley Project Watershed Society • Comox Valley Transition Society • Courtenay & District Historical Society • Courtenay Elementary Community School Society • Covenant House Vancouver • Cumberland Community Forest Society • CVRD Sports Centre • Dawn to Dawn Action on Homelessness Society • Denman Island Community Education Society • Denman Seniors & Museum Society • D'Estre Seniors Centre Association • Eureka Support Society • Filberg Heritage Lodge and Park Association • Glacier View Lodge Society • Heart and Stroke Foundation • Heron Rocks Friendship Centre Society • Hornby Festival Society • Hornby Island Community Kitchen • Hornby Island Housing Society • Lake Trail Community Education Society • L'Arche Comox Valley • LUSH Valley Food Action Society • Muscular Dystrophy Canada • North Island College • North Island College Foundation • Nova Voce Choral Society • Oyster River Enhancement Society • Restor International • Sid Williams Theatre Society • St. John the Divine • Stepping Stones Recovery House for Women Society • Sunday Station Society • The Board of Education of School District No. 71 (Comox Valley) • The Canadian Red Cross Society • The Comox Valley Therapeutic Riding Society • The Salvation Army Comox Valley Ministries • The War Amputations of Canada • United Way Central and Northern Vancouver Island • Upper Island Women of Native Ancestry Society (UIWONA) • Vancouver Island Society for Adaptive Snow Sports • Walk With Me

DISBURSEMENTS BY FUND TYPE

A variety of fund types offered through the Foundation make it easy for individuals, families, and businesses to guide the future of our community and the causes they care about. The following represents fund type disbursements:

COMMUNITY FUNDS are earmarked to improve the overall wellbeing of the community, offering us the most flexibility to respond to grant applications and address pressing needs.

\$77,676.40

FLOW-THROUGH FUNDS are received and granted direct-to-community in the same year for immediate impact rather than long-term investment.

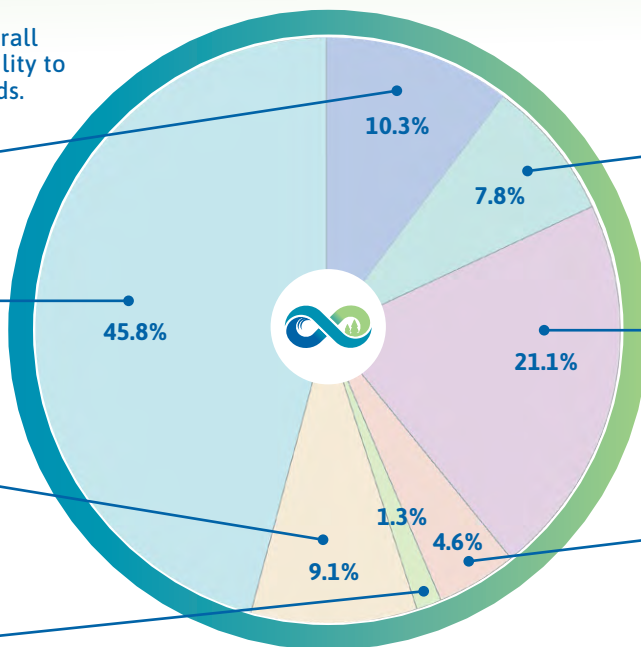
\$342,602

SCHOLARSHIPS & BURSARIES reward hard work, recognize needs, and support dreams by investing in education. You define the award criteria according to your values and priorities.

\$67,777

DONOR-ADVISED FUNDS make you a “hands-on” donor. Each year you can tell us the charitable organizations you wish to grant and in what amounts.

\$9,806



FIELD-OF-INTEREST FUNDS allow you to direct grants to a particular area of interest, such as children/youth, health, the arts, or the environment.

\$58,014

DESIGNATED FUNDS allow you to choose the charity (or charities) as beneficiary of your fund every year, forever.

\$157,595.60

AGENCY FUNDS are established by registered charities to create their own fund, thus benefiting from the Foundation's investment management expertise while building a sustainable source of future funding.

\$34,378

BEYOND GRANTING

Through our commitment to community leadership and ensuring a strong charitable sector in the Comox Valley, we undertook a variety of initiatives in 2021/22 aimed at shifting our granting program to a trust-based approach and social impact sector sustainability.

• COMMUNITY-DRIVEN DECISION MAKING

Who best knows where the need is greatest? This year, we decided to rest decision-making with the experts by putting the power of grant distribution in the hands of those providing front-line service and those with lived experience. One such example included convening eight organizations all supporting adults with diverse abilities in our community and asking them to decide how to allocate the available funding for their sector. The resulting consensus-based outcome was a huge success, sparking continued conversations and collaborative initiatives.

• MULTIPLYING IMPACT, WITH A MULTI-YEAR FUNDING PROMISE

Working alongside strong organizations who are experts in their cause, we offer funding stability and the ability to activate year-over-year gains in the community. In 2021, we began a three-year partnership with the Comox Valley Coalition to End Homelessness to address housing insecurity and support those experiencing homelessness.

• COMMUNITY LOANS

2021 also marked our first community loan, offering access to capital for charities who do not qualify for traditional financing or those who need “bridge” financing to purchase facilities or address other organizational priorities. By placing greater emphasis on how our capital can be used to significantly multiply the impact that we have in our local community, we seek out investments that provide both a financial return and social or environmental benefit.

• CAPACITY BUILDING FOR A STRONGER SOCIAL IMPACT SECTOR

Offering professional development opportunities, free of charge, to staff and volunteers of local charities, we have invested in the strength and sustainability of our local nonprofit sector. This approach and the offerings are driven by the sector itself and included cultural awareness, use of plain language, sector wellbeing, and a fundraising best practice series to help small nonprofits and charities improve skills for self-reliance and support alternative funding opportunities.



BOARD OF DIRECTORS

We extend gratitude to our exceptional volunteer board of directors whose passion and expertise help guide the strategic direction of the Foundation. This dynamic group of community advocates is dedicated to enriching the Comox Valley today and to sustaining future generations.

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CONNECTING OUR COMMUNITY TO ENRICH LIFE FOR ALL

Since 1996, the Comox Valley Community Foundation has awarded more than \$5 million to over 175 local non-profits and 250 students in the form of grants and scholarships. As a funder, we are dedicated to supporting all Comox Valley nonprofit and charitable organizations, from Black Creek to Hornby Island, so that they may respond to the pressing and ever-evolving needs and priorities of our community.

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We respectfully acknowledge that we live and work within the ancestral and unceded territory of the K'ómoks First Nation.