



Lac du Bonnet & District Charitable Foundation

2021 Annual Report

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

President's Message

Over the past year, we have been fortunate to see just how much our community cares and supports all of our residents, past and present. The support has been truly amazing during these challenging times. All of the people that have been contributing to the Lac Du Bonnet Foundation, in one form or another, have been making a commitment to our community with a clear mandate to continue to improve our quality of life for all.

Our Board has continued to impress with their dedicated focus to the entire community, while constantly looking for new opportunities. We are always looking for ways to build on our exposure around the Lac Du Bonnet area, while also reaching out to keep in touch with others who have connections to our community. In 2021, we were very fortunate to have Kim Laurans join our Board. Kim has a strong commitment to our area, and he is also a member of the Lac Du Bonnet Food Bank.

The Foundation has been very active from Part II of the RBC Vital Conversation, successful spring and fall granting sessions, Night Market, Endow Manitoba Giving Challenge and continuing to expand our website capabilities. We were also able to partner with the Pinawa Foundation to support a purchase of medical equipment that will benefit our entire eastern region of the province.

Our Foundation is constantly looking to understand our community needs and support these needs. Feedback is always welcomed, as our goal is to create opportunities for community members to thrive.

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



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

Board Members 2021
*Gary Rollins – President
Dave Johnson – Chair
Dick Campbell – Treasurer
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Mitch Walker
Janice Leroux
Geoff Blacklin
Kim Laurans*

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

RBC Future Launch Community Challenge

In Spring 2021, the Lac du Bonnet & District Charitable Foundation in partnership with Community Foundations of Canada and the RBC Future Launch Community Challenge hosted two Vital Conversations via Zoom.

The purpose of these events was to bring youth and community leaders together to discuss vital needs in our community and identify ways in which youth could help. The first session was held on March 12 and the second on May 12. Both sessions were facilitated by LDB Foundation Board Member, Laverne Wojciechowski.

The Vital Conversations followed set formats that had students and community leaders sharing ideas in both small group and whole group sessions. The Vital Conversations were based on three key questions:

- What is working well in our community and what are some key challenges that we face?
- Which challenges are youth uniquely positioned to help improve?
- How can youth leadership be fostered and supported in meeting these challenges?

Some general themes and specific projects that emerged from the discussions included:

- Community development to create greater cultural opportunities for youth, further development of the water front, and more diverse recreational activities for all.
- Creating greater wheelchair accessibility along the waterfront, to businesses, and through the development of more walking paths in town.
- Economic development to bring more people to the Lac du Bonnet area, increase job experiences and provide greater opportunity for youth employment.
- Developing youth leadership skills through mentorship programs, volunteerism, training, work experience programs, and direct involvement with community organizations.
- Providing a structure within the community for youth voice to be included.

An important outcome of both Vital Conversations was a definite desire for community organizations and youth leaders to keep the conversation alive by creating a more specific plan for youth voice and involvement in our community.



Participants included: Student leaders from LDBSS, Reeve Loren Schinkel (RM of LDB), Mayor Gord Peters and Councillor Keegan Svienson (Town of LDB) and representatives from the Lac du Bonnet Foundation, RBC Future Launch program, Centennial School, HEROS Alliance, LDB Youth Centre, Two Rivers Senior Council, LDB Lions Club, Mrs. Lucci's, Winnipeg River Community Futures, LDB Food Bank, Fire and Water Festival, RM of Lac du Bonnet Recreation, Interlake-Eastern Regional Health, and Town of Lac du Bonnet Recreation.

Screen shot of participants from Vital Conversation Part 2: May 12, 2021

Endow Manitoba Giving Challenge 2021

Once again this year, Endow Manitoba held its annual Giving Challenge in support of Community Foundations across the province. This year's event ran from November 15-21 and during that week, more than \$1.5 million was raised in support of the 55 community foundations in Manitoba. Due to Covid, the LDB Foundation Board held this year's Giving Challenge as an on-line and mail-in event and was overwhelmed by the generous support of our community.



Thanks to the generosity of our community, the Challenge Group Fund and Foundation partners, a record breaking
\$30,687.50
was raised through this year's Giving Challenge.

