



BUILDING
A LASTING

Legacy 2025

IMPACT REPORT



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We were lucky enough to host
a traditional medicine walk
at Birds Hill Park on July 25th!

Alongside an Elder from Peguis First Nation,
Interlake Women's Resource Centre staff
and clients were able to harvest sage
and other traditional medicines,
as well as enjoy a beautiful day, ceremony,
and feast in honour of our ancestors.

This was made possible by the
Westshore Community Foundation Inc!
Thank you!



Land Acknowledgement

The Westshore Community Foundation catchment area is located on Treaty One and Treaty Two lands; the traditional homelands of the Dakota, Anishanabek, Anishinaabe, Oji-Cree, Cree, Dene, Lakota and the homeland of the Red River Metis. Westshore Community Foundation proudly acknowledges our role in the many relationships that make up our home and commits to a spirit of reconciliation for the future.

We respect the spirit and intent of the Treaties and remain committed to working in partnership with First Nations, Inuit and Metis people in the spirit of truth, reconciliation and collaboration.



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PRESIDENT'S Message

It has been an exciting year to take over as President of Westshore Community Foundation Inc. (WCF) and I am excited to share this 2025 Impact Report with you. We have changed the name from “Annual Report” because we feel “Impact” better reflects our mission of “Building a Lasting Legacy” by impacting our communities in a positive way. You can read more about it on page 16.

For the first time, our Community Granting in 2025 exceeded \$100,000. As well, the Matching Campaign that we began in 2024 for our 25th Anniversary wrapped up at the end of June. It was a great success and you can read more about it on page 5. To truly capture the impact WCF makes we are, for the first time, including the granting amounts and recipients from ALL of our 40+ endowment funds. I would love to hear what you think of this new format.

WCF is striving to form meaningful connections with other active community organizations. In April, we attended the Gimli Chamber of Commerce’s inaugural Heart of Business Awards. We were proud to sponsor the Non-Profit of the Year Award and to present it to Hailey’s Way Inc. We were also incredibly honoured and humbled to receive the Interlake Impact Award. In May, we partnered with Endow Manitoba to host other community foundations in the area at a Regional Meeting to network and share ideas on how to help our communities thrive.

In August, we moved down the hall at 66 First Avenue in Gimli to a much needed larger office. It’s great to have enough space to hold our monthly board meetings in. We had our official office opening on Giving Tuesday, December 16th with an open house. This also doubled as our farewell to long time board member, Tristin Tergesen. I would like to thank her, along with Sharon Pekrul and Mike Mager for volunteering their time as



Teri, with Director Tristin Tergesen and Administrative Coordinator, Nancy Johnson, cutting the ribbon at the Grand Opening of Westshore's new office

Teri presenting the Non-Profit Organization Award to Hailey's Way Inc. at the Gimli Chamber of Commerce's inaugural Heart of Business Awards



Board Directors and wish them well in their future endeavours. We are currently recruiting new directors and volunteers so if you, or anyone you may know, might be interested in learning more about these opportunities please contact our office. With five years on the Board and counting, I can attest it is a very rewarding experience!

More excitement was in store for WCF when, in the fall, we were accepted

as one of 22 community foundations across Canada (and one of only two in Manitoba!) to participate in the Community Foundation of Canada’s new Free to Play initiative. This two-year program is intended to encourage



In May, Romanna Klymkiw (Vice President), and Donna Roed attended the Community Foundation of Canada's Illuminate Conference in Halifax. Here, Romanna is shown with other Community Foundation members from Manitoba.

unstructured outdoor play for children. Stayed tuned for funding announcements in the spring of 2026.

We were also invited to participate in CFC's Communities for Climate Resilience program, which involves each of the 40 community foundations involved to work through a training process that ultimately will result in our developing our own Climate Action Plan. The community will be invited to get involved in this process as we host a Climate Resilience Workshop on World Environment Day 2026.

Our final major undertaking for the year was to hold a Board strategic planning session facilitated by the dynamic Tracey Vavrek from Community Foundations of Canada. We will be pleased to present the final document by spring 2026.

Of course, WCF would not be able to do the work required to increase our impact across the communities of Riverton, Gimli, Fraserwood, Winnipeg Beach and Dunnottar without your support. The Westshore Community Foundation Board of Directors would like to offer our deepest thanks to all our donors, corporate sponsors and funders, and volunteers in helping us continue the work of "Building a Lasting Legacy".

