



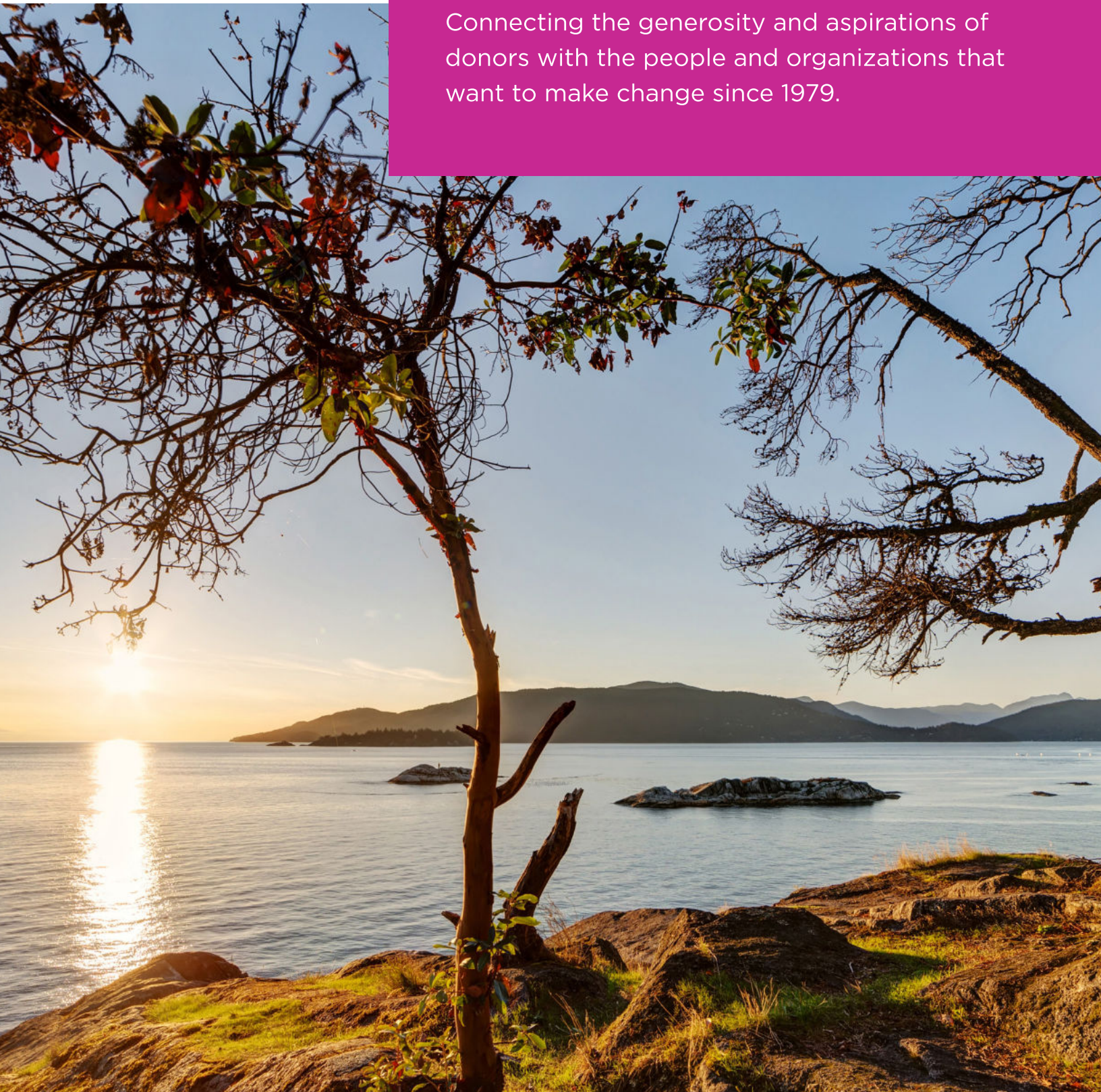
**WEST VANCOUVER  
FOUNDATION**



# Highlights Report

2022

Connecting the generosity and aspirations of donors with the people and organizations that want to make change since 1979.



