



WEST VANCOUVER
FOUNDATION



Celebrating 40 years of local generosity

"Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world. Indeed, it is the only thing that ever has." - Margaret Mead

Philanthropy

Grants

Leadership

REPORT

from the Chair



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The West Vancouver Foundation acknowledges that the land on which we live and work is the unceded traditional territories of the xwməθkwəyəm (Musqueam), Skwxwú7mesh (Squamish), and Səlilwataʔ/Selilwitulh (Tsleil-Waututh) Nations and we are grateful for the opportunity to do so.

Community foundations have three key priorities

- to provide a trusted place for local, generous and thoughtful people to house their financial gifts
- to ensure that those gifts are used as grants (now or forever) that will improve the quality of life locally
- to provide thought leadership on issues of the day through research and collaboration.

I am delighted to report that your community foundation is moving the dial in all three areas.

In less than a decade, you have trusted us with a growing portfolio from which to gift; from a modest \$2.5 million we have grown to over \$17 million now. As we grow, we can deliver more into the community through grants and scholarships.

The third element has an increasing importance in this time of community growth and change. There are big issues in our world and some we can impact locally. Our *Vital Signs* research is widely used by community leaders plus we are convening and leading conversations with people who can truly make West Vancouver a better place. Expect more good work in this area.

New initiatives such as the Neighbour Grants Program bring groups together with ideas as wide ranging as a block party to building a community garden.

Personally, I could not be happier with the team at the West Vancouver Foundation. Adine Mees, CEO, has helped us move from strength to strength over the past two years. We are grateful for our knowledgeable and community-focused team of Susan Beck, Denise Howell, Christine McDonald and Elaine McHarg.

And you couldn't ask for a better board—thoughtful, intelligent and accomplished. Each one brings gifts of time, talent, and treasure to your Foundation. A special thank you to Audrey Sojonky, who will be retiring from the board this year, for her leadership on the Governance Committee.

You can be confident that the Foundation is run to a highly professional standard and we are ready to talk to you about your hopes and dreams for this unique place we call home. On a personal note, I must say how much enjoyment I have had funding projects from my own Compelling Opportunities Fund. I invite you to contribute in your own way and experience the same joy!

We do a lot. We can do even more together!

Yours with gratitude,
Nancy Farran, Chair
April 2019

Living local, giving local

In 1978, Mayor Derrick Humphreys appointed a special committee to explore the possibility of creating a charitable foundation that would inspire and steward local philanthropy for local benefit. A year later, in September 1979, the first meeting of the Board of Directors was convened with Mayor Derrick Humphreys, Mr. Frank Griffiths, Jr. (for his father), Mr. Charlie Hopkins, Mr. Bill Hyndman, Mr. David Mathieson, Mrs. Kay Meek, Mrs. Mary Pattison, Mr. Gordon Rowntree, and Mrs. Shirley Sager. Their legacy is profound. In partnership with donors, more than \$4 million has been granted to community projects and organizations.

The West Vancouver Foundation is now one of 191 Canadian community foundations and part of a world-wide movement of local philanthropy. These foundations provide a stable source of funding through permanent endowment funds that permit members of the community to assess changing needs and allocate financial support where the need is greatest.

Gifts, big and small: The founding families

From 1979–1989, the West Vancouver Foundation was seeded by the founding donors: Mr. Moh Faris, Mr. Frank Griffiths, the Lawson Family, Mrs. Kay Meek, Mr. Jim Pattison, Mr. J. W. Poole, Mr. David Spencer, Mr. and Mrs. C. Sorenson, the WV Visual Arts Society, the estates of Mrs. Winnifred Gibson and Mr. Roy Wrigley and our founding corporate partner British Pacific Properties.

Legacy gift creates a turning point

In 2014 the Foundation received its largest gift to date through the estate of Mr. Howard Martin, a West Vancouver resident, developer and philanthropist. The Howard Martin Memorial Fund was established with a \$3.6 million gift and the income earned from this fund is directed towards local projects and programs which address our community's greatest needs.

