



2015 >>> annual report

**TOGETHER, MORE
BECOMES POSSIBLE.**

Vancity Community Foundation

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IMAGE: "Red Fish Up the River" by Stephanie Harper. Artwork located at Vancity Shaughnessy Station Community Branch. We are proud of our continued partnership and collaboration with Vancity and its many community branches.

TOGETHER, MORE BECOMES POSSIBLE.

Everything we
do helps build
community
assets.

Our vision
is fundamentally
rooted in
the vision of
communities.

Our mission
is to be a
catalyst for
transformation.

»» We measure ourselves
by the impact of those
we work with.



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Message from the Executive Director and Board

In 2015

WE provided support to more than 1000 organizations through our foundation.

WE had more than 1000 donors contribute to our foundation.

WE increased the number of endowed funds at our foundation to more than 150.

WE increased the proportion of our assets held as direct impact investments to more than 26% (\$1 in every \$4 invested).

We exist to support community organizations that create impact.

In 2015 we published the first ever Vancity Community Foundation Storybook, and through the many stories we continue to share with you, the picture is painted even more brightly.

New Canadians are being welcomed into our communities, expensive church parking lots are being converted into affordable social housing, families on income assistance are better able to care for their children, marginalized youth are accessing jobs and educational opportunities, and we are embracing reconciliation with First Nations and aboriginal people in our region as fundamental to our future success.

Despite many daunting challenges, we see the lives of individuals being made better. We see organizations becoming stronger and more capable of driving positive change. Many of our communities are healthier, more sustainable, and more resilient.

It is with great pride in the results, and humble gratitude to those who have contributed, that we present the Annual Report for Vancity Community Foundation.

THANK YOU

to all our donors, supporters, partners, co-conspirators, and collaborators.

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As Board and staff of this organization, it is our privilege to serve. We work very closely through a close affiliation with Vancity Credit Union to receive your donations, invest these assets, and support community organizations who are making a difference. It's Good Money™ with charitable tax receipts, and leverages the unique opportunities from a Community Foundation connected to a Financial Cooperative, both deeply rooted in values.

2015 saw continued growth in our overall financial asset base to more than \$56.8 million. The key strategic pillars of Social Enterprise, Community-Owned Real Estate, and Impact Investing continue to gain traction and sophistication in terms of our approach to supporting organizations and the capacity of those with whom we work.

The team here includes a set of trusted, passionate, diligent, brilliant, and caring individuals working together, and with others, to make sure the resources available are amplified to the greatest effect. Everything we receive is invested.

New programs have been added this year, including the BC Poverty Reduction Coalition, who bring additional horsepower to a growing public policy advocacy function conducted within a social justice framework. We have been engaged in examples of collaboration with local, regional, provincial, national, and First Nations governments. There are good indications of an increased willingness to work together, leveraging public sector resources and tools together with investment dollars, charitable giving, and new models of innovation that break down unnecessary divisions while ultimately empowering community organizations.

We're particularly excited about leaning even further into our relationship with Vancity, seeking solutions and interventions at an even greater scale. The pace of change, and the underlying economics and demographics in our region are sometimes overwhelming. We choose an optimistic outlook, inspired by the donors who continue to see hope and legacy in their giving, and by those in whose efforts we invest.

JOIN US. **Derek Gent** Executive Director • **Gene Blishen** Co-chair • **Alice Miro** Co-chair

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»» Building Community Assets

Vancity Humanitarian Fund



In response to the 2015 Syrian refugee crisis and to provide ongoing support for other humanitarian issues, Vancity developed a new endowment fund with Vancity Community Foundation, with a commitment to match all donations up to \$125,000. By the end of 2015, members and employees donated \$33,333

which was matched by Vancity and donated to the UN Refugee Agency (UNHCR). The federal government also matched the initial donation, so that in total \$100,000 went to provide relief on-the-ground in refugee camps. Early in 2016, the Vancity Humanitarian Fund granted \$100,000 in support of local refugee resettlement initiatives through grants to Immigrant Services Society, Mount Pleasant Family Centre, and Vancouver Association for Survivors of Torture. The next focus will be to raise funds to support refugees settling outside of the Lower Mainland in communities such as Abbotsford and Victoria. Visit us online to learn more or to donate.

Moving Stories »» Moving Forward



We measure ourselves by the impact of those we work with.

In December 2015, we hosted an event to celebrate over 25 years of community impact with storytellers, donors, and community partners. The December event at The Post at 750 hit the right note with food from Potluck, and speakers from Kuterra, Loutet Farms, Potluck, and the Lucille Harkness Memorial Scholarship sharing stories of impact. Posters of stories from the book helped to animate the room, and about 70 donors, community partners, board and staff members attended. It was a celebration like no other inspired by thoughtful stories about the impact of those we worked with in the past, and a look forward to the amazing years to come.



