

your community foundation



The Guelph Community Foundation is a local public foundation created by and for the people of Guelph and Wellington County. The Foundation pools the charitable gifts of many donors into permanent, income-earning endowments. Income from the endowments provides grants for a wide range of community needs and opportunities – *for now and for always*.

What we do

- Help people invest in the charities and causes they care about most.
- Help local charities build endowments for the future.
- Help local charities access grants and financial support for projects and initiatives.
- Help professional advisors assist their clients.
- Bring people and organizations together to address local issues and opportunities.

Features

- Simple, flexible and cost-effective
- Personalized service and local expertise
- Accept a wide variety of gifts and provide donors with a number of charitable options
- Tax advantage under federal and provincial law

Types of Endowment Funds

- GCF Community Fund (unrestricted)
- Donor Advised
- Donor Designated
- Charitable Agency
- Field of Interest
- Memorial & Tribute
- Other GCF Funds: Environmental, Children & Youth, Ken Hamill Operating Fund

Investments

The Foundation has been entrusted to create and steward over 100 funds. Total funds under administration are \$10.4 million with over \$7 million in permanent endowed assets. Funds are overseen by a volunteer investment committee comprised of local investment professionals and by professional investment consultants with extensive experience in endowment building and long-term investment strategies.

Grants

More than \$2 million in grants since inception 12 years ago.

Our Vision

To leave our community greater, better and more beautiful through the philanthropic leadership of those in our area.

Founded

Started in 2000 through the vision of Ken Hammill who remains an Honourary Board Member.

Status

Public foundation, registered charity #867278350 RR0001.

Leadership

Board Chair: Susan Brown
Past Chair: Jay Elinesky
Executive Director: Chris Willard
Legal Counsel: Miller Thomson

Member

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