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United Way for the City of Kawartha Lakes

Annual Campaign Report for 2023-2024

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Who We Are

United Way for the City of Kawartha Lakes provides financial support for agencies and programming in City of Kawartha Lakes and Haliburton County.

Through our work we address our 3 Pillars: Poverty to Possibility, All that Kids Can Be and Healthy People, Strong Communities.

MISSION: To build a strong community and improve lives in Haliburton and Kawartha Lakes.

VISION: Bring communities together to ensure everyone has the opportunity to reach their full potential.

Where to find us

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Message from our Co-Executive Directors

Our 2023-2024 Campaign was one of challenges and opportunities. Like many in the Kawartha Lakes, we felt the impacts of the hailstorm, with damage to some of the crops at the farm. Our farm staff worked hard to clean up and minimize the damage and we still managed to donate over 18,000 pounds of fresh produce to community organizations.

We were excited to bring back our annual bonspiel and take part in the Coldest Night of the Year, bringing the walk to Lindsay for the first time.

Through our grants and produce donations we were able to support 16 local organizations. A big thank you to our donors, supporters and volunteers. You help make this valuable work possible.

thantal Ingram

Shantal Ingram and Emily Beall Co-Executive Directors



United Way supported the following agencies and programs:

Point in Time Centre for Children, Youth and Parents - Coming Full Circle: Dedicated Spaces for People with Lived Experience in Haliburton County and Food for Kids

VCCS Employment Services - Food for Work program
BGC Kawarthas - Food Security for Youth and Family program, Food security support
SIRCH - Community Kitchen Meals, Food security support
THRIL - Growing Pains project, New Saddle for therapeutic riding program (UWHO grant)
EarlyON - Support for children's programming in Haliburton
Big Brothers Big Sisters - Support for children and youth programming in Haliburton
Salvation Army - Food security support
Haliburton Highlands Health Services (Community Services) - Food security support
Community Care - Food security support
Kawartha Lakes Food Source - Food security support
A Place Called Home - Food security support
Kawartha Lakes Housing Corporation - Food security support
Centre of Hope - Food security support

Community Services Recovery Fund

The Community Services Recovery Fund (CSRF) was a federally funded grant for not-for-profits that United Ways across the country delivered along with Community Foundations of Canada and the Canadian Red Cross. United Way funded grants were for Program and Service Innovation and Redesign.



\$266,461 in funding distributed

Coboconk and Area Food Bank - \$36,808

Kawartha Lakes Museum and Archives - \$60,000 Big Brothers Big Sisters \$45,066

Kawartha Art Gallery \$63,712

Maryboro Lodge Museum - \$60,875





Campaign Kickoff

This past fall we launched our 2023 fundraising campaign at THRIVE Co-Working Space. We spoke about the projects we funded the previous year and provided an update on the 5th season of Edwin Binney's Community Farm and Education Centre. Jeff Tompkins was introduced as our returning Campaign Chair.



United Women Helping Others

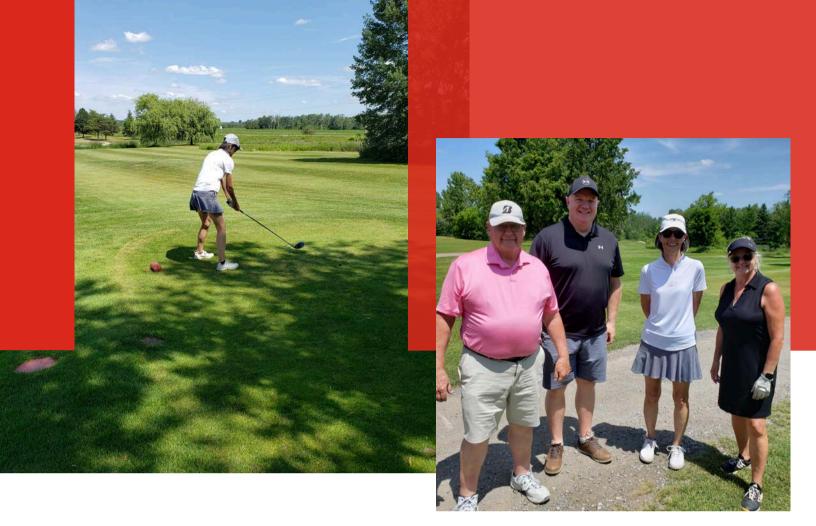
The 2023 United Women Helping Others grant was awarded to THRIL to purchase a new saddle for their therapeutic horse riding program. THRIL provides therapeutic riding and driving program for children, youth and adults with special needs/considerations, mental health issues, and those that are abled differently.



