



Elgin-St. Thomas
**Community
Foundation**

"Creating lasting legacies for the community you call home"



2010
Annual
Report



Elgin-St. Thomas Community Foundation

Our Mission

"To strengthen the community for the benefit of all by fostering the growth of community philanthropy; giving opportunities to benefactors to leave a lasting legacy for future generations; building and prudently managing community endowments; and addressing the needs of the community through strategic grant making and organizational support".

2010 HIGHLIGHTS

NEW FUNDS!

Kohler Family Community Fund

A family fund established to support local charities and projects that reflect family values, and to provide scholarships to support post secondary education.

ESCF Endowment Fund

An Agency Fund established to ensure ongoing support for the programs and operations of the ESCF into perpetuity.

TOTAL GRANTS in 2010

\$27, 858 in grants and scholarships supporting 30 local charities, for a total granted to date of \$127,763 while keeping the capital intact!

TOTAL ALL GIFTS in 2010

\$128,120

TOTAL ENDOWED FUNDS

As of December 31, 2010 year end endowed assets- \$716,200

MESSAGE

from the Chair and Executive Director

The Elgin St. Thomas Community Foundation is entering an exciting year of growth. We are celebrating continued capital growth, and a respectable 6.37 annual rate of return in 2010 that will support robust granting levels, and are looking forward to several new initiatives.

Our redesigned website will post helpful resources for donors, local charities, professional advisors, and the community. Expedition Elgin (our own 'amazing race') is scheduled for June 26th in Port Stanley, and we will soon be welcoming a new part time staff until Jan. 2012 thanks to a grant from the Foundation for Rural Living.

We have established a new Founding Donor campaign for the ESCF Endowment Fund. This new Agency Fund will provide stability and long term funding for the core services and management of our community assets.

The Community Foundation would like to honour Ralph and Noreen Counsell. Their extraordinary gift provided as a bequest by Ralph Counsell has supported 2010 granting, will support improved donor and community services, and has contributed to the newly established Agency Fund for the ESCF. It is a rare form of generosity, and we are very grateful.

Thank you to all our donors and volunteers and local charities,....your contributions help to enrich Elgin County,

June Monteith,

Chair

Karen Laine,

Executive Director

Board of Directors 2010

June Monteith, Chair

Lois Beamish-Taylor, Vice Chair

Elaine McGregor-Morris, Past Chair

Anne Kenny, Secretary

Wayne Kentner, Treasurer

Jenni Mudge-Winters

Shawn Jackson

Karen Laine, Executive Director

2010
FUNDS & GRANTING

Agency Funds

Established by local charities, or as a service to local charities, returns from these funds ensure an ongoing source of support for their programs and operations, and provide sustainable funding into perpetuity.



- **YWCA of St. Thomas-Elgin Endowment Fund**
- **Elgin Children's Foundation Endowment Fund**
- **YMCA of St. Thomas-Elgin Endowment Fund**
- **Pearce Williams United Church Christian Centre Fund**
- **Elgin-St. Thomas Community Foundation Endowment Fund**

A donation of any size to these funds supports your favourite charity forever!

Donor Advised Funds

Funds enabling donor participation in developing grant criteria and directing the distribution of income from their funds.



ST. Thomas-Elgin Second Stage Housing

- **Thomas C. Fox Fund**

A family, Donor Advised Fund that supports local charities.

2010 Grant Recipient:

-Second Stage Housing. Mural on exterior access to the children's room.

- **McGregor-Morris Fund**

A Donor Advised Fund to support the permanent display of art in public places.

- **Dennis Redman Memorial Scholarship Fund**

A Donor Advised Fund in memory of firefighter Dennis Redman to support post-secondary education in emergency service fields.



2010 Grant Recipients:

-Dave MacFarlane
-Brandon Dugos
-Damaris Moxley
-Craig Deryk

- **Elgin CFDC - Helen LeFrank Entrepreneurial Youth Fund**

Established by the Elgin Community Futures Development Corporation, this scholarship will support and mentor youth entrepreneurship and business start-up.

Donor Advised Funds Continued



• Janet & Marion Morgan Environmental Fund

A Donor Advised Fund established to support environmental, animal welfare and wildlife protection agencies.

2010 Grant Recipients:

- Animal Aide of St. Thomas
- Aspen Valley Wildlife Sanctuary
- David Suzuki Foundation
- Ecojustice Canada

• Joanne Brooks Community Fund

In memory of former Mayor, Joanne Brooks, this family, Donor Advised Fund supports local charities and projects that reflect her concern for others and her passion for community values.

2010 Grant Recipient:

- Christmas Care

• Turnberry Fund

A family, Donor Advised Fund that supports local and regional charities established by Sine and William Herold.

2010 Grant Recipients:

- Knox Presbyterian Church
- Canadian Red Cross
- United Way
- Polycystic Kidney Disease Foundation of Canada
- YWCA Endowment Fund
- Second Stage Housing
- Shaw Festival
- Caring Cupboard.





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Donor Advised Funds Continued



• Colchester Fund

A family, Donor Advised Fund that supports local and regional charities.

2010 Grant Recipients:

- Children's Emergency Foundation
- Child Find
- Teen Challenge Farm
- Second Stage Housing
- STEG Hospital Foundation
- Easter Seals
- Lung Association
- Arthritis Society
- ESCF-Operations
- War Amps
- UWO Alumni Foundation
- United Way of St. Thomas
- Christmas Care.

• Jaden Ella Wood Memorial Fund

A family, Donor Advised Fund to celebrate Jaden's beautiful spirit.



