



Annual Report 2022/2023

*Caring. Compassionate.
Community.*



MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Another successful year for the Delta Community Foundation has now come and gone. In 2022/2023, through the generosity of community members and partners, the DCF was able to distribute over \$90,000 to charities and non-profits in Delta.

This past year community partners, such as Evolution Fulfillment, Ape Ship Courier and Freight, and the City of Delta enabled the DCF to host two successful warehouse sales that generated approximately \$60,000 to support the Delta Community Foundation.

The big event for the Delta Community Foundation in 2023 was the Give from the Heart gala, which was held on February 11 at the Cascades Casino in Delta. This was the DCF's first gala and was tremendously successful both from a fundraising and a brand awareness perspective. When all the bills were paid, the gala netted over \$70,000.

We were pleased to support a variety of smaller charities and programs in 2022/2023 that included Spuds in Tubs, the Take a Hike Alternate Education Program, Sher Vancouver's Friendship Program, Youth Mental Health peer support groups and the Starfish Pack program. The contributions to these charities help make Delta a better place to live for its citizens and are in addition to several scholarships and bursaries that the DCF awards each year to students of the Delta School District.

The Kindness Meter program continued to raise dollars in 2022/2023, which were used to support emergent needs such as Extreme Weather and Food Insecurity programs.

In 2024, the Delta Community Foundation hopes to build on the successes of the past year; increase awareness of the funding opportunities that DCF offers; and, of course, continue to build the funds that the DCF manages. In 2024 our aim is to continue to grow our assets and therefore our ability to support smaller charities in Delta.

The varied experience and expertise manifested in our Board of Directors make these goals possible. I would like to personally thank all of our individual donors, corporate donors, volunteers and DCF board members: Without your help, the DCF could not have the impact in Delta that we have had historically, and will continue to have into the future.



Gail Martin

MESSAGE FROM THE VICE PRESIDENT

Our 2022 – 23 fiscal year was a progressive year for the Delta Community Foundation. Through the commitment from our working board of directors and many committee members, we were able to achieve success building the funds of the Delta Community Foundation while balancing this with our need to fundraise for operations.

We are pleased to report that our funds have grown to 3 million. The success in building our funds has enabled us to offer more grants to the community through our Community Support Fund. Thank you to all who have contributed.

Several successful fundraising events enabled us to grow our administration and increase our awareness as an organization, while enabling us to keep our administrative expenses low. These events were the Warehouse Sales and the successful Give from the Heart Gala. We are now able to support a part time administrative position, and commit more funding toward initiatives that create awareness around the Delta Community Foundation in the community. We were able to accomplish the addition of a new website, implementation of a database system and more.

Thank you to all – supporters – donors, corporations, committee members, DCF board members, and volunteers: without your help, we could not make the impact in Delta that we have and will continue to do.



Carlene Lewall



OUR MISSION

The Delta Community Foundation raises funds for distribution to Delta charities and organizations that support and enhance our community.

OUR VISION

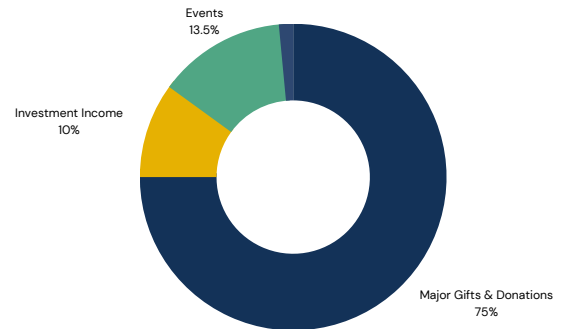
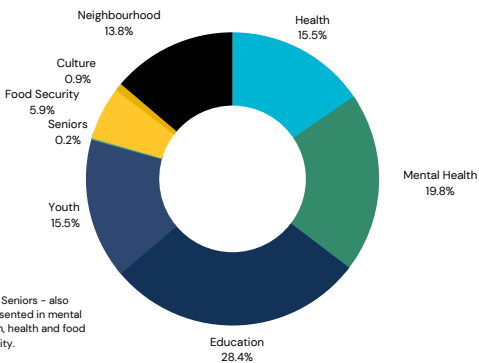
Through generous donations entrusted to us by our donors, we provide opportunities where there is a need to enable the full potential of lives for people of Delta.