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Bill Reid Memorial Fund



The Surrey Homelessness and Housing Society, together with Options Community Services Society and the Cloverdale Business Improvement Association, launched a fundraising campaign to help fund a new purpose-built shelter in Cloverdale. The late Bill Reid, former MLA and community champion, was instrumental in facilitating the opening of the present 10-bed Cloverdale shelter that has been operating on the site for the past five years. Today, the farm house is aging and the need for beds exceeds available space. In recognition of his commitment to the community's most vulnerable, the new shelter will be named the Bill Reid Memorial Shelter in his honour. With support from the City of Surrey and BC Housing, the shelter will help meet the demand of homelessness in Surrey by providing 16 shelter beds and 12 transition housing units and will allow residents to stay with their pet companions in private rooms – often a barrier for pet owners who don't want to choose between a shelter bed and keeping their pet. The Bill Reid Memorial Fund is held and managed by Vancity Community Foundation.

First Call BC gala a huge success!



Vancity Community Foundation is proud to host First Call: BC Child and Youth Advocacy Coalition. First Call is a non-partisan coalition of provincial and regional organizations who have united their voices to put children and youth in BC first through public education, community mobilization, and public policy advocacy. They host an annual fundraising gala each year. The most recent event highlighted the important policy issue of youth aging out of foster care and featured Trevor Linden and a panel of youth leaders.

Cut-off from support at 19, youth aging out of foster care too often end up homeless, don't finish high school, and have no one to turn to in their 20's.

»»» Financial Highlights

100% of our investments are screened by our managers according to Socially Responsible Investment parameters based on the United Nations Principles for Responsible Investing.

- 1.** We will incorporate Environmental, Social, and Governance (ESG) issues into investment analysis and decision-making processes.
- 2.** We will be active owners and incorporate ESG issues into our ownership policies and practices.
- 3.** We will seek appropriate disclosure on ESG issues by the entities in which we invest.
- 4.** We will promote acceptance and implementation of the Principles within the investment industry.
- 5.** We will work together to enhance our effectiveness in implementing the Principles.
- 6.** We will each report on our activities and progress towards implementing the Principles.

Investment Managers

- *Vancity Investment Management*
- *IA Clarington*

We are increasingly investing our assets in direct impact investments through loans, private equity, and other asset classes that include non-profit owned buildings, aboriginal initiatives, and green businesses – all without sacrificing financial returns.

CLIMATE RISK STRATEGY IN ACTION

Our advisors at Vancity Investment Management applied a more aggressive risk management strategy in 2015 which included a completely fossil fuel free portfolio within our international holdings, divestment from all tar sands extraction in domestic investments, and a move toward less carbon intensive energy companies, away from oil, and into natural gas, to include alternatives such as solar.

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FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS FOR THE PERIODS ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2015

	JAN – DEC 2015	JAN – DEC 2014
TOTAL ASSETS (AT END OF PERIOD)	56,793,006	54,190,208
TOTAL DISTRIBUTIONS	5,907,744	7,391,135
NEW CONTRIBUTIONS		
Unrestricted or Program	1,675,231	1,692,886
Greater Vancouver Community Assistance Foundation	1,794,761	2,145,258
Flow-through Contributions	2,263,571	3,721,609
Donor Advised Funds	1,973,856	1,061,421
CHARITABLE PROGRAM EXPENSES	1,519,306	1,408,697
MANAGEMENT AND ADMINISTRATION EXPENSES	1,351,809	1,032,883
BREAKDOWN OF ASSETS		
A Unrestricted / Program	8,197,460	8,778,679
B Greater Vancouver Community Assistance Foundation	4,915,755	4,099,546
C Restricted, Flow-through	(224,614)	10,002
D Restricted, Donor Advised Funds	41,974,717	40,289,430



Please contact us for a detailed copy of our investment policy, specific investment performance, and/or a full set of audited financial statements.

Investment Portfolios

Our investments are managed primarily through Vancity Investment Management, according to an Investment Policy Statement set by our Board of Directors.

PERFORMANCE OF OUR DONOR ADVISED FUND PORTFOLIO

AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2015	INCEPTION			
	1 YEAR ANNUAL	3 YEAR ANNUAL	5 YEAR ANNUAL	16 YEARS ANNUAL
Vancity Community Foundation	4.44%	14.17%	9.44%	5.33%
Benchmark 5% T-BILL, 35% CANADA BOND, 45% TSX, 15% S&P 500	-0.54%	5.71%	4.76%	5.16%

