Canada’s 191 community foundations are part of a national network working across sectors to help Canadians invest in building strong and resilient communities.

Our movement has grown dramatically over the past 25 years and today more than 90% of Canadian communities have access to a community foundation.

These facts and figures collected in 2017 from community foundations provide an overview of the rich diversity and collective impact of our network.

$269 million in grants disbursed in 2017

$5.8 billion in combined assets

$213 million Responsible and impact investments

For more information visit www.communityfoundations.ca
$338 million total gifts received in 2017

Cash (including publicly listed shares) represented the largest pool of gifts to community foundations in 2017

CASH $153 M
REQUESTS OR GIFTS BY WILL $67 M
IN-KIND GIFTS $118 M

Vital Signs program

Canadian communities produced Vital Signs reports in 2017

Communities in 9 countries have participated in the Vital Signs program since 2001

The Community Fund for Canada’s 150th

UNPRECEDENTED REACH AND ENGAGEMENT

176 community foundations
1,124 projects
22.5M Canadians
109,183 volunteers
627 communities

MULTISECTORIAL CONTRIBUTIONS WERE KEY TO THE SUCCESS OF THE FUND

$60M
$5M
$8M
$8M
$20M
$24M

IN-KIND CONTRIBUTIONS
GOVERNMENT OF CANADA
COMMUNITY FOUNDATIONS
PRIVATE DONORS, LOCAL & PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENTS

Community Foundations Conference


787 attendees
114 community foundations
55 international delegates

A growing global network of foundations

These 2014 quick facts are collected from the Community Foundation Atlas

68% of foundations created in the last 25 years
65% of foundations have 5 or fewer staff
1,867 placed-based foundations worldwide

Combined grantmaking of $5,025,280,559
Combined financial reserves of $63.5 billion

For more information visit www.communityfoundations.ca