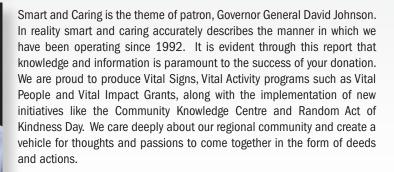


CHAIR & EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE

There is annual trend occurring at Community Foundation of Southeastern Alberta (CFSEA) – one of growth and transition. You will read about several new collaborations and community initiatives which compliment exciting programs that continue to flourish.

During the past 12 months the financial markets were kind to us and you will note a very satisfying growth in assets managed by the Foundation. However during that time we were very saddened by the sudden passing of Board Member Don Weisbeck who was a very active Director and will be missed.



Trusting relationships are at the core of who we are. We encourage and celebrate the work of individuals and organizations who enhance our quality of life; through awarding grants; by encouraging Random Acts of Kindness; by providing customized donor services and recognizing those who participate in the Legacy Club; by careful financial stewardship of your assets entrusted to us.

This year we said farewell to board members, Tiffany Krinke and Karen Davies who both retired from the Board; thank you for your dedicated service to the Community. To new board members Larry Johnson, Neil Maser and Mike Anctil a very warm welcome. To the organizations that received just over \$380,000 in grants into vital community programs and services, thank you. Our work is possible thanks to your generous donations, in the past year combined, to provide gifts of over \$485,000. A special thank you to those 5 new donors who, over the last 12 months, have made a future endowed gift and therefore qualified to become Heritage Members of the Legacy Club.

The Foundation was proud to support our community in its time of need. The response to our flood relief fund was amazing. As a result of generous donors and utilizing some of our own funds, we were able to provide over \$236,000 additional grant dollars to those most affected by the flood. To those who gave thank you – to those who received assistance we hope it helped in some small measure with the incredible circumstances you faced.

The CFSEA brings together people and causes to create a smart and caring nation. THE FOUNDATION of my community starts with you and me...

We invite you join us and together we can make a difference.

GERRY LABAS & MIKE CHRISTIE

Board Chair

Executive Director

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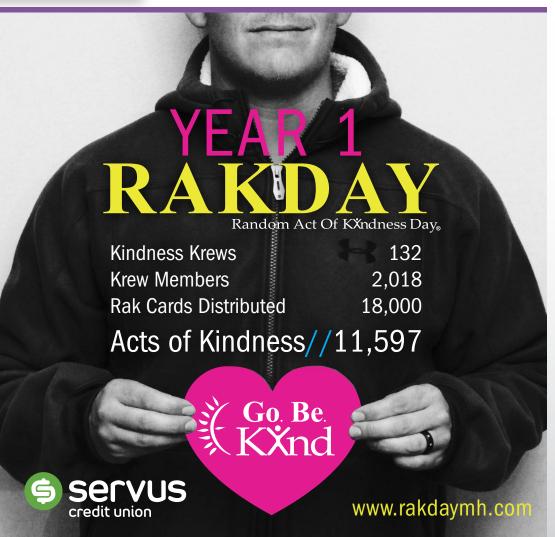
Donor Profile -- DON WEISBECK

The Community Foundation prides itself in doing good things for the community it is committed to. This would not be possible without the countless volunteers and civically minded people who contribute to the day to day operations and mission of the Community Foundation. In early 2014, the Community Foundation was deeply saddened by the passing of its board member, Don Weisbeck. As a representative from Brooks, Don embraced new ideas while serving on the Foundation's Marketing and Brooks Steering sub-committees. His enthusiasm, work ethic and well-honed sense of humor were put to good use and very appreciated by the members of the board, staff and committees of the Foundation. Don Weisbeck (May 1, 1949 - February 10, 2014), you are and will continue to be missed by everyone at the Community Foundation.



Donor Profile -- LES ERIKSON

The Community Foundation was deeply saddened by the passing of its former Chair, Les Erikson. Les served as a board member from July 2008 until July 2012 when he relocated to Lethbridge for work and family. During his tenure at the Community Foundation, Les served as Chair of the Board & Leadership committee. Les was what could be referred to as the calm, cool and collected type. He was thoughtful and considerate when discussing necessary changes and problems at hand. Before he relocated to Lethbridge, he often joked that "all roads lead to Lethbridge." It probably had something to do with grandchildren that lived there! Les' leadership was during a time of significant growth at the Foundation and the Foundation was in very capable hands. Les Erickson (June7, 1955 -March 11, 2014), Thank-you. Well Done.