*Teri Nicholson, President
Westshore Community Foundation Inc.*

Tristin's Farewell

The Westshore Community Foundation Inc. Board of Directors would like to thank Tristin Tergesen for her many years of service on the Board. Since joining WCF in 2011 Tristin has ably served on many committees as well as on the Executive as Vice-President and then as President from 2016-2018.

While on the Marketing Committee Tristin spearheaded our social media presence, which has become incredibly important in sharing our message to our communities and beyond. Most recently, she has been very strong in leading the Human Resources & Board Development Committee through many changes including hiring our first Administrator Coordinator, recruiting new Board members, and keeping our by-laws, policies and procedures relevant in the constantly changing world of charitable foundations. We also very much appreciated Tristin's role on Endow Manitoba's Advisory Board by keeping us up to date on what was happening throughout the province.

WCF looks forward to working with Tristin on the Free to Play program and we know we will always have her as a dedicated supporter. All the best in your future endeavours, Tristin!



2025 Board of Directors

Doug Anderson, Don Matthewson, Nancy Johnson (Administrative Coordinator), Teri Nicholson (President), Romanna Klymkiw (Vice President), Tristin Tergesen, Eric Stefanson, Randy Baldwin (Treasurer), Donna Roed, Mike Mager, Sharon Pekrul
MISSING Patti McIntyre





LAKEVIEW™
GIMLI RESORT



The 21st Annual Lakeview Gimli Resort/ Westshore Community Foundation *Golf Tournament*



TOP PHOTO: *Winning Team*
MIDDLE PHOTO: *Best Costume*
BOTTOM PHOTO: *Most Honest*
NEXT PAGE: *Sooo close!*

A huge thank you to all our 2025 Golf Tournament sponsors and golfers. We were thrilled to raise over **\$20,000**, making it our most successful tournament to date! We had a full tournament selling out in less than a month!

Once again, a special thank you goes out to Michael Lazer, Amber Reykdal, and the fabulous team at Lakeview Gimli Resort for their incredible, unmatched support over the past 21 years as our tournament hosts!

Golfers kicked off the day with a delicious breakfast at Lakeview Gimli Resort, followed by a fantastic day on the course at Links at the Lake.

We were also thrilled to have not one but four Hole-in-One sponsor prizes from the Chudd's family of businesses, adding some extra excitement to the day. The Hole-in-One was narrowly missed by golfer Cathy Nault!

A special thank you as well to our amazing volunteers: Tim and Del Arnason, Diane Phillips, Janice Arnason, Chris Brooks, Michael Nardiello, Matt Johnson, Carter Johnson, Darlene Devlin and to Lori, Brenda and Judy for wrapping up all the silent auction prizes! Thanks also to our dedicated Westshore board of directors and staff for volunteering their time!

Winning Team: Jeff Valgardson, Brett Tobin, Luke Valgardson & Darren Kelpin with a score of 57!

Most Honest Team: the team from Access Credit Union, our long-time cart sponsor!

The day wrapped up with a dinner buffet and prizes back at Lakeview, including a new prize for Best Costume, won by Darin Lemieux and his team!

Thank you to everyone who helped make this event such a success!



SPECIALTY HOLES

- 1st Hole: Games & Treats
Right Choice Realty
- 3rd Hole: Longest Drive (Men's and Women's) Prizes and Draw
Oakley Optical
- 4th Hole: Hole-in-One
The Chudds Family of Businesses
- 6th Hole: Closest to the Line
Two-night stay at the Lakeview Resort in Gimli
- 7th Hole: Hole-in-One
The Chudds Family of Businesses
- 8th Hole: Beer Sampling
Interlake Brewing Company
- 10th Hole: Longest Putt
\$100 Carwash Gift Certificate Rona Gimli
- 11th Hole: Hole-in-One
The Chudds Family of Businesses
- Closest to the Pin Prize
Two Night Stay in the Luxurious Grand View Suite at the Grand Winnipeg Airport Hotel
- 13th Hole: Game & Prize Draw
Community Futures East Interlake
- 14th Hole: Hole-in-One
The Chudds Family of Businesses
- Closest to the Pin Prize
Two-night stay at the Lakeview Resort in Gimli
- 15th Hole: Snacks, Water & Prize Draw
Access Credit Union
- 17th Hole: Longest Drive (Men's and Women's)
Two-night stay at the Lakeview Resort in Hecla
- Putting Contest on the Green by 1st Tee
Donated by KC Enterprises
- Driving Range
Sponsored by Gimli Pharmasave
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Gimli Glider Museum
Lakeside Law
Viking Inn
Town of Winnipeg Beach
Nor-Col Easy Dock / River Rock Massage
Lakeview Dental Centre
Garriock Insurance*



Two weeks later, Cathy did get the hole-in-one on this very same hole.

