



## Lac du Bonnet & District Charitable Foundation

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# 2020 Annual Report

*A Better Community...For Today...Tomorrow...Forever*



**Gary Rollins, President**  
*Lac du Bonnet & District  
Charitable Foundation*

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*Proud to be serving the town  
and RM of Lac du Bonnet  
and Ward 4 of the RM of  
Alexander since 2008.*

## President's Message

Firstly, on behalf of our entire Lac du Bonnet Foundation, I would like to thank each and every one of you for your support over the past year! These are definitely unprecedented times for all of us. We have all had to adapt to new routines that none of us ever imagined. Our friends and neighbors continue to find themselves in situations that are beyond their control. Our efforts need to continue so that we are able to help our community members through these extremely difficult times.

During the past year, I am very proud of the effort that has gone into revamping our website, updating our procedures and policies, along with taking a very hard look at how we conduct ourselves on behalf of the community. Our board saw changes, with Geoff Blacklin joining our team. We would also like to thank Paul McIntosh for his service as a board member over the past four years. Both are very strong supporters of our community and we are very appreciative of their service.

Many of the normal events that we conducted over recent years have either changed drastically, or did not happen at all. We were fortunate to be able to participate in the "Night Market" in the fall. This event enabled us to reach more people that we may not have otherwise and gained very valuable exposure for the Foundation.

Our "Day of Giving" was extended to a full week this year and again the response from our community was outstanding! We have also had other initiatives that spawned as a result of COVID, which we will discuss in more detail a little later in the report.

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Please continue to visit our website and provide us with your valuable feedback.

A heartfelt thank you to all of the citizens, businesses, and organizations, past and present, for your unwavering support. We look forward to continuing to support our community in 2021 and beyond. Our community is stronger together.

Gary Rollins  
President  
Lac du Bonnet & District Charitable Foundation

## New Website

In November 2020, the Lac du Bonnet & District Charitable Foundation was proud to announce the launch of its newly designed website. The new website is easy to navigate and has well-organized sections for grant seekers, donors, and anyone wanting to learn more about the Foundation. Information on current initiatives is kept up-to-date, and an on-line tool for contacting the Foundation directly from the website is a new feature.

We invite community members to visit the Foundation's new website at [www.lacdubonnetfoundation.ca](http://www.lacdubonnetfoundation.ca) and welcome any comments or feedback users might have.

## Community Participation

Due to the Pandemic, most of the community events that the Foundation would normally have been involved in were cancelled in 2020. A window of opportunity opened up in the summer, and the Foundation was pleased to be able to take part in Lac du Bonnet's Second Annual Night Market on August 20 to help boost community spirit and raise awareness for the Foundation.

Everyone who visited the booth was invited to place their name in a draw for one of two \$50.00 gift certificates for Campbells and Dancyts grocery stores. Board Members Laurette Greenlay, Dave Johnson, and Dick Campbell manned the booth for the evening.



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# Endow Manitoba Giving Challenge

Created in 2014, the Endow Manitoba Giving Challenge is an annual one-day event to help raise awareness of Community Foundations and a way for Manitobans to support their local communities. 2020 marked the sixth year that the Lac du Bonnet Foundation has actively participated in the Giving Challenge.

Due to Covid, this year's Giving Challenge was extended from a one day event to a full week, from November 9 to 15. Unable to accept donations in person as in previous years, the LDB Foundation held the Giving Challenge as an on-line/mail-in event.

As in previous years, each five dollar gift made to a Foundation's undesignated fund was stretched by one dollar from The Winnipeg Foundation (to a maximum of \$2,000 per foundation) and one dollar from the Manitoba Government (to a maximum of \$2,000 per foundation).

The Foundation's Endowment Committee once again went to supporters in advance and invited them to participate in the establishment of a "Challenge Group Fund". Each supporter donated at least \$500 to the Challenge Group Fund to match community donations dollar for dollar during the Giving Challenge. As a result of the generosity of 11 individuals, a total of \$7,000 was donated to create this year's Challenge Group Fund. The Foundation gratefully acknowledges the donations made by those individuals.