FOUNDATION SUMMARY 2022/23

AREAS OF SUPPORT

INVESTMENT PORTFOLIO AS OF MAY 31/23

INCOME



GIVE WHERE YOU LIVE

The Delta Community Foundation is here for you.

We exist to give, support and foster the grass-roots community initiatives and the charitable organizations of Delta. We manage the gifts that give forever, returning funds to the community where they are needed most.

We adopt a holistic approach to serving our community, actively identifying its diverse needs to foster growth and well-being. Our grants span a wide spectrum, offering assistance in areas such as safety and aid for those who may be less fortunate or have limited abilities. We are equally committed to enriching the community experience through investments in recreation, the arts, and environmental initiatives, catering to residents of all ages.

Over the long term, our grants and community engagement efforts contribute to the cultivation of a more compassionate and caring community. We foster resilience, ensuring our community is better prepared for a brighter and more promising future for all residents. By strengthening our community, we empower everyone who calls it home.

Why give a gift to the Delta Community Foundation?

- We are the only Foundation focused on causes that impact the entire community.
- We are the only Foundation in Delta that is designed for perpetual giving so your donations will contribute forever.
- We are the only Foundation in Delta that allows donors to direct funds to the causes they care deeply about.

2023 IS A GOOD YEAR TO CONSIDER A GIFT OF SECURITIES

Currently, donors who gift appreciated securities receive a full Donation Tax Credit and do not have to pay any Capital Gains Tax. This has significantly reduced the actual cost of the donation, and has had a very positive impact on the total amount given to our charities.

This is about to change on January 1, 2024.

The Government of Canada has proposed a change to the Alternative Minimum Tax (AMT) that will significantly reduce the benefits to donors with incomes over \$173,000, and who plan to give securities now or in their estate.

The basic premise is to reduce the donors Donation Tax Credit by 50%, and to disallow 30% of their Capital Gains Exemption in the AMT calculation. If the AMT changes are not retracted, or deferred, tax advisors are suggesting that potential donors of securities consult their own tax professional and consider making their gift of securities in 2023.

The charitable sector has opposed these changes, but the outcome is uncertain.

For more detailed information please contact the Delta Community Foundation.




THANK YOU TO ALL OF OUR DONORS

"My siblings and I were very fortunate to have been brought up by very caring and community supportive parents. As my family profited from our operations, we also accepted the responsibility and obligations of giving back to the communities that have supported our successful businesses. My wife and I continue to believe we must do what we can to make a difference in our community of Delta, now and as our legacy after we are gone. We believe the Delta Community Foundation was and continues to be, our best choice for a legacy gift."

John Thomas, Donor



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SUPPORTING OUR COMMUNITY

"For almost three years I have been trying to overcome back pain and to increase my mobility through many physio, massage, and Bowen therapies. Adding exercise to that regime at the gymnastics building with the added bonus of the soft floors has done wonders towards my rehabilitation. So grateful for this opportunity made possible with the help of a grant from the Delta Community Foundation."

-Diane Hendry
Participant, Seniors Can Move Program

"We are grateful for the support from the Delta Community Foundation. With the support from organizations like this, we are able to offer a limited number of counselling sessions at no cost to Delta residents. Our programs include 1:1 counselling sessions, grief support groups, relaxation circles, volunteer support visits and a library for Delta residents who are seeking hospice or bereavement support."

-Laura Dixon
Director, Heron Hospice Society of Delta

"The Step Forward Program was started with the hope to ensure that money does not get in the way of people receiving the help and care they need for their mental health. Financial barriers can often prevent people from seeking help, and we are grateful to the Delta Community Foundation for their support of our program because we know it is going to help so many people!"

-Meg Neufeld
President, Step Forward Health Society