ADDITIONAL THANKS

- Driving Range Sponsor
Pharmasave
- Welcome Bags
Sobeys
- Putting Contest Prize
KC Enterprises

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- *Penn-Co Construction (Dan Bickerton)*
- *Aaron's On The Lake*
- *Brennivin's*
- *Tim Horton's*
- *Beach Boy*
- *Carlos Cucina*
- *Deals for Dollars*
- *Town of Winnipeg Beach*
- *Ship and Plough*
- *Bowlers*
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- *Sky Dive Manitoba*
- *Icelandic Festival of MB.*
- *Gimli Glider*
- *Powder Princess*
- *NIHM*
- *Diageo Canada Ltd.*
- *Lakeside Law*
- *Gimli Film Festival*
- *Wheat and Wildflower*
- *Flatland Coffee Roasters*
- *Sharon Pekrul*
- *Johnsons*

Gimli Blues Festival

Cool Weekend,
Warm Spirits

New this year, we were pleased to partner with the Rural Municipality of Gimli for the 3rd Annual Gimli Blues Festival.

The weather was cold, but the music, vibes and company were fantastic!

Thank you to Kiwanis International for providing snacks, and to Frontera and Interlake Brewing Company for their support!

We had too many volunteers to thank individually, and we are so grateful to each one of them for selling tickets, helping with the 50/50, and serving drinks, even if we had to wear our parkas!

We're already looking forward to another amazing festival in 2026!



Thank
You

HUGE THANKS TO ALL OUR AMAZING VOLUNTEERS, ORGANIZERS, AND SPONSORS FOR MAKING THE 3RD ANNUAL GIMLI BLUESFEST A HIT! CONGRATS TO OUR 50/50 WINNER LISE PERRIN WHO TOOK HOME \$770! SEE YOU NEXT YEAR!



Would You Like to Volunteer?

Westshore Community Foundation is always eager to connect with community members looking to help us out. We are currently looking for volunteers to serve on our Board of Directors, help on our Events or Fund Development Committees or volunteer at our fundraisers or community engagement activities. If you would like more information please contact the office at admin@wcf-foundation.ca.



Endow 
Giving 
Nov. 10-16, 2025
Challenge

Kick-Off
Event



Each year in November Endow Manitoba hosts a Giving Challenge where every donation made to a Community Foundation in Manitoba is stretched with bonus funds from The Winnipeg Foundation and the Province of Manitoba. On November 9th we held our Annual Giving Challenge Kick Off event at Interlake Brewing Co. who provided great hospitality. Musical entertainment was provided by past recipients of Westshore scholarships – Adalynn Tupper, Elin Isfeld, Lexi Lavalee, and Liubov Smyrnova. Everyone who made a donation was able to spin our magical wheel to receive a prize. Board Director Doug Anderson followed this up by setting up at the Riverton Co-op on the Wednesday and Friday. By the end of the week, Westshore Community Foundation had received

\$28,373!!

We are forever grateful for the generosity of our communities.

2025 Donors

Bold multiple year donations

* donated multiple times in 2025

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- Anderson Doug
- Anderson Joyce
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- Sansame School
- **Schellenberg Louise & Irwin**
- Semchyshyn Mark
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- R.M. of Gimli
- Town of Winnipeg Beach
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- **Zagozewski Sylvia**

Thank you to all of our donors who wish to remain anonymous

DONOR HIGHLIGHT

Mike & Brenda Steciuk with daughter, Haley



In 2024, Mike and Brenda Steciuk took their role as past donors of Westshore Community Foundation Inc. to the next level when they made the decision to create an endowment fund. The MPC Steciuk Endowment Fund was created as a Donor Advised Fund, a fund in which the donor makes recommendations annually to Westshore about which charity is to be supported with the available fund distribution. The MPC Steciuk Endowment Fund was created in honour of Peter and Carol Steciuk and all the founding families who helped create and maintain the MPC Reunion Park in Meleb, Manitoba. Its primary purpose is to support worthy efforts to improve and/or maintain the park so it can continue to be used and enjoyed by generations to come.

