

Rural Community Fund of Forty Mile Summer 2022 Newsletter



3 Year Anniversary Event

What an amazing celebration!! The Rural Community Fund of Forty Mile has been growing, giving, and inspiring for 3 years! To date, 30 grants and \$139, 559 has been awarded to local groups and charities to create vibrant, healthy, caring communities today, tomorrow, and forever!



Spring 2022 Community Grants

Spring Community Grants were presented at our 3 Year Anniversary Event on June 14, 2022. Bow Island Minor Baseball received \$1,500 for equipment, \$4,700 to Foremost Baseball for equipment, and \$2,400 to the 40 Mile Park Foundation for Playground Equipment. Congratulations and thank you for all your dedication to our communities!







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Vital People Award

The Vital People program aims to acknowledge, recognize, and encourage the staff working in front line, program delivery, and coordination. The program will offer two \$500 awards, to assist with the skill development that best suits the needs of the individual selected to receive the award. The Vital People Award Program recognizes and supports these leaders in our community by investing in their success through professional development opportunities.

Maria Sprenkels was one of the very deserving recipients of this award! On behalf of the Bow Island & District Health Foundation, Maria will be using her Vital People Award to be trained in the "Donor Perfect" program which educates on donor data input, receipt generation and the generation of cumulative donor totals for donor recognition.

Congratulations Maria, and thank you for all your dedication, hard work, and compassion!





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St. Michael's Scholarship Fund

One of our Rural Advisory Committee members, Stephanie Hlady, announced the establishment of the St. Michael's Scholarship Fund at our Spring Event!

"We started a named fund within the Rural Community Fund of Forty Mile with the help of our initial donors. Rob & I started with our goal; to support youth and education and thankfully so our initial donors supported this goal. Specifically we hope to get those youth who currently view post-secondary education as 'not for them' thinking about how



further education can be their next step. I believe this scholarship will support a commitment to education and leaning to keep rural Alberta progressive and help our communities flourish."

- Stephanie Hlady

Community Foundation 30 Years

The Community Foundation of Southeastern Alberta is also celebrating an Anniversary! The Foundation has been established for 30 years in 2022! The endowment in now worth over \$23.5 million dollars and grants approximately \$300,000-\$400,000 each year to up to 126 different local charities, school districts, and municipalities. To date, over \$8 million dollars has been granted

Congratulations and it will be exciting to see what comes in the next 30 years!

throughout the Southeastern Alberta area.

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FMC Clean Fields, Community Yields

Thank you to FMC and Nutrien Ag Solutions for their donation of \$2,326.20 to the Rural Community Fund of Forty Mile! We appreciate your thoughtfulness to support the Fund that will create granting opportunities to local charities and groups for years to come!

Youth in Philanthropy Program (YiP)

Each year, dozens of students in school leadership classes participate in this innovative program to engage local youth in the world of philanthropy. CFSEA's Youth in Philanthropy (YiP) program is a leadership development initiative where students learn about critical issues in their community.

There were 3 schools within the County of 40 Mile that participated this year.



Cherry Coulee Christian Academy cheque presentation to Eagles Nest Ranch for \$2,000



St. Michael's School YiP participants chose Nuture Pregnancy Centre for a \$2,000 donation



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Senator Gershaw School cheque presentation to Praxis Science Outreach Society for \$2,000