United Way Out and About in the Community

You never know where you will find the staff of your United Way! We support workplace campaign events and give presentations about our work. This year we have been out and about supporting the Fleming College bake sale fundraiser, speaking at 100 Men Kawartha Lakes and the PVNCCDSB United Way Workplace Campaign Launch, we've provided screenings of the documentary The Garden telling the story of the beginning of our food security project, just to name a few. We love to talk about the work we do at UWCKL, and would be happy to come and speak to your group.

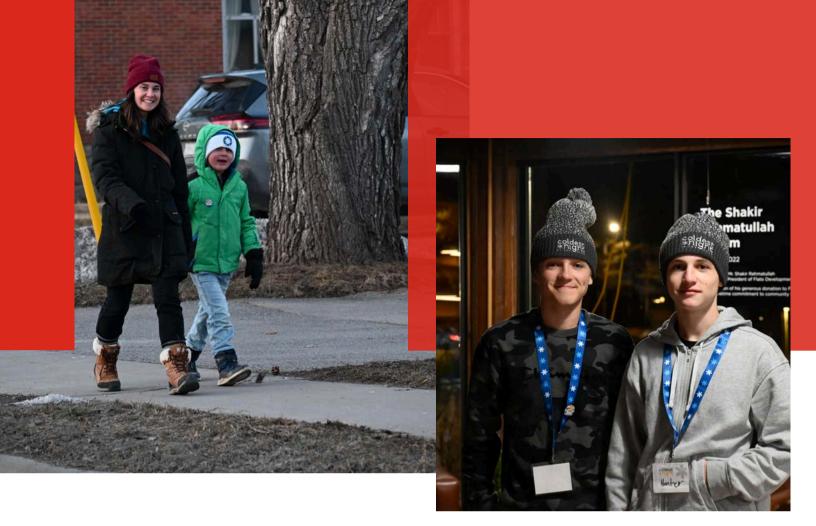




Giving is Believing Golf Tournament

We got the summer off to a great start with the Giving is Believing Golf Tournament. A small but enthusiastic group of golfers joined us for a fun afternoon of golf and a delicious dinner. Thank you to our event sponsors for their support.

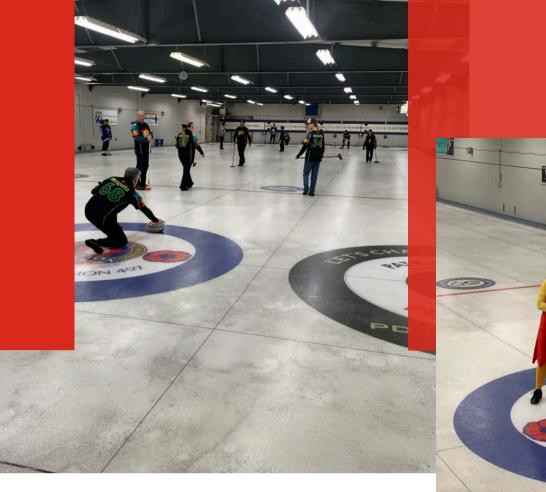




Coldest Night of the Year

This February, we were proud to hold the first ever Coldest Night of the Year walk in Lindsay. Nearly 100 walkers joined us for a 2km or 5km walk. Just over \$19,000 was raised through the event. Thank you to all of the walkers who participated, the donors who supported them, our sponsors and the amazing volunteers who helped make this event a success. We can't wait to do it again next year!







Nexicom United Way Curling for Community Funspiel

During the final month of campaign we brought back an old favourite event that we have not held since just before the pandemic. We were thrilled to have Nexicom come back as lead sponsor and have RBC sponsor as well. It was a great day of curling with fun costumes and exciting competition. Join us for the 2025 edition – no experience needed!





Edwin Binney's Community Farm and Education Centre

2023 was a tough year at Edwin Binney's Community Farm & Education Centre. On August 3rd the farm found itself in the path of a destructive downburst that dropped golf ball sized hail and leveled many of the crops. Lost to the storm were 20 fruit trees, many rows of corn, and much of the cabbages.

