



Foundation Chair Report to the
Annual General Meeting

June 28, 2021

During the last year, the foundation board has met monthly, either in person or via zoom.

Although the pandemic posed challenges for us, we had a very productive and successful year. This would not have been possible without:

- The dedication, creativity and hard work of the Foundation board members.
- The continued support and enthusiasm of our Executive Director, Lorraine Burch.
- Last and certainly not least, our many volunteers and the generosity and support of our community.

We had a great year financially. The financial assets of Our Health Centre Foundation saw a very nice increase of over 30%, or about \$57,000 year over year. This leaves us with a balance at the end of March, our year end, of just over \$240,000.

- Memorial and regular donations amounted to approximately \$86,000, up from more than \$25,000.
- Fundraising activities generated over \$20,000 more than doubling our results from the previous year.
- Moving the annual Harvest Jam Silent Auction to an online platform was not only an interesting challenge but a huge success raising over \$13,000. Going along with this we had a matching donation campaign through which we were able to raise an additional \$12,000, thanks to the generosity of our community friends. Plans are underway for this event this coming October.

Besides the financial achievements the Foundation had several other notable accomplishments:

- As a board we undertook a strategic planning process which resulted in several lively conversations and discussions and agreement on future goals, priorities and action items, setting a plan in place for this and upcoming years.
- We provided financial support to the Association to help fund OHC with a nurse practitioner required for the walk-in clinic.
- We have also committed to continuing to support the many OHC health and wellness programs to a minimum of \$30,000 annually for the next two years.
- We are in the process of converting our donation management software to a new platform called Canada Helps. <http://www.canadahelps.org>. One early significant benefit of this is our donors can now easily make donations online. This can be found on the OHC website under the "Foundation" tab.

The board would also like to thank and express our sincere gratitude to John Chandler. John's strong leadership and dedication as our interim chair over the last two years has been an integral part in our achievements and growth.

We are truly looking forward to another successful year and working hand in hand with the Association.

Respectfully submitted

Ron McDonald

Chair