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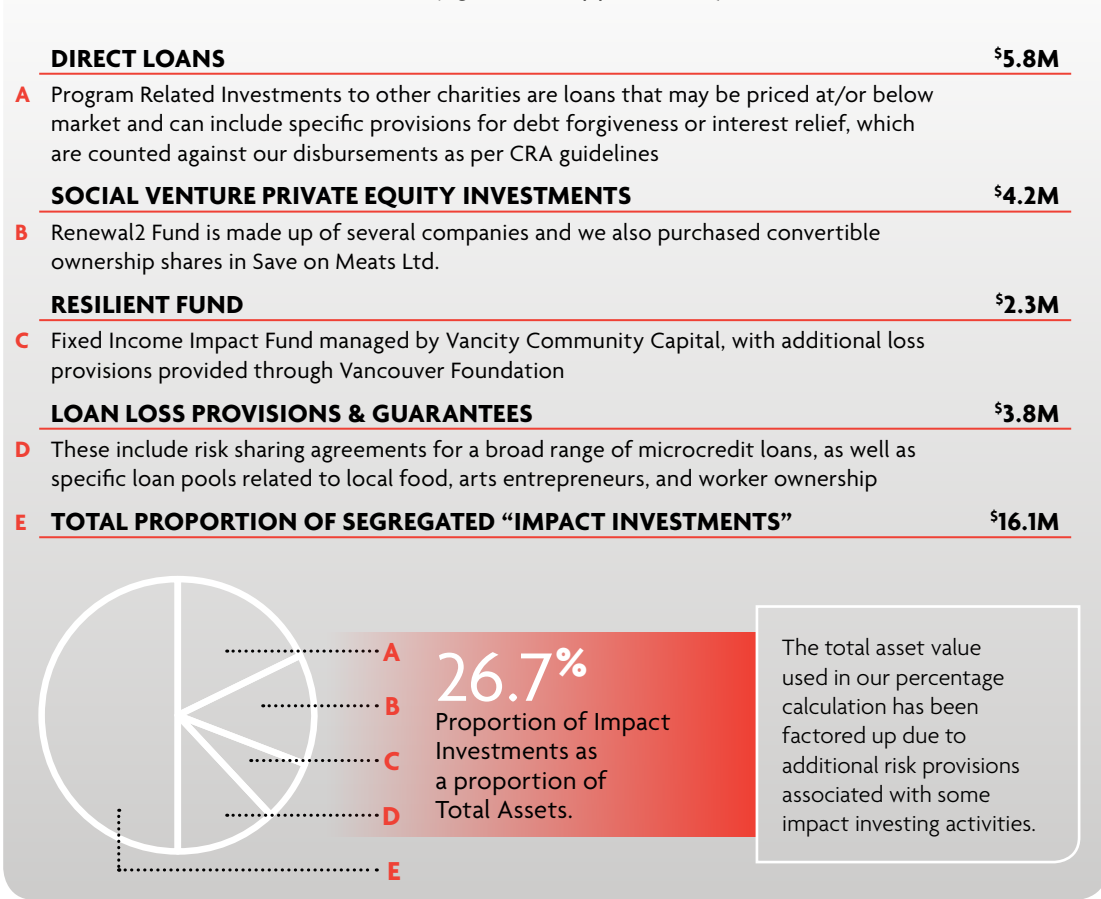
Impact Investing

Under the close direction of our Board and with additional support from Vancity and other partners, we continued to grow the proportion of impact investments in our portfolio. These investments may take different forms, representing a number of new and different asset classes for the Foundation, with the specific intent of achieving positive social or environmental impact through our investment activities, as well as a financial return.

At the end of 2010, the National Task Force on Social Finance made a recommendation that Canadian Foundations strive to allocate up to 10% of their assets toward mission based investing.

WE ARE PROUD TO SAY that by the end of 2015 we increased our proportion of direct impact investments to more than **26%** of our assets.

In addition to the balanced portfolios managed by Vancity Investment Management and our deposits held at Vancity for lending to the members, we also held or allocated the following instruments as of December 31, 2015 (figures are approximate).



»» Strategic Programs

Vancity Community Foundation works to partner with, and invest in, organizations and projects that contribute to social justice and financial inclusion, environmental sustainability, and a co-operative and just economy.

Our approach combines grant funding and technical assistance with the aim of supporting organizations to build assets and financial sustainability that can enhance their impact in community. We do this through two focus areas:

- **Social Enterprise:** We support non-profit organizations to develop, launch, strengthen, and grow business ventures as a tool to address social, environmental, or economic issues.
- **Community-Owned Real Estate:** We invest in initiatives that house individuals and organizations, increase and/or retain community ownership and assets, and build opportunities for shared spaces and resources.

Social Enterprise Development

- **Social Enterprise Portfolio Program:** A partnership between Vancity Community Foundation, Vancity, and the City of Vancouver, the Social Enterprise Portfolio Program aims to ensure that promising social enterprises have access to the financial and technical resources required for both start-up and growth phases. In 2015, we added five new enterprises to the portfolio and provided additional investment to three existing portfolio members.

