

# 2021-2022 Annual Report

A year of accomplishments.



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## A MESSAGE FROM OUR CHAIRPERSON & EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

For the second year in a row, we have been on the frontlines of the COVID-19 global pandemic. As we reflect on the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on our people, our communities, and the healthcare system as a whole, we are incredibly proud of how we worked together as a united team and the contributions we made to the regional and system response to COVID-19. We have built stronger relationships with our staff and community partners, which will in turn strengthen our healthcare system and enhance the care we provide.

This year, we continue our work to raise awareness of what we need to do to help meet the current and growing needs of our communities and keep care close to home. We thank our exceptional staff who continue to provide excellent care, and members of our communities who have shown their support for the foundation and region.

To our donors, nothing we do would be possible without your unwavering commitment to the foundation. Thank you for your generous donations, for your perseverance in the face of extraordinary challenge and uncertainty, and for thinking of us while being consumed not only with the health and safety of yourself and family members, but with the education of your children, the loss of face-to-face connections, and missing once-in-a-lifetime events with your loved ones. Thank you also for your belief in the foundation as trusted stewards of your investment and in our ability to ensure that your gift would be used to its fullest potential now and into the future.

We are incredibly proud of the achievements and moments we experienced together throughout the past year.

We encourage you to read more in the achievements and stories shared below.

Thank you,

head win

Ted Lewis Chair

Pamela McCallum Executive Director



# OUR BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Ted Lewis Brent Wynnyk	Chair Vice-Chair
Cynthia Ostapyk	Board Member
DJ Sigmundson	Board Member
Dr. Dan Lindsay	Board Member
Dr. Jonah Fulmore	Board Member
Ernest Stefanson	Board Member
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# AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS



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#### Independent Auditor's Report

To the Board of Directors of Interlake-Eastern Health Foundation Inc.

#### Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Interlake-Eastern Health Foundation Inc. ("Foundation"), which comprise the statement of financial position as at March 31, 2022, and the statement of changes in fund balances, the statement of operations and the statement of cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Foundation as at March 31, 2022, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations.

#### **Basis for Opinion**

We conducted our audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are independent of the Foundation in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in Canada, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Responsibilities of Management and Those Charged with Governance for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the Foundation's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the Foundation or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the Foundation's financial reporting process.

#### Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.



As part of an audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that
  are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness
  of the Foundation's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based
  on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that
  may cast significant doubt on the Foundation's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a
  material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related
  disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our
  conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However,
  future events or conditions may cause the Foundation to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the
  disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a
  manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

BDO Canada LLP

Chartered Professional Accountants

Winnipeg, Manitoba September 8, 2022

## INTERLAKE-EASTERN HEALTH FOUNDATION INC. Statement of Financial Position

#### As at March 31, 2022

	Ur	restricted Fund	E	ndowment Funds	Externally Restricted Funds	2022 Total		2021 Total
Assets								
Current Assets Cash and bank Accounts receivable (Note 3)	s	300,366 21,600	\$	\$	\$	\$ 300,366 21,600	\$	698,523 18,422
		321,966		(#)	×.	321,966		716,945
Investments (Note 4)		413,936		233,542	2	647,478		24 <b>4</b>
Interfund balances (Note 5)		(609,695)		26,551	583,144	5		5-
6	\$	126,207	\$	260,093	\$ 583,144	\$ 969,444	\$	716,945
Liabilities and Fund Balances								
Current Liabilities Accounts payable and accrued liabilities Deferred contributions (Note 6)	\$	9,421 3,182	\$	5	\$ 3	\$ 9,421 3,182	\$	8,647 3,182
		12,603			G	12,603		11,829
Fund Balances Unrestricted Endowment (Note 9) Externally restricted (Note 10)	_	113,604		260,093	583,144	113,604 260,093 583,144		102,823 249,780 352,513
		113,604		260,093	583,144	956,841		705,116
	\$	126,207	\$	260,093	\$ 583,144	\$ 969,444	s	716,945
Approved by the Board of Directors:		hackwi	50					

