

# Guelph Community Foundation Important Update



## April 2012 Update

### Today. Tomorrow. Forever.

Simply put, a community foundation has three functions. It is a grant maker, it is a vehicle for philanthropy, and it provides leadership in the community it serves. As we reflect back on 2011, we would like to share some highlights with you.

In 2011, we received over \$1.4 million in donations and 50% of those gifts came in as gifts of stock. We are thrilled to be able to process these types of gifts for our donors. This brings us to over \$9.7 million in endowed and non-endowed assets. We value each and every donor that makes our work possible to build a strong and vibrant community!

We would not exist if it weren't for our fund holders who care deeply about the causes that matter most to them. We would like to welcome six new funds to our family:

- Corinne Beingessner Fund
- Mildred Christie Fund
- Anne and John Lawrence Memorial Fund
- Mactaggart Family Fund
- Peter Szkotnicki Legacy Fund
- Wood Roberts Family Fund

Thank you for your trust in the GCF and for creating opportunities in our community.

### Granting News

Our total granting (since inception just 11 years ago) has grown to over \$2 million. We were able to support ALL sectors of our community including: animal welfare, environment, arts & culture, children & youth, education, social services, and health & wellness. We thank all the charitable organizations in our community for their tireless work to make Guelph and Wellington a better place.

### Last call for summer camp grant program ...

This is a reminder that the deadline for our [Children & Youth Summer Camp Program](#) is fast approaching. We're pleased to offer our grant application process online but encourage our camp organizations to submit **prior to the April 20, 2012** deadline. This online process is still very new to us and we want to ensure our system can manage the potential volume of funding requests that it can receive. If your charitable organization is interested and you qualify for this grant program, please assist us by applying before next week's Friday deadline so we can respond to any problems that you may have submitting your application.

### Community grants program 2012 ...

We expect to have information and applications posted for this year's Community Grants program in the coming week or two. Deadlines for applications will be July 20th, 2012 and funding decisions made by mid September. Be sure to visit our website 'Grant Programs' for more details at the end of the month.

## Community Pulse

Wellington Dufferin Guelph Public Health has just released a new publication, COMMUNITY PICTURE: Health Status of Wellington Dufferin Guelph. To read the 2012 Health Status Report [click here](#) or visit [www.wdgppublichealth.ca](http://www.wdgppublichealth.ca).

April 15-21st is National Volunteer Week. To all volunteers in our community, thank you! Your involvement and efforts have helped to create a caring and dynamic community.

In celebration of National Volunteer Week, the Volunteer Centre of Guelph and Wellington is once again holding its **Time to Give** breakfast on April 19th. To learn more about this event and other happenings to mark National Volunteer Week visit [www.volunteerguelphwellington.on.ca](http://www.volunteerguelphwellington.on.ca).



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