SOCIAL ENTERPRISE PORTFOLIO PROGRAM GRANTS		
ORGANIZATION	PROJECT	AMOUNT
Dreamrider Productions	Planet Protector Academy Market Development	\$50,000
Federation of Community Social Service Organizations of BC	Leadership 2020 Expansion	\$50,000
Cowichan Energy Alternatives	Community Carbon Marketplace	\$50,000
Hub Cycle	Bike Friendly Business Traction Toolkit	\$25,000
Repurpose	Repurpose Launch	\$50,000
Mission Possible Enterprises	Mission Possible Service Expansion	\$16,746
Early Childhood Educators of BC	Member Engagement and Growth	\$45,000
Sts'ailes First Nation	River Select Fisheries Co-operative	\$50,000
TOTAL		\$336,746

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- **Enterprising Non-Profits Program:** Enterprising Non-Profits (*enp*) is a collaborative funding program that supports organizations to plan social enterprises that help build stronger communities. In partnership with other funders, including Vancity, Vancouver Foundation, Capital One, Northern Development Initiative Trust, and ESDC (Employment and Social Development Canada), *enp* distributed \$85,025 in grants to 20 organizations in 2015 and designated \$10,000 towards a collaboration with Metro Vancouver Aboriginal Executive Council. After close to 20 successful years, 2015 was the last year for the *enp* program. In 2016 we will be integrating our social enterprise programs to address the changing landscape.

ENTERPRISING NON-PROFIT GRANTS		
ORGANIZATION NAME	PROJECT	APPROVED AMOUNT
Gordon Neighbourhood House	Growing A Nursery	\$2,000
The Farm at Cedar Woods Society	The Workability Program	\$2,500
The Ashcroft Hub Society	The Ashcroft Hub Society	\$2,500
Kootenay Career Development Society	Makers Market Local Art Shoppe	\$2,525
Cheakamus Centre	Cheakamus Centre Campus Master Plan Update	\$3,000
Chris Rose Therapy Centre for Autism Society	Hire a Grandchild	\$3,500
LifeCycles Project Society	LlfeCycles' Backyard Blend Cider	\$5,000
The Mustard Seed	Capital Regional District Food Rescue Project	\$5,000
211 British Columbia Services Society	Social Enterprise Business Development Plan	\$5,000
BC SPCA	Development of Humane Wildlife Control Accreditation Program	\$5,000
Communitas Supportive Care Society	Communitas Social Enterprises	\$6,000
Pacific Autism Family Centre Foundation	Pacific Autism Family Centre Social Ventures	\$7,500
Parksville District Association for Community Living	PDACL Social Enterprise	\$2,000
The Fish Eye Project Society	NaturAlive	\$5,000
Camp Kerry Society	Kerry's Boutique	\$2,500
Ecotrust Canada	Ecotrust Canada Electronic Monitoring	\$10,000
Okanagan Summer Festival Society	Kalamalka Bowl Amphitheatre	\$5,000
Prince George Activator Society	Aghelh Nebun Woodcraft	\$5,000
Valemount Learning Centre	Centre for Mountain Culture	\$5,000
Wells and Area Community Association	Wells-Barkerville Alternative High-School	\$1,000
TOTAL		\$85,025

Enp is a collaborative funding program that supports organizations to develop social enterprises that help build stronger communities.

COLLABORATION WITH METRO VANCOUVER ABORIGINAL EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

In 2015, Vancity Community Foundation collaborated with Metro Vancouver Aboriginal Executive Council to launch a pilot program to provide learning workshops, coaching, and planning grants to a cohort of 10 urban aboriginal organizations to support them in developing a social enterprise initiative.

Vancity Community Foundation contributed \$20,000 to the pilot through strategic programs and *enp* grants.

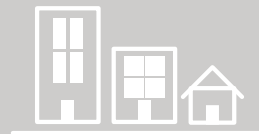


Community-Owned Real Estate

Community-Owned Real Estate refers to property owned for and by the community. This can include affordable housing, senior centres, farm land trusts, shared non-profit offices, and other venues that provide important community amenities and programs that contribute to healthy communities. We work closely with Vancity and other partners to support organizations to explore, develop, and manage community-owned real estate initiatives. Our core work includes providing grants and support for early stage real estate concept development and planning, development of tools and resources to build skills and capacity of organizations interested in starting a real estate development project, and sector development.

**IN 2015, IN COLLABORATION
WITH OUR FUNDING
PARTNERS,**

we distributed almost \$552,000
in funding to organizations to
advance their social enterprise
or community-owned real
estate initiatives.



In 2015 we provided funding to seven organizations in support of their planning or to explore their real estate development opportunities.

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COMMUNITY-OWNED REAL ESTATE GRANTS

ORGANIZATION	AMOUNT
St. James Square Society	\$5,000
St. Andrews United Church	\$25,000
Community Housing Land Trust Foundation	\$25,000
Town of Gibson / Gibson Community Building Society	\$20,000
Community Housing Land Trust Foundation / BC United Church Conference	\$25,000
Heroworks	\$5,000
Oakridge Lutheran Church / Catalyst Community Developments	\$25,000
TOTAL	\$130,000

DREAMRIDER PRODUCTIONS



DreamRider Productions is a social enterprise that creates, produces, and delivers live theatre productions to students in the Greater Vancouver area. Planet Protector Academy works to train superheroes of environmental protection that is part hysterical entertainment, part fun-filled game, and entirely focused on behaviour change and educational outcomes.

