

## 2016 COMMUNITY GRANTS AND CFC 150<sup>TH</sup> GRANT PROGRAM RECIPIENTS: \$162,971

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Guelph

***Environ-Mentoring 2016***

**\$2,450**

Environ-Mentoring provides environmental and conservation education to at-risk youth in Guelph and the surrounding area.

Bereaved Families of Ontario – Midwestern Region

***Wellington County Outreach***

**\$2,000**

An outreach strategy to connect with more people and organizations in Mount Forest and surrounding communities to raise awareness about the program and increase the number of people supported through their loss.

Child Witness Centre of Waterloo Region

***2017 Guelph and Wellington County Youth Symposium***

**\$2,000**

The Youth Symposium is a unique and empowering program for up to 1,500 Grade Eight students and their teachers in Guelph and Wellington County.

Elora Centre for the Arts

***Oh Canada – an exploration of diversity through Art***

**\$3,000**

Oh Canada will be a series of arts programs catered specifically to children, youth, and seniors that will culminate in a visual art exhibition and a permanent sculpture installation at the Elora Centre for the Arts.

Focus on Nature

***Naturally Canadian***

**\$5,000**

To mount two exhibitions of the best of Focus on Nature's student photography of Canadian Nature.

Grand River Conservation Foundation

***The Canada 150 Learning Grove at Guelph Lake***

**\$9,000**

GRCF will create a natural gateway to the new Guelph Lake Nature Centre learning grounds by engaging the community to plant an array of Canadian native trees and by placing educational signage.

Guelph Contemporary Dance Festival

***Guelph Dance Workshops in Schools: Building the Next Generation***

**\$4,100**

"Building the Next Generation" will bring dance education to school students as well as provide a new generation of educators with the tools to provide high quality dance education in the public school system.

Guelph Little Theatre

***Western Ontario Drama League Theatre Festival 2017***

**\$3,000**

A community theatre festival to celebrate Canadian theatre during Canada's 150th Anniversary of Confederation.

Guelph Neighbourhood Support Coalition

***Communities of Difference Celebrating Guelph's Diversity***

**\$10,000**

To celebrate Guelph's rich history of diversity by running a series of storytelling workshops (3) leading up to a one-day conference (Communities of Difference) on diversity and inclusion.

Guelph Public Library

***On the Road with Guelph Public Library – Celebrations of Canada’s 150th*** **\$9,320**

This project will take Canada 150th celebrations “On the Road” within our community – developing comprehensive outreach programming which will enhance our current outreach capabilities by providing Canadian-themed programs, technologies, and learning kits that will engage our entire community in this milestone for our country and provide them crucial access to 21st century learning tools – encouraging and inspiring all members of our community regardless of economic, physical, or technological limitations to be a vital part of our health and vibrancy now and into the future.

Guelph Youth Music Centre

***Canada’s 150<sup>th</sup> Celebrated in Music by 150 Young Canadians*** **\$10,000**

Mark Canada’s 150th by showcasing its cultural diversity and musical talent and promise of our youth in a one-day celebration with 150 young musicians and singers performing, aboriginal drumming circle, barn dance, special displays and interactive activities to make the day a wonderful salute to things that make Canada great!

Guelph-Wellington Women in Crisis

***Women in Crisis’s 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary*** **\$5,000**

The development and implementation of a marketing strategy for WIC's 2017 40th Anniversary.

Immigrant Services Guelph-Wellington Inc.

***Freedom to Grow*** **\$7,500**

A newcomer youth leadership project exploring the contributions of immigrant communities to strengthening pluralism in Canada.

Norfolk Street United Church Trust (Guelph United Ministries)

***The Multicultural Food Project*** **\$8,000**

The Multicultural Food Project, an enhancement to the North End Harvest Market, will increase the availability of ethno-specific fresh produce to low-income families in Guelph and increase the understanding and capacity of residents to grow and preserve their own produce, especially culturally specific produce.