# Message from the Chair

2022 allowed us the freedom to emerge from the cloud of COVID and I am pleased to share the highlights from the year for the Foundation.

We celebrated Adine Mees' retirement and welcomed Rob Gloor as our new CEO. We also said goodbye to Geoff Jopson and Nancy Farran, both past chairs, after 11 years of service on the Board. Rob quickly found his stride and has been driving forward our purpose of belonging, supported by our passionate and highly capable team at the Foundation. We said goodbye to Elaine McHarg in the Fall.

2022 saw challenging times for the investment markets, with negative reactions to the war with Russia in Ukraine and the significant increase in inflation triggering the need for central banks to raise interest rates. Despite this backdrop, with the work of our investment manager, Leith Wheeler, and generous new donations, our assets maintained a level a little over \$27 million after grants, enabling us to sustain our impact on the community.

Thankfully we were able to spend more time in person and hear stories at Board meetings from many of our grant recipients including the amazing work of the Family Services of the North Shore supported by the Foundation and the beneficiary of our youth Act of Kindness event, creating gifts for youth in need in our community which were shared at the Christmas Bureau in North Vancouver. We also heard from the West Vancouver Police with an update on their inspiring 'Pulling Together Canoe Journey'.

Our committees have been hard at work, with a particular focus on ESG (Environmental, Social and Governance), ensuring good practice is embedded in our investments and our activities in the community with our support for the Canadian Philanthropy Commitment on Climate Change pledge and a key focus on Justice Equity Diversity and Inclusion.

I continue to be inspired by the efforts and achievements of our Youth Philanthropy Council. YPC held three 100 Youth Who Care events during the school year and were able to return to meeting in person. They have over 40 youth in attendance and a very positive vibe in the room as they mingle and chat after their formal events - its so encouraging to see the bonds developed amongst youth from different schools as they come together to make an impact. The cochairs recently received community recognition for their efforts, with a youth award from the District.

A very rewarding year in times of change.

**Naomi Denning**



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## Land Acknowledgment

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# About the Foundation

We've been connecting the generosity and aspirations of donors with the people and organizations that want to make change since 1979. Together, we share a commitment to more vibrant, healthy and caring communities. In addition to our staff, we have many community members that volunteer their time for roles such as the Board of Directors, Grants Committees, Scholarships Committee and the Finance Committee - thank you to the many volunteers!

### OUR PURPOSE

An unwavering commitment to community and to a future where everyone belongs. We believe in a future that is bright, just and sustainable with the resources to ensure a vibrant quality of life for generations to come.

### INSPIRING GENEROSITY

We provide donors with access to the expertise and resources they need to create a meaningful approach to their giving.

### WHAT WE DO

As a community foundation, we understand the North Shore and the Greater Sea to Sky region - from the local issues and needs to the people and organizations doing the best work to address these issues. Using information gleaned from our Vital Signs research and experience, you can trust us to help you make a significant impact.

### OUR DONORS

Thanks to donations from local philanthropists & community members we were able to fund 105 grants in 2022, for over \$606,000 to charities supporting those on the North Shore.

Many of these grants were made from Donor Advised Funds, a popular way to give at the West Vancouver Foundation. Donor Advised Funds enable individuals and families to establish a charitable fund, receive a donation tax receipt and then recommend grants over time. Grants can be made to any registered Canadian charity.

*"We are deeply grateful to the West Vancouver Foundation for supporting our Indigenous Cultures Program this past year through the generous gift of an anonymous donor."*