Thankfully we are a part of one of the most generous and hard working communities around. BGC and other community members rallied quickly to help clean up after the storm, allowing us to replant the fields to salvage a fall harvest.



Edwin Binney's Community Farm and Education Centre

Though the weather was tumultuous the determination of all involved with the farm ensured there were still many successes. The farm produced 18,366lbs of fresh produce worth \$52,202 which went to community agencies to support well over 4,000 community members. The farm also hosted 620 children and youth to participate in Field to Table Programming and educational workshops.

We're looking forward to the 2024 season and expecting a lot of growth to occur in and out of the farm. New projects coming this season are the seed garden, more raised bed space to extend the season, and increasing the biodiversity by adding new pollinator, sensory, and rain gardens. We're also expanding our social media reach by creating engaging content on all of our platforms including the new EBCF&EC YouTube channel – @EdwinBinneysCommunityFarm. LIKE. SHARE. SUBSCRIBE.



We are grateful for the support of local organizations and businesses!



THANK YOU TO OUR GENEROUS SPONSORS!

Event sponsors help make our fundraising endeavours a success.



Giving is Believing Golf Tournament

Crayola, VCCS, Trish Todd - Revel Realty Inc., Nexicom, Jane Angelo Professional Corporation and Aaron Hill - Financial Advisor at Edward Jones



Adopt a Crop

Weed Man Kawartha Lakes; Ruth Tait; Judy, Carly, Emily Beall and Andrew Lawson in Memory of Marcie Beall



Nexicom United Way Curling for Community Funspiel

Nexicom and RBC



Coldest Night of the Year

Kathlene Katic - Kawartha Lakes Realtor, Economy Wheels, Domino's Pizza, Tim Hortons - Lindsay Street, Charmin's Wholesome Foods Catering, Kindred Coffee Bar, Fleming College



THANK YOU!

Thank you to our 2023-2024 Corporate, Foundation and Workplace Donors

Guardian: \$25,000+

Crayola Canada Government of Canada LCBO Otto and Marie Pick Foundation

Innovator: \$10,000 - \$24,999

City of Kawartha Lakes

Benefactor: \$5,000 - \$9,999

BMO Financial Group CIBC Province of Ontario PVNC Catholic District School Board TD Bank Group

Visionary: \$2,500 - \$4,999

Kinsmen Club of Lindsay Nexicom RBC RBC Foundation Scotiabank St. Thomas Aquinas CSS VCCS Employment Services Wilson and Wilson Ltd. 1 Anonymous Organization

Pillar: \$1,000 - \$2,499

BluEarth Renewables Inc. - Goodlight LP Canada Life Canadian Tire Minden - In Kind Community Living Trent Highlands Fairstone Financial Hornibrook Family Fund The Bob and Vera Mark Foundation The Co-operators Woodville & District Lions Club Workplace Safety and Insurance Board I Anonymous Organization

Builder: \$366 - \$999

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THANK YOU!

Thank you to our 2023-2024 Individual Donors

Benefactor: \$5,000 - \$9,999

Douglas Brenner David S. Saunders

Visionary: \$2,500 - \$4,999

Joel Watts 2 Anonymous Visionaries

Pillar: \$1,000 - \$2,499

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Builder: \$366 - \$999

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Everyday Hero: \$365

Grant & Gail Cottrell James Lindsay John Murray

Leadership Donors - \$1,200+

Jessie Ma Douglas Brenner Gregory Bishop Karen Glass

Maja Saletto David S. Saunders Jody Clements Camal McDoom Lorna Jane Abray

Annette Wrightman Joel Watts Carol & Bruce Glass Paul Murphy

STUDENT POWER!

Edwin Binney's Farm and Education Centre would not be the success it is without the contributions of our amazing Co-op students and summer employees. A big thank you to 2023's amazing crew!



Nick Leblanc

Fleming College Sustainable Agriculture Program Co-Op Student



Kai Magalhaes de Castro High School Co-Op Student



Sophia Ashton High School Co-Op Student



Caleb Abbott

High School Co-Op Student Summer Employee



Jacob Abbott Summer Employee

MEET THE UNITED WAY CKL TEAM!



Emily Beall Co-Executive Director



Shantal Ingram Co-Executive Director



E Kelly Garden Coordinator and Project Lead



Taryn Zylstra Bookkeeper









Thank you!