Rotary Club of Guelph

***Rotary Forest 2017*** **\$4,500**

The Rotary Forest is a 13 year project whose goal is to turn 100 acres into forest by planting 55,000 trees by 2020, a date corresponding to the Club’s 100th Anniversary. The April 22, 2017 celebration will include planting the 2017 Official Tree – Canada's Maple, and the presence of local politicians, civic leaders, and members of local environmental groups.

Sanguen Health Centre / Wellington Guelph Drug Strategy

***Stop the Stigma Rally – Sept 28, 2016*** **\$1,080**

The Stop The Stigma rally will challenge stereotypes about substance use, and substance users, and boost community wellbeing by offering a call to action to develop compassionate, informed attitudes, not stigmatic ones, towards substance use and addiction.

Shelldale Better Beginnings, Better Futures

***Learning About the Past Building Better Futures*** **\$10,000**

This program will support youth resiliency and teach about Canadian history and culture through activities in an after-school program for at-risk youth.

Start2Finish Canada

***Running & Reading Clubs of Guelph*** **\$8,000**

The Start2Finish Running & Reading Club is an innovative, sustainable after school program that effectively addresses the need for enhanced literacy, physical activity, and mentorship among economically challenged children, empowering them to graduate and succeed.

Strong Start Charitable Organization

***Letters, Sounds and Words Program in Wellington County***

**\$3,000**

Strong Start's Letters, Sounds and Words program helps young children in Senior Kindergarten, Grades 1 and 2 acquire essential literacy skills at the first sign of them lagging behind.

Sunrise Therapeutic Riding & Learning Centre

***Students at Sunrise: Equine-based Empowerment***

**\$2,710**

This project will enable classes of children with special needs to participate in four therapeutic riding lessons (each), and provide teachers with customized resources to extend this learning experience into the classroom...and the community.

The Children's Foundation of Guelph and Wellington

***Nourish 150***

**\$5,000**

Building on Canada's tradition of welcoming newcomers and treating them with dignity and respect, healthy food will be provided to children in a manner that will encourage social inclusion in their community while at the same time allowing their families to celebrate their own unique culture and traditions.

The Elliott Community

***The Veterans Memorial Garden***

**\$5,000**

To BUILD a garden that INSPIRES community members to reflect on what we have achieved as a young Country and ENCOURAGE inclusive community participation in the planning of Canada's 150th anniversary.

The Eramosa Institute

***Spur Guelph 2017***

**\$10,000**

Spur Guelph is a multi-day festival offering lectures, conversations, musical performances, literary readings, and film screenings, that will attempt to involve and inspire this community to consider how we imagine new possibilities for the world beyond the status quo.

The Volunteer Centre of Guelph/Wellington

***Celebrating 150 Years of Volunteerism – Mural Project***

**\$8,000**

A mural which celebrates Canada's 150th birthday and pays tribute to our country's long-standing legacy of volunteerism – especially in Guelph!

Upper Grand Learning Foundation / College Heights

***School Community Garden***

**\$10,000**

To create a sustainable and engaging teaching and learning garden that will support student creativity and promote healthier lifestyle choices by providing access to fresh, locally grown, organic food.

Word and World Eramosa Centre for Reflection and Response

***Canadian Seniors: Our Roots Our Future***

**\$8,000**

Our Voices will create and present an entertaining and engaging stage play that inspires greater understanding of seniors' contributions to Canada since confederation, their many offerings today, and how they are integral to our country's next 150 years.

Wyndham House

***Transportation Fund***

**\$2,100**

This vital fund ensures that youth have barrier free access to the transportation supports they need to get to medical/counselling appointments, job interviews, apartment viewings and to attend high school classes and recreational activities as these activities are critical in moving their lives forward towards stability.

Young Men's and Young Women's Christian Association of Guelph

***SHARKS (Safe Healthy Aquatic Recreation for Kids)***

**\$5,210**

Every year, the SHARKS program teaches all grade 3 and grade 5 students in Guelph (approximately 3,000 children) the Lifesaving Society's "Swim to Survive" curriculum of surviving a sudden and unexpected fall into deep water.

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