- Karen, Vancouver Art Gallery



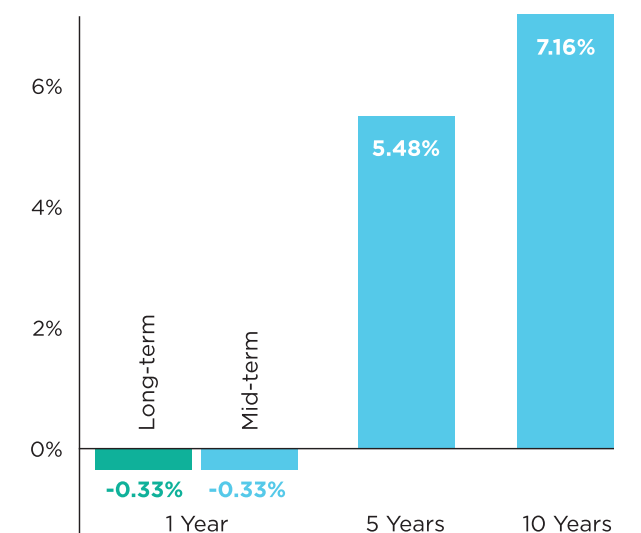
Thank you donors & volunteers

## 2022 Highlights



## INVESTMENT PERFORMANCE

To December 31, 2022 (% annualized)



Long term portfolio was established in 2019.

Audited financial statements are available on our website at [westvanfoundation.ca](https://westvanfoundation.ca)

# Grants in 2022

2022 saw one of our biggest granting years with 105 grants being issued for a total of \$606,996 to charities that are working to transform lives on the North Shore. An additional \$265k was also granted through our funds.

## COMMUNITY & DONOR ADVISED

49 GRANTS | \$357,500

## GIVE WHERE YOU LIVE

8 GRANTS | \$195,936

## TRANSFORMATION

1 GRANT | \$25,000

## NEIGHBOURHOOD

33 GRANTS | \$15,560

## MICRO & YOUTH PHILANTHROPY

14 GRANTS | \$13,000

\$606,996

through grant programs

\$872k  
in grants



IMPACT STORY

## FEED THE NEED

The West Vancouver Seniors' Activity Centre's meal program began as the COVID-19 pandemic brought to light a genuine need among this community's most vulnerable seniors, who lacked the means to access regular meals. The Feed the Need Fund was established by the West Vancouver Foundation with an initial \$100,000 match donation provided by the Ian and Rosemary Mottershead Fund at the Foundation. The program continues to operate thanks to donations from the public and continued support from the Ian and Rosemary Mottershead Fund and currently serves 260 meals per week, improving many lives.

## Youth Philanthropy Council

The Youth Philanthropy Council (YPC), is a passionate group of West Vancouver students dedicated to developing leadership and next-gen philanthropy through youth-led grant making and volunteerism.

### 100 YOUTH WHO CARE

In 2022, the YPC granted a total of \$9,000 to eight charities over the course of the 3 events held during 2022. Various charities were invited to pitch at these events to highlight their financial need. These charities help support Social Well-being, Mental Health & Vulnerable Youth within the community.

### ACT OF KINDNESS

In December 2022, the YPC came together once again to make extensive holiday gifts & cards for those less fortunate in and around West Van.

### MEMBERS

Naomi Denning (WVF Board Liaison), Justin Yoo (WVF Director), Frank Lu, Ella Thompson, Zoe Da Roza, Priyanka Chopra, Isabella Pejman, Emma Chunn, Ella van der Werff, Alexa Hartvikson, Christina Zhang.

## Vital Signs Report

Vital Signs uses local knowledge to measure the vitality of a community and support action towards improving collective quality of life. Local data gathered through the program is used to support evidence-based, locally-relevant solutions to improve the quality of life at the community level.

The 2022 Vital Signs report reflects the opinions of over five hundred North Shore residents who shared their unique perspectives and impressions through survey answers and open-format comments. Their responses provide a snapshot of life now, encompassing pressing issues, and hopes and dreams for the future.



# Give Where You Live

**Give Where You Live** is an exciting giving campaign that empowers community members to join others in West Vancouver & the North Shore in supporting a select group of local charities. The 2022 campaign raised \$195,000 through community donations, the Ian & Rosemary Mottershead Fund, and the Howard Martin Memorial Fund! 100% of these funds go direct to the 8 charity partners.

*"We were thrilled to be able to take part in the Give Where You Live campaign, as more and more women are recovering from addictions and the additional funds will help us support these North Shore women and families."*

- Kelly, Manager, Avalon Recovery Society

### AVALON RECOVERY SOCIETY

**Addiction Counselling Programs | \$24,550 raised**

Providing life-changing services to women and families that are recovering from addiction.

### CHRISTMAS BUREAU

**Family Services of the North Shore | \$16,485 raised**

Helping low-income families, individuals and seniors celebrate the holidays on the North Shore.

