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## Mission Statement

Our Community Foundation is dedicated to helping improve community living and the quality of life for citizens and visitors to Kenora and the Lake of the Woods Region.

## Mandate

The Community Foundation aims to strengthen the communities in which we serve by continuously striving towards three key objectives.

- Providing endowment building and personalized donor services
- Promoting broad and effective grant making
- Offering community Leadership

## Impact

Our Community Foundation is creating a lasting legacy for our region, through the building of endowment funds, which will remain in our region forever. The Community Foundation is the only organization within the region facilitating philanthropy, through the building of endowment funds, for the benefit of the areas registered charities. The yearly earnings from the endowment funds are used to fund grants to a wide range of local charities supporting the following fields: Arts and Culture, Health and Wellness, Social Welfare, Animal Welfare, the Environment and the Community at Large.

## Acknowledgments

The 2022/2023 Annual Report receives generous sponsorship from Hook, Seller & Lundin LLP.

This document is dedicated to the joyful memory of past volunteers, Lucia Melnick and Pat Alvestad.

The Kenora and Lake of the Woods Regional Community Foundation supports and serves on the traditional territory of the Anishinaabe and Metis of Treaty #3. We acknowledge that our Indigenous peoples are the stewards and guardians of this land. As a community and workplace, we honour and celebrate our Indigenous nations, their traditional knowledge and contributions. We acknowledge the harms of our shared history on Indigenous peoples, and we move forward in the spirit of inclusiveness and reconciliation within our community work.

**Front Cover:** A 2022 grant from the Community Foundation helped deliver a nutrition program, at Saint John Paul II elementary school in Kenora. Grade 6 helpers together with their teacher Mrs. Carlson – Moore, prepared and served delicious snacks and lunches to students in need. Since 2004, the Community Foundation has granted over \$150,000 to school nutrition programs.

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# You make your community, and your community makes you.

**“Alone we can do so little, together we can do so much” Helen Keller**



In June 2022, Shannon Robinson stepped into the role of president of our Community Foundation, having joined the Board in 2016. “I was drawn to the Community Foundation at a time when I was looking for ways I could use my skills and knowledge and experiences to give back to our communities,” said Robinson. “Looking at how I could make a

difference. The Community Foundation really represents that for me. It’s a way to give back and a way to help make the Kenora region grow stronger,” added Robinson.

Shannon worked in public health with the Northwestern Health Unit in Kenora for eighteen years and has been with the Thunder Bay District Health Unit as the director of Health Promotions for the past two years. Robinson is ready to work hard as president, in attracting new donors and continuing to support regional charities. Welcome Shannon to your new role as Community Foundation president!



The Board welcomed Lynn McAughey as our new Executive Director on August 25, 2023. Lynn will be joining us, as a former elementary school principal and administrative lead for the Keewatin Patricia District School Board bringing along with her more than a quarter century’s worth of service to youth and families across northwestern Ontario. “As

a community member, leader and parent, I’ve always admired the work of the Community Foundation and its commitment to improving our community, and quality of life,” said McAughey. “It’s an honour to now contribute to this community organization and I look forward to working closely with our generous donors, worthy grant recipients and dedicated volunteers,” she added.

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# We are very pleased to present our 2022-2023 Annual Report to the Community

Since 2004, our Community Foundation has been working to improve community living and the quality of life for citizens and visitors to the Kenora and Lake of the Woods Region. We are doing this through the building of endowment funds, promoting board and effective grant making and offering community leadership. We hope that by reading this Annual Report, you will be encouraged to join us, as a donor, a grant recipient, a sponsor or a volunteer. We would also be pleased to provide you with information pertaining to leaving a legacy for our community.

In reviewing our significant accomplishments, between 2022 and 2023, we are overwhelmed by the generosity of our donors and the good works of the charitable sector, in continuing to support our region during very challenging times. We saw continued strong endowment growth and grant distributions during the 2022- 2023 period. In addition, our capable volunteers and staff delivered outstanding results from our yearly fundraisers; the Westland Charity Golf Tournament and The Festival of Trees Charity Fundraiser.

