



Community Foundation
for Kingston & Area

Celebrating the first
25 years
of For Ever

Ripples

Your generosity has a ripple effect

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A 25th Anniversary Like No Other

This issue of *Ripples* is a snapshot of the Community Foundation's notable anniversary/pandemic year, 2020.

While *how* we did our work changed drastically (work at home, Zoom meetings, new streamlined granting processes), the *what* and the *why* remain the same: connecting the generosity of donors with local community needs to enhance the quality of life for all in our community.

In a year when community needs surged, we granted a record breaking \$1.5 million. These funds came from a variety of sources—our FOR EVER endowment funds, donors who stepped up on short notice to provide emergency funding, and exceptionally, the Government of Canada's Emergency Community Support Fund.

Our snapshot is necessarily created around numbers, but behind the numbers are people like you who, together, work to improve our community well-being. Our work would be impossible without each of you as partners. Thank you.



Boys and Girls Club of Kingston & Area accepting the grant for pandemic-proofing programs.

Our 2020 snapshot shows the power of our Founders' vision. We have been able to help local charities meet both recurring and new needs, both brought sharply into focus by the impact of COVID-19.

No one knows what the new normal will be like, but your Community Foundation will be here
For Good ∞ For Ever ∞ For All.

GAYLE BARR, CHAIR &
TINA BAILEY, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Your Community Foundation: **For Good ∞ For Ever ∞ For All**
Learn more at www.cfka.org

2020 Highlights

(January 1 – December 31)

Donations

\$1.18 million in gifts.

590 unique donors.

13 new funds established.



Investments

\$25.3 million of funds
under management.

Granting

\$1.5 million granted in total.

148 unique organizations received grants.

\$982 thousand of the total was granted
from **Foundation Funds**

\$578 thousand of the total was granted through the
Emergency Community Support Fund (ECSF).

Operations

Expenditures **\$440,817**

Revenues **\$551,122**

ECSF funded by **Canada** 

Cumulative Impact since 1995

For Good ∞ **\$13 million** granted.

For Ever ∞ **\$25.3 million** endowed.

For All ∞ **367** unique organizations funded.

Together is Better: Have a question about the Community Foundation for Kingston & Area?
Contact us at info@cfka.org or 613.546.9696

2020 Grants by Fund Type: The Big Picture

People, passionate about causes, make our community stronger. Prudent investment and effective granting processes are only the means. **People**—donors, staff, front-line volunteers—are the **essential** ingredients.

Emergency Community Support Fund Grants

ECSF Grants were a one-time national fund to support organizations serving vulnerable populations as they manage the impacts of COVID-19. Grants were awarded through the Foundation's competitive process accessible to ALL qualified charities.

ECSF funded by
Canada

Community Grants

Community Grants are generally provided by the income from endowed FOR EVER funds, awarded through a competitive process accessible to ALL qualified charities.

Agency Fund Grants

Agency Fund Grants directly support the (currently) 25 individual local charities that established endowment funds with the Foundation, such as the Kingston Symphony Association and Youth Diversion.

