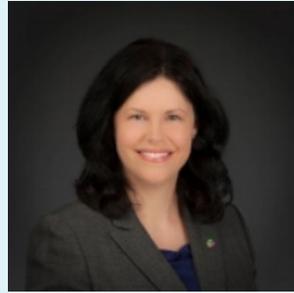


# EXECUTIVE MESSAGE



For the past 43 years, The Community Foundation has remained committed to our mission – to serve as trustee of gifts, support charitable organizations, and inspire community leadership throughout Greater Saint John.

Since 1976, we have seen our assets grow to nearly \$17 million and we have granted over \$9 million to support local charities and students.

2017-2018 saw the highest donation total, \$1,982,487, ever received in a fiscal year.

Another highlight from the past year was the introduction of seven new funds, as highlighted on the next page.

We welcomed a new member to the staff team with Trisha Erb, The Foundation's Executive Assistant.

Sadly, the term of our Chair, Mr. John L. Travis, has now concluded. John has been a Director with The Foundation since 2010, representing the Investment Industry Regulatory Organization of Canada (IIROC) and has served as Vice-Chair as well. Fortunately, we are not losing John completely, as he transitions to Immediate Past-Chair for one year.

The Foundation remains in excellent hands as Ms. Michelle Thibodeau-Coates begins her two-year term as Chair. Ms. Thibodeau-Coates has been with the Foundation since February of 2014. She is currently the Stakeholder Relations Manager with Emera New Brunswick.

Leadership changes and evolves, as it should, but our one constant is our donors. We value each donor, past and present, and thank you for allowing us to serve Greater Saint John.

*Kelly Evans*

Kelly Evans  
Executive Director



# NEW FUNDS

## The Elmer and Jean Thompson Family Bursary Fund

Established in memory of long-time residents of Dipper Harbour, NB and supporters of the Greater Saint John area, Elmer Russell Thompson and Jean Isabell Elizabeth Thompson, as well as S. Elmer Thompson and Maurice R. "Larry" Thompson, this permanent endowment fund will support graduates of Saint John High who are pursuing post-secondary education.

## The Friars Family 'Celebrate' Fund

The Friars Family is well known throughout Greater Saint John as advocates for many charitable causes. To ensure that their legacy of 'Let's Celebrate' will continue forever, the Family has established a permanent endowment fund, which will be used to support the work and progress of the priority neighborhoods in Greater Saint John.



## The GSJ Health & Wellness Fund

A local charity that had chosen to dissolve, and who wishes to remain anonymous, transferred all remaining assets to The Community Foundation in September of 2018. Going forward, the income from this fund shall be used in support of local charitable organizations that provide, support or promote health and/or wellness or related activities in the Greater Saint John area.

## The Juanita L. Black Bursary Fund

Juanita Black is a tireless and unwavering advocate. She has spent her entire adult life helping to develop solutions to reduce the barriers for those experiencing generational poverty in her community of Crescent Valley and beyond to the priority neighborhoods within Saint John. Her fund will award bursaries to graduates from Crescent Valley/Anglin Drive who are pursuing post-secondary education.



## The Saint John Arts Centre Fund

The Saint John Arts Centre advances the culture and economy of Greater Saint John, by providing critical infrastructure for the growth and development of the arts. The Arts Centre believes in creating a lasting legacy and all earnings from their permanent endowment fund will be used to help fund the needs and work of the Centre.

## The Senior Watch Bursary Fund

Senior Watch Inc. provides compassionate, personalized in-home and in-hospital senior care, 24/7 in the Saint John area. They have established The Senior Watch Bursary Fund to provide one or more bursaries to students pursuing post-secondary education in relation to caring for vulnerable elderly citizens in an at-home setting.

## The Teen Resource Centre Fund

The TRC is a registered charity established in 2002 that provides a free, safe and encouraging environment that inspires youth between the ages of 12-24 to reach their full potential. Income from this permanent endowment fund shall be used in support of the Centre.

# OUR YEAR IN GRANTING

Each year we grant funds through a regular schedule; the Community Service Awards, Smart & Caring Grants, and our Anniversary Grant. Here is a brief overview of the grants awarded in 2017-2018:

## Community Service Award – Individual

David Alston - A true entrepreneur and innovator, who has garnered widespread visibility and profile for Saint John, the province and the entire Atlantic region. His \$5,000 award was granted to The NB First Foundation.

## Community Service Award – Group

Moms in Gear are a very close-knit group of women who share more than their love of hockey. Their dedication to personal fitness as well as financial and emotional contributions to improving physical and mental health, are deserving of recognition with this Community Service Award. Their \$5,000 award was granted to Saint Joseph's Hospital Foundation in memory of a lost team member, Dr. Cindy McCormick.



## Smart & Caring Grants

Each June, The Community Foundation distributes our Smart & Caring Grants to successful applicants within Greater Saint John. The applications are assessed based on their alignment with our mission and vision, as well as identified community needs.

For 2017-2018, The Foundation received over \$611,000 in funding requests and awarded just over \$506,000 to various community groups.

## Anniversary Grant

Handed out each year in October, we awarded the \$42,000 Anniversary Grant to the New Brunswick Youth Orchestra in support of the Saint John Youth Orchestra program.



Grants of \$4,200 were also given to Crescent Valley Resource Centre and The OneChange Inc. for their applications to the Anniversary Grant competition.



Above: Ken MacLeod and Cesar Suarez from NBYO accept the 2018 Anniversary Grant

# Financials 2017-2018

	2017-2018	2016-2017
Assets	\$ 16,626,518	\$ 15,235,967
Donations to Foundation	\$ 1,982,487	\$ 473,268
Expenditures		
Operating expenses	\$ 319,094	\$ 271,382
Grants awarded to local charities	\$ 1,487,281	\$ 625,459
Investment management fees	\$ 74,534	\$ 72,477
Total expenditures	\$ 1,880,909	\$ 969,318
Administration expenses	__%	1.8%
Total number of funds	83	76
Fund balance (at year end)	\$ 16,606,920	\$15,219,202

We have met the disbursement quota as set by the Canada Revenue Agency. A complete set of audited financial statements are available on our website or at the Foundation office.

It is with special thanks to our donors that we supported over 60 community initiatives and 50 students this past fiscal year.



KV Oasis Youth Centre members receive Smart & Caring Grant from Executive Director, Kelly Evans

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