The Foundation was pleased to announce that \$20,365 was raised during this year's Giving Challenge. Board members would like to thank everyone who generously donated to this year's campaign. Your generosity and support are greatly appreciated and will benefit our community now and for generations to come.

## Foundation Establishes a New Fund

### THE BOB AND BETTE RUTHERFORD FAMILY FUND

The Foundation is delighted to announce the creation of a new Fund in 2020. In October, following the passing of Mrs. Bette Rutherford in June 2020, the Foundation's Board of Directors together with the family created a new Fund to recognize the significant contributions that Bob and Bette made to our community over their many years here.

It was Bob who originally had the vision of establishing a community foundation in Lac du Bonnet. Unfortunately, Bob passed away in 2003 before the Foundation became a reality.

This new Fund is unrestricted and earnings from the Fund will be available to address needs in our community as determined by the Foundation's Grants Committee and Board.



*Bette and Bob Rutherford*

# Grants and Scholarships

## Foundation Grants

Three Foundation Board members sit on the Grant Committee: Chair Mitch Walker, Gary Rollins and Dick Campbell.

In 2020 five grant applications were approved for \$16,970 in total funding, as follows:

- **The Lac du Bonnet Regional Library** received \$1,150 towards a project to upgrade the computer networking equipment that supports the office and public workstations.
- **Ronald McDonald House Charities** received \$1,000 in the first payment of a five-year commitment towards a \$20 million project constructing a new 40-bedroom Ronald McDonald House in Winnipeg.
- **The Lac du Bonnet and District Arena Board** received \$5,000 for the final installment of a \$10,000 commitment towards the replacement of the dressing room and skate area matting. \$5,000 was funded towards this project in 2019. The Foundation secured a matching grant from the Manitoba Build 150 Program for \$10,000 making the total contribution to the Arena project \$20,000.
- **The Lac du Bonnet and District Historical Society** received \$8,820 towards an electrical upgrade in the St. John's Heritage Church & Arts Centre.
- **The Lac du Bonnet and District Arena Board** received \$1,000 towards the purchase of a propane storage safety cage at the arena.



*Arena Manager Jeff Seifried*



*Historical Society members Terry Tottle, Janice Halliday and Gay Kirby.*



*Head Librarian, Vicki Short  
LDB Library*

## Bursaries and Scholarships

The *Winnipeg River Bursary Fund* was created by donor Gus Wruck and is awarded annually to a deserving high school student based on need and possible relevance or benefit to the Lac du Bonnet region.

The *Chuck Reynolds Memorial Scholarship* was created by the Reynold's family to support Lac Du Bonnet Senior School graduates in their attempts to pursue their passions at the postsecondary level. The donor committee looks for applicants who are fueled by a combination of passion, talent, intellect, achievement, and determination.

Due to the uncertain times of COVID-19 the donors elected to defer awarding this year. Applications from 2020 graduates will be accepted for consideration in spring 2021.



# Special Funding Opportunities

## Emergency Community Support Funds (ECSF)

In May of 2020 the Government of Canada announced the creation of a \$350 million ECSF to help charities and non-profit organizations adapt and increase frontline services for vulnerable populations affected by Covid-19. The Government selected the Canadian Red Cross, Community Foundations of Canada (CFC) and United Way Centreaide Canada to administer this program.

The Lac du Bonnet Foundation is a member of Community Foundations of Canada, and as a result of our participation in this funding program, the Foundation was allocated a total of \$40,000 to support agencies in our catchment area servicing vulnerable populations which were being adversely affected by Covid-19.

Mitch Walker (Chair) and the Foundation's Grants Committee along with Janice Leroux (Chair) and the Foundation's Communications Committee immediately started identifying agencies and groups which might qualify for assistance under the ECSF. The identified groups were contacted directly to alert them to the ECSF program and advertisements were placed in the Clipper to make the community at large aware of the program.