The ripple effect

In 2019, West Vancouverites Ian and Rosemary Mottershead established and seeded the Ian and Rosemary Mottershead Endowment Fund with a \$1 million gift. Familiar with community foundations, the Mottersheads chose to transition their family foundation to a higher impact, lower administration, donor advised fund with the West Vancouver Foundation.

We are honoured that the Mottershead family has chosen to partner with the Foundation with a gift that will have lasting impact on the community and residents of the North Shore. Ian and Rosemary's love of community has inspired their philanthropy and we are proud to help them continue to build this legacy.

It is thanks to the original vision of Mayor Humphreys, the ripple effect created by the generosity of the founding families and residents like Howard Martin and Ian & Rosemary Mottershead, that the West Vancouver Foundation now manages assets of more than \$17 million, making it the largest in the Sea to Sky region.

Adine Mees, CEO
April 2019

"For some years, we have been observing the West Vancouver Community Foundation, with growing confidence in their leadership and management. Our objective in establishing the Ian & Rosemary Mottershead Fund at the West Vancouver Foundation is to have them support charitable giving in the areas of interest that previously we would have done ourselves. Also, we hope that we may possibly stimulate further growth in their assets so that they can accomplish even more in our community."

Ian Mottershead

Inspired by generosity



INAUGURAL DONORS

Mr. Frank Griffiths
Mrs. Kay (Norgan) Meek
Mr. Jim Pattison
Mr. J.W. Poole
Sorenson Family
David Spencer
WV Visual Arts Society

DECENNIAL DONORS

British Pacific Properties
Mr. Moh Faris
Lawson Family
Estate of Mrs. Winnifred Gibsons
Estate of Mr. Roy Wrigley

First grant
\$400

Scholarships
launched



BOARD CHAIRS

Tom Baillie 1999-2001
 Jo-Ann Wood 2001-04
 Bruce Milley 2004-06
 Byron Hender 2006-08

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Helen Vanee 2008-10
 Gerry Humphries 2010-14
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 Nancy Farran 2016-present

2009

2019

MAJOR GIFTS & FUNDS

William Patrick Memorial Fund

North Shore Rescue Fund
 WV United Church Fund

MAJOR GIFTS & FUNDS

Bonnie McLaren Memorial Fund
 Howard Martin Memorial Fund

Via Sport: Aboriginal Youth Sport 2010
 Legacy Fund
 Harvests Project Fund
 NS 100 Women Who Care Fund
 Paul Sugar Palliative Foundation

MAJOR GIFTS & FUNDS

Ian & Rosemary Mottershead Fund

WVF youth council
 launched (2004)

Smart and Caring
 Community Fund
 Established



WV Neighbourhood
 grants launched

Governor General
 Johnston visits



First Vital Conversations &
VitalSigns.
 Report

TEDxYouth
 West Vancouver
 led by Youth Philanthropy
 Council

Funds

The West Vancouver Foundation offers a full range of fund options to meet the needs of individuals, families, groups and other charitable organizations. The funds we manage support a broad range of programs, projects, and initiatives across the arts, education, health, community service or the environment.

DISCRETIONARY FUNDS

Adine Mees & David Van Seters Family Fund
Denning - Chunn Family Fund
Fred/k E. Russell Fund
Hender Family Fund
Howard Martin Memorial Fund
Irene Carpenter Fund
Mrs Kay Meek Fund
Thunderbird Marine Corp Fund
Caring Community Endowment Fund

Discretionary funds provide for grants as determined through our Community Granting program each year. There are nine discretionary funds, the largest of which is the Howard Martin Fund.

Market value
\$3,750,600

DONOR ADVISED

Donor advised funds are usually established by individuals, families and groups who would like to be actively involved in granting decisions. These are a simple solution to a private family foundation.

