

HURONIA  
COMMUNITY  
FOUNDATION



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# ANNUAL REPORT

2013 - 2014



Fourteen Years Over  
\$1,000,000 in Grants &  
Scholarships!

# Huronia Community Foundation

## Our Mission

To support and sustain Huronia forever by accepting, building and managing financial gifts, investing them for long term growth, and distributing the earnings to local charities based on their needs and the needs of our community.

## Our Vision

A smart and caring community to build a better Huronia.

## A Message from the President

The Huronia Community Foundation Board of Directors wish to thank our many volunteers, supporters and donors as we continue to give back to our community together. This fiscal year thanks to your generous donations, we provided almost \$40,000 in grants to those most in need in our community. Your continued support will ensure we do this and more in 2014-15.

The 2013-14 year also saw our organization achieve a new Strategic Plan to serve this community. Our goal moving forward is to IGNITE HURONIA! Bringing new energy, support and grants to those most in need, we will help create a better Huronia for everyone.

Under the direction of Executive Director Patricia Copeland this fiscal year we have new funds, embarked on our first VITAL SIGNS REPORT on community wellness and held another successful Circle of Honor Philanthropy Awards event. We have exceeded our fiscal goal for 2014 and thank everyone who helped us get there.

In closing, I want to congratulate our new Board President Barbara Jones on accepting this key role. Barbara Jones is well known in Midland and her business expertise and strong community ties will take HCF to the next level.

Thank you for this wonderful opportunity to serve our communities .I hope you will join me and continue to grow and establish new funds at HCF. Please help us IGNITE HURONIA!!

Sincerely,

*Anita Dubeau*

Anita Dubeau  
President of the Board of Directors



## A Message from the Executive Director

The Huronia Community Foundation is proud to be a part of the Community Foundation Canada charitable family established in 1921 in western Canada. Since 2001 our donors have helped us give over \$1 million in grants and scholarships in Huronia. So whether you live in Midland, Collingwood, Penetanguishene or the townships we are there for you.

Our mandate is broad and so our positive effect on this community is wide. This year our annual grant program has provided 12 local organizations with funds. Grants will support youth, the arts, the environment and those struggling with mental health challenges. Our private fund holders have provided scholarships and grants to local students, environmental protection, physician attraction, school food programs and the Georgian Bay Hospital Foundation to name only a few.

October marks the release of our very first VITAL SIGNS REPORT. The report will help charities, government offices and service clubs plan how to spend their money wisely to best support our community and its people. Based on the Community Index of Well Being and the Simcoe County Data Consortium findings, the data will be from well trusted sources.

Finally, I want to thank our generous donors for their ongoing support. I hope you will give now at [www.huroniacf.com](http://www.huroniacf.com) and help us IGNITE HURONIA!!

Sincerely,

*Patricia Copeland*

Patricia Copeland, BA, CFRE  
Executive Director



# Grants

## A Message from the Grants Chair

'Ignite Huronia'! Doesn't that sound exciting? This slogan is part of our new strategic plan and it is exactly what the Huronia Community Foundation Grants Committee gets to do every year!

Our volunteer job is to review grant applications from charities in our catchment area each spring. We offer grants to charities in Midland, Penetanguishene, Wasaga Beach, Collingwood, Tiny, Tay and Springwater Townships. We look for innovation in the projects; the ripple effect into our communities; collaboration with other organizations and the types of needs these projects fill. We would love to provide a grant to every application and with the help of generous donors like you we will one day.

The reason we have funds to grant at all is because kind members of these communities care enough to give to our Smart and Caring Community Fund or to create endowment or flow-through funds to create grants. These funds are used to breathe life into all kinds of key projects for youth, seniors, those less fortunate, those with Special Needs and in all sectors – the arts, the environment, social services, education and recreation. Since 2001 we have granted almost \$1 million back to our community in the form of grants and scholarships. The gift of giving demonstrated by our donors and you, will allow us to continue to give back to the community.

As the Chairperson of the Grants Committee and a member of the Board of Directors for the Huronia Community Foundation, I also want to express my gratitude to our hard working committee members again this year. You are all simply awesome and your talents and expertise contribute to the positive experience and outcomes our committee has each year.

To help 'Ignite Huronia' simply contact our Executive Director, Patricia Copeland to learn how you can make a donation or get involved. It will be the best decision you have made all year!