### HARVEST PROJECT

**Care Program | \$21,631 raised**

Providing individualized safety-net services to residents facing challenging life circumstances.

### OCEAN AMBASSADORS CANADA

**Pickup3 North Shore | \$17,990 raised**

A program to get everyone involved in protecting our ocean, lakes, rivers, forests and more.

### NS COMMUNITY RESOURCES

**Supporting Vulnerable Seniors | \$22,220 raised**

Providing a one stop hub of information and services for vulnerable seniors on the North Shore.

### FEED THE NEED PROGRAM

**West Van Seniors Activity Centre | \$62,875 raised**

Providing free meals to seniors who are struggling with food security and without family or community support.



IMPACT STORY

## CHRISTMAS BUREAU

Family Services of the North Shore has gratefully received support from the GIVE WHERE YOU LIVE CAMPAIGN, for their North Shore Christmas Bureau. For over 40 year, the Christmas Bureau has touched the lives of some of the most vulnerable members of our North Shore community. This annual program aims to ensure that a wonderful holiday season is accessible to everyone, regardless of financial circumstances. In 2022, 2,550 individuals living on the North Shore were supported by the Christmas Bureau, including 943 children.

*"I cannot begin to express my thanks and appreciation for your kindness and generosity. It was extremely moving for me and my son was thrilled beyond excitement. To know there are kind humans such as yourselves still in existence in this crazy world is heartwarming. Despite the fact that I don't know you, I will remember you always. Thank you for giving us a Christmas this year."*

- Christmas Bureau Client

### 365GIVE SOCIETY

**Student Leadership Program | \$20,590 raised**

A program based on a community service-learning model that will empower learners to give.

### KAY MEEK ARTS SOCIETY

**Summer Youth Conservatory | \$9,445 raised**

An annual musical theatre intensive for youth from the age of 8 to 18.

**Thank you to everyone who donated** to this community program, you made the holidays a little brighter for so many people on the North Shore

# Fund Summary



We thank each of our new and existing donors for placing your trust in us to effectively manage and steward these funds. The West Vancouver Foundation offers a full range of fund options to meet the needs of individuals, families, groups, and charitable or non-profit organizations. We understand that every donor's experience is unique. Whether its an active donor-advised fund, a bequest in a Will, or fund for your charity, we have flexible fund options that can help you make maximum impact.

## COMMUNITY FUNDS

**Market Value \$676k**

- Caring Community Endowment Fund
- Caring Community Arts Fund
- Caring Community Environment Fund
- Caring Community Health, Wellness, and Safety Fund
- Caring Community Sport & Recreation Fund
- Caring Community Youth Funds (2)
- Mayor's Endowment Fund
- North Shore Emergency Fund

## CAPACITY BUILDING FUNDS

**Market Value \$1.3 million**

- West Vancouver Foundation Capacity Building & Growth Funds (2)
- William R.C. Patrick Memorial Fund

## DISTRICT OF WEST VANCOUVER FUNDS

**Market Value \$458k**

- DWV Arts and Culture Fund
- DWV Environment Fund
- DWV Navy Jack House Project Fund
- DWV Parks Fund
- DWV Youth Fund
- West Vancouver Art Museum (2)
- West Vancouver Police Fund
- West Vancouver Public Art Fund
- West Vancouver Seniors' Activity Centre
- Feed the Need Fund

## INDIVIDUAL & FAMILY FUNDS

**Market Value \$14.2 million**

- Adine Mees and David Van Seters Family Fund
- Armitage Family Fund
- Bird Family Fund
- Bradley T Bowles Scholarship
- Brian and Rose Blamey Fund
- Bonnie J. McLaren Memorial Fund
- Caroline Helbig and Michael Sharp Memorial Fund
- Danny Possee Memorial Fund
- Daphne Nicholson Charitable Fund
- David and Joanna Southwell Fund
- Denning-Chunn Family Fund
- Donald and Marjorie Lanskaill Fund
- Ernie and Audrey Kershaw Fund
- Ert Family Fund
- Faris Family Scholarship
- Frank Kurucz Legacy Fund
- Fred/k E. Russell Fund
- Gertrude Lawson & Christina Lawson Scholarship
- Giradin Family Fund
- Hartvikson Family Funds (2)
- Hender Family Fund
- Henrik Moberg Parker Excellence Fund
- Holly & Beke Burne Fund
- Howard Martin Memorial Fund
- Ian and Rosemary Mottershead Funds (2)
- Imperial Fund
- Irene Carpenter Fund
- James A Inkster Leadership Award
- Jacqueline R. Warke Legacy Fund
- Jeremy Dalton Rugby Fund