Community Foundation of Southeastern Alberta

On October 9th, 2014 the foundation launched the Community Knowledge Centre to the public with 9 local organizations profiles. The CKC brings to life the work of charitable organizations by showcasing their unique stories - in their own words and lets citizens discover the powerful impact they can make in supporting innovative solutions to some of our city's most pressing issues.

The foundation is actively accepting organizations to develop their profiles, if you would like the opportunity to add your organization please contact Jayne Halladay at jayne@cfsea.ca or 403.527.9038



VITAL PEOPLE

Charities operating in the not for profit sector are key to the vitality of Southeastern Alberta. The effectiveness and efficiency of these organizations is highly dependent on the dedication, skill and talent of the staff they employ.

The Vital People program aims to acknowledge, recognize and encourage the staff working in front line, program delivery, coordination or junior management positions for local charities.

The program offers two \$500 awards, to assist with the training or skill development that best suits the needs of the individual selected to receive the award.

2013/2014 went to our

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McMan Child and Family Services Cori Fischer Canadian Mental Health Southeast Alberta

Heather Bach **Health Foundation** Christina Johnson Sexual Assault Response Team

Jamie Evans Medicine Hat Women's Shelter Society Christa MacDonald Redi Enterprises

OPERATING FUND =\$2 million from \$1.4 million

So we can continue to offer our programs

& Vital Community Development initiatives

Dave Craipley

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WHAT'S NEW AT THE CFSEA

VITAL SIGNS &

VITAL COMMUNITY

DEVELOPMENT

We are often asked "So WHAT?"

after producing the Vital Signs® report...

Our Vital Signs® program is not just an annual quality of life report, the report allows us to

investigate what is happening in our community and keep a pulse on key issues and

community celebrations. Since 2007, the foundation has used the Vital Signs® report

throughout the year for grant making and community development and engagement. Our

Vital Munch sessions offered citizens an opportunity to explore issues from Vital Signs® in

more depth. The Vital Kids program brought *Vital Signs®* into the schools so our children

Most recently the Vital Signs® program has evolved to encourage capacity building and

greater outcomes with our non-profit sector. The foundation is focused on making an

impact with long-term investment into complex issues. The Vital Impact grant was

developed to allow for more flexibility with organizations that have longer-term program

plans that focus on community wide issues. Our Vital People grant has allowed

The foundation is in a unique position within the community to provide leadership on

community wide issues. Thanks to our work with Vital Signs® the Board, Committees and

Staff are often called upon to provide insight and leadership to many community working

Physician Attraction and Retention Network • Funder's Forum • Executive Director's Network

• Fund Raising Professional's Network • Poverty Reduction Round Table • Community

Counsel on Homelessness • Random Act of Kindness Day • Now We're Talking Community

Cross Sector Conference • Hospice/Palliative Care Society • Donating or Dumping Action

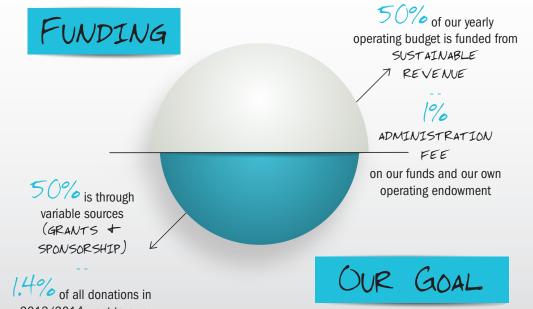
groups. Below are a list of initiatives and collaborations we are currently involved in:

organizations to invest into emerging leaders that will allow our community to flourish.

could learn more about what was going on in their community.

Group • Moving and Choosing Network





HISTORY

The idea of organizing a charitable foundation for Southeastern Alberta began with rancher John O. Ignatius. The CFSEA was then founded in 1992 through an act of Legislature of the Province of Alberta. It is a non-government, non-political and non-religious independent organization that operates under the guidance of a diverse group of community-minded volunteer Board of Directors.

