



Celebrating 24 Years

2025 REPORT TO THE COMMUNITY

We give here because we live here!



VISION

Quesnel Community Foundation supports a vibrant community, following Provincial and National best practices and maintains a robust endowment fund.

MISSION

The Quesnel Community Foundation works in a progressive, active, and cooperative way with its donors and partners to support the needs of not-for-profit organizations from the annual proceeds of its endowment fund.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

On behalf of the Board of Directors of the Quesnel Community Foundation, I am pleased to provide our community update for 2025.



Total fundraising to September 30th 2025, including in-kind support and sponsorship, was \$274,417.73. As of December 31, 2024, the QCF Endowment Fund was \$5,723,057, thanks to the generous support and donations from the people of Quesnel. In 2024, grants and community programs in the amount of \$209,000 were distributed. We also awarded \$31,250 in bursaries and scholarships to local students.

Over the past year, we said goodbye to our long-serving Treasurer, Laurie Rice. We thank Laurie for her significant contributions to the success of the QCF over the past six years. We are pleased to welcome Ryan Adams to the Board of Directors and as our new Treasurer.

Our annual Community Fall Challenge Donation Campaign will run this year from October 15 to December 15, 2025. Again, our generous anonymous donor will match funding up to \$50,000. It is a great time to donate to the Quesnel Community Foundation.

Graeme Armstrong, President

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

From left to right- *Bob Norman, Jim Gorsline, Vanessa Salmons, Graeme Anderson, Sandra Lewis, Ryan Adams, Bob Salmons, Mike Hayman.*

Not pictured: *Kathy Somerville, Ron Dunn, Bob Lebeck, Bruce Broughton*



SUSTAINING PARTNERS

Thank you to our Sustaining Partners for their multi-year commitment to support the work we do! Their support helps with our operating costs and continues to build our Endowment Fund that supports our community.



DONORS

October 1, 2024 to September 30, 2025
Thank You!

- Aaron Zarowny
- Alex & Luanne Coffey
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- Ann Yager
- Anne Lloyd
- Barbara Nielsen
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- The Susan Maile Estate
- Valerie Sanderson
- Vancouver Foundation
- Vivian Wurm
- Wendy Fisher
- West Fraser Mills Ltd.

HIGHLIGHTS

- *Endowment funds top \$ 5.5 million*
- *\$209,000 distributed in local grants*
- *\$50,000 matching donation challenge*
- *\$31,000 in scholarships & bursaries*

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NAMED FUNDS

When donations over any period from one donor, cumulatively exceed \$5,000.00, donors qualify for a Named Fund. We now have over **50 Named Funds** and we thank those who choose to give to the Foundation annually!

FAMILY & ORGANIZATION FUNDS

- Alex & Luanne Coffey Family
- Beta Sigma Phi Quesnel
- Brian & Ann Rankin Family
- Briggs Family
- CHAAPS - Quesnel Branch
- City of Quesnel
- Corbett Family
- CRD Electoral Area A
- CRD Electoral Area B
- CRD Electoral Area C
- CRD Electoral Area I
- Dave & Debbie Robson
- Dave & Isabel Lehane Family
- Dave & Janice Lakeman Family
- Donald & Jean George
- Ferris Family
- Friends of Quesnel Museum
- Glenn & Loretta Barr Family
- Hank & Janice Ketcham
- Harry & Mildred Keen Family
- Henry H. and Nancy K. Ketcham Foundation
- Henry Novak
- Island Mountain Arts
- Jim & Candice McKittrick
- Joe & Irene Kopetski Family
- John & Gloria Lazzarin Family
- John Davis Family
- John T. Richardson Family
- Keis Family
- Kelly & Teresa King
- Lars & Dixie Carlson Family
- Lebeck Family
- Lorne & Donella Martindale
- Mark Josephy
- Massier Family
- Matthew & Selena Gook
- Michelle Evans
- Novak Family Foundation
- Quesnel Community Foundation
- Quesnel Youth Soccer Legacy Wall
- Ray & Muriel Hong
- Rippon Family
- Rogger Family
- Ron Paull & Pat Morton
- Roy Josephy & Jean Atkinson
- Susan & John Maile
- Townsend Family
- Walsh Family
- Warden Family
- West Fraser Mills

NAMED MEMORIAL FUNDS

(excluding Scholarships & Bursary Funds listed on pages 8 & 9)

- Barbara Chatt Memorial
- Carol Pitkin Memorial
- Chris Tobin Memorial
- Dan Alexander Memorial
- Francine Gaetz Memorial
- Holger Bauer Memorial
- Katy Rankin Crofts Memorial
- Ken Chesley Memorial
- Pete Ketcham Memorial (West Fraser Employees)

DONATIONS IN MEMORY

We kindly thank all of you who have made donations in memory of the following much loved individuals from October 1, 2024 to September 30, 2025. This is a powerful and touching way to honor someone's memory.