The Academy puts kids at the centre of the story and inspires them to act on real world issues. Through the Social Enterprise Portfolio Program, Vancity Community Foundation provided funding and support for market development of the Planet Protector Academy interactive curriculum.



We are thankful for the investments and contributions of our partners:

- City of Vancouver
- Employment and Social Development Canada
- Enp Canada
- Northern Development Initiative Trust
- Province of British Columbia
- Telus
- Vancity Credit Union
- Vancouver Foundation

»» Donor Impact

We are thankful to partner with an extended network of individuals, groups, families, and organizations who have made financial contributions to Vancity Community Foundation and the community at large. In 2015, donors contributed \$1.9 million to their community through Vancity Community Foundation. Our donors have invested in our shared belief that together, more becomes possible.

Many of our donors have established Donor Advised Funds. A Donor Advised Fund is a strategic tool that allows you to create a lasting legacy to support charities in your community. Donations are invested and the income generated



can be granted to organizations and causes that you care about. If you are a charitable organization, a Donor Advised Fund can strengthen your planned giving

program and create a beneficial tax and estate planning vehicle for your donors. Since we began in 1989, contributions to our Donor Advised Funds have grown our assets by over \$42 million.

We also appreciate the generosity of donors who contribute directly to our strategic programs and our core endowment, whether through *My VISA Rewards Plus* points, monthly payments, or one-time contributions.

We are inspired by those who are making a contribution to Vancity Community Foundation through their will by establishing a Legacy Fund. We appreciate the trust they have placed in us and their commitment to contributing to positive community change well beyond their lifetimes.

To all of our donors and investors, including Vancity Credit Union which continues to be our largest contributor, thank you for your generosity and commitment to community.

»» **SEE PAGE 25** for a complete listing of our community investors.

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ADRIAAN C. DE VRIES SCHOLARSHIP FUND ESTATE GIFT TO SUPPORT THE LOUD FOUNDATION

A Legacy Fund can support organizations and causes you care about through a gift in your will. In 2015, Adriaan de Vries established a Legacy Fund that will be activated through a future gift from his estate. The **Adriaan C. de Vries Scholarship Fund** will provide scholarships to LGBTQ youth through the LOUD Foundation.

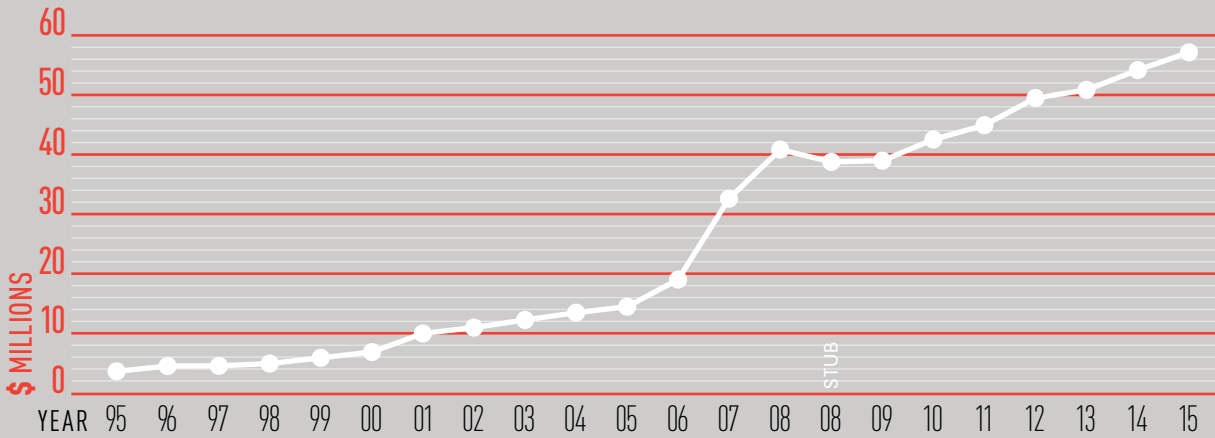
"I reviewed the 2016 LOUD Foundation Scholarships and am impressed with and amazed at the quality. Most applicants are doing remarkable work in their communities both academically and often through open LGBTQ volunteering and community education linked to their academic aspirations. Those range from neuropsychological research to law, social work, teaching, and accounting, to name a few. Most are academically brilliant. A number faced considerable hardship and rejection but are forging ahead regardless. They are all truly inspiring.

This inspiration affirmed that I had made the right decision to establish a scholarship fund now at Vancity Community Foundation with plans to support it through a gift in my will. This was something that was impossible to imagine being available when I did my university work in the '60's and '70's. And happily, the contributions and money available for LOUD scholarships appears to be growing since I first made contact. I wish there were funds for each and every applicant." ~ ADRIAAN C. DE VRIES



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VCF TOTAL ASSETS



The number of our Donor Advised Funds is ever-growing.
And to say we are proud of these combined contributions is an understatement.