As in past years, each five dollar gift to a Foundation's undesignated Funds 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). We gratefully acknowledge the contribution of these stretch dollars by the Winnipeg Foundation and the Province of Manitoba.

This year a total of \$26,687.50 was received from the community and when the maximum stretch dollars of \$4,000 were added our grand total was **\$30,687.50**.

Included in those amounts were contributions from a group of supporters who made a pledge in advance to donate at least \$500 to the **Challenge Group Fund** which would match donations from the community to the Giving Challenge, dollar for dollar. This year fifteen supporters contributed a total of \$9,000 to the Challenge Group Fund. The Foundation gratefully acknowledges the support provided to our Giving Challenge by this group.

The Foundation greatly appreciates all of the donations received during this year's campaign. The earnings from donations received will continue to benefit our community for generations to come.

Lac du Bonnet Night Market

2021 remained a challenging year for the community as on-going Covid restrictions made it difficult for organizations to hold public events. As with 2020, a window of opportunity opened up during the summer and the LDB Foundation was once again able to set up a public relations booth at the Lac du Bonnet Night Market which took place on August 19, 2021.

Board members: Dick Campbell, Dave Johnson, Gary Rollins and Geoff Blacklin.



Lac du Bonnet Foundation Grants

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

In 2021, seven grant applications were approved for \$23,744 in total funding, as follows:

Ronald McDonald House Charities received \$1,000 in the second payment of a five-year commitment towards a \$20 million project constructing a new 40-bedroom Ronald McDonald House in Winnipeg.

Memories of Point du Bois received \$750 to create and publish a history book on the residents of this former Winnipeg Hydro town. Manitoba Hydro has contributed a matching amount to the Foundation for a total grant of \$1,500.

STARS Air Ambulance received \$5,000 towards the purchase and installation of an Incubator Mount locking mechanism that secures the incubator to the stretcher for transportation of newborn and other infants by air ambulance.

*Ray Rempel, Clinical Operations Manager STARS
Ray Grenkow, Captain, STARS*



The Lac du Bonnet District Health Center received \$1,694 towards the purchase of an Ankle Brachial Index (ABI) Doppler for testing blood circulation. This equipment purchase was cost shared with the Pinawa Foundation. Total project cost was \$3,387.

*Chris Saunders, Pinawa Foundation President,
Jamie McLean, IERHA Chronic Disease Nurse and
Gary Rollins, LDB Foundation President*



*Tracy Neurenburg and
Elaine Vincent, HEROES
Alliance Lunch on Us*

HEROS Alliance received \$2,000 towards kitchen equipment for the *Lunch is on Us* program that enhances the health and wellness of community residents.

The Lac du Bonnet Wildlife Association received \$5,000 towards excavation and rip rap work at the Lac du Bonnet Trout Ponds to improve angler accessibility.



*Dennis McGuffin and Brian
Shirliffe, Lac du Bonnet
Wildlife Association*



The Sunrise Education Foundation received \$5,300 towards the purchase of laptop computers to assist Lac du Bonnet Senior School students that do not have access to this technology for remote educating.

Janice Leroux, LDB Foundation
Chrissy Viznaugh, Principal LDBSS
Rose Klym, Library Clerk LDBSS

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. A \$1,000 bursary was awarded to **Dallas Gaffray** to pursue a Conservation Enforcement Bachelor of Applied Science degree at Lethbridge College.

The Lac du Bonnet Wildlife Association periodically considers bursary applications when students are pursuing careers in natural resource management or enforcement. A \$1,000 bursary was awarded to **Dallas Gaffray** to pursue a Conservation Enforcement Bachelor of Applied Science degree at Lethbridge College.



*Brian Shirtliffe (LDB Wildlife), Dallas Gaffray,
and Gus Wruck (Winnipeg River Bursary)*

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 post-secondary level. The donor committee looks for applicants who are fueled by a combination of passion, talent, intellect, achievement, and determination. Two scholarships were awarded this year to the following students:



A \$250 scholarship was awarded to **Jaxon Macey-Nolan** (*left*) to pursue a career in finance and accounting at the Asper School of Business.