Market value
\$1,627,857

100 Women Who Care Endowment Fund
100 Women Who Care Spend Down Fund
365 Give
Aboriginal Youth Sport Legacy Funds
Bird Family Fund
Bonnie J McLaren Memorial Fund
Bradley T Bowles Scholarship Fund
British Pacific Properties Scholarship Fund

Compelling Opportunities Fund
Daphne Nicholson Charitable Foundation
Faris Family Scholarship Fund
Music Matters Fund
Musica Nautica Fund
Small B Family Fund
Tom & Judy Baillie Fund

DONOR DESIGNATED

Black Creek Old Growth Environmental Fund
Capilano Rugby Club Building on Success Fund
Danny Possee Memorial Fund
Donald & Marjorie Lanskill Fund
Ernie and Audrey Kershaw Memorial Fund
Gertrude and Christina Lawson Scholarship Fund
Holly & Beke Burne Fund
James A. Inkster Leadership Award Fund
James Inkster A. Award Fund
Jeremy Dalton Rugby Fund
Jerry Beckerman Memorial Fund
Joshua Goos Memorial Fund
Linda Harrison Youth Fund

Mayor's Endowment Fund
North Shore Field Hockey Facilities Fund
Robertson Taylor Fund
Ron and Barbara Howard Fund
Trajan James Martin Memorial Scholarship
WV Artists Fund Endowment
WV Nature House Fund
WV Public Art Fund
WV Football Club Facilities Fund
WVSC Mark Steven Memorial Scholarship Fund
Youth Philanthropy Council Endowment Fund
Youth Philanthropy Council Spend Down Fund

Donor designated funds are granted to specific, named charities.

Market value
\$1,894,608

Donors and agency partners have access to a host of charitable giving resources – including the Foundation’s knowledgeable staff – for timely, personal advice and assistance about charitable giving and planning. Funds are listed in alphabetical order by the first word in the fund name. Market Values as of December 31, 2018. For full financial information and fund details please visit westvanfoundation.ca.
Charitable Registration number 13217 1679 RR0001.

AGENCY FUNDS

Enhanced Learning Opportunities Fund (WVSD45)
First Aid Ski Patrol Fund
Gift of Music Fund (WVSD45)
Harvest Project Endowment Fund
Harvest Project Spend Down Fund
Kurt Kirmse Memorial Fund (WVSD45)
North Shore Keep Well Society
North Shore Rescue Team Endowment Fund
North Shore Rescue Team Spend Down Fund
North Shore Stroke Recovery Centre
Paul Sugar Palliative Support Foundation
Robert K Iwata Fund (WVSD45)

Rotary Club Sunrise Fund
Sheila Tripp Memorial Fund (WVSD45)
St. Francis in the Wood
Tim Jones Legacy Fund
WV Marine Rescue Society Fund
WV Place for Sport Fund (WVSD45)
WV Police Department Fund
WV United Church Permanent Trust Funds
WV United Church Endowment Fund
WV Youth Band

Agency funds are managed on behalf of a registered charity that are seeking to benefit from professional support and create a stable source of permanent income. The foundation accepts donations on behalf of these organizations.

Market value
\$6,701,629

EMERGING FUNDS

Howe Sound Biosphere Region Initiative
Kay Meek Arts Centre Development Fund
Michael & Marilyn Leckie Endowment Fund
WV Art Museum Fund
WV Art Museum Permanent Fund

Emerging funds allow a donor to make contributions over a period of time to reach \$10,000 for a permanent fund.

Market value
\$14,905

CAPACITY BUILDING

Capacity Building funds support the administration and growth of the Foundation

Market value
\$1,369,258

William Patrick Memorial Fund
WVCF Administration Fund
WVCF Grant Stabilization Fund
WVCF Capacity Building & Growth Fund
WVCF Capacity Building and Growth Unrestricted Capital

Donate to an existing fund or establish a new one - the choice is yours!