Mike started out by creating a brochure and proceeded to undertake a very dedicated campaign of approaching friends and neighbours of the park to support the establishment of the fund. In 2025, the fund made its first grant - \$211 to install a ramp for the park's washrooms. The "Friends of the MPS Steciuk Endowment Fund" was officially created. They participated in the Annual MPC Park Picnic and hosted a successful free Plinko event.

By the time the Steciuks published the Friends' 2025 Year in Review newsletter, the MPC Steciuk Endowment Fund was valued at \$26,889 resulting in \$827 being available to grant in 2026. A great job by great people!

For more information about Donor Advised – or any other type of endowment funds – contact Westshore Community Foundation.

Special Donors for 2025 Impact Report

In memory of

- Olan Isfeld
- Marj Narfason
- Laura Maria Bear
- Sigmar Martin
- Oli Narfason
- Rose White
- Kevin Albertson
- Jean Steciuk Hanna
- Lorne Martin
- Wendy McConnell
- Ken Sylvester
- Kristjan Johnson
- Oli & Marj Narfason
- Verna Palmer
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- Gerry Praznik
- Peter & Carol Steciuk
- Betty Stevens
- Josephine & Ingvar Kristjanson, Darren Kristjanson
- Robert Arnason
- Matthew Thordarson
- Arni George Hanneson

In honour of

- Robert Arnason
- Kim Jonasson
- Sigmar Martin
- Wayne's Birthday
- Olof Anna Isfeld
- Peter & Carol Steciuk
- Oli Narfason
- Oli & Marj Narfason

In celebration of

- Roberta & Robert Andruschak's 50th anniversary
- Kim Jonasson
- Sigmar Martin
- Kim Jonasson's 50th birthday

On behalf of

- Greg & Lucille McTaggart Charitable Giving Account

2025



Grant + Scholarship Recipients

Westshore Community Fund

ORGANIZATION & PROJECT	AWARDED
Gimli Wetland Initiative Wetland Initiative	\$ 16,123
Gimli Children's Centre Exterior Upgrades	\$ 11,000
Betel Heritage Foundation ** Gimli Hus, Assisted Living for Seniors	\$ 10,000
Gimli Fire & Rescue Grass Fire & Hazmat Trailer	\$ 7,000
New Iceland Heritage Museum ** Centennial Celebrations	\$ 4,860
Camp Arnes Pool Restoration	\$ 4,500
Betel Heritage Foundation Johnson Hall Projector Replacement	\$ 4,500
Gimli Glider Museum ** Cockpit Return, Restoration & Installation	\$ 4,500
Minerva Ladies Aid Wheelchair Accessible Washroom Addition	\$ 1,699
Evergreen Basic Needs Shelving for Storage & Task Tables/Shelving for Food Bank	\$ 3,600
Sleep in Heavenly Peace ** Trailer for Bed Delivery	\$ 3,500

ORGANIZATION & PROJECT

AWARDED

Gimli Barvinok Dance Ukrainian Dance Costumes	\$ 2,800
Interlake Eastern Health Foundation ** Bladder Scanner Purchase	\$ 2,700
Fraserwood Hall Community Play Structure	\$ 2,500
Lake Winnipeg Research Consortium Namao 50th Birthday & Open House	\$ 2,500
Riverton-Bifrost Parks & Recreation Baseball Diamonds & Field Beautification	\$ 2,250
Matlock Recreation Club Community Caregiver Program	\$ 1,556
Riverton Cemetery Parking & Bridge Accessibility	\$ 2,100
Gimli New Horizons Chair Replacements	\$ 1,800
Interlake Women's Resource Centre Cultural Healing & Self Care Project	\$ 1,750
The Famous Sandy Hook Pier Improvement of Accessibility	\$ 1,500
Betel Home Foundation Accessible Shower Chair	\$ 1,400
RM of Gimli-Recreation & Leisure Musical Theatre Summer Camp	\$ 1,400
Gimli International Film Festival PA System	\$ 1,005
Gimli Ice Festival 15th Anniversary Video Presentation	\$ 750
Meleb Park Cumming School Reunion Committee Washroom Accessibility Ramp	\$ 490
Culture Days Nuit Blance	\$ 290



Sleep in Heavenly Peace was awarded a Westshore Community Grant to purchase a trailer for delivering beds to children in need.