A \$750 scholarship was awarded to **Lacy Gaffray** (*right*) to pursue a career in law enforcement and attend the Public Safety program at Assiniboine Community College.



Youth in Philanthropy (YIP)

After a one and a half year break due to Covid-19, the LDBSS Youth in Philanthropy Committee (YIP) was able to start up again in late fall 2021 as part of Lac du Bonnet Senior School's Student Council.

YIP is the youth arm of the Lac du Bonnet & District Charitable Foundation. This leadership program originated with the Winnipeg Foundation and was established at LDBSS through a three-way partnership with the Thomas Sill Foundation, the LDB Foundation, and the Lac du Bonnet Senior School. YIP is designed to introduce young people to philanthropy through a hands-on process of building an endowment fund, learning about community needs and engaging in the granting process.



The LDBSS YIP Committee is awarded \$3,500 annually to facilitate their program with \$2,500 going towards granting purposes and \$1,000 towards administrative costs. From 2018 to 2020, these funds were provided by the Thomas Sill Foundation, and from 2021 to 2023, funding will be provided directly by the LDB Foundation. By January 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 Endowment Fund currently sits at \$17,213.79. In 2021, a total of \$12,622.86 was invested into the fund thanks to \$1,000 in unused administrative funds and a generous donation of \$11,622.86 from the now disbanded LDBSS Band Boosters Committee.

In 2021, the YIP Committee had extra funds available for awarding purposes due to Covid-19 and untouched grant monies from 2020. As such, the YIP Committee was able to award \$4,700.00 to Sunrise School Division in December 2021 to purchase laptop computers to assist students in the Lac du Bonnet area that do not have access to technology for remote learning purposes.

The following students were involved in this year's YIP Committee: Isabella Molinski (president), Serene Alexander, Faith Homeniuk, Sage King, Kalan Sinclair, Braden Fontaine, Hailey Metcalf, Keryn Volmering, Kaleb Kettles, and Sara Diduck. Teacher leaders were Ashley Krockner and principal, Chrissy Viznaugh.



Donations to the Lac du Bonnet Foundation can be done:

- On-line at www.lacdubonnetfoundation.ca
- By mail at Box 744, Lac du Bonnet, Manitoba, R0E1A0
- By contacting us at info@lacdubonnetfoundation.ca

Your support is greatly appreciated.

