



What is a Community Foundation?



Community foundations bring together people who care about their communities. They are independent, volunteer-driven, charitable organizations that aim to strengthen their communities by facilitating philanthropy, by partnering with donors to build permanent endowments and other funds from which they support community projects, and by providing leadership on issues of broad community concern.

Founded on trust, community foundations help donors achieve their charitable goals and invest financial capital in their communities. But they also stimulate and nurture the relationships that link us to others and that create our sense of belonging to a community. Social scientists call these vital connections “social capital” and have found that they are linked to many measures of community and individual well-being. Community foundations, experienced in building financial capital for their communities, also have a leadership role in building social capital – the glue that holds communities together.

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Our Business is Building Community



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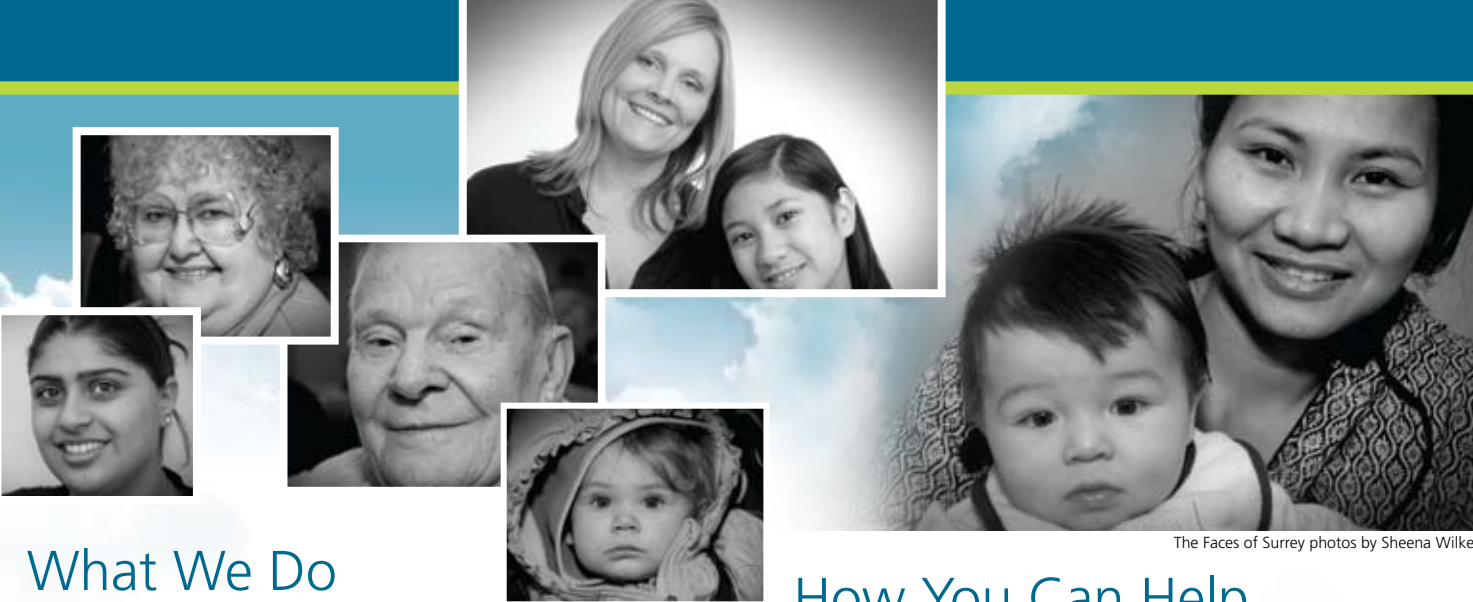
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What We Do

Through building endowment funds, the Surrey Foundation provides lasting support for local priorities that shape our community.

The Surrey Foundation was established on the premise of connecting your dollars with charities and matching the acts of caring people with the growing needs of our dynamic city.

Funds donated to the Foundation are managed by our independent Board of Directors; earnings on the invested capital are used to support a wide range of local initiatives, including health and social services, education, the arts, the environment, and economic development projects.

Since 1994, the Surrey Foundation has granted over 1 million dollars to local charities and programs.

Our Mission

Our Mission is to have a positive and lasting impact on the quality of life in Surrey by:

- creating and managing endowment funds on behalf of donors wanting to contribute to their community over the long term
- encouraging and building community partnerships to create more powerful resources to move forward
- demonstrating leadership in identifying and addressing important community challenges

How You Can Help

Building a strong, vibrant community is everyone's responsibility. The heart of the Surrey Foundation is to provide our community with far reaching support, and make sure your impact is felt in the community, in the areas closest and most meaningful to you. When you become a donor partner, your donation can help everything from brightening a sick child's day to providing shelter for a displaced family with no place to go. Your contribution will improve the overall quality of life for all Surrey Residents.

If you are interested in supporting a lasting community legacy and would like to contribute to the Surrey Foundation, you can do so in a number of ways:

- A one-time gift
- A multi-year gift
- A bequest in a will
- A gift of life insurance by naming the Surrey Foundation as the beneficiary
- A gift in memory of a friend or relative

You may choose which area of interest, specific organization or fund you'd like your donation to help, or leave it up to the Foundation to decide where to allocate your contribution.

The Surrey Foundation is associated to one of the fastest growing national movements in the charitable giving sector.

A member of Community Foundations of Canada (CFC), our foundation is one of over 150 community foundations across Canada, providing a simple, powerful and highly personal approach to giving.

Donate to the Surrey Foundation

Donor Form

Yes! I wish to support the Surrey Foundation with a gift of

- \$1,000 \$500 \$250
 \$100 \$_____

Name: _____

Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

Corporate Name: _____

Address: _____

Postal Code: _____

Payment Options:

Cheque (payable to Surrey Foundation)

Visa Mastercard

Card Number: _____

Expiry: _____

Signature: _____

I would like to learn more about:

- Volunteering my time to support the Surrey Foundation
- Including the Surrey Foundation in my estate planning
- Establishing a fund with the Surrey Foundation
- I would like my gift to remain anonymous



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Donations also accepted on-line at
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Charitable receipts provided for
donations of \$20 or more.