#### INTERLAKE-EASTERN HEALTH FOUNDATION INC. Statement of Changes in Fund Balances

#### For the year ended March 31, 2022

		Unres	stric	ted Fund		Endov	vme	ent Funds		Rest	Externally ed Funds	Total	Total
		2022	_	2021		2022		2021	_	2022	2021	2022	2021
Fund balances, beginning of year	\$	102,823	\$	82,770	\$	249,780	\$	223,367	\$	352,513	\$ 250,868	\$ 705,116	\$ 557,005
Excess of revenue over expenses for the year	_	10,781		20,053	8	10,313		26,413		230,631	101,645	251,725	148,111
Fund balances, end of year	\$	113,604	\$	102,823	\$	260,093	\$	249,780	\$	583,144	\$ 352,513	\$ 956,841	\$ 705,116

#### INTERLAKE-EASTERN HEALTH FOUNDATION INC. Statement of Operations

#### For the year ended March 31, 2022

		Unres	stric	ted Fund	Endow	/me	nt Funds	Rest	Externally ed Funds	Total	Total
	00- 50-	2022		2021	2022		2021	2022	 2021	2022	2021
Revenue											
Donations	\$		\$		\$ 16,127	\$	23,250	\$ 315,796	\$ 257,800	\$ 331,923	\$ 281,050
Donations-in-kind		-		-	125		-1	4,956	6,408	4,956	6,408
Fundraising											
Contributions from IERHA		116,720		109,353	2.52		20	1.0		116,720	109,353
Other		1,044		318	12		÷.	-	-	1,044	318
Investment income											
Interest and dividends		3.877		5.390	4,720		3,163	-		8,597	8,553
Realized gain on sale of investments		1,512			Sector Cores		2012 Sec. 2012	-	-	1.512	-
Unrealized loss on investments		(356)		35	(10, 534)		-	-		(10, 890)	-
Investment management fees	23	(1,512)	6	12	1000		10	2		(1,512)	-
	3 <u>—</u>	121,285		115,061	10,313		26,413	320,752	264,208	452,350	405,682
Expenses											
Communications and development		-		294				-	07.0		294
Information technology support		950		900	12		-		-	950	900
Office supplies		63		23	0.245					63	23
Professional fees		20.364		8,408			-	-	-	20,364	8,408
Rent		9,495		9,000	12				22	9,495	9,000
Salaries and benefits		78,533		75,646			-0	-	-	78,533	75.646
Service charges	9K	1,099		737				-	122	1,099	737
		110,504		95,008			5	-	10	110,504	95,008
Excess of revenue over expenses											
before major and planned gifts		10,781		20,053	10,313		26,413	320,752	264,208	341,846	310,674
Major and planned gifts	95			12			<u>.</u>	90,121	162,563	90 <mark>,1</mark> 21	162,563
Excess of revenue over expenses for the year	\$	10,781	\$	20,053	\$ 10,313	\$	26,413	\$ 230,631	\$ 101,645	\$ 251,725	\$ 148,111

# INTERLAKE-EASTERN HEALTH FOUNDATION INC. Statement of Cash Flows

For the year ended March 31		2022	2021
Cash Flows from Operating Activities Excess of revenue over expenses for the year Items not affecting cash	\$	251,725 \$	148,111
Unrealized loss on investments	11	10,890	23
		262,615	148,111
Changes in non-cash operating capital items Accounts receivable Accounts payable and accrued liabilities Deferred contributions		(3,178) 774	8,104 812 (510)
		260,211	156,517
Cash Flows from Investing and Financing Activities Purchase of investments		(658,368)	2
Net increase (decrease) in cash and bank during the year		(398,157)	156,517
Cash and bank, beginning of year	12	698,523	542,006
Cash and bank, end of year	\$	300,366 \$	698,523

#### For the year ended March 31, 2022

#### 1. Nature of Operations

Interlake-Eastern Health Foundation Inc. (the "Foundation") was established to benefit the citizens of Interlake-Eastern health region by supporting health care needs in the region.

The Foundation was incorporated in 2015 under the Corporations Act of Manitoba. The Foundation is a registered charity and is classified as a public foundation for purposes of the Income Tax Act and accordingly is exempt from income taxes.

## 2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

#### a) Basis of Accounting

The financial statements have been prepared using Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations.