VISION

CREATING A BETTER COMMUNITY: TODAY, TOMORROW, FOREVER...

MISSION

Improving the quality of life for the people of Southeastern Alberta through developing permanent endowments, making responsible grants and inspiring community leadership.

PROFESSIONAL MANAGEMENT

Investment Manager: Jarislowsky Fraser Ltd.
Banker: TD Canada Trust
Custodian: RBC Dexia
Auditor: Ensminger, Beck & Thompson
Legal Counsel: David Carter

ATTENDANCE

2013-2014	Board	Committee	Events
Board Member	Meetings	Meetings	
Gerry Labas	17/18	0	4/7
Nora Way	16/18	15/15	3/7
Ryan Dorton	18/18	4/4	5/7
Todd O'Reilly	14/18	5/7	4/7
Tiffany Krinke	0/8	0/0	3/7
Darren Hirsch	5/8	0/0	3/7
Jeff Welling	7/8	4/9	4/7
Warren Stark	8/8	7/14	1/7
Luke Day	8/8	4/5	2/7
Darren Folkerson	4/8	4/9	0/7
Rick Redmond	5/8	4/5	1/7
Dennis Egert	7/8	9/10	4/7
Karen Davis	3/8	0/0	2/7
Eric Springman	8/8	2/5	2/7
Don Weisbeck	3/8	0/0	2/7

SMART & CARING COMMUNITY FUND GRANTS

FALL 2013/SPRING 2014

Kidsport Society of Medicine Hat & Redcliff

~\$775 from the Megan Wahl Fund ~\$1340 from the Growing Active Kids Fund Kidsport Medicine Hat/Redcliff Operations

\$10,000

Easter Seals Alberta

Equipment & Services for Medicine Hat & SEA **\$6.000**

Crossroads Clinic Association (Brooks Pregnancy Care Centre)

~\$530 from the Brooks Community Fund Crisis Line Phone Training for Crisis Line \$6,048

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Miywasin Society of Aboriginal Services (Medicine Hat)

~\$470 from the Mayor's Community Fund Miywasin Youth Development Program **\$2,500**

Medicine Hat School District No. 76

~\$865 from the Elaine Wiedeman Fund Dr. R Wilson Learning Centre Playground \$10.000

AIDS Calgary Awareness Association

Medicine Hat Cares Centre \$10.000

Canadian Red Cross

Volunteer Training Program

\$5,000

Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (ALS) Society of Alberta

Provide care for ALS clients **\$5.000**

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Ashton's Place Youth Center

~\$7275 from the Rural, Youth and Recreation Fund Basic Life Skills Project \$10,000

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Big Brothers/Big Sisters Medicine Hat & District

Game On! Go Girls! **\$5,100**

Bridges Family Programs

Medicine Hat Legal Guidance Clinic

\$9,600

Family YMCA of Medicine Hat

Elm Street School - Get Active

\$25,000

Medicine Hat Food Bank

Brown Bag Lunch Program

\$5,000

Medicine Hat Pregnancy Support Society

Adult Education

\$6,000

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Praxis

~\$2740 from the Claude Bishop Fund Rural Outreach

\$2,950

School District 76 - River Heights School ~\$1015 Methanex Social Investment Fund Outdoor Classroom

\$6,000

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Development & Sustainability

\$4,000

TOTAL SMART & CARING GRANTS \$128,198

COMBINED DESIGNATED GRANT TOTALS

FALL 2013/SPRING 2014

Total Designated Grants \$31,425

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Total Field of Interest Grants

(includes those made for

Community Grants)

\$11,195

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Total Donor Advised Grants

\$5,135

Total Agency Funds \$18,510

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Total Scholarship Funds \$38,017

Total Flow Through \$1.000

TOTAL GRANTS DISBURSED \$202,400

VITAL IMPACT GRANTS

We launched a Vital Impact Grant Program in 2012, funded by the Smart and Caring Endowment Fund. The program was established to fund initiatives that build capacity in the community, focusing on issues arising out of Vital Signs.

In 2012, the inaugural grants went to fund the Poverty Reduction Roundtables' research report "Moving From Charity to Investment: Reducing the Cost of Poverty in Medicine Hat" and the Medicine Hat Library Tic Tac program. The two initial grants addressed recurring themes from the Vital Signs report findings; youth and the gap between rich and poor.