- Jerry Beckerman Memorial Scholarship
- Joshua Goos Memorial Fund
- Linda Harrison Youth Fund
- Margaret Ramsdale and Greg Kneller Endowment Fund
- Michael & Marilyn Leckie Endowment Fund
- Michael Smith Memorial Scholarship
- Millerd Family Fund
- Mrs. Kay Meek Fund
- Music Matters Fund
- Musica Nautica Fund (Humphries Family)
- Nancy Farran Compelling Opportunities Fund
- Nigel Miller Memorial Scholarship Fund
- Parker-Wright Charitable Fund
- Robertson Taylor Endowment Fund
- Robillard Reading Family Fund
- Ron and Barbara Howard Memorial Fund
- Small B Family Fund
- Thunderbird Marine Corp Fund
- Trajan Martin Memorial Award Fud
- Tom and Judy Baillie Fund
- Vanee Scholarship Fund

## WEST VANCOUVER SCHOOLS (SD45) FUNDS

**Market Value \$1.06 million**

- West Vancouver's Place for Sport Fund
- Enhanced Learning Opportunities Fund
- Gift of Music Fund
- Harry Cullis Memorial Scholarship Fund
- Kurt Kirmse Memorial Fund
- Robert K. Iwata Memorial Fund
- Sheila Tripp Memorial Fund

## CHARITY & NON-PROFIT FUNDS

**Market Value \$9.08 million**

- 100 Women Who Care Funds (2)
- 365Give Fund
- Black Creek Old Growth Environment Fund
- Capilano Golf and Country Club (2)
- Capilano Rugby Football Club Fund
- First Aid Ski Patrol Fund
- Harvest Project Fund
- Hollyburn Family Services Society
- Howe Sound Biosphere Fund
- Indigenous Youth Sport Legacy
- Kay Meek Arts Centre Development Fund
- North Shore Keep Well Society Fund
- North Shore Field Hockey Facilities Fund
- North Shore Rescue Team Funds (2)
- North Shore Rescue Tim Jones Legacy Fund
- North Shore Stroke Recovery Centre Fund
- Paul Sugar Palliative Support Foundation Fund
- Rotary Club Sunrise Fund
- Scotty Grubb Memorial Fund
- Squamish Search and Rescue Foundation Funds (2)
- St. Francis-in-the-Wood Fund
- West Vancouver Artists' Fund
- West Vancouver Football Club Facilities Fund
- West Vancouver Football Club Memorial Scholarship
- West Vancouver Nature House Fund
- West Vancouver United Church Funds (3)
- West Vancouver Youth Band Fund

## CORPORATE FUND

- British Pacific Properties Scholarship Fund 2031

# New Funds Opened in 2022

## CAROLINE HELBIG AND MICHAEL SHARP MEMORIAL

This fund serves as a legacy to this couple's enduring spirit, friendships, and community contributions. Two memorial scholarships were established after their tragic accident.

## GIRADIN FAMILY

After moving back into the community, the family wanted to give back to their local community. They established a fund to support causes that are important to them, as well as to the Foundation's general granting programs.

## MARGARET RAMSDALE AND GREG KNELLER

This bequest fund will grant to areas of greatest need on the North Shore. Priority will be given to projects that support food security, vulnerable seniors, vulnerable families, animal welfare and/or accessibility for people with disabilities.

## ROBILLARD READING FAMILY

Foundation Board Vice-Chair, Paul Robillard and his family wanted to give back to the community they call home and established a Donor Directed Fund. This fund will be used for the Foundation's general charitable purposes and programs.