#### b) Fund Accounting

The Foundation follows the restricted fund method of accounting for contributions.

The Unrestricted Fund relates to the Foundation's program delivery and administrative activities. No restrictions have been imposed by the donors or Board of Directors on these funds. These funds are managed in accordance with general Board policies and may be restricted only through Board of Directors motion.

Externally Restricted Funds represent contributions restricted by donors for the highest priority needs and for areas of interest. Board policy states that these funds must be spent within twenty-four months of receipt.

Endowment Funds represent contributions to be maintained in perpetuity and are comprised of funds subject to varying degrees of restriction on the use of capital and income. Unless specified by the donor, investment income earned on the Endowment Fund is reinvested in the Endowment Fund.

## For the year ended March 31, 2022

## 2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

#### c) Revenue Recognition

Restricted contributions are recognized as revenue of the appropriate restricted fund when received or receivable. Unrestricted contributions are recognized as revenue of the Unrestricted Fund in the year received or receivable if the amount to be received can be reasonably estimated and collection is reasonably assured.

Contributions from the Interlake-Eastern Regional Health Authority (IERHA) are recognized as revenue when specific ancillary revenue is earned by IERHA if the amount to be received can be reasonably estimated and collection is reasonably assured.

Interest revenue and investment income are recognized as revenue in the period earned.

Other revenue is recognized as revenue in the period received or receivable if the amount to be received can be reasonably estimated and collection is reasonably assured.

#### d) Contributed Services

The Foundation is governed and supported by volunteers. Contributed services from volunteers are not reflected in the financial statements due to the difficulty in determining their fair value.

The IERHA is committed to the Foundation and provides resources for the Executive Director position for the Foundation. The IERHA pays the Executive Director salary and benefits and provides office space, supplies, office equipment and information technology support. Contributed resources from IERHA have been recorded in these financial statements at their fair value.

#### e) Financial Instruments

Financial instruments are recorded at fair value when acquired or issued. Financial assets are tested for impairment when changes in circumstances indicate the asset could be impaired. Transaction costs on the acquisition, sale or issue of financial instruments are expensed for those items remeasured at fair value at each statement of financial position date and charged to the financial instrument for those measured at amortized cost.

## f) Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenue and expenses during the year. Actual amounts could differ materially from those estimates.

## For the year ended March 31, 2022

3. Accounts Receivable

	2	2022	2021
Due from IERHA GST receivable	\$	21,057 543	\$ 18,277 145
	\$	21,600	\$ 18,422

## 4. Investments

The investment portfolio consists of the following instruments:

<i></i>	2022		2021
\$	190,747	\$	52
	126,326		-
	165,356		
	109,234		
×.	55,815		
\$	647,478	\$	2
	\$ \$	\$ 190,747 126,326 165,356 109,234	\$ 190,747 \$ 126,326 165,356 109,234 55,815

## 5. Interfund Balances

The amounts due from (to) other funds bear no interest, have no set terms of repayment and are unsecured.

# 6. Deferred Contributions

The Pine Falls Health Auxiliary raised funds in prior years for the purchase of waiting room furniture for the Pine Falls Health Centre with surplus funds remaining at the conclusion of the project. These funds have been restricted by the Foundation Board of Directors for cable and internet charges for the facility waiting room.

	<u> </u>	2022	2021
Balance, beginning of year Less: Recognized as revenue during the year	\$	3,182	\$ 3,692 (510)
Balance, end of year	\$	3,182	\$ 3,182

#### For the year ended March 31, 2022

#### 8. Financial Instrument Risk Management (continued)

#### Foreign Exchange Risk

Foreign exchange risk is the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in foreign exchange rates. The Foundation is exposed to foreign exchange risk since it holds a portion of its investments in U.S. and international equities. The Foundation follows its investment policy statements to monitor the investments in an effort to minimize its exposure to foreign exchange risk.