During 2022, we transitioned back to a more normal way of conducting our operations, following the COVID 19 imposed restrictions. We wish to thank all of our stakeholders, staff and volunteers for their hard work and patience in helping us to continue to deliver our services, during that time frame. In 2022, we recognized the efforts of our retiring Board President, Dennis Alvestad as well as our Executive Director, Tara Douglas. We thank them sincerely for their dedication to the Community Foundation. In 2022, we welcomed Shannon Robinson as our incoming President and in 2023, Lynn McAughey joined our team as Executive Director. We bid farewell to Board of Directors Sawyer Down and Adam Smith in 2022. Thank you, Sawyer and Adam, for your contributions. Also, in 2022, we welcomed incoming directors: Jess Rheault, Laura Wheatly, Kyle Attanasio and Gord McCool. We recognize Crystal Kast for her dedicated years of service as our Administrative Assistant.

We thank all of our donors, sponsors, grant recipients, volunteers, staff and friends for their tremendous commitment to the Kenora and Lake of the Woods Region. We look forward to continue working with each of you in growing our communities around beautiful Lake of the Woods. The Kenora and Lake of the Woods Regional Community Foundation: Building Forever Together.

Shannon Robinson, Board President  
Lynn McAughey, Executive Director

# Our Purpose

The Kenora and Lake of the Woods Regional Community Foundation is a proud member of Community Foundations of Canada. In 2023, Community Foundations of Canada had 206-member Community Foundations across Canada with \$7.4 billion in assets and grant distributions of \$112 million.

## Gail Konantz Art Education Fund

Gail Konantz (1936-2018) was a painter and longtime lake resident on Lake of the Woods. She was a creative force — a “Gailforce,” as her family called her — who earned her Masters of Fine Arts from the University of Manitoba. She worked at the Winnipeg Art Gallery and as an art educator in both private and public-school systems.

To honour and extend the influence of Gail’s joy and creativity, friends and family have established the Gail Konantz Art Education Fund to support visual arts education for youth and adults at the Douglas Family Art Centre. The endowment fund will provide material support for art projects, classes and activities to inspire and encourage the artist in each of us, something that was close to Gail’s heart.

At the official reception for the Fund, held at the Art Centre on July 23, 2022, Gail’s family stated that “she is now the spiritual artist in residence of the Art Centre” They also announced that friends had come together to maximize each dollar raised for the fund, by a four to one ratio. By the end of the reception, the fund had grown to over \$100,000. The Gail Konantz Art Education Endowment Fund will ensure that her positive creative influence will continue in perpetuity. Anyone can make a gift to Gail’s fund, through the Community Foundation. Please contact our office for more information.



Gail Konantz



The Douglas Family Art Centre

## Lori Nelson Legacy Fund

As a community builder in the Lake of the Woods Region, few individuals can match the achievements of Lori Nelson. When Lori retired after thirty-four years of service as Director of the Lake of the Woods Museum and The Douglas Family Art Centre, now known collectively as the Muse, her colleagues, friends, and family members, established the Lori Nelson Legacy Fund at the Community Foundation.

Lori’s Fund was created in the fall of 2023 to help support emerging museum and art gallery professionals as they enter their respective fields. Proceeds from the Fund will support special projects such as: art and historical exhibitions; community education programming; guest presentations; and archival and preventative conservation projects. The goal is simple: to empower up-and-coming cultural workers to make a positive and lasting difference in their community, that is to say, to create a new generation of “Lori Nelsons”.

Lori was further recognized for her outstanding work, by being awarded the Ontario Museum Association Distinguished Career Award of Excellence on October 27, 2023. Throughout her career, Lori has been a forward-thinking leader in the museum sector and her work has been recognized regionally, provincially and nationally. She was also responsible for the fundraising project which created the Douglas Family Art Centre in 2019. As Museum Director, Lori supported the hosting of our annual Festival of Trees Charity fundraiser in that magical venue, for over a decade. In addition, Lori served on our Board of Directors from 2014 to 2021. Thank you, Lori, for your community building efforts and best wishes on your retirement.



