

SMART & CARING COMMUNITY FUNDS

As we approach our country's 150th birthday in 2017, Governor General David Johnston has challenged Canadians to imagine our country as it could be – a "smart and caring nation" that holds promise for everyone.

In Niagara, we are joining community foundations from across Canada and rising to the challenge by creating sector-specific Smart & Caring Community Funds. Local champions have come forward to help us promote the future impact that these funds will have in Niagara.

"Join me in imagining our country as it could be...a smart and caring nation, where all Canadians can succeed, contribute and develop their talents to their fullest potential"

DAVID JOHNSTON
GOVERNOR GENERAL OF CANADA



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CHILDREN AND YOUTH FUND FOR NIAGARA

Judy Reid retired in 1998 after 30 years of teaching. But she never stopped finding ways to fulfill her passion for helping children and youth succeed. Shortly after her retirement, she started working with the Business Education Council where she works with Early Years Niagara. And her passion continues in the community as a volunteer where she served as a director and board chair of Adolescent's Family and Support Services of Niagara and Niagara Support Services.



"Supporting youth in Niagara fosters optimal development and achievement plus strong families and healthy neighbourhoods. Contributing to the Children and Youth Fund establishes a legacy that will continue to give back to the future citizens and leaders to promote sustainability of a prosperous Niagara. "

JUDY REID

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VISION

The vision for the Children and Youth Fund for Niagara is to support projects which build resiliency of youth, promote positive youth development and prevent risk behaviour.

This list is a selection of more than \$1.1 million in children and youth grants awarded since 2001.

GRANTS

ADOLESCENT'S FAMILY SUPPORT SERVICES OF NIAGARA	\$5,000
Funded the purchase of toys and equipment, enhancing interactive education and promote healthy physical activities at the 7 sites.	
AUTISM SOCIETY ONTARIO - NIAGARA REGION CHAPTER	\$2,760
Awesome Allies/ Awesome Connection: Social skills programs for children with Asperger's Syndrome Verbal ASD or non-verbal children with ASD.	
BIG BROTHERS BIG SISTERS - GRIMSBY LINCOLN, WEST LINCOLN	\$5,515
Expanded the Go Girls program into the Niagara Catholic District School Board to schools in West Niagara.	
BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB OF NIAGARA - NIGHT LIGHT YOUTH SERVICES	\$500
Purchased a deep freezer for the shelter which will allow the preservation of donated foods.	
CHILD ADVOCACY CENTRE NIAGARA	\$7,500
Acquired furnishings and equipment for new centre that treats children of abuse.	
CLUB ITALIA LODGE #5 - NIAGARA MARCO POLO FOUNDATION	\$5,000
Replaced the 20 year old play structure with a new accessible play structure, swings and surfacing to embrace children of all disabilities in our community.	
COMMUNITY LIVING PORT COLBORNE - WAINFLEET	\$9,240
Funded a Youth Outreach Worker for a coalition of 6 agencies plus two school boards providing programs in Port Colborne to connect at risk youth with programs currently available.	
DSBN - SOUTH LINCOLN HIGH SCHOOL	\$3,000
Supported an adventure-based program for at risk youth to promote interpersonal and intrapersonal growth.	
FORT ERIE NATIVE CULTURAL CENTRE INC.	\$5,000
Supported a project to re-engage youth to education through traditional Native teachings, hands on science and environmental studies.	
FOUNDATION OF RESOURCES FOR TEENS (FORT)	\$2,000
Purchased equipment for a new free drop-in sports night at a local high school in Grimsby.	
MAINSTREAM: AN UNSHELTERED WORKSHOP	\$2,500
Produced a play about graffiti in partnership with Carousel Players Theatre Company with the goal of educating youth in becoming respectful and responsible in their community.	
NIAGARA REGION CHILDREN'S SAFETY VILLAGE	\$7,000
Acquired the Hazard House Teaching Tool that will assist the students to better visualize the hazards contained in a typical house.	
NIAGARA RESOURCE SERVICE FOR YOUTH (THE RAFT)	\$2,500
Rights Camera Action!: Funded AV workshops for 24 youth to "Document Your Neighbourhood".	
THOROLD COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES GROUP	\$5,000
Purchased equipment and resources that enabled children and youth with disabilities to participate fully in programs.	

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