#### 9. Endowment Funds

Endowment funds consist of the following as at March 31:

	2022		2021
\$	105,721	s	108,060
	18,812		15,200
	20,687		21,145
	9,835		and the
	78,155		79,892
	23,443		23,463
20	3,440		2,020
\$	260,093	s	249,780
	\$	\$ 105,721 18,812 20,687 9,835 78,155 23,443 3,440	\$ 105,721 \$ 18,812 20,687 9,835 78,155 23,443 3,440

#### 10. Externally Restricted Funds

Externally restricted funds consist of the following as at March 31:

		2022	2021
Areas of Interest	20		
Acute Care	\$	315,317	\$ 124,968
Adult Day Programs and Healthy Living		25,688	25,552
Camp Stepping Stones		8,455	8,455
Cancer Care		59,687	51,917
Clinical Teaching Unit		8,595	3,595
COVID-19		96	(2,719)
Long Term Care		73,888	74,187
Mental Health and Addictions		2,614	5,197
Palliative Care	20	58,292	37,325
	10	552,632	328,477
Highest priority	<u> 11</u>	30,512	24,036
	\$	583,144	\$ 352,513

#### For the year ended March 31, 2022

#### 11. Uncertainty Due To COVID-19 Pandemic

On March 13, 2020, the World Health Organization declared COVID-19 a global pandemic. This has had adverse impacts in Canada and has had a significant effect on the financial markets. As this continues, there could be further impact on the Foundation, its donors and its community of service. Management has adapted their fundraising activities in light of the pandemic and is actively monitoring the effect on its financial position, liquidity and operations. Given the daily evolution of the pandemic and the global responses to curb its spread, the Foundation is not able to estimate fully the effects at this time.

#### 12. Comparative Amounts

Certain of the comparative amounts including contributed resources from IERHA from prior year have been restated to conform to the current year's presentation. Thank you to each and every one of our generous donors.

Harold & Debbie Laninga Alex Vajcner Alfred Schalk All Charities Campaign Allan & Betty Jones Allan & Evelyn Goodman Allison Moman Almer Dreffs Amanda Stephens Anne & Carl Barg Anon Augustine Ziffle Barbara Williams Benevity Community Impact Fund Bert Saurette Bertha Rosen **Bev Heggie** Bev Rehill **Beverly Cole Bob Turner** Brenda McKenzie Brett & Lynette Magnus **Brian Payne** Brooke & Ken Kell **Bruce & Lucie Hewitt** Bryan Blonski CAA Manitoba Canada Helps Canadian Nuclear Laboratories Carl & Karen Nilsson Carlson Com & Ind Services Carol Mann **Carolynne Pitura Catherine Milne Catherine Yates** Chantelle Stefanyshyn **Charles & Pearl Murphy Charles Surgeoner Cheryl Choptain Cheryl Reddick** Chris Vajcner **Christine Nuttall** 

Elizabeth Storoschuk Elyse Gillon **Ernest Stefanson** Estate of Ann Czubaty Estate of Anna Laura Shepherd Estate of Robert Leslie Mollard Eugene & Phyllis Starchuk Eva Vinderskov Farm Credit Canada Fred Burdett Gene & Carole Sobie Gerald Holm Gerda Laninga Glenn Harke Greenwald Charitable Trust **Greg Kasprick** Heather Breadner Heather Buffie Helen Shewchuk House of Economy Community Group Howard Buffie **HSC Diagnostic Imaging** Hugh & Juliette Smith lan Newman IERHA \$5 Club Jacob Laninga Jacqueline MacFarlane James Leveridge Jeannette Aminot Jeff & Pamela Dykstra Jenn Wirth Jerry & Kelly Kube Jim & Elsie Wright Jodie & Darrell Cornwall John Wade Joseph & Ingrid Pillman Joseph Koch-Schulte Joy McCort Joyce Harbour Joyce Reid Joyce Wyrchowny Judie Larter

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# A YEAR OF SUCCESS, COMFORT & CARE



Little Elska provides teddy bears to each camper at Camp Stepping Stones.

Physician Giving Program Now Underway! Thank you Dr. Partyka and Dr. Van Rensburg for being the inaugural donors.





Gimli Community Health Centre receives two new Vital Signs blood pressure monitors.

Selkirk Regional Health Centre staff receive care packages from the community.





Community Living Interlake / Something Beautiful spreads joy to staff at Stonewall & District Health Centre and Rosewood Lodge Personal Care Home.