Sincerely,

*Barbara Jones*

Barbara Jones  
Huronia Community Foundation Grants Chair





## 2014 Grants

The Grants Committee of 2014 provided **\$16,410.00** to 12 worthy organizations:



**\$1,400.00**

### The Next Door

Transitional housing for youth seed money

**\$1,400.00**

### Eat Well to Excel

Help with cost of food or small appliances needed to prep food

**\$1,400.00**

### Champlain Commemorations 2015

Graffiti Mural Project

**\$1,400.00**

### Waypoint Centre for Mental Health Care

Film license fee, venue fee and tech support

**\$1,400.00**

### Scientists in School

Habitats and Communities Program

**\$1,400.00**

### Midland YMCA

Support of 12 children/youth to participate in Y programs

**\$1,400.00**

### Sistema Huronia

Sheet music and music stands

**\$1,210.00**

### Friends of Wye Marsh

Support 6 children to attend summer camp

**\$1,200.00**

### Severn Sound Environmental Association

Depth Sounder



**\$1,400.00**

### Telecare Distress Line

New Website



**\$1,400.00**

### Shelter Now

Art Therapy Program



**\$1,400.00**

### Warm and Cosy

Clothing for at risk children



# Celebrating Our Donors

## K.J. Ramolla Fund

The K.J. RAMOLLA FUND has been established to celebrate the passing of young Karl J. Ramolla in the early 2000's.

This is the largest fund established in our foundations history. Thanks to the Ramolla family and generous donors who knew and loved K.J. this fund will have a real impact on the wellness of this region. The fund is dedicated to "improving the quality of life and living conditions for people".

Sonia Ramolla K.J.'s Mom remembers a spirited athlete who excelled at hockey and life. His family remembers a generous, kind, intelligent young man with this fund. What better way to honor such an amazing person and mark his life in a lasting and truly meaningful way.

To give to the K.J. Ramolla Fund go to [www.huroniacf.com](http://www.huroniacf.com)



# Our Mission in Action

## Scientist In School

The SCIENTIST IN SCHOOL charity received its 7th annual grant this year thanks to donors just like you. Your donations to our Smart and Caring Community Fund help fuel these annual grants every year.

Our volunteer Grant Committee was able to offer this grant to provide local elementary students with workshops in science to stimulate our next generation of scientists so key to our future.

Strong science education means students will help lead our region to stronger economic growth, a healthier

environment, innovation and enjoy greater incomes sparking a stronger economy here in the region.

Workshop presenters are professionals with expertise in biology or chemistry or ecology or other sciences. Over 32 workshops are presented in across the Simcoe region and 75% of the students surveyed said their interest science increased thanks to these workshops. You just never know what amazing scientific breakthrough lies with these budding scientists.



# Funds

## Thank You to our Donors

HCF gratefully acknowledges and thanks all those who have supported us over the years by generously donating. If we missed anyone we apologize. Know that we also respect any requests to remain anonymous. HCF encourages the establishment of Managed Funds to support the many charities so key to the wellness of our community.

## Smart & Caring Community Foundations Funds

### FUND DEFINITIONS

#### **Smart & Caring Community Funds**

These are general funds that give the Foundation the greatest flexibility in awarding Grants to charities. This type of fund is not tied into any specific charity or area of interest, allowing the Foundation to respond to the immediate and changing needs of the community.

#### **Donor Advised Endowment Funds**

This type of fund enables donors to have ongoing participation in the selection of charities that will benefit from the gift

#### **Designated Endowment Funds**

This type of fund gives the donor the opportunity to specify, at the time the fund is established, which particular charity or charities they would like to support in perpetuity.

#### **Field of Interest Endowment Funds**

Donors identify the area of interest that they would like their fund to support. Examples include the arts, environment, health, seniors, children, youth, recreation, relief of poverty, or education.

#### **Managed Funds**

Managed Funds are held on behalf of a charity. The annual returns are distributed back to the charity for their own use.

#### **Flow-Through Funds**

These funds are distributed over a one year period.

*Governor General David Johnson became the patron of Community Foundations of Canada in 2011. His vision to build smart and caring communities is based on three pillars: innovation, philanthropy and volunteerism which meshes with our guiding principle to demonstrate philanthropic leadership. In recognition of his vision, we have renamed our unrestricted and community funds as our Smart and Caring Community Funds. These funds give the Foundation the greatest flexibility to respond to current community needs by providing grants to charities across Huronia.*



## 2013 - 2014 Funds

### Smart & Caring Community

#### Endowment Funds

Administration Reserve Fund  
 El Camino Fund  
 HCF Environmental Fund  
 HCF Youth Fund  
 Huronia CF Board Fund  
 J&J MacIntyre Community Fund  
 Leah P. Gignac Community Fund  
 Tom and Lucille Gay Community Fund  
 Professional Advisors Fund

### Donor Advised

#### Endowment Funds

A Mother's Love Fund  
 Attitude is Everything Fund  
 Barber & Haskill Fund  
 Bryson McQuirter Memorial Fund  
 Cedar Ridge Pops Festival Fund  
 Cliff Pendlebury Fund  
 Duncan James McLaren Fund  
 Hacker Gignac and Rice Fund  
 Jake Just Fund  
 Jim McCready Memorial Fund  
 JJ Gignac Fund  
 KJ Ramolla Fund\*

Len Self Youth Fund  
 Medical Scholarship Fund  
 Midland in Motion Fund  
 PAK (Players Assisting Kids) Fund  
 Penetanguishene Youth Fund  
 REACH Youth Fund  
 Vaughan Fund  
 Vaughan Family Fund  
 YMCA Camp Kitchikwana Fund\*

