



# Annual Report 2023/2024

Giving Today. Investing in Tomorrow.



Thanks to the support of the community, this past year has been yet another memorable one for the Foundation.



"We are incredibly grateful to the Delta Community Foundation for their generous support. This funding will allow us to expand our vital programs and services to North Delta ensuring that more individuals and families receive the compassionate care they need. This impact will be deeply felt in our communities, as we work to foster healing and resilience for all those we serve."

—Heron Hospice Society of Delta



# MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

2023/24 has been another eventful year for the Delta Community Foundation. Through the generosity of our donors and the pragmatic investment of its assets, which now sit at over \$3 million, the Foundation was able to distribute \$100,000 to charities in Delta. This is in addition to the \$505,000 that was awarded through the Community Prosperity Fund, a partnership with the Provincial Government and the Vancouver Foundation to distribute monies to various communities in BC based on identified demographic needs in the area of social inclusion and poverty reduction. 20 smaller charities in Delta, as diverse as Better Cause Society, Mamas for Mamas, and Step Forward Health Society received grants through this program.

The Kindness Meters were a continuing source of modest income for the Foundation and the over \$4000 collected from them has been distributed to organizations based on emerging needs such as the Delta food banks, extreme weather shelters, seniors food programs and a domestic violence prevention program.

The Neighbourhood Small Grants program also continued in 2024, distributing grants of up to \$500 that enabled neighbourhood groups to host events that build community spirit and understanding.

The Foundation enhanced its community outreach through various events such as the Tsawwassen Sun Festival, Delta Pride Picnic, Day at the Farm and Ladner Art & Wine Stroll. These events were successful from the great work of our student, Georgia Hoar, who was hired through the Canadian Summer Jobs Program. We are excited to have her continue her employment with the DCF on a part time basis. The Foundation was also involved in several Death Matters seminars where the Delta Community Foundation discussed estate planning and how to give to the charity of your choice through your Will.

We are extremely grateful for the contributions of Ulf Ottho, Shahida Devji and Michael DeLuca who have finished their board terms. We thank them for all their hard work over the last several years. We welcome Andrea Hayward, Sharon Farrish and Millie Law to the Board of Directors and look forward to working with them to support charities in Delta.

I would like to give a very personal and heartfelt, thank you, to everyone on the Board of Directors, the volunteers who continue to support the DCF when called upon, and of course, all of the individuals and companies that have supported us financially in 2024. Without all of you, the Delta Community Foundation could not be as impactful of an organization as it has been, and will continue to be in the future.



Gail Martin  
President

“For over 25 years, the Delta Stroke Recovery’s mission has been to provide recovery-appropriate programs, resources, and compassionate support, empowering Delta’s stroke survivors and their families on their recovery journeys. These funds will support the continued development and expansion initiatives of professionally-led programs such as speech language pathology, aphasia conversation groups, all-abilities fitness, cognitive activities, and caregiver support, and will enable us to serve a greater portion of the North Delta community. – Delta Stroke Recovery”





Board of Directors (L to R) Stephanie Gibbs, Victoria Huntington, Carlene Lewall, Shahida Devji, Gail Martin, Gillian Lowrey, Richard Shantz, Andrea Hayward, Ammen Dhillon, Perminder Bath, Staff, Dalyce Wickett. Missing: Julie Berks, Valerie Titford, Michael De Luca, Ulf Ottho.

## OUR MISSION

Our mission is to raise funds for Delta's charitable organizations that sustain our thriving community.

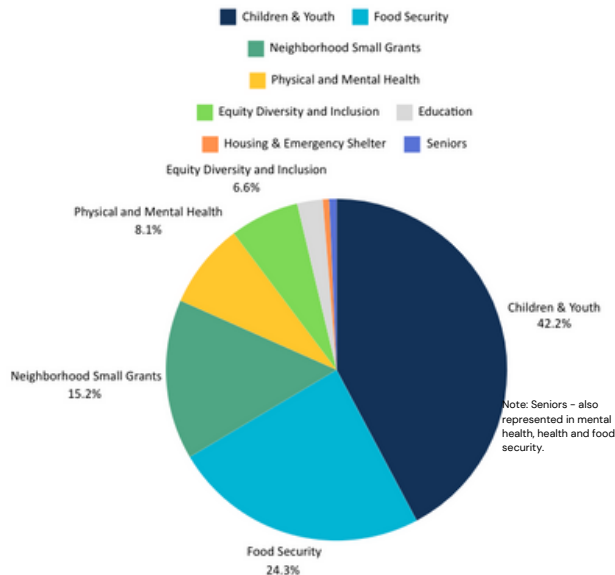
## OUR VISION

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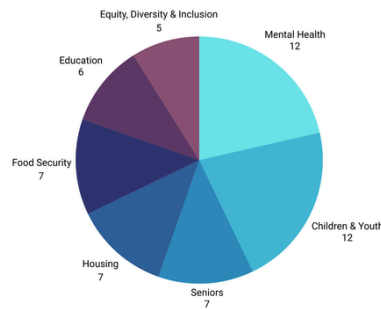
# FOUNDATION SUMMARY 2023/24