** With Additional Support from the Thomas Sill Fund



We have not one but five aspiring physicians receiving scholarships this year, not one but four teachers, a physician assistant, three nurses, a veterinary technician, two musicians, a hairdresser, an engineer, a geologist, a dentist, an electrician, two educational doctorates, a pharmacist, a physiotherapist, counsellors, a veterinarian, agribusiness, an aircraft maintenance engineer and more.

— Doug Anderson, Chairperson, Scholarship Committee
(from Donor Appreciation Night Scholarship Presentations, October 3, 2025)

Westshore Scholarship & Bursary SCHOLAR AWARDED

Mitchell Baker	\$ 1,400
Vira Balaban	\$ 500
Dominique Chudd	\$ 1,600
Keira Erlendson	\$ 1,000
Erin Furgala	\$ 2,000
Jahna Hardy	\$ 2,000
Kyra Humniski	\$ 1,000
Averi Kornelsen	\$ 500
Morgan Meadows	\$ 2,000
Zack Meadows	\$ 1,400
Ava Michaluk	\$ 500
Dallas Nedotiafko	\$ 88
Amber Peterson	\$ 1,400
Lilah Pinsent	\$ 500
Leif Robak	\$ 1,000
Trent Toderan	\$ 2,500

Carol Ann Clark Memorial Scholarship

Haden Magnusson	\$ 1,081
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Alison Olson Memorial Scholarship & Bursary

Alyssa Gard	\$ 1,523
Keenan Karish	\$ 1,600
Elisee Moore	\$ 1,600
Dallas Nedotiafko	\$ 1,312

Larry & Helen Kristjanson Family Bursary SCHOLAR AWARDED

Katarina Gallo	\$ 7,157
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Lilja Martin Memorial Scholarship

Tessa Barkman	\$ 430
Lucia Borkowsky	\$ 180
Nate Borkowsky	\$ 106

Dr. Elaine Sigurdson Memorial Scholarship

Darci Mowatt	\$ 4,400
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Tim & Delphine Arnason Scholarship

Amaris Toews	\$ 2,890
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Robert Arnason Memorial Scholarship

Abby Frost	\$ 1,000
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Sigurlin Roed (Danielson) Memorial Scholarship

Ava Michaluk	\$ 1,207
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Westshore Scholarship & Bursary

Rhianne Clarke	\$ 1,000
Callie Sylvester	\$ 1,000
Presley Tarnowski	\$ 1,450

Anna Stevens & Family Scholarship

Rebekah Aspen	\$ 1,000
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Matthew Thordarson Memorial Scholarship

Ava Berthaudin	\$ 1,000
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I really appreciate everything that the Westshore Foundation has done for me and my community, especially at Gimli High School! Every year they give scholarships to kids who would like to attend a week at the International Music Camp! This summer will be my fourth summer going and I've made so many memories and friends, it's seriously my home away from home, and it wouldn't be possible for me to go without the support from the Westshore Foundation and for that I am so very grateful, so thank you so much to everyone who is apart of such a wonderful foundation!

— Lexi Lavallee

Ruth Ann & Wayne Furgal Family Scholarship

SCHOLAR	AWARDED
Erin Furgala	\$ 500
Jahna Hardy	\$ 500

Brenda L. Krulicki Scholarship

Alyssa Gard	\$ 500
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The Gimli Glider Museum was awarded a Westshore Community Grant for a project to return, restore and install the cockpit of the Gimli Glider plane to the Gimli Glider Commemorative Park.



The Marlock Recreation Club was awarded a Westshore Community Grant and a donation from the Marj & Oli Narfason Fund for a Community Caregiver Program.

The Ingterlake Women's Resource Centre was awarded a Westshore Community Grant for a beading workshop as part of their Cultural Healing and Self Care Project.





The Lake Winnipeg Research Consortium was awarded one of the Westshore Community Grants for the celebration of the Namao's 50th anniversary and open house.