Selkirk & District Community Foundation funds specialized training for Palliative Care support staff through palliative care grant.





Bob Turner establishes the Cynthia Turner Endowment Fund in memory of his wife which will support the Interlake-Eastern Regional Health Authority's Palliative Care Program.

Interlake Eastern Health Foundation earns the Sharon Carstairs Caring Communities Award.





Zuk family t-shirt fundraiser raises \$1,050 for Arborg Palliative Care.

The Lac du Bonnet Health Centre receives donation from the Lac du Bonnet and Pinawa Foundations who worked together to purchase ankle brachial measurements (ABI) and toe pressures for the facility.





House of Economy Community Group gives generously to the Selkirk Palliative Care Program.

The South West District Palliative Care (SWDPC) Board purchases a new air mattress for the Stonewall and District Health Centre.





Farm Credit Canada enhances patient care throughout the region.

Lakeshore Hospital Guild gives generously to the local hospital in Ashern.





Local Domino's Pizza donates to "Clean Hands Count Competition" to encourage hand washing amongst health care staff.





treatment chair for Gimli Cancer Care.

In recognition for receiving amazing service, former patient purchases

Manitoba Dental Foundation supports Interlake-Eastern harm reduction clients with oral health kits.

Government of Canada's Healthy Communities Initiative grants \$11,000 to Interlake Eastern Health Foundation.





Beausejour Hospital receives new vital signs blood pressure monitor from grateful patient.

Canadian Nuclear Laboratories (CNL) enhances Lac du Bonnet Health Centre with new equipment.



# \$5 CLUB

The Five Dollar Club is a discretionary charitable trust, funded entirely through tax-deductible, bi-weekly payroll contributions from IERHA board members and staff. The Five Dollar Club is managed by the Interlake Eastern Health Foundation as an annual, calendar year fund in support of initiatives to improve or enhance client and patient care in the Interlake-Eastern region.

In 2021, the Five Dollar Club contributed \$21,500 to eight organizations that benefit patients and residents from across the region. Below is an update on each donation that was given from the 2021 Five Dollar Club fund.



# Ashern Food Bank receives \$2,500

The Ashern Food Bank supports community members by nourishing individuals and families experiencing food insecurity.

"We appreciate any and all donations we receive at the Ashern Food Bank. Over the past year our Food Bank has seen an increase in the number of clients. We have assisted the elderly, single mothers and low-income families more than ever this past year," Darlene Woodhouse, Executive Director Lakeshore Women's Resource Centre.

Photo L-R: Judith McCudden, Chairperson at Lakeshore Women's Resource Centre and

Darlene Woodhouse, Executive Director, LWRC.

## Harm Reduction Outreach Van receives \$2,500

Outreach continues to be an essential part of public health as we recover from the pandemic. The outreach van will continue to assist in providing our vulnerable community members with harm reduction kits, naloxone overdose prevention kits, vaccinations, and sexually transmitted infection testing.



"We are very gracious to be a recipient of funds from the Five Dollar Club in our region. The funds will be used toward providing outreach to populations and communities where accessibility is a factor in their health and wellbeing. The

outreach van has been used to provide mobile services to people. There have been a number of COVID vaccination clinics provided by a mobile team in our region over the last year," Maxine Zasitko, public health clinical team manager – central.

Photo L-R: IERHA Harm Reduction staff Audrey Deamel, Kelsie MacVicar, and Candyce Heckert.



## Evergreen Basic Needs in Gimli receives \$2,500

Evergreen Basic Needs is a community-based organization working to eliminate hunger and food insecurity

through food distribution, education and support programs in partnership with the community.

"With this additional resource, we will be able to supplement the basic food bank hamper with more protein and fresh produce which has become increasingly costlier over the last several months. We will also be able to purchase small turkeys and

hams for our clients for Easter. This is not something we can normally do, so it will be a welcomed addition," Karen Bowman, co-executive director, Evergreen Basic Needs. Photo L-R: Evergreen Basic Needs staff Miles Lepine, Elaine Gibbs, and John Vermette.

