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# Annual Report



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## Treaty Land Acknowledgment

The Community Foundation of Southeastern Alberta honours and acknowledges that we are situated on Treaty 7 and Treaty 4 territory. Traditional lands of the Siksika (Blackfoot), Kainai (Blood), Piikani (Peigan), Stoney-Nakoda, and Tsuut'ina (Sarcee) as well as the Cree, Sioux, and the Saulteaux bands of the Ojibwa peoples. We also honour and acknowledge that we are on the homelands of the Metis Nation within Region III.

## We would like to honour Jean McDouglad and Al & Tanis Garden

The incredible community philanthropists and supporters of CFSEA who passed away this year impacted many charities, students, and families across Southeast Alberta. We are forever grateful for these kind and generous individuals.

# Welcome

## Chair & Acting Executive Director Message

The Annual Report is a time to reflect on our past year and recognize our achievements. It's a time to stand up and say, "Look what we have done!" We are so proud of the amazing people who sit on our Board and Committees as well as our hard-working staff. It's in times of trouble that we really need to support one another.

We would like to express a heartfelt thank you to two amazing Board members who completed their terms after seven years of hard work. Neil Maser has given us a lot of insight on our Grants Committee as well as at our Board meetings. Michael Ancil, our Board Chair for all seven years, has been an integral part of our growth and vision. Thank you both for all that you have done. Sue Edwards, the Executive Director, decided to move on and we want to thank her for her positive attitude and energy. When Board members leave, it also means an opportunity for new people to join. CFSEA is excited to welcome Brenda Mercer and Jim MacArthur to the Board of Directors!

Of course, all of this would not be possible without our amazing donors who continuously give to our foundation. You are the reason why we live in vibrant, healthy, and caring communities. Our hearts are full. Thank you.



**Frances Barnes** – Board Chair  
**Niki Gray** – Acting Executive Director

# Heritage Club Members

*Heritage Club Members are donors who have included the Community Foundation in their future plans with a gift through their estate.*

Heritage Club Members commit to leaving a bequest or future gift of cash, a percentage of their estate, life insurance, retirement funds, or other appraisable assets. Their generosity and foresight will create a positive impact across Southeastern Alberta communities for generations to come.

Amos, Michelle  
Anctil, Michael  
Anctil, Wanda  
Anctil, Yvonne  
Anonymous (11)  
Atwal, Ajit  
Barnes, Drew  
Barnes, Frances  
Bernhardt, Otto  
Bernhardt, Ann  
Best, Debra  
Bradford, Keri  
Carolan, Paul  
Christie, Andy  
Christie, Anne  
Christie, Chris  
Christie, Michael  
Cunningham, Karen  
Dynes, Bruce  
Dynes, Jan  
Edwards, Susan  
Edwards, Tyrone  
Gray, Niki  
Grona, Eleanor  
Hawthorne, Glenda  
Heine, Doug  
Heine, Shirley  
Hern, Ben  
Hern, Kathy  
Hogg, Nelson  
Hogg, Sharon  
Houlston, Robin  
Kammerer, Dan

Knight, Kimberley  
Lloyd, Bill  
Lloyd, Fay  
MacKay, Sandy  
Mackay, Jane  
Mueller, Elizabeth  
Neubauer, Barry  
Neubauer, Janet  
Nichols, Nicole  
Nittel, Jim  
Niwa, Gregory J  
O'Reilly, Todd  
O'Reilly, Darlene  
Panabaker, David  
Panabaker, Debbie  
Pearson, Les  
Porter, Mark  
Renner, Rob  
Roberts, Bill  
Roberts, Lavina  
Rodych, Ted  
Rodych, Donna  
Rothwell, Brian  
Rothwell, Gwen  
Saunderson, Donald  
Saunderson, Marjorie  
Semrau, Kevin  
Semrau, Marlene  
Shabatura, Cheryl  
Siegle, Rod  
Siegle, Shirley  
Sihvon, Murray  
Sihvon, Margaret

Snedden, Shann  
Stimson, Gary  
Stickle, Glen  
Stickle, Joanne  
Summerbell, John  
Summerbell, Freddie  
Taylor, Bill  
Taylor, Marg  
Thompson, Barbara  
Torrance, Ken  
Valli, Gilda  
Way, Nora  
Welling, Miriam  
Post Humous (24)





# Alex & Jean McDougald

The Community Foundation Board of Directors is grateful to have received a bequest in the amount of \$2.8 million through the generosity of Alex and Jean McDougald.

***“Alex believed that being a leader in the community included building successful businesses and philanthropic giving. He was committed to making our community a better place.”***

♦ Todd Beck, Chartered Accountant/Business Advisor.