New Funds Created in 2025 using the Narfason Matching Fund

Romanna Klymkiw & Michael Nardiello Family Fund

Viking Masonic Lodge No. 175 Scholarship Fund

Brenda L. Krulicki Scholarship Fund

Shirley C. Michaluk Memorial Fund

Joan & Eddie Chudd Family Fund

Kim Jonasson Memorial Fund

Nicholson Family Fund

ORGANIZATION & PROJECT

AWARDED

Agency Funds

Gimli Lutheran Church Endowment Fund	\$ 3,756
The HeritageNew Icelandic Heritage Museum Fund	\$ 15,295
Gimli Film Festival Endowment Fund	\$ 3,201
Icelandic Festival of Manitoba Fund	\$ 9,936
The Heritage - Gimli Glider Museum Inc. Fund	\$ 810
Evergreen Basic Needs Endowment Fund	\$ 1,100

Designated Funds

Verna Palmer Memorial Fund Gimli District Health Auxiliary	\$ 1,205
Westshore Sustainability Fund	\$ 8,524
New Icelandic Heritage Museum Inc. Signature Museum Sustainability Fund	\$ 66,234
Devlin Family Legacy Fund Betel Recreation Services Dept.	\$ 500
Shelley & Cliff Narfason Family Fund Interlake Eastem Health Foundation	\$ 257

Field of Interest Funds

Palliative Care Fund Interlake Easter Health Foundation	\$ 1,533
Ted & Alison Olson Fund Minerva Ladies Aid – Wheelchair Accessible Washrooms	\$ 2,501
Westshore Interlake Eastern Healthcare Fund Fawn Collins	\$ 2,875
Westshore Youth Fund Matlock Recreation Club – Community Caregiver Program	\$ 544
Community Arts Fund Scholarship (Band Camp)	
Nikita Amos	\$ 500
Kailyn Behun	\$ 500
Lexi Lavalee	\$ 500
Liubov Smyrnova	\$ 500
Elin Isfeld	\$ 500
Adalynn Tupper	\$ 500
Amaris Toews	\$ 500

Community Arts Fund Scholarship Grant Riverton Collegiate Institute – Replenish Musical Supplies	\$ 1,582
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Westshore Environmental Fund	
Gimli Wetland Initiative – Wetland Development	\$ 617
Gimli International Film Festival – World Environment Day	\$ 1,440

Riverton Collegiate Institute was awarded the Community Arts Fund Grant to replenish musical supplies.



Total 2025 Grants \$287,321

If you are interested in contributing to any of these funds or creating an endowment fund of your own, contact our office at admin@wcf-foundation.ca or call 204-642-979



The Narfason Matching Fund

The Narfason Matching Fund Campaign was a resounding success!! At its completion on June 30, 2025, Westshore Community Foundation's 25th Anniversary Campaign to use these funds to match \$5000 for the first \$5000 donated to start a new endowment fund resulted in the establishment of 12 new endowment funds with a combined value of **\$410,137!**

Oli and Marj Narfason were among Westshore Community Foundation's most generous supporters. Oli was one of the founding members of Westshore, was its first President and served on the board for 20 years. He and Marj established several endowment funds and their final gift was the establishment of The Narfason Matching Fund in 2023.

Established	Name of endowment fund	Type of fund
2024		
June 7	Ruth Ann & Wayne Furgala Family Fund	scholarship
June 17	Matthew Thordarson Memorial Scholarship Fund	scholarship
June 19	Devlin Family Legacy Fund	designated
Sept. 25	MPC Steciuk Endowment Fund	donor advised
Oct. 16	Shelly & Cliff Narfason Family Fund	designated
2025		
Feb. 20	Nicholson Family Fund	donor advised
Feb. 26	R. Klymkiw & M. Nardiello Family Fund	scholarship
April 12	Viking Masonic Lodge No. 175 Scholarship Fund	scholarship
June 9	Kim Jonasson Memorial Fund	designated
June 16	Brenda L. Krulicki Scholarship Fund	scholarship
June 17	Joan & Eddie Chudd Family Fund	scholarship
June 25	Shirley C. Michaluk Memorial Fund	scholarship

Donor Advised Funds

Marj & Oli Narfason Endowment Funds

Betel Home Foundation	\$ 2,258.60
Evergreen Basic Needs	\$ 2,258.60
Interlake Women's Resource Centre	\$ 2,258.60
Minerva Ladies Aid	\$ 2,258.60
Evergreen Festival of the Arts	\$ 2,258.60

MPC Steciuk Endowment Fund

Meleb Park Cumming School Reunion Committee – Accessibility Ramp for Washrooms	\$ 211
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Fund Anniversaries

The following funds deserve special recognition for their many years of supporting our communities:

20 Years

- The Westshore Scholarship & Bursary Fund

15 Years

- The Larry & Helen Kristjanson Family Bursary Fund

5 Years

- The Heritage – Gimli Glider Museum Inc. Fund
- The Community Arts Fund

The Named Fund

A New Endowment Option for Donors

How to Establish Your Named Fund

To learn more about creating a Named Fund, or to begin your endowment journey with Westshore, please contact our team at admin@wcf-foundation.ca for details or call (204) 642-9796.