- Brenda Campbell
- Case de Vries
- Darlene Mower
- Dr Neil & Eva Barber
- Eileen Salmons
- Elizabeth Neave
- Emil & Betty Eyolfson
- Gertrude Fraser
- Harry & Mildred Keen
- Jimmy Chow
- Jean E. Speare
- Joe & Irene Kopetski
- John Davis
- John & Gloria Lazzarin
- Katy Crofts
- Kelly Bare
- Marg Gale
- Marilyn Heywood
- Maureen Ingstrop
- Megan Vaupel
- Mike Flanagan
- Phil Warden
- Ray & Beth Peebles
- Robert Wurm
- Sandy Fraser
- Susan Maile
- Ted & Doreen Armstrong
- Trudy Dupuis
- Velma Fraser
- Vincent Frank Yager

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BENEFACTORS (>\$100,000)

Cariboo Regional District - City of Quesnel - Glenn & Loretta Barr - Jim & Barb Gorsline -
Northern Development Initiative Trust - Quesnel Women's Fall Challenge - West Fraser Mills Ltd.
Lhtako Quesnel 2024 Winter Games

PARTNERS (\$25,000 - \$99,999)

2000 Winter Games Legacy Fund - Alex & Luanne Coffey - Brad & Barb Kotzer - Brian Rankin - Cathy Walsh - CRD Electoral Area A - CRD Electoral Area B - CRD Electoral Area C - CRD Electoral Area I - Dave & Debbie Robson - Dr. John & Susan Maile - Henry H. & Nancy K. Ketcham Foundation - Kathleen Davis - Kelly & Teresa King - Linda Doerksen - Lorne & Donella Martindale - Matthew & Selena Gook - Phil & Joan Warden - Quesnel Woodlot Association - Ray & Edie Ferris - Robert & Loretta Grady - Roy Josephy & Jean Atkinson - The Susan Maile Estate - Vancouver Foundation - Vivian Wurm

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GRANTS

The **Quesnel Community Foundation** is proud to distribute grants to local not-for-profit groups and organizations. We support a broad range of projects that offer services to the community or an innovative approach to a community challenge or concern.

This year the Foundation distributed \$ 209,000.00 in local grants supporting the areas of Health, Recreation, Education, Environment, Social Services, and the Arts.

Congratulations to the following organizations:

Auxiliary to GR Baker Hospital- **New TVs for Patient Rooms**- \$10,000

Barkerville Heritage Trust- **Richfield Courthouse Revitalization**- \$1,500

BCSPCA Quesnel- **Shelter Kennel & Isolation Upgrades**- \$15,000

Bouchie Lake Elementary PAC- **Volleyball Stantions**- \$3,500

Cariboo Kart Racers- **Pit Wall Phase 2** - \$10,000

Cariboo Ski-Touring Club- **Hallis Lake Trail Sign Renewal** - \$6,200

Dunrovin Park Lodge- **Tovertafel for Dementia Care in Quesnel** - \$11,000

Friends of Bouchie Lake Milburn Society- **Bouchie Lake Century Family Recognition**- \$1,000

Gavin Lake Forest Education Society- **Gr. 6 Outdoor Fall Program**- \$6,400

Nazko First Nation- **Healing Fires Community Event**- \$4,800

Nazko Valley Community Centre- **Room Renovation** - \$14,000

PetSafe Coalition- **Office Equipment** - \$2,200

Q City Singers - **Riser Safety Upgrade** - \$1,700

Quesnel & District 4-H Council - **Portable Bleacher Upgrade**- \$6,000

Quesnel & District Arts Council -**Early Education Through Books** - \$14,000



Quesnel Search & Rescue Society



Bouchie Lake Elementary PAC

GRANTS

(Cont.)