In 1997, the Alex and Jean McDougald Fund was established at the Community Foundation of Southeastern Alberta. Alex's philanthropic journey guided him to launch two of his initial legacy projects in support of the Maple Creek Skating Rink and the SW Saskatchewan Oldtimers' Museum in the early 2000's. Alex was driven by physical fitness and was an active and dedicated member of the Medicine Hat YMCA for over 20 years. He enjoyed volunteering for the Special Olympics as a swim coach and was a serious cyclist with many years of tours covering thousands of kilometers. Alex passed away in 2010 which inspired Jean to establish the Alex McDougald Memorial Fund which annually contributes to the Smart and Caring Community Fund, supporting charities across the region.

***“Alex was an energetic person who had a wide range of interests. There was always something on the go. Including others and making new friends along the way came naturally to him.”***

♦ John McDougald, nephew

With the generosity of this bequest, the first Advisor Managed Endowment Fund (AMEF) was established at the Community Foundation.

The Community Foundation of Southeastern Alberta is extremely grateful for Alex's bequest of \$2.8 million.

Alex and Jean will live in the hearts of many, and our community will feel their presence forever from the kindness, generosity, and impact of their legacy.



Alex: 1929 - 2010  
Jean: 1931 - 2020



A photograph of a man and a child planting a sapling in a field at sunset. The man is crouching and the child is sitting on the grass, both looking at the small tree they are planting. The sun is low on the horizon, creating a warm, golden glow. The sky is filled with soft, white clouds. The foreground is a field of tall, dry grass.

# Advisor Managed Endowment Funds

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When donors establish an endowment fund, they create a continuous income stream for the charities of their choice, ensuring that they will continue to make an impact well into the future.

Advisor Managed Endowment Funds are a new initiative which allows donors to maintain the trusted relationship with their financial advisor while working with the Community Foundation to create a platform to accomplish their philanthropic wishes.

Together with their advisor, donors may choose their portfolio makeup, within the guidelines stipulated by the Community Foundation and the Investment Advisor Agreement. Donors are then able to choose the charities they wish to support and can make changes to those recipients at their own discretion.

To learn more: [cfsea.ca/we-grow/professional-advisors/](https://cfsea.ca/we-grow/professional-advisors/)

# Agency Endowments

## Total Agency Funds Distributed: \$36,100

An agency endowment fund is a safe and simple way for a charitable organization to establish its own endowment. Donors can be sure that the endowed fund's principal will not be spent and can grow over time, providing steady and predictable income for their future.

### Highlight: Rotary Music Festival

The Rotary Music Festival is a local music festival led by the Rotary Club of Medicine Hat. The two-week festival features approximately 1,000 young musicians through performances, competitions, and concerts to promote a greater appreciation for music and the arts within the community.

The The Rotary Club of Medicine Hat Music Festival Fund was established in March 2002, and since then, \$46,085 has been distributed to the Rotary Music Festival. Since the creation of the fund, it has continued to steadily grow, offering a consistent annual source of funding for the events and various awards given at the festival.



### To create your own Agency Endowment Fund, or to donate, please contact CFSEA.

These agencies have established endowment funds at CFSEA that generate valuable annual operating revenue to support their impactful work.

**DID YOU KNOW?** You can contribute directly into an endowment fund for the charity of your choice!

[cfsea.ca/we-grow/agency-endowments/](http://cfsea.ca/we-grow/agency-endowments/)

- Big Brothers Big Sisters of Medicine Hat & District
- Brooks Public Library
- Canadian Mental Health Association SE Region
- CORE Association & Jason Mauch Memorial Fund
- City of Medicine Hat (Arts & Heritage Fund)
- Friends of Medalta Society
- HALO Air Ambulance Society
- KidSport Society of Medicine Hat & Redcliff
- Medicine Hat and District Food Bank
- Medicine Hat Family Service
- Medicine Hat News Santa Claus Fund Society
- Medicine Hat Public Library
- Medicine Hat Women's Shelter Society
- Mustard Seed Medicine Hat
- Redcliff Historical and Museum Society
- REDI Enterprises Society
- Ronald McDonald House
- Rotary Club of Medicine Hat Music Festival Society
- Society of Grasslands Naturalists
- United Way of Southeastern Albert
- YMCA of Medicine Hat

# Rural Community Funds

In Fall 2018, three community funds were established, each with their own local Advisory Committee, to serve the charitable needs of specific geographical regions within Southeastern Alberta. Donations to the community funds stay in the area and granting recommendations are decided by local citizens. We are incredibly grateful to an anonymous donor who provides a grant to fund three, part-time Community Fund Coordinators.