A big thank you

and welcome to the following new Donor Advised Funds established in 2015:

- Adriaan C. de Vries Scholarship Fund
- Blue Skies Fund
- Bright Beginnings Foundation Fund
- Dāna Giving Fund
- Igor Bradaric Legacy Fund
- James Lindfield Fund
- Joan and Noel Armstrong Legacy Fund
- Kathi LeBlanc Innovation in Business Fund
- Larson-Bird Fund
- Little Mountain Community Fund
- Lloyd J. and Christine Stadler Fund
- Mary-Jo Dionne Productions Fund
- Not Just Coffee Fund
- Peter and Chloe O’Loughlin Charitable Fund
- Peter Pupkin Fund
- Philip and Claire Daykin Charitable Fund
- S. Giggey Fund
- Swale Fund
- Vancity Humanitarian Fund
- Verna and Ralph Storseth Fund

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A community of support

We are inspired by and grateful for the contributions and commitment of the many individuals, families, and organizations who have established Donor Advised Funds with us.

Thank you for making our
community better.

For information on the vast array of causes our Donor Advised Funds support go to our website at: http://vancitycommunityfoundation.ca/s/donor_advised_directory.asp.

≡ DONOR ADVISED FUND LISTING

Access to Justice Fund	Better Environmentally Sound Transport Endowment Fund	CoDev Endowment Fund
Adriaan C. de Vries Scholarship Fund	BGH Community Fund	Community Farms Endowment Fund
Alayne Keough Fund	Bill Reid Memorial Endowment Fund	Comox Valley Land Trust – Pat Glazner Memorial Fund
Alexandra Paproski #XOXO Fund	Blue Skies Fund	Cooperative Commonwealth Fund
Alfred and Marjorie Lam Endowment Fund	Bright Beginnings Foundation Fund	Co-operators Fund
Amy Dalglish Memorial Endowment Fund	Broad Cove Fund	Cull Family Fund
Arts and Culture Legacy Fund	Brooke Forbes Legacy Fund	Currie/Baehr Family Endowment Fund
Arts for Life Fund	Calarchy Fund	Cyndi Poynter Thoracic Nursing Education Fund
ArtStarts Facility Operating Endowment Fund	Chiron Fund	Dāna Giving Fund
BC Borstal Association Fund	Christopher Rytter Memorial Fund	Dave Mowat Climate Change Fund
BC Council of Garden Clubs Scholarship Fund	CircaNow Foundation Fund	Dendoff-Morris Legacy Fund
BC Litigation Fund	Coastal Sound Music Academy Fund	Donald George Robson Fund

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Driscoll Family Fund	Joan and Noel Armstrong Legacy Fund	McGill Ability Fund
Drs. Pierre & Dianne Faber Family Fund	John and Joan Freeman Scholarship Fund	McKechnie Fund
Early Childhood Educators BC Fund	John and Kathleen Gustafson Fund	Michael Cuccione Foundation Fund
Edna Goring Fund	Joy & Ken Williams Education Fund	Mom2Mom Fund
Ellen Tattersfield Memorial Fund	Judith Marcuse Projects Fund	Mowat Family Fund
Ellie O'Day Arts and Housing Fund	Kathi LeBlanc Innovation in Business Fund	Myasthenia Gravis Association Fund
Enchanted Forest Fund	Kazuko Takahashi Endowment Fund	Nancy Grant Fund
FarmFolk / CityFolk Endowment Fund	Kerry & Betty Ho Fund	Nancy Hawkins and Bill Bargeman Endowment Fund
First Call BC Fund	Krannitz Family Fund	Norman Kirby Scholarship Fund
George Newbould Cull Endowment Fund	Langley Environmental Partners Bursary Fund	North Shore Community Resources Society Fund
George Sisters' Fund	Larson-Bird Fund	Not Just Coffee Fund
Grace Mirehouse Memorial Award Fund	Laura Napodi Endowment Fund	NutritionLink Services Society Endowment Fund
Greater Victoria Savings Credit Union Legacy Fund	Leo and Frances Longo Fund	Olivia Fund
Grey Community Fund	Leon C. Morel Memorial Scholarship Fund	Pang Kui Chiu Fund
Gulf & Fraser Financial Group Foundation Fund	Lions Bay Community Scholarship Foundation Endowment Fund	Parkgate Community Legacy Fund
GW 2010 Flow Through Fund	Little Mountain Community Fund	Path 10 Fund
Homeopathic Care Fund	Lloyd J. and Christine Stadler Fund	Peter and Chloe O'Loughlin Charitable Fund
ICBC Endowment Fund For People with Disabilities	Lucille Harkness Memorial Scholarship Fund	Peter and Melody Anderson Foundation Fund
Igor Bradaric Legacy Fund	Margaret Mitchell Fund for Women	Peter Pupkin Fund
Innovation Fund	Marley Memorial Fund for Education	Philip and Claire Daykin Charitable Fund
Integris Credit Union Community Foundation Fund	Mary-Jo Dionne Productions Fund	PLAN – Josh Bodner Endowment
James Lindfield Fund	Mayer-Smith Charitable Fund	PLAN – Lucille Johnstone Discretionary Fund
JAMST Fibre Arts Fund		PLAN – Permanent Endowment Fund
Jane Tyler Legacy Fund		PLAN – Personal Network Sustaining Fund
Jhaji Foundation Fund		

