



Grand Bend Community Foundation

all for community.



Judy McDonald Board Chair

Message from Our Chair

Let me start by saying thank you to our volunteers, donors, and partners that have all worked together to make 2016 another successful year for our community.

We are pleased to provide our community report for 2016. This year we made grants and flow through funds of \$127,000 to 26 different charities and projects. Since our inception we have now made grants totaling more than 1.3 million dollars.

We remain focused on our work supporting initiatives that will improve the lives of all residents of our community.

This year we were pleased to be able to participate in a matching funds program for Canada's 150 birthday. This funding program offered to match our foundations grants for projects focused on Canada 150 Celebrations in 2016-2017. We were delighted to receive and provide funds for 8 different celebration projects, including the 2016 Rotary Community stage opening celebrations.

Hank Winters, our current Past Chair and Harlie Johnson will retire from the board in 2017 and I wish to express my personal thanks to them both for their strong leadership as chair and treasurer. Their energy and enthusiasm will be greatly missed.

We are driven by our vision of Grand Bend's future. A vision of a strong and sustainable community which balances the needs of our young families, our seniors, our seasonal and our full time residents. Much has been done to achieve this vision, but much remains to be done, and the opportunities are exciting.

We hope that the stories and reports in this annual report will inspire you to join our efforts to create a bright future for Greater Grand Bend area.

Board Chair

Grants to our community

Meeting Diverse needs

Blg brothers Big Sisters South Huron -Pinery trip

Rotary Community Stage -Opening night

Ausable Heritage Tree Festival



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Grand Bend Beach Accessibility project Rotary Community Stage (year 2) Scouts Canada (Zurich) 5000 Trees Project MS society Big Brothers Big Sisters South Huron GBYC Sailing School

Friends of Pinery – Trail Wheelchair Grand Bend Art Centre Diabetic Kids Camp Grand Bend Art Centre Junior Achievement Grand Bend Health Centre Drayton Youth Theatre school program Lambton Kent District School Board

Grants 2016

Municipality Of Lambton SHores

Jamboree 2017 Klondyke project Grand Bend Bike Ride Big Bunch & school mentoring Big Brothers Big Sisters (Funded by the LCF Canada Games fund)

GB School Music program 2016-2017

Creative writing classes Grand Bend Public school Community Seminar

Funds from MJ Muma Bursary 2 students

Celebrate CANADA 150 -Matching grants provided by Government of Canada and The Canadian Community Foundation
Grand Bend Art Centre - Rotary Community Stage Opening Event
Ausable Heritage Tree Festival
Algarva 150 Mentally Challenged Day
Summer Sunset Sounds Canada 150Lambton Mosaic Project
Huron Barn Quilt trails
Turtley Awesome Scavenger Hunt
Songs of Canada (Exeter Elementary School)

12 charities and projects were also provided with flow through funds from our generous donors.

"It's all about making a real difference in the lives of the residents of our communities"

-Judy McDonald Chair-

Big Bunch Bowling Night - Big Brothers Big Sisters

Lambton Shores Nature Trails -Ausable Floating Dock

Grand Bend Summer Sunset Sounds Gran



Grand Bend Foundation Donors 2016

Brian & Irene Hall Paul Turnbull Catherine Campbell Jim & Jacquie Southcott Donna & Jack Southcott Hank & Nancy Winters Dr. Liam & Wendy O'Connor Tom & Beverly Prout Jacqui Krech Bob & Kitty Illman Andy Spriet Sheldon Aaron Joanne Maguire David & Anne Bannister Wallace Dejardine Shirley Andraza Maureen Cole - South Huron Community Fund Scott Currie - South Huron Community Fund Medway Homes Estate Elizabeth Mackay Beta Theta Grand Bend Grand Bend Exercise group Anne Wilton PineDale Motor Inn Chris & Brian Thompson Ron & Lynda Holmes Rhonda Manore Judy McDonald

In memory donations:

Bill Harvey Dick Manore

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Flow through Donors 2016

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Grand Bend Art Centre Peter Janzen Lois Wallis Dan Sageman Wendy Jennison Janet Ferguson Stephanie Donaldson John & Gayle Dehondt GB Legion #498 Hay Communications Ken Reidy Smackwater Jacks Pinedale Motor Inn West Coast Lions Club **Bill Green** Stephanie Donaldson Carol B Mills **Rick & Lisa Frayne** David Campbell Shirley Andraza MaryLynn & Don Hill **Bob Sharen** Robert Gordon Hutchinson Ed & Judy Fluter

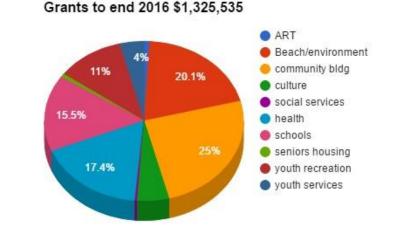
Hern Family Anne Near Bruce Hough Art Lake Doreen McHarg Bruce Hough Sea Jewels

Flow through Donations allow donors to provide funds directly to local or national charities through the foundation.