***Rural community funds allow donors to give where they live and will benefit the community, they call home – today, tomorrow, forever!***

## GRANTS DISPERSED TO EACH AREA

Brooks and District

Forty Mile

Prairie Crocus

## RURAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBERS 2021 - 2022:

### Brooks and District Community Fund Committee

David Andrews, Chair	Leona Ferguson
Brian Petersen	Lisa Tiffin
Cindy Slenders	Matthew Lofgren
Debbie Piper	Nicole Gardner
Inge Ellefson	

### Rural Community Fund of Forty Mile Committee

Clint Thacker, Chair	Lorne Buis
Curtis Gouw	Nathan Kiffiak
John Van Tryp	Raylene Hobbs
Joseph Eisenlohr	Stephanie Hlady
Larry Robinson	Tyson Ormann

### Prairie Crocus Community Fund Committee

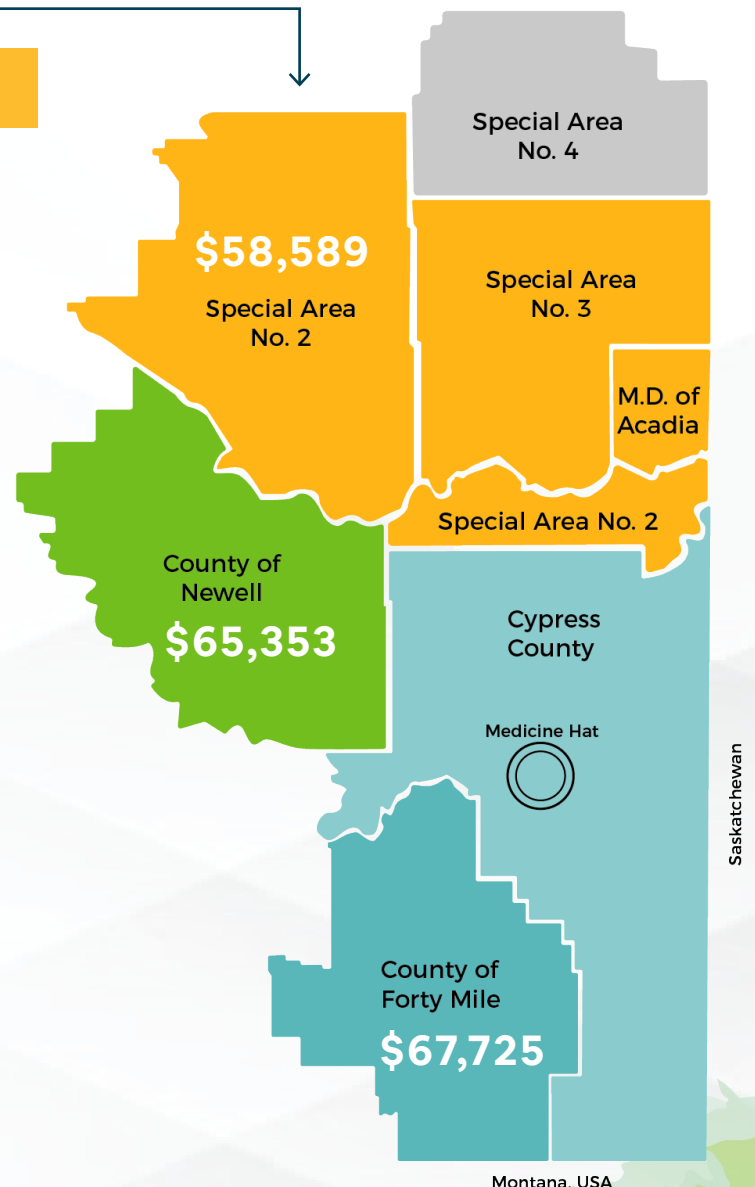
Linda Bingeman, Chair	Lucille Hertz
Elaine Michaels	Pam Park
Lois Bedwell	Roger Bedwell
Lorraine Guckert	Steven Kuhn

