



Elkhorn and Area Foundation Inc.



Providing a unique opportunity for each of us to invest in the future of our community.

November 2022

Elkhorn & Area Foundation Inc. was established in 1998 by a forward thinking group of community members. The purpose of the foundation is to assist the community in responding to today's challenges and meeting emerging needs now and into the future. The Foundation now provides a unique opportunity for each of us to invest in the future of our community. From 1999 to 2022 grants totaling \$422,555 and scholarships totaling \$33,750 have been awarded. Over the years the grants awarded have supported many great volunteer projects that have benefited and enhanced our community.

Have you ever wondered what a difference you make when you donate to the Elkhorn and Area Foundation?

Five years ago the Elkhorn and Area Foundation were awed with a one million dollar bequeath from Milburn and Gilbert Soder. Milburn and Gilbert farmed north of Elkhorn and were avid supporters of the community. They enjoyed watching curling and hockey at the local rinks, attended events at the Elkhorn Leisure Centre as well as both the Legion and Elks Halls. Most near and dear to their farming roots was the Elkhorn Agriculture Society. Through their estate planning and generous donation after their passing they are continuing to support their community and surrounding area into perpetuity.

While the Soder bequeath had an immediate and substantial effect on The Elkhorn and Area Foundation it has been each donation big and small that have been appreciated and grown our fund from the beginning to where we are today. The projects and visions of many organizations in the area have become a reality because of a grant from the Elkhorn & Area Foundation. Each year we are amazed by the forward thinking and planning from so many organizations looking to sustain and improve our communities. Every year we have more requests for grants than funds, so continuing to grow our Foundation is necessary in order to fulfill these visions and dreams. A donation to the Elkhorn and Area Foundation provides a unique opportunity for each of us to invest in the future of our community.

There are many ways to contribute to the Elkhorn and Area Foundation:

- A gift of cash
- A gift of a bequest through a will
- An "in memorium" donation
- Purchase a bulb for the Elkhorn & Area Memory Tree in memory of a loved one. (When purchased during Endow Manitoba week – Nov. 14-20th, an additional donation is received from Endow Manitoba and the Provincial Government)

Donations are accepted by cash, cheque, or online via credit card (please visit elkhornandareafoundation.ca to donate online). For further information or assistance, please do not hesitate to reach out to any of our board members.



Appreciation sign on new bleacher in memory of Milburn & Gilbert Soder

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Memorial Donations

Made to the Elkhorn and Area Foundation in Memory of:

2016	Jerry Lund
Milburn & Gilbert Soder	Berniece Shoemaker
Graham Bartley	Howard & Gertie
Verna Szoradi	Conquergood
Muriel Jones	
Don (Dint) Bartley	2020
Flora (Biddy) Shoemaker	Val Shoemaker
Doug Cousins	Norma Lambkin
Tom Fisher	Etta Tutthill
John W.M. Thompson	Gavin Krieser
	Margaret Davis
2017	Bob Nesbitt
Jerry Shoemaker	
Joyce Barnes	2021
Lloyd Baskerville	Etta Tutthill
Dee Robinson	Grace Warnica
Dorothy Effler	Al Earis
	Bob Nesbitt
2018	Margaret Davis
Debbie Bailey (Glover)	Betty Walker
Gavin Krieser	Melody Peacock
Brian Bajus	
2019	2022
Perry Thompson	Bob Nesbitt
Emma Allison	Pat Robinson

Check out our website elkhornandareafoundation.ca

2022 NEWSLETTER

Elkhorn and Area Foundation Inc.

Elkhorn & Area Foundation Board Members

Chairman – Brenda Orr Directors – Jill Canart
Treasurer – Alanna Martin – Mikey Stevenson
Secretary – Marcy Rowan – Steve Malcolm
 – Bill Bickerton
 – Lana Bajus
 – Brent Brennand

Thank You to outgoing board member Linda Clark for her valuable input and professionalism while serving on the Foundation Board – it was greatly appreciated. WELCOME to new board member Brent Brennand – we look forward to having you on the board.

Board Members

If anyone is interested in serving a term on the Elkhorn & Area Foundation board, please contact any of the current board members for more information.

2022 Elkhorn School Youth in Philanthropy (YIP)

This program is partnered with the Thomas Sill and Elkhorn & Area Foundation to promote philanthropy within the students in our area. Due to the Covid pandemic, the annual Arts Gala where the grant presentations are held was forced to be cancelled for another year. The following grant was awarded by the YIP group:

ORGANIZATION	PROJECT	AMOUNT
Elkhorn School Phys Ed Program	Cross Country Skis	\$2,789.00
TOTAL AWARDED		\$2,789.00



Elkhorn Golf Course

2022 Elkhorn School Scholarship

Five \$450 scholarships were awarded at Elkhorn School Graduation Ceremony. Receiving the awards were: Drayton Shiner, Alexis Lowes, Chezney McAuley, Taylor Wegener and Spencer Chapman.



Elkhorn Early Learning Centre



Elkhorn Elks Community Fund

Don't forget our annual grant deadline is March 31st. Applications can be found on our website elkhornandareafoundation.ca, or at the Village of Elkhorn office or by contacting any board member.