2010 Grant Recipients:

Joseph Simms scholarship for the student who embodies leadership and respect, caring, cooperation and courtesy.

• Kohler Family Community Fund

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2010 Grant Recipient:

- Talbot Teen Centre
- Elgin Theatre Guild





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Donor Designated & Field of Interest Funds

Funds which support a particular area of interest, organization, or charitable activity (such as a scholarship) as named, selected by the donor at the time of the gift. This fund does not require donor participation in developing grant criteria or allocating grants.

- **Active Living Scholarship Fund**

Established by the OhiOntario International Friendship Games Association to support post secondary education in the area of physical activity.

2010 Grant Recipient:

-Bryan Duquette

- **Howard and Alice Williams Fund**

A Donor Designated Fund guided by direction provided in Alice Williams' Estate, this fund has a focus on education.

2010 Grant Recipient:

-Elgin Railway Museum.

For lighting, shelving and ongoing renovations and Archives.

- **St. Thomas-Elgin Tourist Association Scholarship Fund**

A Donor Designated Fund awarding scholarships for second year post secondary school education in a travel and tourism related area of study.

Community Fund

**Grants in 5 Areas of focus:
Social Services, Environment, Education,
Arts & Culture, and Recreation.**

St. Thomas Performing Arts

To support concert series up to May 2011

Youth Employment Counselling Centre

TTC program SmART - arts centred prevention

Serenity House Hospice Inc.

Kids Day Camp - for children coping with grief and illness

Wallacetown Agricultural Society

Recycling containers for Fairgrounds/all events.

Canadian Mental Health Association - Elgin

Crock pot/slow cooker classes for CMHA clients

Jabez Therapy Ranch

Design, purchase and erect new sign

Parents for Children's Mental Health

Lunch and Learn - youth mental health issues

The Stork Club Big Band Hall of Fame

Summer music concert series in Port Stanley

Fresh Start Maternity Support

Tutoring for OSSD/GED and child minding

Scouts Canada - Tri Shore Council

Subsidized membership for children with economic hardships

2010

ASSETS by Fund Designation

Endowment Fund principle is invested and the interest on investment flows back to local charities into perpetuity. The Elgin-St. Thomas Community Foundation has 6 different Types of Fund Designations, and several additional donor services. *Please contact us for more detailed information.*

Community Fund/Unrestricted

Grants from the Community Fund prioritize the following areas: Environment, Arts and Culture, Education, Social Services, and Recreation.

Community Fund \$78,696

Field of Interest Funds

Funds intended to provide support for a general area without limitations. This fund does not require donor participation in developing grant criteria or allocating grant.

Active Living Scholarship Fund \$28,942

Donor Designated Funds

Funds which support particular area or interest as named/selected by the donor at the time of the gift. This fund does not require donor participation in developing grant criteria or allocating grant.

Howard and Alice Williams Fund \$50,464

St. Thomas Elgin Tourist Association Scholarship Fund \$30,114

Agency Funds

Funds established by charitable organizations as permanent funds to ensure an ongoing source of support for their programs and operations.

YWCA of St. Thomas-Elgin Endowment Fund \$9,015

Elgin Children's Foundation Endowment Fund \$21,722

YMCA of St. Thomas-Elgin Endowment Fund \$45,442*

Pearce Williams United Church Christian Centre Fund \$18,626

Elgin-St. Thomas Community Foundation Endowment Fund \$50,500

Donor Advised Funds

Funds enabling donor participation in developing grant criteria and directing the distribution of income from their fund.

McGregor Morris Fund \$14,594

Turnberry Fund \$110,532

Thomas C. Fox Fund \$10,321

Dennis Redman Memorial Scholarship Fund \$69,941

The Janet and Marion Morgan

Environmental Fund \$94,053

Joanne Brooks Community Fund \$24,992

Colchester Fund \$41,311

Jaden Wood Memorial Fund \$7,734

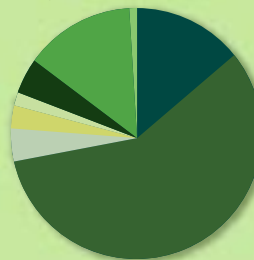
ELGIN CFDC \$6,707

Kohler Family Community Fund \$2,495

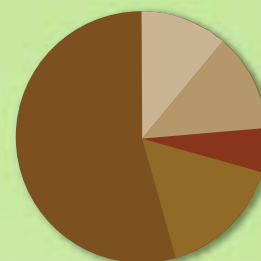
TOTAL ASSETS (Dec 31, 2010 values) \$716,201

**During the year, at the direction of the Board of Directors of the Family YMCA, the two Managed Funds – YMCA Heritage and Legacy Funds were wound up and the fund balances transferred to the Family YMCA of St. Thomas-Elgin Endowment Fund.*

2010 Granting by area of focus, All Funds



Foundation Assets by Fund Designation



Our complete 2010 audited statements will be available on-line at www.escf.ca



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Donor Opportunities - Anyone can build a legacy.

Gifts of cash, cheques, money order

Pre-Authorized Contributions

Gifts of securities, such as stocks or bonds

Each type of gift has specific tax advantages, so you'll want to discuss the benefits of each with your financial advisor. Your gift can be directed toward an existing fund, or used to create a new fund.

*Can we help you build an
Endowment Fund?*

Planned Giving

In addition to making a gift now, you may choose to make a gift that will be realized by the Foundation after your lifetime.

These gifts can include:

- A bequest in your will
- A gift of life insurance
- A Charitable Remainder Trust
- Naming ESCF as a beneficiary of a RRIF or RRSP

We provide tailored services to support your family's philanthropic interests or your organization's sustainable community service goals.

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