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## CFSEA at a Glance

**Total Grants \$1,328,436**

**\$ 99,606**

Designated Grants

**\$ 24,372**

Donor Advised

**\$ 19,270**

Field of Interest

**\$ 36,100**

Agency

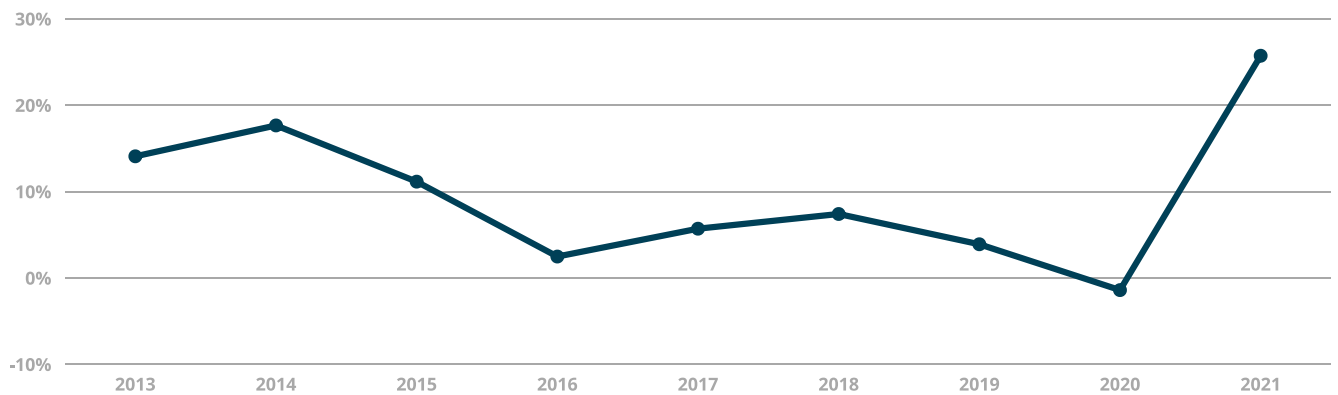
**\$ 39,342**

Scholarship

**\$ 285,910**

Flow Through General

### Return on Investment



Organizations  
that Received  
Grants:

**126**

Total Number  
of Grants  
Distributed:

**293**

**Total Donations \$4,451,093**

**\$23,700,611**

**Total Endowment**

**25.7%**

**Rate of Return**

**Funds**

**415**

**Volunteers**

**61**

## New Funds

Alderson Livestock

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Brian & Lorene Nichols and  
Family Fund

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Don & Edna Kanewischer  
Memorial Fund

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Estate of Alex McDougald

Marilyn Curtin Medicine Hat  
Public Library Fund

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Ralph Brown Scholarship Fund

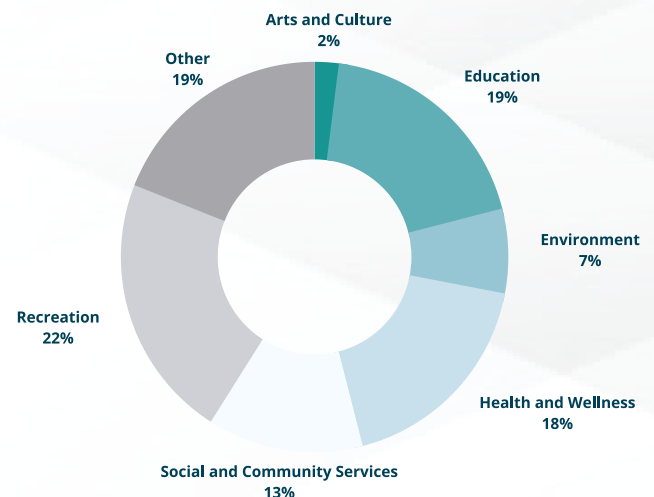
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The Curtin Family Fund

# Smart and Caring Community Grants

Smart and Caring Community Grants support communities across Southeastern Alberta by enhancing belonging of all citizens and strengthening the nonprofit and voluntary sectors.

Donors choose this fund to allocate their contributions to support the community's greatest needs. In awarding grants, CFSEA conducts a comprehensive procedure to determine the most crucial community needs from data and evidence-based practice. Grants are then awarded based on potential impact and fund availability.