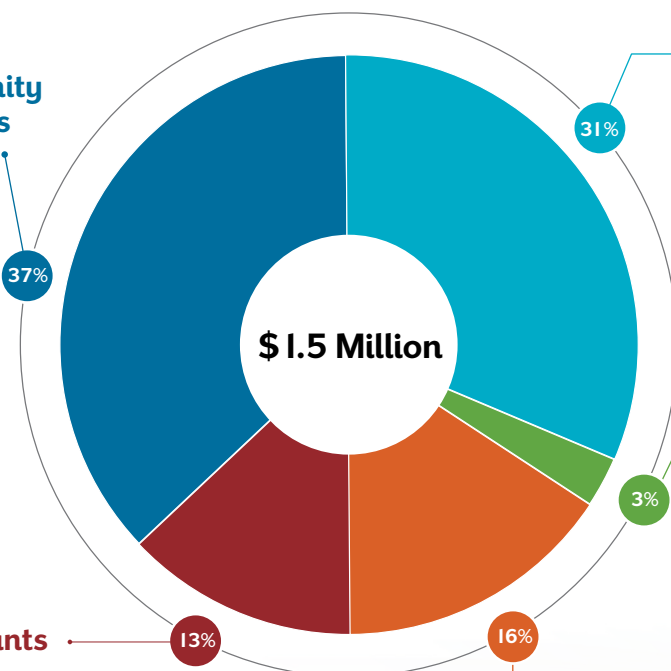
See full list at cfka.org/agency-funds

Flow Through Grants

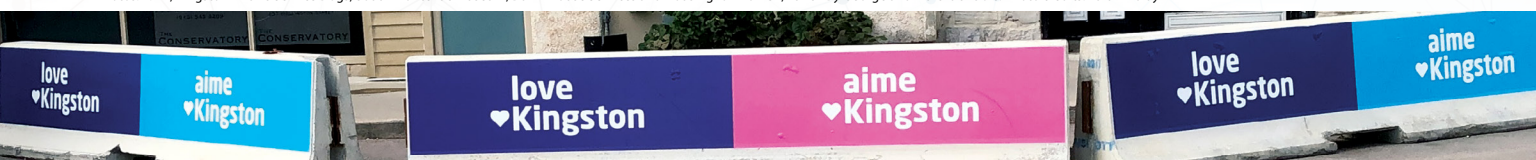
Flow Through Grants are provided from non-endowed gifts to the Foundation that are designated to support specific charities by donors who choose to work with the Foundation for their charitable giving.

Donor Designated Grants

Donor Designated Grants support charities selected by donors when they establish their fund. The named charities benefit from earnings from the endowment fund FOR EVER. They are often established by bequest, or in memory of a loved one as a legacy gift.



Photos: L - R, Kingston 4 Paws Service Dogs, South Frontenac Museum, Dawn House Services and Housing for Women, Lunch By George and Martha's Table. Photo credits: Yara Findlay



For our Granting Updates: **Go to cfka.org/whats-new**
Application deadlines: February 15 and September 15 of each year

Community Builder Award

The Foundation's Community Builder Award is intended to recognize the efforts of those who have made Kingston and area a better place to live, work, and raise families.



This year we acknowledge Sophie Kiwala's personal response to the impact of the pandemic

in our community. Firstly, Sophie initiated weekly "Vulnerable Sector Calls", via Zoom, open to all those involved in providing food to the vulnerable sector; food insecurity

is one of the Foundation's Smart & Caring Priorities. The calls led to strengthened relationships and collaboration among the participants.

Prior to Christmas 2019, Sophie became aware that many of the most vulnerable were going to go hungry when local meal providers closed over the holidays to give their staff and volunteers some well-deserved time off.

Sophie rallied the resources for a group of volunteers to step up and provide those missing meals.

The Foundation's Community Builder Award recognizes an individual who has created "bold visions of what we could and should accomplish – together"; Sophie's pandemic initiatives fit this description perfectly.

For more information visit cfka.org/community-builder-award

Forward into the next 25 years of FOR EVER: An invitation

What a year it has been! Our community has been challenged by the pandemic, but the Community Foundation was there to respond. Our granting last year – over \$1.5 million in total to charities in all sectors – was made possible thanks to the generosity of thousands of donors and volunteers who have contributed to the Foundation over the past 25 years. **Thank you!**



What started with the "Courage to Dream" and a handful of local individuals pledging \$100 has grown into *your* Community Foundation of today that oversees over \$25 million in assets. A significant part of this growth came from bequests

from individuals and families looking *forward* to ensuring a legacy for their community. If nothing else, the events of the past year have made each of us aware of our mortality and the need to "have our affairs in order".

As we close out the Foundation's 25th anniversary year, your community is embarking on an unprecedented journey of recovery: We know it will be a long journey, especially for children.

On behalf of the Foundation, I invite you to have the "Courage to Dream" of the future, too, including both a stronger community and a stronger Community Foundation: Think of including the Foundation as part of your legacy—**For Good ∞ For Ever ∞ For All.**

We strive to know the community needs. I am happy to share our knowledge with you.

I can be reached at 613.546.9696 or tina@cfka.org to help guide you when you are ready to act.

Explore how you create an enduring legacy with us: cfka.org/create-a-legacy

TINA BAILEY, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Community Foundation for Kingston & Area

The Community Foundation is a public charitable foundation, created by and for the people of our community. It enhances community well-being by providing grants to a wide range of local charities each year. Grants are made from earnings on its endowment funds: A donation to the Foundation will continue to benefit the community FOR EVER.