## Child Nutrition Council of Manitoba receives \$4,000

Child Nutrition Council of Manitoba is a charitable organization dedicated to helping school children learn, grow, and succeed by supporting breakfast, snack, and lunch programs. They're unique because they're based in Manitoba and all of the funds raised stay here, reaching children in regions across the province.

"Thank you to the members of the Interlake-Eastern RHA Five Dollar Club! Your club is an important community supporter of the work of the Child



Nutrition Council of Manitoba. Your contributions over the years make a huge difference towards helping us support student meal programs in the Interlake Eastern Region as part of our goal of ensuring students have access to food at school," Wendy Bloomfield, Chair, Child Nutrition Council of Manitoba.

Photo: Student from Ruth Hooker School receives meal through Child Nutrition Council of Manitoba program.

## Beausejour Food Bank receives \$3,500



The Beausejour Food Bank supports community members by nourishing individuals and families experiencing food insecurity. Food banks and other charities are being faced with unprecedented need due to the pandemic.

"The Beausejour Food Bank is thrilled to be a recipient of this donation from the IERHA Five Dollar Club. Due to the presence of COVID these past months, resulting in fewer or smaller food drives, the Food Bank has needed to purchase more food than usual, for the shelves. This donation will allow us to continue with keeping the shelves stocked. A big "thank you" to each and every one who participated in this endeavor," Anne Ticknor, Beausejour Food Bank.

Photo L-R: Volunteers Margaret Davies and Karen Kozyra.

The proposed Family Health and Learning Centre (FHLC) project has been developed by the Primary Care Development Group Incorporated, a not for profit organization led by Municipal leaders and includes the Interlake-Eastern Regional Health Authority (IERHA), the Interlake Eastern Health Foundation (IEHF), and the Interlake-Eastern Family Medicine Residency Training Program as entities. The residents of the IERHA have faced

## Family Health & Learning Centre receives \$5,000



serious physician shortages resulting in many residents not having a permanent family doctor and emergency rooms often being closed requiring diversion to other hospitals.

This will be addressed through a FHLC, which involves the construction of a modern building on the Selkirk Regional Health Centre (SRHC) campus to provide the space for the full-scope practice with emphasis on providing patients with access to the full range of medical professionals in the form of a collaborative practice.

Dr. Ian Alexander, site lead University of Manitoba residency program states, "The development of the Family Health and Learning Centre is a vital piece in the recruitment and retention of physicians across the Interlake-Eastern Regional Health Authority. This (building) will allow more medical learners to train in our region and see what it has to offer both medically, and in terms of lifestyle. I can't express enough gratitude that the first donation for this important step forward for the future of healthcare in our region comes from our staff."

## Interlake Sexual Exploitation Educators Committee (ISEE) receives \$1,000



This committee provides awareness and education to classrooms across the Interlake from grades 7-12 on child and youth sexual exploitation – what it is and how to keep kids safe on the internet and social media platforms. This donation will support the purchase of gift cards for the classroom presentations booked for the 2021-22 and for the 2022-23 school year.

ISEE Co-Chair Tammy Thompson says "The Interlake Sexual Exploitation Educators (ISEE) want to extend our deepest thanks to the Interlake-Eastern RHA's Five Dollar Club for supporting us in educating the youth, families and communities about the risks of child sexual abuse and how to prevent it. The funding you have

provided will allow us to continue our school and community presentations. Thank so much."

Photo L-R: ISEE Co-Chairs, Tammy Thompson and Heidi Fingas.

## Growing Years Family Resource Centre receives \$1,000



Growing Years Family Resource Centre's Circle of Security early intervention program is designed to strengthen the relationship between a caregiver and child and is described as a "user-friendly" description of Attachment Theory. The children in our community deserve a safe, healthy attachment relationship to learn and grow. Funding received will be put towards the cost of this training.

"Receiving this donation means so much to us! The families that we serve deserve the best programs and resources that we can offer. We are extremely grateful for your generosity and on behalf of the staff, board and families that we serve, we cannot thank you enough for supporting us," Shawna Cromie, Executive Director, Growing Years Family Resource Centre.

Photo L-R: Growing Years Family Resource Centre staff Harmony Rees, Shawna Cromie, and Donna Proudlove.

# Thank you to all club members for helping improve

# health care across our region!