SMART AND CARING GRANTS BY SECTOR

## FALL 2020 - \$84,944.04

**Covenant Foundation**  
Bed Program  
**\$11,000**

**Medicine Hat Pregnancy Support Society**  
Laundry  
**\$3,600**

**Community Food Connections - Shortgrass Library System**  
Community Classes  
**\$10,000**

**Brooks & District Child Development Society**  
Toy Library Flooring  
**\$10,000**

**Assumption Roman Catholic School**  
Inclusive Playground  
**\$2,400**

**Etzikom Museum Historical Windmill Centre**  
Accessibility  
**\$17,000**

**Hanna Municipal Library**  
Displays  
**\$1,469**

**Hanna Spray Park Committee - Town of Hanna**  
Spray Park  
**\$2,400**

**Village of Foremost**  
Splash Park Turf  
**\$2,400**

**Sexual Assault Response Committee (Sanare Centre)**  
Training  
**\$14,175**

**Be YOUth Centre**  
Employment Station  
**\$2,800**

**Junior Achievement of Southern Alberta**  
Financial Literacy  
**\$7,700**

## SPRING 2021 - \$63,466.50

**Medicine Hat Women's Shelter Society**  
SAFE Summer Adventure  
**\$10,000**

**Town of Redcliff Library Board**  
New Copier  
**\$1,300**

**Community Food Connections - Bridges Family Programs**  
Vegetable Growing Project  
**\$5,000**

**Brooks & District Museum and Historical Society**  
Gen2Gen  
**\$3,016.50**

**Friends of the Youngstown School - Prairie Land School Division**  
Playground  
**\$2,500**

**The 40 Mile Park Foundation**  
Playground  
**\$2,400**

**Oyen Childcare Society - Town of Oyen**  
Daycare  
**\$3,650**

**Foremost Agriculture Society - Village of Foremost**  
Tractor  
**\$10,000**

**Redcliff Youth Action Society**  
Online Organizational Strategy  
**\$2,600**

**Medicine Hat Pregnancy Support Society**  
Virtual Life Skills  
**\$3,000**

**Oyen & District Historical Society**  
Crossroads Museum  
**\$3,500**

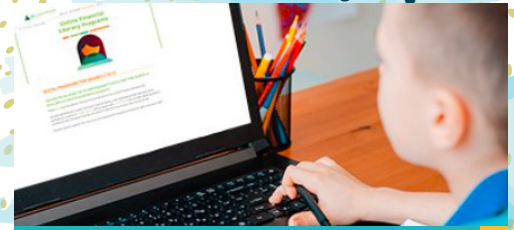
**Brooks Animal Protection Society**  
Washer and Dryer  
**\$10,000**

**Avalon Equine - Prairie Rose School Division**  
Equine Interaction Program  
**\$6,500**



## FALL IMPACT STORIES

Junior Achievement (JA) Southern Alberta received a \$7,700 Fall Smart and Caring Community Grant to support the development of students' financial literacy skills, encourage their entrepreneurial spirit, and become work ready. Despite an unpredictable school year, JA Southern Alberta adapted their programs to allow educators to choose a method that was best for their unique class whether it be virtual, teacher-led, or independent learning. With this funding, 2,079 students throughout 20 schools in Medicine Hat and Southern Alberta, had the opportunity to learn and develop financial literacy skills.



JA Southern Alberta  
\$7,700

**“While the pandemic has affected every one of us, young adults are among those especially impacted. Research reveals young people are more at risk of long-term effects from chronic stress and trauma than adults. There has never been a more important time to understand resilience and how it equips young people to meet the challenges they face now and in the future. Through the incredible support of the Community Foundation of Southeastern Alberta, we were able to offer financial literacy education to over 2,000 southeastern Alberta youth. Together, we are inspiring, preparing and empowering young people to create their own economic success over their lifetime, and giving them the confidence to pursue their dreams.”**

- Melissa From, President & CEO

The Brooks & District Child Development Society was awarded \$10,000 for their Toy Library through the Fall 2020 Smart and Caring Community Grant. The funding supported the installation of new vinyl flooring which replaced the 20+ year

old laminate floors at their site. The Brooks & District Child Development Society serves approximately 300 families within the Brooks Region.



Brooks & District  
Child Development Society  
\$10,000

**“The new floors provide a clean and safe area for children to play on and has made a noticeable difference for everyone who benefits from the Toy Library”**

- Chrissy Jackson, Toy Librarian

## SPRING IMPACT STORIES

The Oyen Crossroads Museum received a \$3,500 Spring 2021 Smart and Caring Community Grant to purchase window coverings which allowed natural light in while keeping damaging ultraviolet rays out. With artifacts stretching beyond a century in age, avoiding further damage was a necessity.



**Oyen & District Historical Society –  
Crossroads Museum**  
\$3,500

**“We are the keepers of this history. The next generation deserves a chance to learn about what happened in their local area and it is our duty to provide that.”**

- Lois Bedwell, Secretary and Volunteer Curator

Most of the window coverings have now been installed, replacing bare windows or curtains that were several decades old. Included in this, is the windows of the Ukrainian Catholic Church, which was moved onto the museum site in 2015.

In Spring 2021, the Foremost Agricultural Society was awarded a \$10,000 Smart and Caring Community Grant to help purchase a tractor for their current outdoor area facilities and future indoor facility. The tractor has provided great value supporting multiple events at the Foremost Agricultural Society.

**“Part of having our local advisory committee in place is to be able to review each grant application taking into account the individual needs of our region, and it is just incredible to see these grants make an impact for unique, community driven initiatives like this.”**

- Clint Thacker, Advisory Committee Chair for the Rural Community Fund of Forty Mile



**Foremost Agriculture Society – Village  
of Foremost**  
\$10,000



# Emergency Funding

To address the immediate and urgent needs that arose throughout the region during the pandemic, CFSEA pivoted regular granting activities and implemented additional, emergency funding opportunities, such as the Spring Repurposing Grant in early 2020 and the COVID-19 Response Fund for SE Alberta.