2022 GRANTS AWARDED - TOTALLING \$45,820.00

It was another challenging year for all the volunteer organizations with the Covid pandemic and restrictions playing a factor into many project and grant requests. The Elkhorn Chamber of Commerce Gala was also forced to be cancelled for another year and most grants were awarded via mail until Covid restrictions permitted photo opportunities for some of the completed projects.

Grants totaling \$45,820.00 were awarded as follows:

ORGANIZATION	PROJECT	AMOUNT
Assiniboine West Watershed District	Apple Trees	\$1,620.00
Virден Health Center	Portable Bladder Scanner	\$7,500.00
Manitoba Anitque Auto Museum	2 - Two Seater Surrey Bikes	\$7,000.00
Elkhorn Golf Club	Tee Box Contruaction	\$10,700.00
Early Learning Centre	Outdoor Safe Toys	\$3,000.00
Virден Skate Park	Landscaping	\$2,500.00
Youth in Philanthropy	YIP Program	\$3,500.00
Elkhorn Elks Community Fund	Bathroom Renovation	\$10,000.00
TOTAL AWARDED		\$45,820.00



Virден Health Center



Virден Skate Park



Grade 5 students with their apple trees



Manitoba Anitque Auto Museum

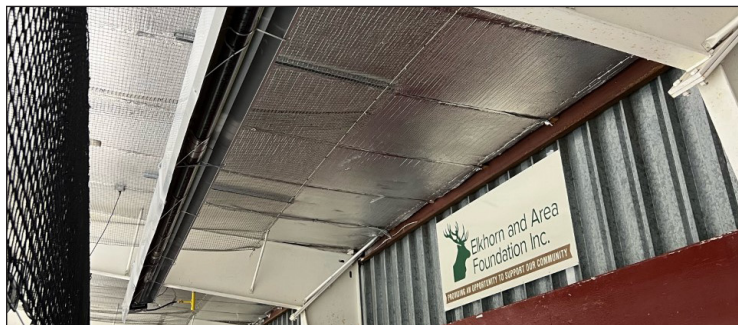
If have any questions regarding grants or donations or any comments or suggestions, please don't hesitate to contact any of our board members or email info@elkhornandareafoundation.ca



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Thank you

to all our donors and volunteers helping to make a difference for Elkhorn & surrounding areas



New heaters in Elkhorn District Community Center

MEMORY TREE LIGHT UP NIGHT

The Annual Memory Tree Light Up will be held in conjunction with the Chamber of Commerce Santa parade and Light Up on Saturday November 19th. This annual event is such a special way to remember our family and friends during the holiday season. Sheets to purchase bulbs will be mailed out and will also be available at the Elkhorn Coop Grocery Store and Elkhorn Post Office.

This year we will hold our light up just before the start of the Fundraiser for the Elkhorn Memorial Park Revitalization Committee taking place at the Elks Hall the evening of November 19th. Also new for this year, we are so excited to have the names appear on the new digital sign!



Note: If you are wanting to include your Memory Tree donation as part of the Endow MB Giving Challenge, please see note under Endow MB Giving challenge on this page for instructions. Memory Tree sheets must be in by Nov. 18th to have names included on the town's electronic sign. Deadline to be included on the Memory Tree Board prior to Christmas is Dec. 15th.

ENDOW MB GIVING CHALLENGE NOVEMBER 14th-20th

This year's Giving Challenge has once again been extended to a full week – November 14-20.



This Giving Challenge is a great opportunity to help your foundation grow exponentially. Gifts made to the Elkhorn & Area Foundation between November 14-20 will be "stretched" through the combined efforts of the Manitoba Government and the Winnipeg Foundation. For every \$5 donated, they will "stretch" that donation by \$1 each, up to a total of \$4,000 per foundation – so your \$5 gift instantly becomes \$7. Gifts can be made online through ENDOWMB.org on the above dates or through the elkhornandareafoundation.ca website or cheques or cash can be dropped off at either of the Elkhorn Coop grocery store or Elkhorn Post office. Donations can also be made by mail to: Elkhorn and Area Foundation, Box 25, Elkhorn, MB R0M 0N0.

Now is the time to help your community flourish forever!

Give to your local community foundation between **November 14 - 20** and help them reach their Giving Challenge goal. Every gift made during this week will be stretched by The Winnipeg Foundation and the Manitoba government – increasing the amount your foundation receives. Contact your local community foundation for details and giving options.

*Note: cheques can now be made out to Elkhorn & Area Foundation to be included with this promotion but **MUST BE RECEIVED AND DATED BETWEEN NOV. 14-20th***

NOTE: All donations for the Memory Tree can be included with this promotion if they are received and dated within the above dates. As per above these sheets can be dropped off at the Elkhorn Coop grocery store or Elkhorn Post office in the envelopes provided.

2022 Financial Highlights:

Grants totalling **\$45,820.00** were awarded

Scholarships totaling **\$2,250.00** were awarded to five Elkhorn High School graduates

Total Funds in Elkhorn & Area Foundation Endowment Fund as of October 31, 2022

\$1,581,464.34

For a full Financial Statement, please see the Elkhorn & Area website where information will be posted following Financial Audit.