The Foundation gratefully acknowledges the funding we received from The Government of Canada through CFC which provided grants to the following organizations:

**Lac du Bonnet Food Bank** - \$9,000 to improve the safety and the capacity of the food bank during Covid-19.

**Canadian Liver Foundation** - \$1,000 to assist in providing virtual forums to people suffering from liver disease during Covid-19

**Lac du Bonnet Youth Centre** - \$9,400 for facility upgrades to allow for proper sanitizing and social distancing at the Youth Centre during Covid-19.

**Canadian National Institute for the Blind** - \$600 to provide virtual programming to Canadians impacted by blindness experiencing increased social isolation due to Covid-19.

**HEROS Alliance** - \$20,000 to provide increased access to mental health support to vulnerable individuals and families in our community who have been affected by Covid-19.



*Pictured above are Linda Reid representing the Lac du Bonnet Food Bank, Keegan Sveinson from the Lac du Bonnet Youth Centre, and Bianca Pengelly representing the Canadian Live Association.*

## Manitoba Build 150 Program

As outlined in our 2019 Annual Report, we were delighted to learn that our application for a Build 150 matching grant from the Manitoba 150 Host Committee was approved and that our community would be receiving a matching grant of \$10,000. The Foundation reviewed grant applications which met the criteria for the Build 150

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program and we were proud to be able to add the Build 150 matching grant to the Foundation's \$10,000 grant to the Lac du Bonnet arena for the replacement of the dressing room and skate area matting.

The Foundation gratefully acknowledges the matching funding contributed by the Manitoba 150 Host Committee towards this project.

## Youth in Philanthropy (YIP)



*YIP member Teghan Ancel, Co-chair Kayla Carriere, and principal Chrissy Viznaugh*

YIP is a program promoted by the Winnipeg Foundation and designed to introduce youth to philanthropy and local community development. The program here was established through a three-way partnership between the Thomas Sill Foundation, the LDB Foundation and Lac du Bonnet Senior School.

2020 was the 3<sup>rd</sup> year of the program and the final funding instalment of a three year commitment from the Thomas Sill Foundation. Continued funding will be provided for a further three years by the LDB Foundation. By 2024, the desired goal is to have an established YIP endowment fund from which the Committee can function independently utilizing the annual earnings.

The YIP Committee is awarded \$3,500.00 annually to facilitate their philanthropic program. \$2500.00 must be used for granting purposes and up to \$1,000.00 can be used for administrative expenses such as leadership workshops, hosting meetings, and other related expenses.

In April 2020, the YIP Committee granted \$1,150.00 to the LDB Library for a project to upgrade the computer networking equipment as part of a cost shared grant with the LDB Foundation. Unfortunately, the Committee's year was cut short due to Covid-19. All remaining funds from 2020 were carried over to 2021.

Each year any unused funds allocated for administrative expenses are invested in the Lac du Bonnet Senior School YIP Committee Endowment Fund. This year the entire \$1,000 earmarked for administration expenses was available to move to that account.

Members of the Lac du Bonnet YIP Committee for the 2019-20 school year were: Co-chairs Kayla Carriere and Sara Flett, Tanya Fisher, Teghan Ancel, and Elizabeth Van Linden. Thank you to teacher rep Tabitha Shiplack and principal Chrissy Viznaugh for their support.

