



Community Matters

**Community Services
Recovery Fund**



Canadian
Red Cross



The Community Services Recovery Fund is a \$400 million investment from the Government of Canada to support charities and non-profits as they focus on how to adapt their organizations for pandemic recovery. Now more than ever, charities and non-profits are playing a key role in addressing persistent and complex social problems faced by all communities.

The Thunder Bay Community Foundation was proud to be working with community foundations across Canada as part of the Community Services Recovery Fund. This fund is a collaboration between the Canadian Red Cross, Community Foundations of Canada, and United Way Centraide Canada to provide funding to Community Service Organizations, including non-profit organizations, Indigenous Governing Bodies or Registered Charities located in Canada. “The Community Services Recovery Fund responds to what Community Service Organizations need right now and supports organizations as they adapt to the long-term impacts of the pandemic. In the local funding stream, The Thunder Bay Community Foundation received **\$447,000** to grant to eligible projects. After evaluations were completed earlier this year, 7 organizations were chosen to receive funding for projects that will help them adjust to the implications of the pandemic. The Thunder Bay Community Foundation would like to thank Mike Belliveau, Murray Becotte, Shelley Crawford, and Mary Nucci who volunteered to be on the Evaluation Committee,” says Athena Kreiner, CEO of the Thunder Bay Community Foundation.

2023 Community Services Recovery Fund Projects:

Organization Name

St. Joseph's Foundation of Thunder Bay
Thunder Bay Literacy Group
Community Living Thunder Bay Foundation
Mikinakoos Children's Fund
Elevate NWO
Children's Centre Thunder Bay
Whitesand First Nation

Project Title

Grateful Client Community Engagement
Digital transformation: modernizing current technology infrastructure
CLTB Foundation Connects
Enhancing the future of Mikinakoos
Strategic Reboot
Advancing health services through Strategic Alliance
Finance Process Review and Solution Validation Project

Emily Shandruk, Executive Director of Mikinakoos Children's Fund, shares, "Our exciting project aims to revolutionize our fundraising efforts and make a positive impact on the communities we serve. By investing in new fundraising ideas and strategies, we aim to enhance our current programs and create valuable knowledge translation opportunities. Ultimately, we hope to build stronger organizational resilience and empower our partner communities. We have a small (but mighty team) and we want to explore training opportunities to maximize the potential of our fundraising team and updates."

Are you a Charitable Organization in need of funding for 2024?

Consider applying for a Grant through our online grant portal!

The Thunder Bay Community Foundation is accepting applications until **October 15, 2023**.