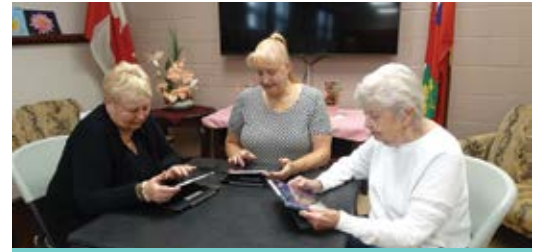
Lori Nelson



The Lake of the Woods Museum

## The Community Services Recovery Fund

In the winter of 2023, our Community Foundation was proud to be one of the participating community foundations across Canada, taking part in the Government of Canada's Community Services Recovery Fund, a collaboration between the Canadian Red Cross, Community Foundations of Canada, and United Way Centraide Canada. Locally, Mount Evergreen Ski Hill, the Kenora Association for Community Living, Kenora District New Horizons, Kenora Chiefs Advisory Inc., Knox United Church and Tikinagan Family Services shared a total of \$317,000 in grant support.



Kenora District New Horizons Volunteers; Mary Morris, Darlene Penno and Sheila Baker enjoy learning on iPads provided to the Centre, thanks to a grant from the Community Services Recovery Fund.

## Kenora Supports Ukraine



On April 21, 2022, in a show of solidarity with the people of the Ukraine, dozens of Kenora individuals came together to form a volunteer group named "Kenora Supports Ukraine" (KSU). Their mission was to assist Ukrainian refugees in settling and transitioning to life in Kenora. KSU set an initial ambitious \$75,000 fundraising target.

They encouraged local community members and businesses to lend a hand, in helping to provide financial assistance in healthcare, employment, education and housing for those looking to relocate to Kenora. St Alban's Cathedral was instrumental in helping to process all the community donations. A leadership gift of \$25,000 was the first contribution received from Bart and Linda Stevenson, of Forest Helicopters.

The Community Foundation also assisted KSU's efforts by creating a flow through fund and inviting their donors to make contributions. Community Foundation Executive Director Tara Douglas said "This is a hugely impactful initiative in our area during a troubling time in the world. Introducing this fund really showcases our Community Foundation's mission to improve the quality of life for citizens and visitors to our region."



Bart and Linda Stevenson, from Forest Helicopters, made the first gift to the Kenora Supports Ukraine fundraising challenge. This leadership gift inspired other individuals and organizations to also rise to the challenge.



On November 23, 2022 at the Winnipeg Airport, KSU member Olena Moncrief, fourth from left, welcomed the first group of Ukraine citizens who will be taking up residence in Kenora.

## The 3rd Annual Westland Insurance Charity Golf Tournament

Fair skies and a strong team turnout, highlighted the success of this event held on June 16, 2022 at the Kenora Golf and Country Club. We are very grateful to Westland Insurance for their continued support in hosting this event, as well as presenting sponsors; Tbaytel and Donny B. Thank you also to all our sponsors, golfers, the Kenora Golf and Country Club and the planning committee for providing a day of fun, fellowship and community building.

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Golfers included: front row, Community Foundation President Shannon Robinson, Director Jess Rheault, Treasurer Claudine Cordeiro and Past President Dennis Alvestad in the back row.



Greens Superintendent, Doug Novak, far right and his team.



Westland Insurance volunteers made sure everything was in place.

## The 19th Annual Festival of Trees - Rocking Around the Christmas Tree

The 19th Annual Festival of Trees was held on December 3, 2022 at four dining locations across Kenora. The exciting event included a three-course dinner, with live and silent auctions. Festival chairperson Tara Letwiniuk and her team of volunteers did a superb job of planning the event.

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Thank you also to all our sponsors, magnificent tree decorator teams, our gala night guests and the tree and auction item purchasers for spreading Christmas cheer across the region and supporting the operations of our Community Foundation.



## The 4th Annual Westland Insurance Charity Golf Tournament

Thanks to the generosity of all sponsors, including Westland Insurance, Tbaytel and Donny B, our golfing teams, volunteers and support from the Kenora Golf and Country Club, the 4th Annual KLWCF Charity Golf Tournament held on September 7, 2023 was a great success. Many thanks to everyone for their kind support of the Community Foundation.



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## The 20th Annual Festival of Trees - Celebrating 20 Years of Giving

A brand-new exciting venue, Perch Bay Resort, combined with the promotion of "Kim does 807", committed sponsors, excellent tree decorating teams, gala night guests, generous tree purchasers and a hard-working volunteer committee, combined to make this year's, "Celebrating 20 years of Giving" truly special. Returning to its roots, the festival also invited families and seniors to attend a variety of fun indoor and outdoor events on Sunday afternoon at Perch Bay. We thank everyone associated with the production of the 20th Annual Festival of Trees for their creativity, enthusiasm and support of our Community Foundation.