*Thanks to the generous support of our community and partnerships with the Thomas Sills Foundation, ECSF and Build 150 programs, a total of*

**\$68,120.00**

*was awarded in grants to our community in 2020.*

**Donations to the Lac du Bonnet Foundation can be done:**

- On-line at [www.lacdubonnetfoundation.ca](http://www.lacdubonnetfoundation.ca)
- By mail at Box 744, Lac du Bonnet, Manitoba, R0E1A0
- By contacting us at [info@lacdubonnetfoundation.ca](mailto:info@lacdubonnetfoundation.ca)

*Your support is greatly appreciated.*

# 2020 Financial Summary

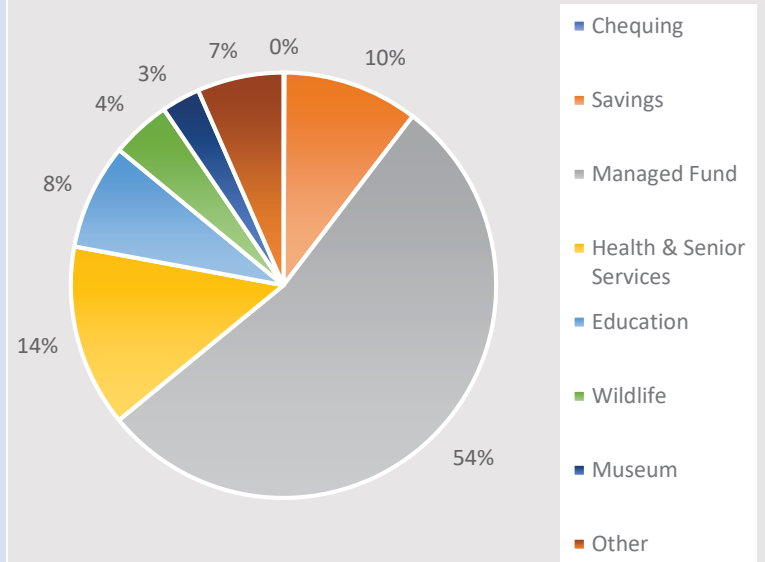
## ASSETS AS OF DECEMBER 2020

Chequing	\$684.59
Savings	\$82,762.00
Managed Fund	\$431,168.39
Health & Senior Services	\$111,222.02
Education	\$64,591.99
Wildlife	\$36,419.31
Museum	\$23,598.27
Other	\$52,733.14
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>\$803,179.71</b>