Purple Papillion Fund	Sorensen Animal Fund	Van Tel/Safeway Credit Union Legacy Fund
Quart Family Fund	South Granville Seniors Centre Endowment Fund	Vancitizens Legacy Fund
Richard E. Sanford Fund	SPARC BC Michael Goldberg Legacy Funds	Vancity Community Foundation Directors Fund
Robert Chambers Memorial Endowment Fund	Spectrum Endowment Fund	Vancity Humanitarian Fund
Romuald & Nancy Gobis Fund	Sprout Social Intention Fund	Vancouver Energy Efficiency Fund
S. Giggey Fund	Squamish Credit Union Legacy Foundation Fund	Vancouver Women's Fund
S.T.E.P.S. Fund	Strandberg Family Fund	Verna and Ralph Storseth Fund
Salcito Charitable Fund	Summerville Foundation Fund	VIPY Fund
Sawicki Runka Fund	Surrey Homelessness and Housing Endowment Fund	West End Seniors Network Society - Kay Stovold Memorial Fund
Shannon Meehan Legacy Fund	Sustainable Economy Fund	Williams Family Fund
Shellard Family Charitable Fund	Swale Fund	Youth at Risk Fund
Silver Tubby Fund	Tchao Family, Friends & Associates Charitable Fund	Zaurrini Family Fund
Social Enterprise Policy Fund	The Lipstick Project Fund	
Somerville Fund		



SURREY HOMELESSNESS AND HOUSING SOCIETY (SHHS) “Heroes of the Homeless” Award Winner

Carolyn Colwell of *Your City Sports* receives her superhero cape from SHHS Board Chair Judy Villeneuve and Vancity Community Foundation staff Vera LeFranc.

Donor Advised Fund Grants

Our Donor Advised Funds create impact. Through our Donor Advised Funds, Vancity Community Foundation was able to grant almost \$2 million to community in 2015, further demonstrating that *together, more becomes possible.*

Alternatives	Board of Education School District No. 38 (Richmond)	Canadian Harambee Education Society
Alzheimer Society of B.C.	Board of Education School District No. 39 (Vancouver)	Canadian Organic Growers Inc.
Amnesty International	Board of Education School District No. 41 (Burnaby)	Canadian Red Cross Society
Art Starts in School Society	Board of Education School District No. 44 (North Vancouver)	Canadian Unicef Committee
Awkward Stage Productions Society	Board of Education School District No. 91 (Nechako Lakes)	Capilano University
BC Borstal Association	Boys and Girls Clubs of South Coast BC	Carleton University
BC Cancer Foundation	British Columbia Guide Dog Services	CBSR Education Foundation
BC Children's Hospital Foundation	British Columbia Schizophrenia Society	Circle of Eagles Lodge Society
BC New Hope Recovery Society	Burnaby Community Connections Society	City of Surrey
BC Professional Firefighters Burn Fund	Burnside Gorge Community Association	CKNW Orphan's Fund
BC Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (BCSPCA)	Cal Bombay Ministries Inc.	Coastal Sound Music Academy Society
BC Women's Hospital and Health Centre Foundation	Cameray Community Fund	CoDevelopment Canada Association
Beckley Farm Lodge Foundation	Camosun College	Community Options for Children and Families (COCF)
Better Environmentally Sound Transportation Association (BEST)	Canada India Village Aid Association (CIVA)	Comox Valley Land Trust
Bipolar Disorder Society of British Columbia	Canadian Catholic Organization for Development and Peace	Compassion Canada
Bloom Group Community Services Society	Canadian Centre for Policy Alternatives (CCPA)	Contributing to the Lives of Inner City Kids (CLICK)
		Covenant House Vancouver
		Creston Valley Wildlife Management Area
		Critter Care Wildlife Society
		CSJ Research and Education

