

The Children's Foundation relies on donations from the public to help it achieve its mission of assisting children accessing life-enriching programs. Because of this fact, we work under a financial discipline that might be the envy of many other charities and foundations. Over 80% of our revenues go directly to children, meaning that our costs to raise funds are exceptionally low - less than 20 cents on the dollar. With prudent and stringent management, we hope to reduce that figure still further in the years ahead.

Each year we see an increase in the need presented to us by the community. And, each year, with the help of our community we are able to meet that need. If you wish to help us by making a donation, you can do so online, by mail or in person.

We accept donations made in cash, by cheque or by credit card (VISA or Mastercard). Any donation over \$20 will be provided with a charitable receipt. Please provide your complete mailing address for this purpose. We also accept 'in-kind' donations when they are in keeping with our current programs. Please contact the office for further details.

Currently, there are many tax effective ways of giving that can work within any financial or estate planning. These methods provide current and future tax relief. Please contact the office for further details.

The Children's Foundation also has different events through the year which you can sponsor. Visit our website to view our list of current event sponsors and future sponsorship opportunities.



Our programs help kids!



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**The Children's
Foundation Grants**
*support for children
in our community*

Who we are

No one else helps children in Guelph and Wellington like the Children's Foundation. Each year, thousands of children and their parents rely on the Foundation to help them experience a part of childhood that many of us take for granted.

Unfortunately, the need is far greater than the Foundation can meet. Thousands of children in Guelph and Wellington County need the benefits of the programs that only the Foundation funds.

The approach of the Foundation is to allow children and their families to choose the program they wish to access and the role of the Foundation is to help provide the means. This means that children are able to go to a diverse number of programs and be in these programs with other children, many of whom do not have similar backgrounds. The Children's Foundation believes this helps to further enrich the experience.

Every child helped is part of the Guelph and Wellington community. Each dollar raised goes to helping a child in Guelph and Wellington County

The Children's Foundation Grants

The Grants Program provides funds to disadvantaged children to enable their participation in educational and recreational enrichment activities.

The fund originated when Stephen Promoli tragically lost his life at a young age. This fund was established to honour his memory by providing at-risk children with access to the type of programs that brought enrichment to his own life.

Funds can be applied for by a referring agency or by the child's parent or guardian. Applying for funding is easy. All requests are forwarded to The Children's Foundation Grants Committee, which is comprised of representatives from referring agencies, child welfare professionals, community members and representatives of the Board of Directors of The Children's Foundation. This committee meets regularly to review current applications and to make funding recommendations. The committee reports their activities directly to the Board of Directors of The Children's Foundation of Guelph and Wellington.



How To Apply For Funding

Depending upon the activity for which you are seeking funding, please select from one of the following funding avenues. Applications for each are available online or by contacting The Children's Foundation. Applications must be filled out in full and where indicated, proof of need must accompany the application.

1. Application for financial assistance to access life-enrichment activities

- Applications are received year-round for individual funding requests.
- This form should be used for requests pertaining to participation in recreational or cultural enrichment activities.
- Previously funded activities have included: summer camp, sports team enrollment, swimming lessons, music and art lessons, etc.

2. Application for financial assistance for school-enrichment activities

- Applications are received year-round for school enrichment requests from the Upper Grand District School Board and the Wellington Catholic District School Board.
- This form should be used to request funding assistance that will enrich the school community.
- Previously funded activities have included class trips, individual or class participation in special programs, etc.