### LIST OF TREE THEMES AND DECORATOR NAMES

- 1 - The Polar Express: Sioux Narrows Art Council
- 2 - Unity in Tradition: Treaty Three Police Service
- 3 - 12 days of Giving: Moncrief Construction
- 4 - The Candy Can Tree: Kenora Sexual Assault Centre
- 5 - Build a Bear Tree: Scotty's Auto
- 6 - A Skater's Dream: Skate Keewatin
- 7 - The Kindness Tree: The Douglas Family
- 8 - Enchanted Forest: Ash Rapids
- 9 - Story Book Christmas: KACL Arts Hub
- 10 - Christmas In Kenora: Hannah Francis Photography
- 11 - Kenora History Tree: Image One Designs



# Choosing Where to Give

## Community Fund

This fund is not tied to a specific charity or area of interest. This allows the Community Foundation to respond to the immediate and changing needs of the community.

## Field of Interest Fund

Allows the donor to designate a specific area of interest from which charitable grants can be made, including the following categories: Arts & Culture, Health & Wellness, Social Services, Animal Welfare, Community at Large, or the Environment.

## Designated Fund

Gives donors the opportunity to specify which charity will receive their long-term support.

## Donor Advised Fund

Enables donors to have ongoing participation in the selection of charities that will benefit from their gift.

## Charitable Agency Endowment Fund

Donors can contribute to any of the Agency Endowment funds established by registered charities.

## Memorial Fund

Can be established in the form of any of the above listed fund types, in memory of a family or individual. Grants from these funds are tailored to each donor's wishes.

## Funds Held For Others

A registered charity entrusts the Community Foundation with a portion of their assets, while the charity retains the ownership of the assets.

The Community Foundation considers grant applications made by charitable organizations that fall into the following categories: Arts and Culture, Health and Wellness, Social Welfare, Animal Welfare, the Environment and the Community at large. Only registered charities in good standing with CRA, offering programs benefiting residents and visitors in the Kenora and Lake of the Woods Region, are eligible to apply.

# Charitable Agency Endowment Funds

## Kenora Association for Community Living

Contributions to this fund will help the Association achieve its goal of ensuring that all people with special needs have the opportunity to live meaningful and satisfying lifestyles as equals in their community.

## City Of Kenora Public Library

Will allow friends of the Kenora Public Library to make a meaningful contribution to its future.

## Triple PLAY

Offers donors the opportunity to make a lasting gift to the TRIPLE PLAY, a program of FIREFLY. Triple PLAY allows sports, recreation and arts and culture activities to be accessible to all children in the Kenora and Lake of the Woods Region.

## Pinecrest Home for the Aged

Enables donors to make endowment contributions in support of the Kenora and District Home for the Aged (Pinecrest Home). The investment from the fund will be used by Pinecrest to support their programs.

## Kenora Special Olympics

Contributions to this fund will help to ensure that the best possible sports training, competitions and programs are available for athletes with intellectual challenges.

## Kenora Handi Transit

Offers donors the opportunity to make a lasting gift to a much-valued program. This service provides a lifeline to physically or developmentally challenged individuals in need of transportation.

## Lake of the Woods Museum Gail Konantz Art Education Fund

Income from this fund will support visual arts education for youth and adults at the Douglas Family Art Centre, including material support for art projects, classes and activities to inspire and encourage the artist in each of us.

## The Muse

Lake of the Woods Museum and Douglas Family Art Centre: Income from this fund will be used to support the many yearly programs and exhibits offered by the Muse.

## Women's Shelter Saakate House

Contributions to this fund will help provide safe and secure accommodations for abused women and children transitioning to safe living conditions.

## Minto Parent Child Resource Centre

This fund offers donors the opportunity to assist financially challenged families in accessing a variety of healthy food programs.

## FIREFLY

Allows donors to support program relating to child and youth mental health services as well as an array of community services that support children and their families. Anyone can contribute to this fund.

## Pellat United Fire Fighters (PUFF)

Contributions to this fund will help support the group's fire protection and emergency medical first response services to the unorganized townships of Pellatt, Umbach, Gidley and Pelican, in addition to adjacent areas having agreements with the organization.