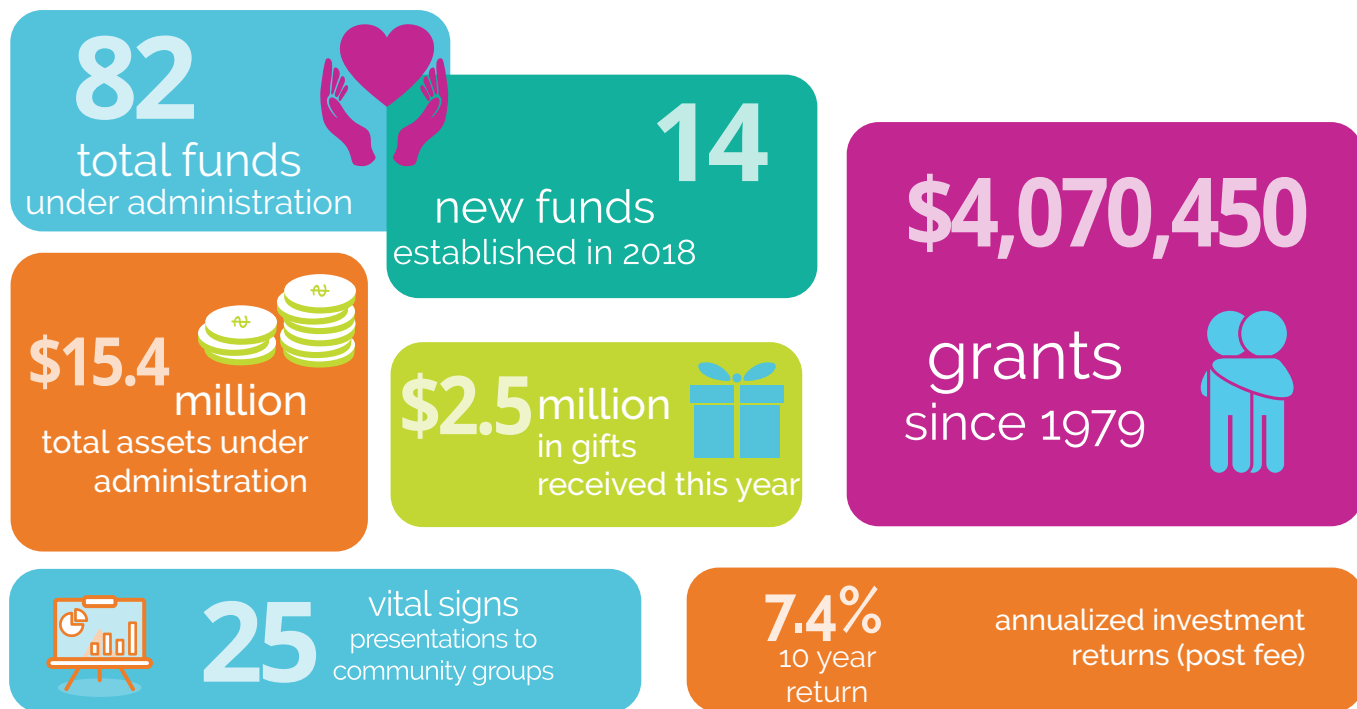
Helping you support the causes that you are passionate about is what we do best. Make a gift to any of the specific funds listed, or to the Caring Community Endowment Fund to support the community broadly. Should you prefer to set up a new fund, we can tailor it to the specific interests and needs of you, your family, organization, or company. To discover the power of your generosity email mylegacy@westvanfoundation.ca.

Highlights

2018

2018 was a year of redesign and growth for the West Vancouver Foundation. In consultation with our fundholders and with an understanding based on research, our grants program was realigned to focus on areas where we believe our donors can have the greatest impact. We also expanded the Honourary Governors' Council recognizing community leaders.

For more highlights, or to view the West Vancouver Foundation 2018 audited financial statements, please visit westvanfoundation.ca. The Foundation provides careful stewardship of the funds given over to our care.



THANK YOU TO OUR 2018 PARTNERS



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Founding Corporate Partner
& Vital Signs Partner

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