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CUSO International	Hockey Hall of Fame and Museum	Mission Possible
Cystic Fibrosis Canada	Home Foundation of BC	Compassionate Ministries Society
David Suzuki Foundation	Horizons of Friendship	Mom2Mom Child Poverty Initiative Society
Deltassist Family and Community Services Society	Horticulture Centre of the Pacific	Multiple Sclerosis Society of Canada
Doctors Without Borders Canada	Indspire	Music Heals Charitable Foundation
Douglas College Foundation	Inter Pares	Music in the Morning Concert Society
Early Childhood Educators of BC	Island Deaf and Hard of Hearing	Mustard Seed Street Church
Ecojustice Canada Society	James McKinney Parent Advisory Council	Myasthenia Gravis Association of BC
Electric Company Theatre	John Howard Society	Nanaimo Foodshare Society
Elizabeth Fry Society of Greater Vancouver	Judith Marcuse Projects Society	National Sport Trust Fund
Elizabeth's Wildlife Center	Kidney Foundation of Canada	Native Education College (NEC)
Ethiopiaid Canada	KidSafe Project Society	Neil Squire Society
Everywoman's Health Centre Society	KidSport Victoria	New Vista Society
Family Services of the North Shore	Kwantlen Polytechnic University Foundation	North Shore Community Resources Society
Farm Radio International	Langara College	North Shore Hospice Society
FarmFolk/CityFolk Society	Langara College Foundation	Northern Lights Wildlife Society
First Call BC	Langley Environmental Partners Society	NSDRC Foundation
First Lutheran Church	Leadership Victoria Society	Okanagan College
Food for Famine Society	LifeCycles Project Society	One to One Literacy Society
Fraser Valley Gleaners Society	Lions Bay Community Scholarship Foundation	Options Community Services Society
Galiano Conservancy Association	Lions Club of Vancouver Chinatown 1982	Osteoporosis Canada
Goldstream Food Bank Society	Lions Gate Hospital Foundation	Our Place Society
Greater Vancouver Food Bank Society	Longterm Inmates Now in the Community (LINC)	Oxfam Canada
Greater Vancouver Society to Bridge Arts and Community	Lookout Emergency Aid Society	Pacific Community Resources Society
Greater Victoria Citizens Counselling Centre	Match International Centre	Pacific Immigrant Resources Society
Habitat for Humanity Greater Vancouver	Mennonite Central Committee BC	Parkgate Community Services Society
Heart and Stroke Foundation of British Columbia and Yukon		

Pathways Clubhouse Society of Richmond	South Granville Seniors Friendship Centre Society	Vancouver Chamber Choir
Peninsula Streams Society	SPARC BC Society	Vancouver Coastal Health Authority
Performing Arts Lodge (PAL) Vancouver	Spectrum Society for Community Living	Vancouver Folk Music Festival Society
Pivot Foundation	Stephen Lewis Foundation	Vancouver Homework Club Society
Planned Lifetime Advocacy Network (PLAN)	Stream of Dreams Murals Society	Vancouver Island University Foundation
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Supported philanthropy has been carried out without any administration fees, ensuring that 100% of the donations can work in community.

In addition to Vancity Community Foundation's own program grants and disbursements from Donor Advised Funds, we also receive more immediate donations, where we issue tax receipts to donors and forward funds to other charities. To date, this supported philanthropy program has been carried out without any additional administration fees from Vancity Community Foundation, helping direct these contributions right toward work in the community. By far, the largest source of these grant dollars has been through Vancity, who centralize administration of their various granting programs to local charitable organizations by advancing funds through the Foundation. Our ever-expanding *Vancity VISA Rewards Plus* donation program also provides an avenue for any Vancity VISA card holder to directly donate their Reward Points, either to our Foundation's own programs, an existing Donor Advised Fund, or directly to another Canadian registered charity.

Donors ask us to take on this role for a variety of reasons; they may wish to remain anonymous, they may wish the Foundation to choose the recipient of their philanthropy, or they may wish to simplify their giving by having the Foundation disburse their funds to a variety of charities.

In 2015 we disbursed over \$4 million grant dollars to community organizations through this supported philanthropy program.

Greater Vancouver Community Assistance Foundation (GVCAF)

While originally incorporated in the mid 1990's, this related entity has become more active in the past few years, operating as a separate non-profit tax exempt organization which is not a federally registered charity. This society carries out a number of innovative activities and provides support for initiatives which benefit the community.

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At Vancity Community Foundation, we are fortunate to have a dedicated, passionate, and tireless group of people, who embody the true essence of together, more becomes possible.

In 2015, our Foundation became the home for the charitable work associated with the **BC Poverty Reduction Coalition** and we are proud to have **Trish Garner** and **Omar Chu** join our team. We said goodbye and thanks to **Johanna Li**, Specialist, Strategic Programs, as she moved on to pursue another opportunity with one of our community partners. In our Homeless Partnering

Strategy team, we welcomed **Liam McLellan** to the crew and were pleased to have **Mariah Hodgins** join us while **Shauna Cornes** took time off to welcome the first new addition to her family! In our Surrey Homelessness and Housing team, **Sandra Yip** took some time to grow her family by one more and we welcomed **Stephanie Shardlow** as Specialist, Fund Development.

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Thank you to our devoted, volunteer Board of Directors who continue to support the mission, vision, and values of this amazing organization.

In 2015 we said goodbye to Board member **Lily Grewal** and want to thank her for her time and personal dedication to our Board team.

At the same time, we were fortunate to welcome **Dean Fortin, Lynda Gray, Marta Becker,** and **Virginia Weiler.**

Collectively, our Board of Directors bring a wealth of community expertise to our Board table. Visit our website to learn more about these amazing individuals.

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