# Building Up Our Community



A 2021 grant to the Sioux Narrows Arts Festival helped the group present a variety of musical, dance and dramatic performances during the summer. Their goal was to support and promote emerging, local and professional regional musicians and dancers, for everyone to experience and enjoy.



October 2023 saw the official opening of the Rotary Peace Park and the monument honouring Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women, Girls, Trans and 2 Spirit individuals on the shores of beautiful Lake of the Woods. The Kenora Rotary Club took a lead role in creating this quiet place for reflection and a gathering place for ceremonies.



Lake of the Woods Art Collective (LOWAC) is always grateful for the generous funding received from Kenora and Lake of the Woods Regional Community Foundation.



On Friday September 9, 2022, the Community Foundation hosted a "Cruising for Community Fundraiser" event aboard the MS Kenora, featuring the live music of Jackson Klippenstein, in addition to silent auctions, lunch and beverage tasting. It was a get way to spend the afternoon and support our Community Foundation. Thank you to everyone who made this event possible.



Our Youth in Philanthropy program encourages high school students to get involved with our community. They select a number of charitable organizations which they are interested in researching and learning more about their operations.



A Community Services Recovery Fund grant of \$99,752 allowed the Kenora Association for Community Living to implement a modern approach to virtual learning and the creation of a multi-functional, learning space with updated technology.

# Building Up Our Community



A 2023 grant from the Community Foundation and The Richardson Family, enabled a Young Moms Program to provide a safe, stable, affordable housing program for young mothers (aged 16-29) and their child(ren) under the age of four years. The program, offered through Women's Shelter Saakate House, is an opportunity to live free of violence and substance abuse. This program could last up to two years in length and is targeted to young moms who are looking to promote attachment and further connection or reunification with their children.



A \$5,000 Community Needs Grant was presented to Mary Bawden and her team at St Alban's Cathedral, for providing nutritious suppers for those in need, through their Friday Night Food for Friends program. Household food insecurity is a prevalent and ongoing public health concern in Canada, including northwestern Ontario. More than 1 in 5 (21.3%) households in the Kenora-Rainy River Districts are facing food insecurity, higher than estimates for both the province (18.7%) and the Northwest region (19.2%).



Staff members Gloria and Darlene from the Salvation Army in Kenora, received a grant from the Community Foundation for supporting local students with warm winter clothing and nutritious fruit and vegetables. In addition, they provide a community food pantry to those in need and a wonderful thrift store in the heart of downtown Kenora. They began operating in Kenora in 1936.



Every year, Triple PLAY hosts a variety of outdoor events for youth and their families, including BBQ's at Garrow Park, featuring fun sporting events for all ages, art and crafts demonstrations and musical sing alongs. Triple Play allows sports, recreation and arts and culture activities to be accessible to all children in the Kenora and Lake of the Woods Region.



# Our 2022-2023 Donor List

The Community Foundation thanks all of our donors for contributing to the future of the Kenora and Lake of the Woods Region. Proceeds from the Festival of Trees Charity Fundraiser and the Westland Insurance Charity Golf Tournament support our operating expenses. Donations are invested as capital and the investment growth is distributed to registered charities in line with the donor's wishes.

Our mission is to help improve the lives of as many people as possible within our family of communities. Every effort has been made to provide a complete list of donors. If however, your name is missing from this list, we sincerely apologize and ask that you contact our office.

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Estate of Gordon James Smith  
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Nelson Family Memorial  
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 Fund for the Environment

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Volunteers are the driving force behind the success of the Kenora and Lake of the Woods Regional Community Foundation. From our Board of Directors, to members of our various committees, to individuals hosting community events on our behalf. Thank you for your continued support.

## BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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## DIRECTOR EMERITI

A Director Emeritus is a former director who has served the Board of Directors with distinction. They are also recognized for their leadership role and ongoing contributions to the organization.

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Dennis Alvestad joined our Board of Directors in 2013 and assumed it's presidency in 2015. Dennis led our Community Foundation by example; as a donor and dedicated volunteer. Dennis was involved in all aspects of the organization, from asset development, to marketing to the success of the annual Festival of Trees

charity fundraiser. As CEO of Copperfin Credit Union, our inaugural operating sponsor since 2004, Dennis continued providing support to our Community Foundation in many important ways. Dennis delivered countless community presentations and we all enjoyed his professionalism, wit and humour. Thank you, Dennis, for your years of dedicated service, to our Community Foundation.



