

### March Madness! Exciting News from The Guelph Community Foundation



# Dollar Match Granting for Canada's 150th to Inject \$120K of Grant Dollars into Guelph Community

Last week, Community Foundations of Canada held a press conference to announce their collaboration with the Government of Canada to provide local grant dollars for programs that bring people and places together to build community in connection with Canada's 150th. **THIS JUST IN!** The Guelph Community Foundation has been allocated \$60,000 from Community Foundations of Canada, and will dollar match our grant dollars awarded this year, which will double the impact that successful applicants are able to have within the Guelph community.

With dollar-match funding from CFC's Community Fund for Canada's 150th, that makes \$120,000 in granting dollars available to Guelph's successful applicants. Eligible criteria includes any charitable activity or project or program that helps BUILD community, INSPIRE or ENCOURAGE community. A wide range of projects will be considered and are outlined on our website.

**Applications open on June 1st and close on July 22nd,** so local charitable organizations should start thinking how their proposed or existing projects can commemorate Canada's 150th by helping build community, inspire a deeper understanding of our community, or build vibrancy within our community. Please call us to share your ideas or ask any questions!

#### **Our Grants in Action: Focus on Nature Student Exhibit**







Our GCF friends and family are invited to visit the student exhibit tomorrow night (March 23rd) from 5:00 - 8:00 PM, where Simon Bell will be hosting a final night of viewing. The exhibit is truly fantastic and is guaranteed to make you feel proud that you played a part in encouraging photographic creativity in young Guelph students! If you are unable to attend, please view the on-line gallery for a look at their wonderful work. We supported this project through The Ken Danby Legacy Fund, The Norman Earl Webb Fund, The McKeough Taylor Fund and our GCF Community Grants program.

#### The Guelph Community Foundation Hosts Refugee Forum



In partnership with The United Way GW, The Guelph Community Foundation gathered agencies from around Guelph to discuss anticipated needs and challenges facing service providers in our community. We were able to gather available services and contact information and compile an integrated list to share with other community groups. Our hope is that together we can connect services with needs in our community. For more detail, or to view the list of refugee services please visit our website.

## **Grants in Action: "Honour Song" performance by Guelph Youth Singers**





We represented The Guelph Community Foundation earlier this month at the wonderfully moving performance featuring Guelph Youth Singers and the Wiiji Numgumook Kwe Drum Circle. Our **Musagetes grant**, in addition to support from the **Glenn. D. Peirson Fund** contributed to this event. For more detail about the performance and to view photos, please click here.

#### **Support your Community, support your Foundation**

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