## COVID – 19 Response Fund for SE Alberta – \$291,712

As the pandemic continued, the CFSEA's Board of Directors established the COVID-19 Response Fund for SE Alberta. This fund provided additional supports addressing medium to long-term needs across the region. This fund was supported by the City of Medicine Hat, Government of Alberta's Matching Donation Program, and proceeds from the Stay-at-Home Gala.

### The Medicine Hat & District Health Foundation

The Medicine Hat & District Health Foundation received \$10,000 from the COVID-19 Response Fund to initiate their Newspaper Program. Since July 2020, all inpatients at the Medicine Hat Regional Hospital have been offered a Medicine Hat Newspaper each morning. The Health Foundation Board witnessed the success of this program and continued the program with Health Foundation funds long after the grant was spent.

**"I was surprised and glad to be offered a copy of the Medicine Hat News. It was a refreshing distraction to have something to read and let my mind wander while sitting alone all day in the hospital."** – Patient Testimonial



### Forty Mile Regional FCSS Meals on Wheels Program

In 2020, the Forty Mile Regional FCSS Meals on Wheels Program received a \$15,000 grant. This grant was a catalyst to bring the Meals on Wheels program to life in the rural area of Forty Mile. This new program provided hot meals to many residents throughout the County of Forty Mile, reaching remote areas. The rural community experienced the need for food security and proper community supports.

**"I told my husband I wasn't sure what he was going to eat tonight. I was too sick to cook, and he would have just eaten a peanut butter sandwich (like so many other times). We both cried when the driver pulled up with a hot meal. It means so much that we can have a nutritious meal delivered to our rural home."** – Forty Mile Regional

FCSS Meals on Wheels Program Participant



Isabelle, Volunteer for the Health Foundation



### Hanna Volunteer Association

The Hanna Volunteer Association, in partnership with Hanna Learning Centre, received \$8,800 through the COVID-19 Response Fund for Southeast Alberta to purchase the necessary PPE and train personnel to better serve community members. This organization was able to help citizens navigate the available information and resources during the pandemic. By being readily available and willing to help, Hanna Volunteer Association quickly became the 'go to place' in the community to link those in need with the appropriate services.

**"We were, and still are, able to assist many people who never thought they would need our services.**

**Because of this funding, we were able to support our community in a safe and effective manner."**

- Doray Veno, Executive Director



Staff at Hanna Volunteer Association

**"Since the start of the pandemic, charities and non-profit organizations have been leading the charge to assist those who need it most in the fight against COVID-19. We continue to be inspired by their initiatives to assist our most vulnerable populations in the wake of the pandemic."**

- Niki Gray, Acting Executive Director, CFSEA

## COVID-19 RESPONSE FUND RECIPIENTS

Brooks & County Victims Service Unit  
\$1,250

Brooks & District Seniors Outreach  
\$5,000

Newell Further Education Council  
\$10,000

Crossroads Clinic Association  
\$1,600

SPEC Association for Children & Families  
\$7,750

Grasslands School Division - Griffin Park School  
\$20,000

Etzikom Museum  
\$1,336

Bow Island Golden Age Club  
\$5,025

Redcliff Seniors Citizens Centre  
\$3,000

Medicine Hat Pregnancy Support Society  
\$23,960

Medicine Hat News Santa Claus Fund  
\$15,000

Medicine Hat and District Health Foundation  
\$10,000

Medicine Hat Women's Shelter Society  
\$10,000

Canadian Mental Health Association - ASER  
\$25,000

The Good Samaritan Society  
\$1,500

Paralympic Sports Association - Medicine Hat Adaptive Sport & Recreation  
\$10,000

Medicine Hat and District Food Bank  
\$7,475

40 Mile Christian Education Society  
\$10,000

Bow Island FCSS Meals on Wheels  
\$15,000

Village of Foremost  
\$1,750

Bow Island Fire Department  
\$1,800

Bow Island (Susan Anderson) Library  
\$1,800

Oyen Legion  
\$18,500

Hanna Volunteer Association  
\$8,800

Big Country Adult Learning  
\$5,000

Empress Friendship Centre  
\$2,500

Oyen & District Food Bank Association  
\$5,000

Medicine Hat Salvation Army  
\$4,265

Medicine Hat Pregnancy Support Society  
\$3,051

Prairie Gleaners Society  
\$2,350

Canadian Mental Health Association - ASER  
\$25,000

Church Unlimited  
\$4,000

Our Collective Journey  
\$25,000

**TOTAL**  
**\$291,712**

## Emergency Community Support Fund (ECSF)

CFSEA was proud to work alongside Community Foundations of Canada and the Government of Canada to deliver funding across Southeast Alberta to ensure that our most vulnerable citizens were safe and healthy. Through the ECSF, additional support was given to local charities and qualified donees supporting populations disproportionately affected by the COVID-19 pandemic.