## A Family Legacy

*"Establishing our family fund allowed our four adult children to work together to identify the issues that most touched their hearts as they were growing up in West Vancouver. It allows us to recognize and assist the committed charities who support the pressing needs in the community now and for future generations."*

- Paul and Gillian Robillard, WVF director and fund holders

## IMPACT STORY

## IAN & ROSEMARY MOTTERSHEAD FUND

In 2019, after wrapping up their family foundation, the Mottersheads made a significant donation to the West Vancouver Foundation. Already, in the first four years, over 75 grants have been distributed from the Mottershead funds to charities and programs that have significant impact in our local community. These include West Vancouver-based organizations such as West Vancouver Marine Rescue Society, West Vancouver Streamkeepers' Society, Lighthouse Park Preservation Society, the West Vancouver Police Youth Camps, and West Vancouver Historical Society, along with many other BC and North Shore organizations offering programs and services that benefit the residents of West Vancouver.

Ian and Rosemary Mottershead's gift to the West Vancouver Foundation has been transformational for the organization and its impacts in the local community. Their leadership and example directly impact the lives of those around them and help to create a more connected and vibrant community.

## LGBTQ2S+ YOUTH

The Transforming the Lives of LGBTQ2S+ Youth Program top objectives include:

1. Reducing risk and improve mental health of LGBTQ2S+ youth
2. Reducing youth suicides
3. Creating safe and supportive spaces for LGBTQ2S+ youth and parents.

With the help of a WVF Transformation Grant, and an anonymous donation to our Caring Community Fund, Family Services North Shore was able to reach over 670 youth and community members.

*“With your support, the North Shore is a safer and more inclusive place for LGBTQ2S+ youth and their families. West Vancouver has been a leader in providing positive, inclusive community spaces for LGBTQ2S+ youth and your funding has helped support this important systemic change.”*

- Family Services of the North Shore

IMPACT  
STORY

## Thank You

### THANK YOU TO OUR DONORS

At the West Vancouver Foundation we make it easy for people to support the causes that touch their heart, mind and spirit. This year we received gifts from hundreds of unique donors, with many making multiple donations to a variety of different causes. Through the West Vancouver Foundation's Give Where You Live campaign, community donors were introduced to eight high impact projects delivered through highly qualified local charities. We are very grateful for the confidence our donors have in our ability to serve our community – now and into the future.

### THANK YOU TO OUR 2022 VOLUNTEERS AND PARTNERS

#### FINANCE COMMITTEE:

John Parker (Chair), Gordon Holley, Dave Mason, Naomi Denning.

#### INVESTMENT COMMITTEE:

Dave Mason (Chair), Naomi Denning, Julia Kim, Richard Rees, Jonathan Stewart, Stephen Wilson.

#### COMMUNITY GRANTS COMMITTEE:

Justin Yoo (Chair), Hoon Choi, Alex Chunn, Dierdre Ert, Nancy Farran, Yang Wang.

#### NEIGHBOUR GRANTS COMMITTEE:

Arzoo Babul, Eleanor Cramb, Lorna Duncan, Brittney Guthrie, Tamara Leger, Kim Wong.

#### SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE:

Merla Beckerman, Geoff Jopson, Lorna Duncan, Kim Campbell, Louise Adams.

### THANK YOU TO OUR VITAL SIGNS PARTNERS

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## Leaving a Lasting Legacy

Community foundations exist to improve the quality of life in communities and to inspire and steward local philanthropy for local benefit. Every donor's experience is unique. We have flexible options that can help you make maximum impact, supporting the needs right here in our community.

### EXISTING FUND

We have over 120 funds with many different areas of interest or purposes. Donate to one of these funds one-time or on a monthly basis.

### OPEN YOUR OWN FUND

If you are looking to make a more significant gift, consider opening your own fund. The fund can be opened with a specific purpose or area to support, or you can be active in deciding where to grant.

### LEAVE A GIFT IN YOUR WILL & MEMORIAL FUNDS

Create a fund today and fund it through your estate when that time comes. It's a way of ensuring the causes you care about are supported beyond your lifetime. In addition, you can change the charities you want the fund to support at anytime without having to update your Will. You can also open a Memorial Fund to celebrate and honour someone close.

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