### Donor Designated

#### Endowment Funds

Askennonnia Seniors Fund  
 Butch LaFrance Fund  
 C P Stow Fund  
 CLH (Community Living Huronia) Fund  
 Gammell Family Fund  
 Gil Robillard Family Fund  
 Helen Redman Bursary  
 Iris C. Stotesbury Fund  
 Hon. James Bartleman Fund  
 Lynda Zuidema Fund  
 Michelle Quealey Fund  
 MSS Bursary Fund  
 MSS Bill Barnett Fund  
 MSS Jas Roberts Fund

MSS Moss Fund  
 MSS Stanley Redman Fund  
 MSS Sarah Burke Fund

### Field Of Interest

#### Endowment Funds

Jack Beauchamp Memorial Fund  
 Annette Brunelle Youth Fund  
 Bondar Nursing Fund  
 David & Delva Finch Youth Fund  
 Huronia Community Players\*  
 Huronia Museum Fund  
 John Arpin Fund  
 Rosewood Shelter Fund  
 Wyevale Scholarship Fund

### Flow Through

#### Non-Endowment Class

Dennis Ngui-Yen Scholarship Fund  
 JT McCullough Memorial Fund\*  
 LABX Media Group Fund  
 Midland Cultural Centre Fund\*  
 GBH Physician Recruitment Fund  
 Step Up Awards Fund  
 Simcoe County Trails Fund\*

\* Designates new funds



# Funds

## New Funds at HCF

The Huronia Community Foundation is expanding its service to our community by creating new relationships with key community service providers. To donate to these wonderful new funds just go to [www.huroniacf.com](http://www.huroniacf.com) and follow the DONATE instructions.

### The YMCA Of Simcoe Muskoka

We are excited to announce the YMCA of Simcoe Muskoka has now trusted the Huronia Community Foundation with the Camp Kitchikiwana Fund. The fund marks a new beginning in focusing on a rejuvenated camp experience for children at this Midland area camp. Funds will be used to improve the camp facilities, camp programs and more.

### The Huronia Community Players

The Huronia Community Players established a fund this year to help build on the fabulous theatre experience they have provided local and visiting theatre patrons in our area for many years. Now housed in the Midland Cultural Centre in downtown Midland they offer great theatre for young and the young at heart, workshops and more.

### The Simcoe Country Trails Association

The cover photo of our AGM Report features a few trails members lead locally by Mike Lauder and Frieda Baldwin of the Georgian Trails Committee.

This key volunteer driven organization in Simcoe County has teamed up with the Georgian Trails Committee to raise needed funds to expand and maintain our local trails system.

Anyone who enjoys hiking, cycling, snow mobile riding or other trail activities knows how important this healthy outdoor trail system adds to a better quality of life in our region. So go ahead and donate today.



## Volunteers & Staff

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#### *Website and Communications:*

Nicole French  
Jason Wilson

## A Note of Thanks

The Huronia Community Foundation Board is made up of key leaders in our community. These professionals make up a part of the over 35 volunteers who work together to take our foundation to the next level. Volunteer committee members ensure our organization runs at the highest level for the least cost. This means less money spent on administration and more donor dollars spent where it matters most.

Grants Committee volunteers ensure grants are fairly distributed to those organizations most capable of serving this region. Volunteers help us give scholarships to local students, provide needed website and communications support, select our philanthropy awards recipients and design and host the awards event each spring here in Midland. They do it all with a guiding hand from the Executive Director and a strong sense of commitment and excellence.

So thank you to the team who make Huronia Community Foundation ignite our community spirit and make it a better place to live.



# Circle of Honour Philanthropy Awards

## 2014 Circle of Honour Philanthropy Awards

On behalf of the Board of Directors and the Philanthropy Awards Selection Committee we wish to congratulate all those nominated and our recipients of this year's awards. The event was held at the prestigious Brooklea Golf and Country Club. The evening was a red carpet affair decorated in academy awards style with signature cocktails and elegant wine and food pairings.

We thank all our supporters, local business auction prize donors, committee volunteers and the staff of Brooklea for making this such a spectacular event.

Nominations will be accepted again in March 2015 so watch our website for details. We hope you will join us for the 2015 Philanthropy Awards on May 2, 2015 to celebrate our philanthropic leaders together. Together we can be a smart and caring community building a better Huronia.

## The Circle Of Honor Philanthropy Awards Recipients 2014

### ***Individual***

Ron Crane

### ***Youth***

Erin Moriarty

### ***Group***

The YMCA Of Simcoe Muskoka Midland Y's Men's Club

### ***Business***

Paul Larche And Larche Communications Inc.







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# 2014 - 2017 Strategic Direction

## IGNITE HURONIA



Be a stronger, smarter, more effective foundation.



Be a leader in achieving impact and telling the story of the difference being made.



Be a champion for issues that matter.



Be a creative philanthropic force by increasing community impact.



# GIVE TODAY, HELP FOREVER

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