Tara Douglas was already a noted donor, fundraiser and volunteer for the Community Foundation, before she became our Executive Director in the spring of 2019. Tara brought a strong skill set and positivity to her role as ED. She helped grow our donor and sponsorship bases and as a volunteer, chaired the

successful, 19th Annual Festival of Trees, in December 2022. Thank you Tara for your hard work in building up our community and region. Your efforts were greatly appreciated and most especially, during the challenging times of the COVID 19 pandemic.



Directors Claudine Cordeiro, Shannon Robinson, Jess Rheault and Past President Dennis Alvestad at the Golf Tournament.



Director Gord McCool keeps track of donations at the "25 in 5 Giving Challenge", held on May 5, 2023 at Copperfin Credit Union.

# 2023 Financial Summary

## Summarized Balance Sheet

As at December 31, 2023

	2023	2022
Cash	176,023	115,301
Accounts Receivable	18,384	8,018
Prepaid Expenses	5,244	-
Investments at Fair Market Value	8,945,016	7,550,443
	9,144,667	7,673,762
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Current Liabilities	35,938	54,524
General Operating Funds	438,349	351,576
Community Funds	200,512	146,700
Endowment Funds	8,469,868	7,120,962
	9,144,667	7,673,762

## Summarized Statement of Operations

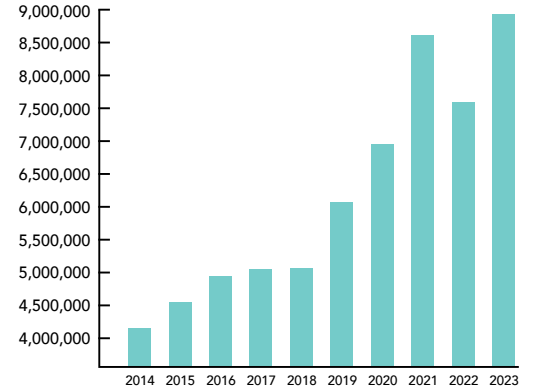
For the year ended December 31

	2023	2022
<b>INFLOWS</b>		
Endowment Gifts	571,642	537,094
Flow Through and Other Donations	143,601	164,850
Investment Income		
Realized	363,661	375,883
Unrealized	875,009	-1,455,976
Fundraising Revenue	101,902	130,899
Other Income	52,900	16,071
	2,108,715	-231,179

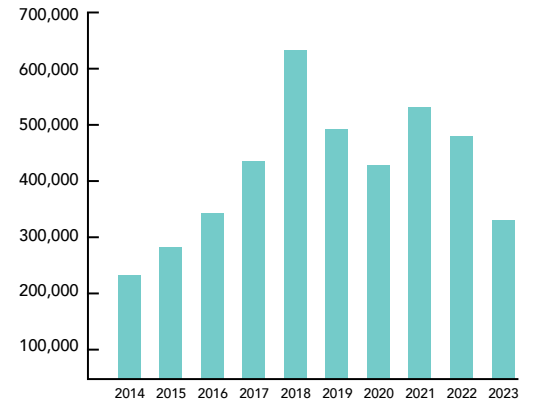
### OUTFLOWS

Grant Distributions	337,378	483,151
Fundraising Expenses	48,925	38,612
Administration and Other Expenses	232,921	311,258
	619,224	833,021
	1,489,491	-1,064,200

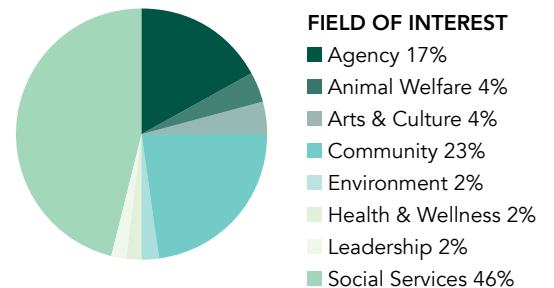
## Assets Under Management



## General Granting and Flow Through Distributions



## 2022-2023 Grant Breakdown



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