Quesnel & District Hospice Palliative Care -**Restful Sleep for End of Life Care Companions**- \$6,300

Quesnel & District Senior's Society -**Make-Up Air Unit Upgrade**- \$20,000

Quesnel Cobras Volleyball Club -**Volleyball Net System Replacement** - \$5,000

Quesnel Community Band -**Quesnel Concert Band Development**- \$5,300

Quesnel Curling Club-**Curling Stone Maintenance**- \$16,000

Quesnel Downtown Association-**Branded Bags and Banners**- \$2,400

Quesnel Mixed Slo-Pitch-**Athlete & Spectator Safety Project**- \$4,000

Quesnel Motocross Association-**Fencing Replacement**- \$5,000

Quesnel Prospector's Car Club-**2025 Steak-Out Event**- \$4,000

Quesnel Quilter's Guild-**Community Comfort Quilts**- \$3,000

Quesnel Search & Rescue-**SAR Remotely Piloted Aircraft System**- \$8,000

Quesnel Tumbling Rivers Rock Club-**Clubhouse Startup**- \$5,000

Special Olympics BC Quesnel-**Team Uniforms**- \$10,000

Troll Freestyle Club-**Access to Equipment For Those Without**- \$3,500

Wells Historical Society- **Office Equipment Upgrade**- \$1,500

YMCA BC Foundry Quesnel-**Youth& Family Advisory Committee Apparel**- \$3,000



Quesnel Curling Club



Gavin Lake Forest Education Society

SCHOLARSHIPS & BURSARIES

This year the Foundation distributed \$ 31,250.00 in Scholarships, Bursaries & Awards.



Grace Blair
Amber Kotzer
Memorial Bursary
\$550.00



Tahlia Denis
Amber Kotzer
Memorial Bursary
\$550.00



Jacquelyn Ouellette
Ashleigh Smith
Memorial Award
\$925.00



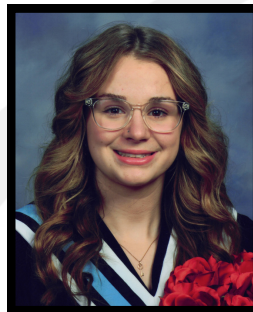
Charie Valois
Ashleigh Smith
Memorial Award
\$925.00



Brooke Proudfoot
Brenda Campbell
Memorial Bursary
\$1,900.00



Alexi Howe
David Gibb
Memorial Arts Award
\$1,900.00



Grace Blair
Deane Gorsline
Memorial Bursary
\$2,000.00



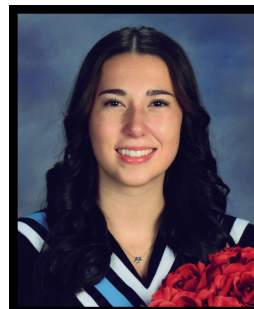
Raleigh Osha
Deane Gorsline
Memorial Bursary
\$2,000.00



Presley Hollsworth
Dr. Neil & Eva Barber
Healthcare Ed. Bursary
\$1,800.00



Ashley Burke
Lhtako Quesnel Winter
Games
Youth Athlete Award
\$750.00



Katelyn Grant
Lhtako Quesnel Winter
Games
Youth Athlete Award
\$750.00



Logan Brautigan
John Davis
Family Bursary
\$1000.00

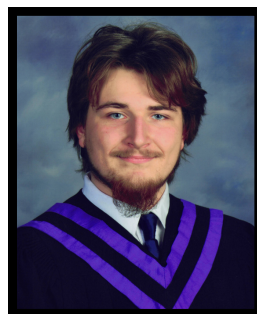
SCHOLARSHIPS & BURSARIES



Courtney Bauer
Marilyn Heywood
Memorial Scholarship
\$400.00



Axel Buller
Megan Vaupel
Memorial Award
\$1,400.00



Xander Gedaschke
Megan Vaupel
Memorial Award
\$1,400.00



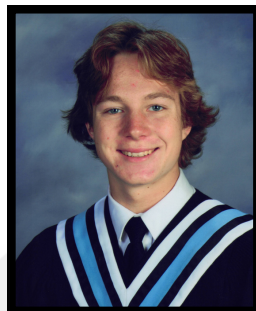
Katie Ashton
Quesnel Women's Fall
Challenge Award
\$3,000.00



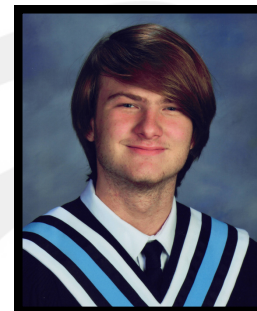
James Roy
QWA Ted Kennedy
Memorial Award
\$2,500.00



Elizabeth Puhallo
QWA Ted Kennedy
Memorial Award
\$2,500.00



Chase Leeson
Ray & Beth Peebles
Education Bursary
\$1,100.00



Kaden Lister
Robert and Vivian Wurm
Education Bursary
\$2,800.00



Ryder Christie
Warden Family
Scholarship
\$1,700.00

NEW ACADEMIC AWARDS FOR 2025:

Lhtako Quesnel 2024 Winter Games Youth Athlete Award

*For students pursuing their chosen sport or a sport-related field
at the post-secondary level.*

John Davis Family Bursary

For students pursuing a career in a Red Seal Trade.