Medicine Hat and District Food Bank  
\$47,182

The Kidney Foundation  
\$10,000

The Mustard Seed  
\$53,742

Oyen United Church  
\$5,000

Starlight Children's Foundation  
\$6,275

Southeastern Alberta Search & Rescue Association  
\$5,000

Hanna Volunteer Association  
\$5,000

Newell Christian Counseling  
\$10,000

The Salvation Army  
\$47,318

Canadian Cancer Society  
\$10,000

Medicine Hat Public Library  
\$14,056

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Medicine Hat & District  
\$33,677

Chinook Village  
\$39,282

Crossroads Clinic Association  
\$20,000

Good Samaritan Society  
\$15,000

Praxis Science Outreach  
\$8,550

Brooks & District Child Development Society  
\$15,000

The Medicine Hat News Santa Claus Fund  
\$4,000

South Eastern Alberta Safety Alliance Society  
\$850

Brooks County Victim Service Unit Association  
\$1,937

**TOTAL**  
**\$351,869**

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# Volunteer Program

Funding from FCSS Association of Alberta enabled the Community Foundation of Southeastern Alberta to hire a Volunteer Coordinator for Vulnerable Populations. Through this project, CFSEA developed two programs and a resource door-hanger which helped build connection and fight isolation during five months of the pandemic (July – November 2020).



KIT Participants



Penpals



Agencies engaged



Volunteers  
(all projects)



Volunteer hours  
(over five months)

## KEEP IN TOUCH PROGRAM

The Keep in Touch (KIT) Program was developed to connect a volunteer with an individual who may be feeling lonely or isolated, during a time when social connection was limited. The volunteer made regular phone calls to the participant to offer support, encouragement, and a listening ear.

After great success in the five-month pilot project, the KIT Program was adopted by Canadian Mental Health Association ASER. With a grant from CFSEA's COVID-19 Response Fund, the KIT Program will continue for an additional year.

## PENPAL PROJECT

The Penpal Project, previously run by the City of Medicine Hat's Resource Worker, connected seniors and youth together during a time of uncertainty and isolation through writing weekly letters. In total, 70 pen pals participated in the project. After seven months of writing and receiving letters, the pairs had built intergenerational friendship and had an opportunity to meet in person in spring 2021.



Pen Pals Orrie and student

## DOOR HANGERS

CFSEA's Volunteer Program partnered with JustServe.org to promote volunteer opportunities in Medicine Hat. A door hanger was created and printed, thanks to Boylan Imaging. This door-hanger was developed to help coordinate volunteer opportunities in Medicine Hat. It listed organizations with current volunteer opportunities, basic needs, and emergency resources phone numbers. The door hangers were delivered to approximately 24,000 households in Medicine Hat, thanks to the help of 346 volunteers.



Volunteers from The Church of Jesus Christ of the Latter-day Saints

"I realized that she had really helped me get through a longer than normal winter brought on by the lockdown and the accompanying restrictions. I tried to write only about positive things and she didn't even have to try to write about positive things. She was a natural at it! Through her writing, she really did encourage me to concentrate on the good things that have happened in my life. It was inspiring!" – Senior Pen Pal, Bev



# Youth in Philanthropy (YiP)

Each year, dozens of students participate in this innovative program designed to engage local youth in the world of philanthropy. YiP provides hands-on experience for students to work as a team and learn about the granting and giving process to help their community thrive.

This year, 11 groups participated helping CFSEA distribute \$19,800 to 15 unique charities:

- Medicine Hat and District Food Bank - \$2,700
- Medicine Hat Women's Shelter Society - \$2,700
- The Mustard Seed, Medicine Hat - \$1,800
- Paws for Strength, MH Police Service \$1,800
- Medicine Hat SPCA - \$1,800
- Kale Memorial Splash Park - \$1,800
- Prairie Gleaners - \$1,800
- Brooks and District Women's Safe Shelter Society - \$1,200
- Canadian Mental Health Association – ASER - \$1,000

**We were so grateful to have participated in this project as a school group. CFSEA could have simply given this money out to charities, but instead they gave students a sense of ownership over their community by researching the greatest needs and letting them choose a tangible cause to give the money to.**