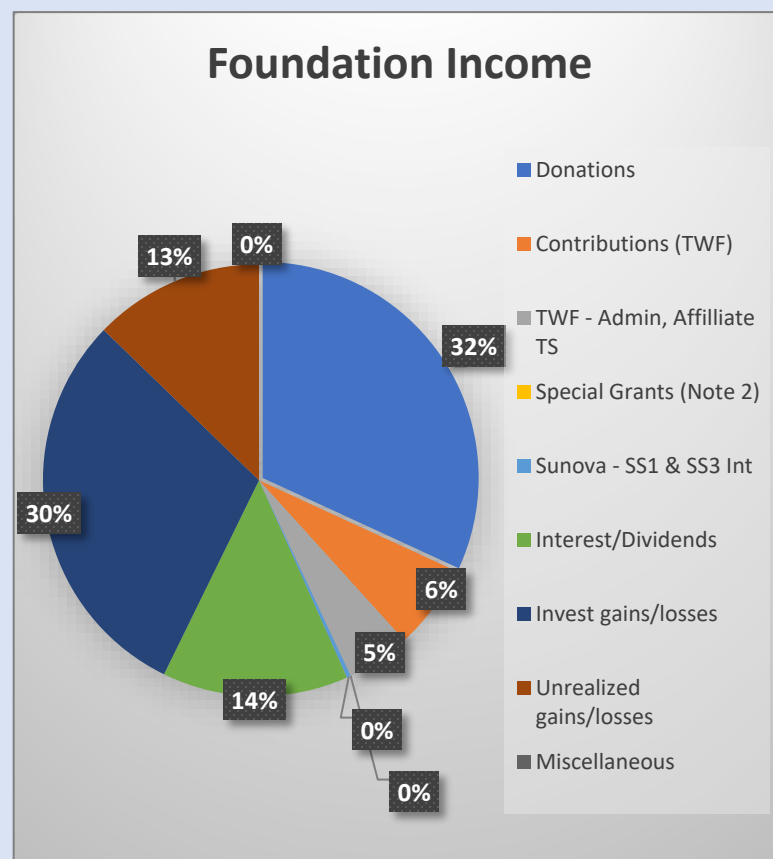
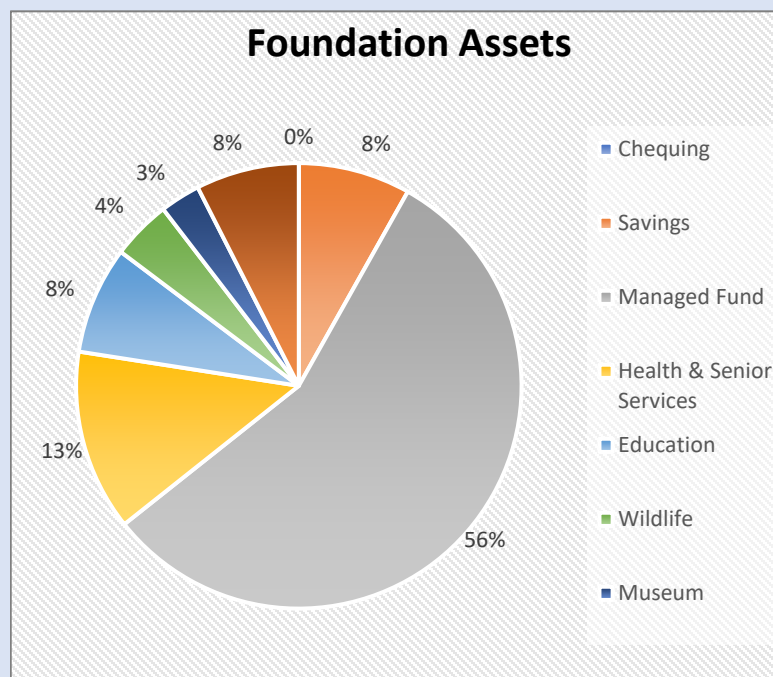
2021 Financial Summary

ASSETS AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2021

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| Chequing | \$92.72 |
| Savings | \$73,361.60 |
| Managed Fund | \$506,889.76 |
| Health & Senior Services | \$118,525.85 |
| Education | \$70,439.30 |
| Wildlife | \$38,916.42 |
| Museum | \$26,364.76 |
| Other | \$67,629.73 |
| Total Assets | \$902,220.14 |

INCOME AND EXPENSES AS OF DEC 31, 2021

| INCOME | |
|---------------------------|---------------------|
| Donations | |
| Received | \$31,315.80 |
| Not Received | \$18,277.82 |
| Admin Donations | |
| Received | \$0.00 |
| Not Received | \$0.00 |
| Contributions (TWF) | \$9,977.00 |
| TWF - Admin, Affiliate TS | \$7,385.00 |
| Special Grants (Note 2) | \$0.00 |
| Sunova - SS1 & SS3 Int | \$473.62 |
| Interest/Dividends | \$21,662.94 |
| Invest gains/losses | \$46,678.97 |
| Unrealized gains/losses | \$19,852.59 |
| Miscellaneous | \$0.00 |
| Total Income | \$155,623.74 |
| EXPENSES | |
| Accounting & Legal | \$341.31 |
| Admin Fee (TWF + CFC) | \$4,023.15 |
| Advertising | \$2,335.28 |
| Grants | \$43,214.17 |
| Investment Fees (TWF) | \$3,504.12 |
| Membership Dues | \$530.00 |
| Miscellaneous | \$1,989.03 |
| Office Supplies | \$646.25 |
| Website Hosting | \$0.00 |
| Total Expenses | \$56,583.31 |
| Net Income | \$99,040.43 |



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Thank you for helping to make our community stronger for today...tomorrow...forever.



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