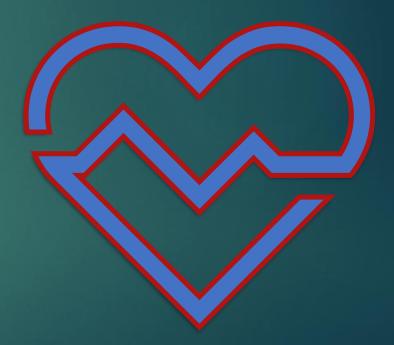


# The Magic of Community

### What is a Community Foundation?

- We bring resources and people together to build better places to live, work and play.
- ► Three ways:
  - ▶ Build endowment funds
  - ► Grant funds
  - ▶ Bring people together



### Special Strengths

Flexible for donors

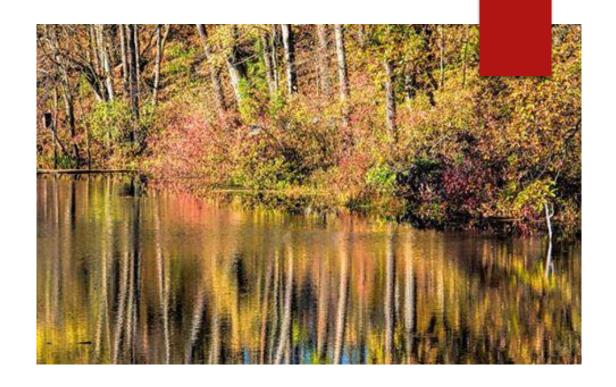
Money stays in the community

Long-term stability

We do it all!

### Sunset Community Foundation

- Established in 2001 with proceeds of the sale of the Grand Bend PUC, \$1.5 million
- Now more than \$3.4 million under administration
- \$2 million granted to charities





### Becoming Sunset

- Huron County has no access to CF
- Discussed over threeplus years
- Implemented February 2021
- Focus remains on Grand Bend area



#### Sunset Community Foundation

- Areas:
  - Arts and culture
  - ▶ Children and youth
  - ▶ Education
  - ▶ Environment
  - ▶ Health
  - Social services
  - ▶ Sports and recreation
  - Seniors





### South Huron Community Fund

Several named and scholarship funds

► SH Vitality Fund

### Our first Huron fund

- Impact investment
- ▶ \$25,000 to date





# We support the environment

- ▶ 5000 Trees Project
- Now Lakeshore Eco-Network
- Spring and fall tree and plant sales
- Speakers, screenings, etc.
- Commemorative Woods



We supported Grand Bend beach enhancements





### We support health care

- ▶ Wheels of Hope
- ► COVID relief GBACHC, South Huron Hospital, etc.

### We support the arts

- ► HCP one-week intensive program
- ► Music program at GBPS
- ► Huron Waves Music Festival
- ▶ You, Me and Us





# We support music on the beach

- Rotary Community Stage
- Sunday and Wednesday concert series



### We support food security

- Huron County Food Bank Distribution Centre
- ▶ Blessings Food Bank
- Contact House Forest
- ▶ The Community Table



### We support transit

- Grant to support needs survey
- Application successful
- ▶ Buses now running!





# We support better futures for kids

- ▶ Boom School
- Soccer facilities
- ▶ Summer camps



### We support accessibility

- ▶ Beach mats
- Trail and beach wheelchairs, accessible boardwalk
- Support to Alhambra







#### 2021 Grants

- Big Brothers Big Sisters South Huron
- Bosanquet Central School
- Eco-Exeter
- Grand Bend Area Health Centre
- Friends of Pinery Park
- Huron County Food Bank
  Distribution Centre

- Huron Perth Public Health
- Junior Achievement
- Kineto Theatre
- Huron Country Playhouse
- Jessica's House
- Lakeshore Eco-Network
- Relay Education
- Grand Bend Art Centre

### We recognize our donors

- Donor sign at turning circle
- ▶ Information about Foundation
- ► All donors of \$10,000 or more
- ► All planned giving donors



#### **50 Grand Women**



New way to inspire philanthropy and raise awareness of endowment



More than 70 Women have invested \$1000 EACH



A donor-advised fundgrants to HCFBDC and Huron Women's Shelter





#### 50 Grand Men

- ► ANNOUNCED MAY 2019
- ► SCOTCH TASTING FALL 2020
- ► STEAK TASTING FALL 2021
- ► 43 MEMBERS AND COUNTING

### Special Initiatives

- RBC Future LaunchCommunity Challenge –
- COVID-19 Emergency Relief Fund
- Stay-at-Home Gala
- Emergency Community Support Fund
- Vital Signs report
- Vital Conversations
- Canada Healthy Communities Initiative
- ► Fall 2021 Speaker Series









### Impact Investing

- "Active investing in assets and organizations to generate positive social or environment impacts as well as financial returns."
- Huron Entrepreneur Fund will invest in Community Futures Huron
- Other impact investment examples: social housing, community facilities, etc.
- Exploring affordable housing in Grand Bend,
  partnering with United Way Perth Huron and others





### Climate Change Commitment

- Science tells us we must cut emissions by half by 2030 to avoid catastrophic climate change
- Everyone must play a part- local action is necessary
- We will be looking at everything we do through a climate lens



Thank you!

Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much.

- HELEN KELLER