## DELTA COMMUNITY FOUNDATION AREAS OF SUPPORT



## WE ASKED AND THE COMMUNITY ANSWERED...

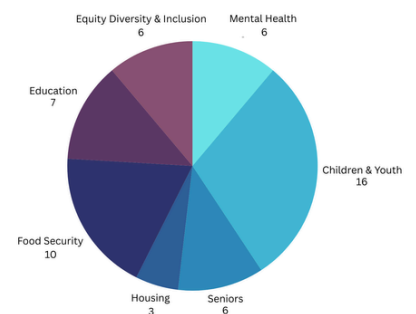
### What do you think are the most pressing needs in Delta?



#### Mentioned in "other" category:

- Walk in clinics + doctors
- Medical Access
- Healthcare

### What sectors do you like to donate to?



#### Mentioned in "other" category:

- Delta Hospital
- Church
- Alzheimers

## GIVE WHERE YOU LIVE

The Delta Community Foundation is Delta's Charity for All Charities. We support a wide range of local causes, making sure every dollar you give benefits the entire community.

As the only Foundation in Delta designed for perpetual giving, your donation will continue to make an impact forever. Unlike one-time donations to individual charities, giving to the Delta Community Foundation ensures your contribution keeps supporting important causes year after year.

We are the only Foundation in Delta dedicated to addressing the needs of the whole community—making your gift more impactful and far-reaching.

## CONSIDER A GIFT OF SECURITIES

You can donate stocks and other securities to support charities in Delta while benefiting from tax advantages. Donating publicly traded securities to the Delta Community Foundation—either now or through your Will—helps address the greatest needs of local charities and can be the most cost-effective way to give. Securities can include stocks, bonds, mutual funds, and GICs.

How it works: Simply transfer your securities to the Delta Community Foundation, and you'll receive a donation receipt for the fair market value. Capital gains tax is eliminated, and the donation value is based on the market price on the transfer date. Contact us today to learn more!

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We are so honored to be selected as a recipient of the Community Prosperity Grant. This funding will ensure the continuity of essential services that enhance the emotional and spiritual well-being of over 600 Latino temporary foreign workers in Delta.

- Latino Workers Support Society

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# SUPPORTING OUR COMMUNITY

## Congratulations to Community Prosperity Fund Grant Recipients!

The Delta Community Foundation was pleased to announce the recipients of the 2024 Community Prosperity Fund. The Foundation is proud to support a diverse group of organizations dedicated to fostering social inclusion and poverty reduction in Delta. The Foundation received over \$1.8 million in application requests with \$505,000 in grants to distribute.

The Community Prosperity Fund initiative was established to provide financial support to non-profits and community groups that are making significant strides in areas such as education, health, arts & culture, food security, accessibility, seniors, children & youth. After a thorough review process, the Delta Community Foundation announced the following organizations would receive funding:

Deltassist  
Better Cause Society  
BC & Alberta Guide Dogs  
Crossroads United Church  
Delta Community Living Society  
Delta Firefighter's Charitable Society  
Delta Gymnastics  
Delta Stageworks  
Delta Stroke Recovery  
Eldercollege

Heron Hospice Society of Delta  
Kin Village  
Latino Workers Society  
Mamas for Mamas  
Starfish Pack Program North Delta  
Reach Child & Youth Development Society  
South Delta Food Bank  
Starfish Pack Program South Delta  
Step Forward Health Society  
St. David's Society



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"This grant could not have been better timed, as with the growing food prices and inflation, we were working hard to fundraise and keep our costs down. We are serving 60+ students now which means that our yearly costs are around \$45,000 per year. Through generous grants like this, we can ensure that the Starfish Pack program will continue for years to come. We are incredibly thankful that the Delta Community Foundation selected us as one of the recipients of this award and we are so thankful to be a part of this wonderful community that supports the work that we are doing for students and families."

—North Delta Rotary

"Thanks to this grant from the Delta Community Foundation, which will be used to cover furniture storage and operational costs, we can continue providing critical support to those in need. The Delta Community Foundation's contribution will make a significant impact, and we are deeply appreciative. —Better Cause Society

"We are so grateful for the support of the Delta Community Foundation as we continue to provide nourishment for students across Delta with our 'Healthy Snack Program.' This program has grown to include more than 1500 students, and the financial assistance provided from the Community Foundation is crucial in ensuring these children get the nutrition they need to thrive on a daily basis. Our Charitable Society believes 'our community is what we make of it' and we feel so fortunate to work in this incredible community."

—Delta Firefighter's Charitable Society

"Funding will allow for the development and delivery of support groups for LGBTQ2S+ youth in Delta. The groups will be focused on creating a supportive community, providing education on mental health and other relevant topics, and helping members process their experiences and receive the support they need. —Step Forward Health Society



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