

BROOKS & DISTRICT COMMUNITY FUND

A special holiday newsletter from the
Brooks & District Community Fund



2021

A Year in Review

The Holiday Season is here and we are excited to share with you how 2021 looked for the Brooks & District Community Fund. The end of the year is a time for remembrance. We take stock of where we came from, pause and think about where we are going, and pursue the future with hope. May your New Year be all that you hope for, and may it be sprinkled with love and friendship. Happy Holidays!

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"It was so great to be part of YiP. It helps them become aware of our community needs. It is very healing for many of our students to be able to support charities. Also, it helped them with having deep discussions about which charities to support, complete interviews of the charities, and present their ideas to the Community Foundation group. It is a perfect program for our class and helping them be leaders in our community." - Naomi Hartery, St. Luke's Outreach Teacher



Youth in Philanthropy (YiP)

One of the most exciting programs to take place annually is Youth in Philanthropy. It gives CFSEA an amazing opportunity to speak with the youth in our communities and inform them on what philanthropy means and how they can give back.

The students from St. Luke's Outreach took part in this year's YiP Program and allocated \$1,800 across three local charities - Cantara Safehouse, Brooks Animal Protection Society and Brooks & County Victim's Assistance Unit. This was the second year St. Luke's Outreach took part in the program and we look forward to working with this amazing group in 2022!





SMART & CARING COMMUNITY GRANTS

\$27,416.50 Awarded to 5 local charities in 2021

Our annual Smart & Caring Community Grants for 2021 were awarded in June and November. The recipients of the spring cycle were, The Brooks Animal Protection Society (BAPS), and the Brooks & District Museum and Historical Society. The fall cycle helped distribute funding to The Brooks Regional Ball Park Association, Cantara House and Cleo's Karma Canine Rescue. The 2022 Spring grant cycle will begin in February of next year with a grant deadline of March 17th. We will be hosting a Grant Writing Workshop available to all, please stay tuned for details!

"Cleo's Karma Canine Rescue is happy to announce that we received a Smart & Caring Community Grant to help finance the purchase of a washer and dryer for our shop. This purchase will help us keep our animals healthy and happy. We go through a lot of bedding and won't have to haul laundry to various locations anymore! A big thank you goes out to the Community Foundation of Southeastern Alberta for selecting our charity to receive this funding" - Krista LaFrenière



Since establishing the Brooks & District Community Fund in 2019, our local committee of volunteers has made an impact on our region in a number of ways.



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Years of
Service

9

Committee
Members

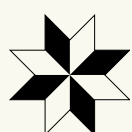
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Grants
Awarded

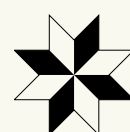
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Charities
Benefited

\$196,331



Total Funding
Distributed



A FINAL NOTE...

Special message from our chair

I am pleased to take this opportunity to add my Christmas wishes for a festive season and success in 2022 to all in the Community of Brooks and District. The past two years have been a challenge to say the least. It is with pride that we can say the Community Foundation of South East Alberta (CFSEA) and the Brooks and District Community Fund (established here in 2018) were able to play a significant role in assisting charitable organizations in this area as they dealt with Covid issues.

As we experience the Christmas Spirit and think about giving back to our community, please consider helping us to grow the Brooks and District Fund. You can make a legacy gift that provides grants to local charities from revenue earned by this endowment fund.

Happy Christmas

David Andrews - Chair, Brooks & District Volunteer Advisory Committee

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for your annual gift.



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