Personalize your giving while supporting Westshore's Community Impact

Westshore is delighted to announce a new way for donors to make a lasting difference in our community: the **Named Fund**. This innovative endowment option allows individuals, families, or organizations to create a fund in their own name, while benefiting from the established expertise and legacy of one of Westshore's Host Funds.

A Named Fund is a personalized endowment established in the donor's name with a lower initial donation requirement because it is grouped with one of Westshore's Host Funds, which include:

- The Westshore Community Fund
- The Westshore Sustainability Fund
- The Westshore Scholarship & Bursary Fund
- The Westshore Youth Fund
- The Westshore Environmental Fund

You select one of our Host Funds whose purpose aligns with your philanthropic vision. Your Named Fund adopts the identical granting purpose and system of the Host Fund, ensuring your support contributes to the causes you care about most. All grants coming from your Fund are identified to recipients as coming from your named fund.

Why Choose a Named Fund?

- **Personal Recognition:** Your legacy is honoured with a fund named after you, your family, or your organization.
- **Targeted Impact:** Your giving is directed to the Host Fund's established areas—community, sustainability, scholarships, youth, or environment.
- **Transparency and Accountability:** Separate accounting and regular statements provide clarity on your fund's activity and impact.
- **Simplified Giving:** Leverage Westshore's existing granting expertise and systems, making philanthropy easy and effective.

THE WESTSHORE EMERGENCY FUND

Introducing

The Westshore Emergency Fund

This fund has been created as part of Westshore Community Foundation’s Climate Action Plan, although it is not restricted to natural and climate change disasters.

- To provide financial assistance for charitable endeavours in response to unforeseen emergencies impacting residents or community infrastructure within the Westshore region.
- To support recovery efforts following natural and climate change related disasters, public health crises, or significant local incidents.
- To enhance community resilience and promote well-being through coordinated emergency response funding.
- The primary focus will be to support recognized local charities/non-profits/organizations responding to significant community needs caused by an emergency situation in which local charities etc. don’t have the necessary resources on standby to handle without help. This would exclude individual ,family or very localized emergency situations that are within the capabilities of local resources.

To learn more about the Westshore Emergency Fund please contact our team at admin@wcf-foundation.ca for details or call (204) 642-9796.

Growing Every Year

Available Granting for 2026 as of Dec. 31, 2025

Community Fund Granting	\$88,550
Scholarship Granting	\$58,499
Other Granting to our Communities	\$189,774
Free to Play Program	\$176,500
Total Available Granting	\$513,323
Cumulative Granting Since 1999	\$2.5 MILLION
Endowed Assets	\$7.5 MILLION

Coming Events in 2026

June 5	World Environment Day	Climate Resilience Workshop, 5:30 pm Johnson Hall, Waterfront Centre, Gimli 7:30 PM Film Screening: <i>Youth Unstoppable</i> , Lady of the Lake, Waterfront Centre, Gimli
June 28	Gimli Yacht Club Open House & Kiwanis Fish Fry	Proceeds are donated to the Westshore Environmental Fund
August 17	Annual Lakeview Gimli Resort/Westshore Community Foundation Golf Tournament	Links of the Lake Golf Course, Gimli
September 11+12	Gimli BluesFest	Gimli Park More information available at gimli.ca



SEPTEMBER 11 & 12, 2026
GIMLI, MANITOBA CANADA

FEATURING
 BLUE NOTE BENDERS
 ANDREW MOORE TRIO
 DB & THE DEADBEATS
 BRENT PARKIN
 LITTLE MISS HIGGINS
 BILLY JOE GREEN
 SOUTH THUNDERBIRD
 MARKE REEVES
 DK & THE SHAKEDOWN
 HILLBILLY BURLESQUE
 IRVIN MILLER
 WOMEN IN BLUES



November	Endow Manitoba Giving Challenge Kick Off	TBA
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Gimli



Winnipeg Beach



Dunnottar



Fraserwood



Riverton



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