To establish a Restricted Fund Scholarship, Bursary, or Award, a minimum contribution of \$30,000 over five years is required. Please see our website at www.quesnelcommunityfoundation.ca or email quesnelcommunityfoundation@gmail.com for more information.

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CREATING LEGACIES

*Your gift to the Quesnel Community
Foundation will benefit future
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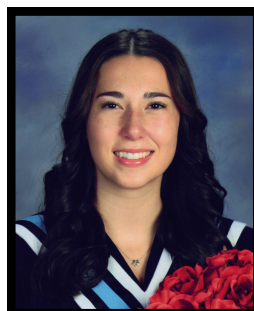
The Lhtako Quesnel 2024 BC Winter Games were held in partnership with the Lhtako Dene First Nation the City of Quesnel, Cariboo Regional District and SD#28. Taking place on the Traditional Territory of the Lhtako Dene First Nation, the event brought 1,800 athletes, coaches and officials from across the province to compete in 16 different sports. Over 1000 community volunteers provided sport, meal, transportation and housing support.

The event was an incredible success and served as a key development opportunity for BC's young athletes while at the same time focussing on the diverse and rich culture of the Lhtako Dene First Nation's Traditional Territory.

In the winter of 2025 the Organizing Committee made two significant gifts to the Quesnel Community Foundation that will bear impact in the years to come.

The first was a **\$100,000 endowment** to support not-for-profit organizations whose mission is to further sport and recreation within the local community. This year's recipient is the Troll Freestyle Club, which used their grant to purchase ski equipment to improve access for those who may not have the financial means to otherwise participate.

The second gift exceeded **\$50,000** and this was used to create a bursary fund to award two bursaries each year to qualified Gr. 12 students pursuing their sport at the post-secondary level or a sports-related field of study such as kinesiology, rehabilitative medicine, officiating, coaching, etc.



Katelyn Grant
Lhtako Quesnel Winter
Games
Youth Athlete Award
\$750.00



Ashley Burke
Lhtako Quesnel Winter
Games
Youth Athlete Award
\$750.00

Crimson & Copper

2025 Gala Dinner, Auction and Dance

Our largest annual event, the 2024 Gala Dinner, Auction and Dance raised over \$37,000 that went directly to supporting the ongoing work of the Foundation- supporting local not-for-profits and graduating students furthering their education.

In 2025 the move was made from a spring date to one in October in order to take advantage of a quieter community event calendar. A committee of Foundation Board members and community volunteers work tirelessly to engage with sponsors and local event support organizations to put on an event that is a highlight of the Quesnel social calendar.

The theme for 2025 is '**Crimson & Copper**' which links the event with the new spot on the calendar- highlighting the colour palette of the Fall harvest season which is part of the stunning natural beauty of the Cariboo.

This event could not take place without the generous support of our sponsors and volunteers! Thank you for helping us make a difference for so many in our community!

IN THEIR OWN WORDS...

"Quesnel Cobras Volleyball Club are incredibly grateful for the funding provided by Quesnel Community Foundations for our new net and volleyball standards at Correlieu Secondary School. Everyone who plays volleyball in Quesnel will benefit from this essential equipment".

Quesnel Cobras Volleyball Club

"Thanks to the Quesnel Community Foundation our choir has been able to improve the safety and well-being of all our choir members during dress rehearsals and performances."

Q City Singers

"The project was great success. We created a safer and more visually appealing experience for spectators and riders. We were able to have the use of equipment to ensure fence post could be drilled in far enough that they will last for years to come."

Quesnel Motocross Association

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The following generous businesses assist with offsetting costs of this publication. We truly appreciate the continued support from the business community, who are such valuable partners to the Foundation.



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\$50,000.00 CHALLENGE



A very generous anonymous donor continues to support our foundation and has offered to match charitable donations up to \$50,000.00 received between October 15-December 15, 2025! So let's once again rise to the challenge Quesnel and make this a record setting year for building our Community Foundation.

Please go to www.quesnelfoundation.ca to donate or submit the form below and mail it with your cheque to PO Box 4158, Quesnel, BC V2J 3J2.

E-Transfers can be made to: quesnelcommunityfoundation@gmail.com. Donations also accepted via Canada Helps, and PayPal.

All donations are eligible for a tax receipt.

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Please mail my donation tax receipt to:

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In Memory of: _____



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