As a result of improved performance in the financial markets, our Board of Directors approved a threefold increase in Vital Impact grants, bringing the 2014 total to \$29,000. Volunteers on the Community Leadership Committee proactively conducted thorough analysis and research of many charitable organizations. Through the direction of the Community leadership committee we are pleased to announce seven Vital Impact grant recipients that focus on three of six areas identified within the Poverty Reduction report mentioned above– learning, transportation and food security:

Medicine Hat Early Childhood Coalition - Roving Gyms (\$8800)

The Roving Gyms offer free indoor play space for families with children 0-6 years of age throughout the winter months.

Margery E. Yuill Cancer Centre - Transportation for Patients (\$7000)

Transportation was identified as a gap in service for cancer patients getting to and from treatment, this funding will help to fill the gap.

Brooks Public Library - Teen Advisory Board (\$1500)

The teen advisory board is an engaged group of teens who are combining efforts with library administration to design and construct a teen centre.

Medicine Hat Public Library - Tic Tac Teen Program (\$1500)

Tic Tac gatherings provide youth with a safe and fun environment that promotes teamwork and camaraderie. "It allows us to have a space where we can have fun and be accepted" said one member of the Tic Tac group.

Medicine Hat Public Library - Post Teens Program (\$1500)

As a result of the successful Tic Tac teen program, the Library will investigate a 'Post Teens Program' to be offered to those graduating out of the Tic Tac program. The funds will be used as seed funding.

Shortgrass Library - Teen Programming Kits (\$1500)

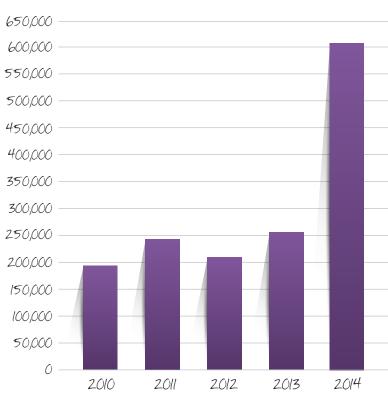
The concept is simple: package everything required to run a successful teen program into a plastic tote and make it available to member library staff.

McMan - Youth/Food Security program, (\$5200)

McMan will address the issue of food security for youth in our community, focusing on prevention and intervention, with a focus on education and self-sufficiency throughout.

TOTAL GRANTS

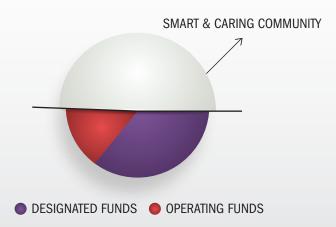
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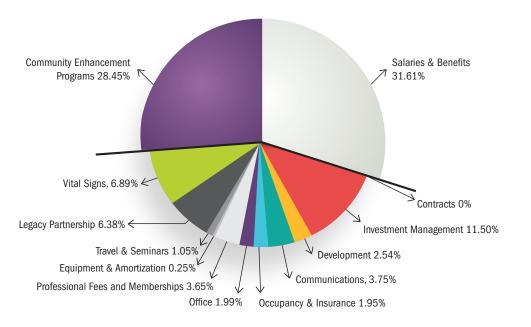
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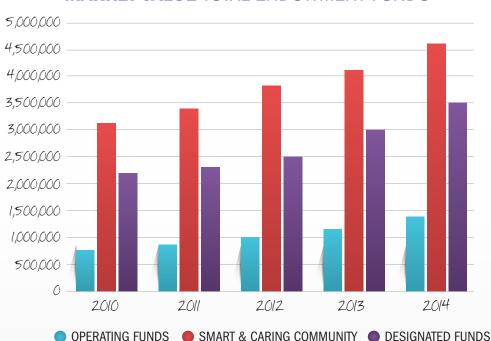


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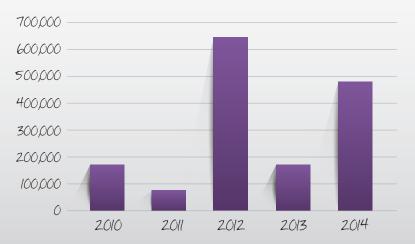
2013/2014 ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS = \$402,272



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