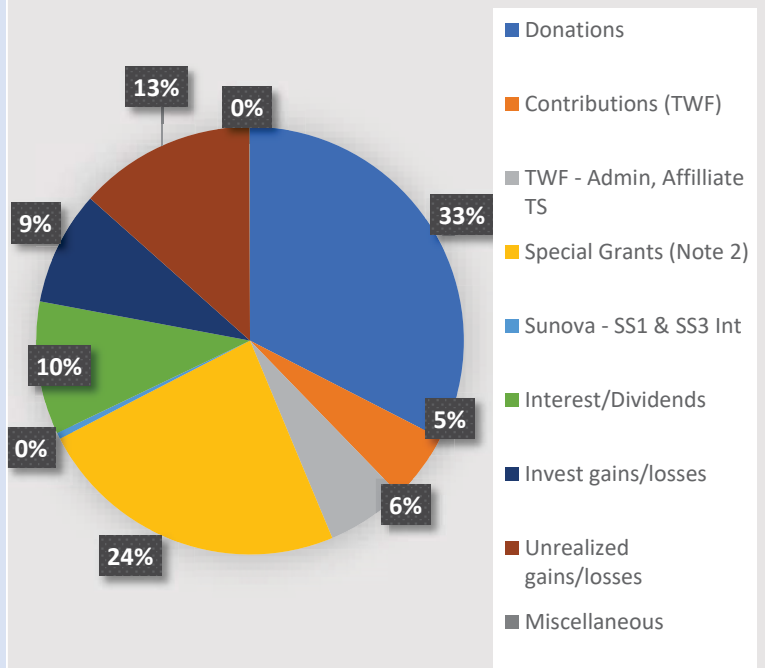
## 2020 INCOME AND EXPENSES

Donations	
Received	\$48,002.86
Not Received	\$20,628.97
Admin Donations	
Received	\$0.00
Not Received	\$0.00
Contributions (TWF)	\$10,966.00
TWF - Admin, Affiliate TS	\$12,584.00
Special Grants (Note 2)	\$50,000.00
Sunova - SS1 & SS3 Int	\$992.97
Interest/Dividends	\$21,202.88
Invest gains/losses	\$18,192.77
Unrealized gains/losses	\$28,206.57
Miscellaneous	\$110.00
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$210,887.02</b>
Expenses	
Accounting & Legal	\$346.45
Admin Fee (TWF + CFC)	\$3,289.73
Advertising	\$2,919.41
Grants	\$77,866.50
Investment Fees (TWF)	\$2,301.99
Membership Dues	\$80.00
Miscellaneous	\$78.40
Office Supplies	\$524.31
Website Hosting	\$264.22
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$87,671.01</b>
<b>Net Income</b>	<b>\$123,216.01</b>

## Foundation Assets



## Foundation Income



# 2020 Donors

## Thank You!

*All donations small or large add up to a strong and vibrant community. Thank you for your partnership, support, and investment in helping to make Lac du Bonnet and the surrounding area a better community for today...tomorrow...forever.*

Acsion Industries	Champagne, Peter	Halliday, Janice & John	Pedruchny, Fred
Al Meisner Ltd	Clegg, Carol & Leon	Hodgeson, Bruce	Powell, Ken
Alfonso, Patty	Copeland, Nancy & Bob	Holm, Beatrice & Allan	Pym, Charles & Doreen
Anonymous	Corner Auto	Johnson, David & Patricia	Richmond, Bruce
Arbez, Rejeanne & Gerald	D. Evans Electric	Jones, Scott	Rollins, Arlene & Gary
Arsenault, Brendon	Dancyt, Doreen	Kabaluk, Dennis & Carol	Rollins, Lily M
Arseniuk, Joan & Harry	David, Karen & Laurent	Kerr, Georgina & John	Rutherford, John & Michelle
Baleja, Deborah & David	Davidow, Linda	Kirby, Patrick	Rutherford, Mau & Penny
Barnard, John & Gloria	Degner, Wendy	Lansard, Raymond	Rutherford, Robert
Barnsdale, Thomas	Derkson, Monica & James	LDBSS Band Parents Association	Shaley, Bob
Bayer, Michael	Diclimente, Linda	Lemoine, Helene	Shaw, Joyce
Baylis, Deborah & Tim	Dupras, Irene	Leroux, Doug & Janice	Siple, Joan & Melvin
Bell, Greg	Dybish, Gerald T.	Lesko, Joan	Spence, Karen J.
Berger, Thomas	East-Man Appliance	Manitoba Hydro Payroll Deductions	St. Amant, Gail & Art
Bio Agronics	Enright, Richard & Kim	Mayer, Elaine & Ed	Stewart, Wayne
Black, Myrna & Reg	Eyolfson, Margaret	McGuffin, Gina & Dennis	Sutherland, Muriel
Blacklin, Geoffrey	Fleming, Theresa & John	Meade, Agnes & Elmer	Sveinson, Sharon
Breaton, Jacquelin	Flynn, Susan & Patrick	Mozil, Dallas	United Way Payroll Deductions
Brereton Lake Gas	Franz, Werner	Myers, Wendy & Clarke	Usackis, Teresa & John
Bruderer, Patricia & David	Gimli Snowmobile Center	Neal, Diane	Waters Edge Plumbing
Bruneau, Diane	Goddard, Alan	Neisteter, Beverly	Wiebe, Ernie
Bung, Brigitta	Gosselin, Marc	Nilsson, Karen & Carl	Wiebe, Jason
Burnell, Carol	Greenlay, Laurette	Olchowy, Helen	Williams, Deborah & Randy
Campbell, Richard & Bonnie	Grewinski Trucking Ltd.	Page, Evan	Wojciechowski, Laverne
Campbell, William	Grewinski, John	Page, Russell	Wruck, Gus & Marlene



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