Grant story : Grand Bend Rotary Community Stage

The music was tragically cut short on Canada Day in 1981, when a fire devastated the casino, but now, fittingly, in celebration of Canada's sesquicentennial, it has been brought back. A new stage has been built – the result of a true community 'barn-raising', with contributions from over 90 individual donors, 8 different community groups, and 16 businesses. In total, \$250,000 was raised to construct the building, including a Canada 150 infrastructure grant from the Government of Canada.

The community of Grand Bend gathered on June 12 to mark the opening of the community stage, and to launch the Canada 150 celebrations in the community. The free community event saw community members and volunteers gather on lawn chairs to enjoy the beautiful weather and local music.



"This project is a wonderful example of how our community comes together." says Rotarian Jim Southcott. "The Community Foundation supported Rotary with the Stage project right from the start"

"Then a matching funds grant was provided by the foundation and Canada 150 to support the opening celebrations. "The opening events were a great launch to Canada's upcoming 150th birthday."



Establishing a Fund, a gift that gives forever

Endowment funds make a difference in the community year after year. We are grateful to all who have established funds in the Grand Bend Community Foundation and continue to contribute to these funds.

Grand Bend Area Funds

The Grand Bend Community FundThe SoutThe Grand Bend Community Growth FundThe ProuThe Relouw Endowment FundThe ProuThe M J Muma Endowment Fund(Photo: TheThe Sabourin Family Endowment FundBrian and Irene Hall Endowment FundThe Catherine Campbell Endowment FundThe Environment Legacy FundThe Hay Communications FundKrech Family FundThe Stephanie and Ted Donaldson Family FundThe James Southcott Family FundThe James Southcott Family FundThe Arts

South Huron Funds

The South Huron Community Fund The Prout Family Fund.

(Photo: The Prout Family)



Bringing people and causes together in the Greater Grand Bend Area.

Photo: Grant Grand Bend Christmas Decor project.



Board Members, Volunteers, Community Members and Donors

- "Caring people collaborating to build an inclusive, sustainable community"



Volunteers

Our Board of Directors

Judy McDonald (Board chair) Hank Winters (Past chair) Harlie Johnston (treasurer & chair finance) Shirley Andraza (secretary) Penny Nelligan (chair grants committee) Stephanie Donaldson (director) Janette Baillie (director) Mike Burgess (director) Tim Sweet (director) Brian Hall (director) John Dehont (director)



Committee Members & Advisors

Jim Southcott (committee member) Pat Morden (committee member) Lynda Hillman Rapley (committee member) Chris Thompson (committee member) Bob Illman (committee member) Cam Ivey (committee member)

Lynda Hillman Rapley (Board advisor) Pat Morden (Board advisor)

The South Huron Community Fund Committee Members,



Financial management.

Making a difference through strong financial management <u>Our returns:</u>

2016 annual return on the foundation's investments4.9 %Average return over the past 5 years is 6.8 %, past 10 years is 5.0 %Our grants:In 2016 our total grants paid out were\$ 126,837Since inception our total grants (to end of 2016)\$ 1,325,535

Our administration:

As a percentage of funds managed our administrative costs are under 2.0 %



Supported by Business & Community

Some thing's we could not do without your help.

Vodden Bender Seebach LLC, Clinton The Lakeshore Advance Grand Bend and Area Community Health Centre, TD Canada Trust

Hay Communications

-As our Audit service

- Story & picture publications
- Meeting space
- As our Bankers

-Web hosting services

Royal Canadian Legion

St.Johns by the Lake Anglican Church

- Meeting space
- Meeting space

Thank you for your participation in our work of enriching our community and bringing our community together.



How you Can Make a Difference - 1. Volunteer 2. Donate 3. Leave a Bequest 4. Establish a fund Why Give to Grand Bend Community Foundation

- We are a local organization with deep roots in the community
- We support a wide range of local organizations and initiatives
- We build permanent funds that help our community forever
- We multiply the impact of donations by leveraging other gifts
- We bring the whole community together to make great things happen
- We are transparent and credible stewards
- We work with donors to align their vision with the community's needs
- We think long-term

Ways to Give back to your community.

- Volunteer
- Cash gifts, annually or as a lump sum,
- Donation of Shares,
- Gifts of life insurance
- Bequests through a will
- Flow through charity donations

To contact us or donate.

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