– Dani Jazen, St. Mary's Grade 7 Teacher

- HALO Air Ambulance - \$900
- Ronald McDonald House Charities, MH - \$900
- Alberta Pound and Rescue Centres - \$500
- Brooks Animal Protection Society - \$400
- Redcliff Action Society for Youth - \$300
- Brooks and District Victims Assistance - \$200



## Scholarship

### Chief Gordon Earl Leadership Legacy Fund

The Chief Gordon Earl Leadership Legacy Fund is a scholarship created to recognize Grade 6 students that demonstrate qualities of leadership and good citizenship. The Legacy Fund was established in 2008 to celebrate Chief Gordon Earl's contributions to the community and honour his memory. Since its creation, 187 students have been recognized, with 22 students receiving the award in 2021. The fund is administered through the Community Foundation of Southeastern Alberta and sponsored by the Medicine Hat Safe Community Association and Medicine Hat Police Service (MHPS).

**“Chief Gord Earl was an active member of the community and understood that leaders had to be developed. He recognized that Grade 6 represented a special time in a young person's development; a time when character is formed and skills and aptitudes could be nurtured. Created to honor his legacy, the Chief Gord Earl Leadership Legacy Scholarship celebrates the youth in our community who demonstrate the qualities of future community leaders and whose values mirror those of the Medicine Hat Police Service - integrity, respect, courage, and accountability.”**

– Chief Mike Worden, Chief of Police, MHPS

# Community Impact Award

The Community Impact Award is a grant awarded to agencies that have innovative project ideas, demonstrate creativity and leadership, and support vibrant, healthy, and caring communities. In 2021, two \$25,000 grants were awarded to the Cypress View Foundation in partnership with Bike Medicine Hat and Our Collective Journey.

## CYPRESS VIEW FOUNDATION IN PARTNERSHIP WITH BIKE MEDICINE HAT

Bike Medicine Hat is an organization aimed at creating a community where cyclists of all ages and abilities can cycle safely, efficiently, and comfortably to their destination. Bike Medicine Hat has established a chapter of Cycling Without Age which provides seniors or those with mobility challenges the opportunity to go for rides on a specially designed trishaw bike operated by a volunteer pilot.

**“We knew that Cycling Without Age is a wonderful program and that there had been a few different people inquire about bringing it to Medicine Hat, but the upfront costs made it a challenge. With funding from CFSEA, we were able to order 2 bikes and all necessary materials to begin operating in spring 2022. We are grateful for this opportunity to allow seniors to reconnect with their community.”** - Carter Gramlich, Board Chair, Bike Medicine Hat



Cypress View Foundation in partnership with Bike Medicine Hat

## OUR COLLECTIVE JOURNEY (OCJ)

Our Collective Journey is an addiction recovery organization dedicated to “strengthening our community through the power of shared experience.” OCJ is also committed to eliminating the stigma surrounding particular issues that keeps individuals from seeking help and instead, normalizing these issues by sharing and discussing their experiences.

**“Since being chosen as recipients of the 2021 Community Impact Award, we have been able to begin providing select individuals the appropriate, professional training to become OCJ Recovery Coaches. OCJ Recovery Coaches listen, normalize feelings, and provide a strengths-based approach for a more fulfilling future. This award will continue to assist us in getting more individuals trained as OCJ Recovery Coaches, helping us meet the ever-increasing community need for addiction recovery support!”** – Ryan Oscar, Director of Programming, Our Collective Journey



Our Collective Journey

# Endowment Funds

CFSEA engages donors with causes they are passionate about to build permanent endowments. Donors have established funds in their family name, in memory of a loved one, and for a specific charity or scholarship.

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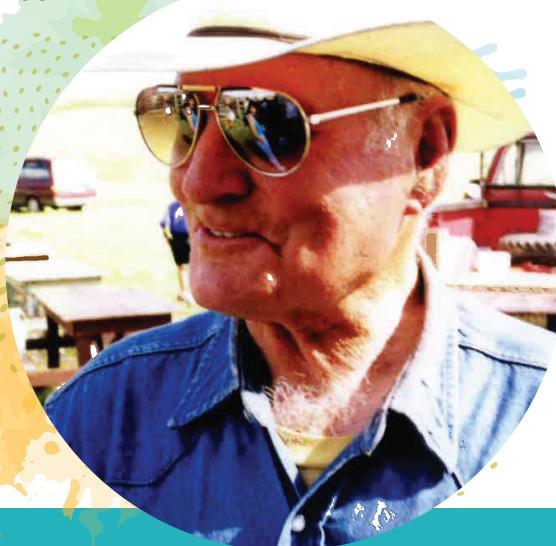
CFSEA distributes investment earnings to a broad range of community initiatives.

## WE INSPIRE

CFSEA connects issues, convenes partners, and develops community-based solutions.

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