



GRANT RECIPIENTS NOVEMBER 2014



The board of directors of the Catherine Donnelly Foundation is pleased to announce the successful completion of the twentieth round of granting. Grants have been awarded in three areas of focus—**Adult Education Advancement Initiatives, Environment Initiatives and Housing Initiatives.**

Congratulations to the following grant recipients:

ADULT EDUCATION ADVANCEMENT INITIATIVES

Alexandra Park Neighborhood Learning Centre,
Toronto, ON

\$30,000

This project seeks to include a stronger Indigenous focus in their critical literacy learning program. Funds will go to support hiring a part-time resource person to facilitate learning activities, develop learning resources and provide supports along with paying honorariums to Elders and community members to enable sharing of relevant topics (i.e. Residential schools). The project will also encompass Indigenous knowledge and teaching approaches to increase understating of Aboriginal education, history and culture.

www.apnlc.org

Lowertown Community Resource Centre, Ottawa, ON

\$33,200

Funding was provided for the “Building Neighbourhoods Where Everyone Matters: Making Votes Count” project of City for All Women Initiatives, a project that builds upon the learning from the prior project (municipal election 2014) and seeks to enhance the capacity of low-income, multi-cultural neighbourhoods to effectively engage in the upcoming 2015 election. This project is actually a collaborative initiative that has 7 community organizations working with CAWI to facilitate training, engagement and learning aimed at increasing voter turnout by creating a culture of civic engagement that make politicians become accountable to low-income neighbourhoods.

www.cawi-ivtf.org

Ontario Employment and Education Research, Toronto, ON \$34,457

Funding was provided for the “Envisioning Just Migration” project of Migrant Workers Alliance for Change. This project increases the capacity of migrant workers, women, youth and elders along with front-line service providers to develop a broader analysis of immigration policy and the root causes of displacement through the collective development of a popular education module on immigration in Canada. One – two spokespeople (selected from program participants) will be invited to participate in an interfaith, intercultural dialogue that envisions just migration.

www.migrantworkersalliance.org

ENVIRONMENT INITIATIVES



HOUSING



EDUCATION



ENVIRONMENT



NEWS

Breast Cancer Action Quebec, Montreal, QC

\$40,000

Funding was provided for the “PACT Project, Phase II: Empowering Individuals and Communities to Prevent and Act Against Cancer and Environmental Toxicants”. The proposed funding will be used for an extension of the work completed in the first round of funding to engage additional communities and individuals to become activists in the elimination of toxics and carcinogens in our environment.

The project seeks to create long-term engagement with the Activist Toolkit (created with funds from the previous CDF grant) to mobilize 15 community groups, organize 15 actions, share information, continue to highlight the identified toxins, develop a communications plan, find sustainable funding sources.

www.bcam.qc.ca

David Suzuki Foundation, Toronto, ON

\$10,000

Funding was provided for the “Waterloo Region Right to a Healthy Environment”. The proposed funding will be used to carry out one of five municipal campaigns that are part of the Right to a Healthy Environment Campaign this is part of the current Blue Dot Tour being carried out by the David Suzuki Foundation. The proposed project will train and activate 20 engaged citizen champions in the Waterloo region to secure the right to a healthy environment, through local “wins”. The project will also build a network of partners, engage the media, meet with leaders in the aboriginal community and provincial leaders. The CDF funds will support activities in the Waterloo region only – the larger Blue Dot Tour activities will address provincial/national scale.

www.davidsuzuki.org

Pembina Foundation, Toronto, ON

\$50,000

Funding was provided for the “Building the Case for Environmental Rights in Canada” project. The proposed funding will be used to document and analyze case studies of fossil fuel development and its impacts on environmental and human health in Canada. The information will be used for dissemination with the public, to inform regulatory reviews, and to the UN Human Rights Council to bring international pressure to the adoption of the Right to a Healthy Environment in Canada. The project will be carried out with pre-existing relationships between Pembina and the UN Human Rights Council, other relevant UN bodies, Dr. David Boyd, and other stakeholders.

www.pembinafoundation.org

HOUSING INITIATIVES

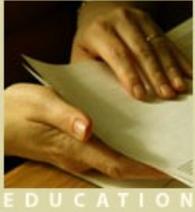


Columbia Institute Saanichton, BC

\$30,000

Provided funds to support a year-long journalism and public engagement project, which aims to highlight policy (and other) replicable solutions to be applied in Canada and internationally. This will be achieved through public engagement activities such as public dialogues, journalism, and by building an interactive website.

www.columbiainstitute.ca

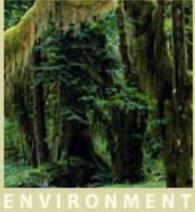


Egale Canada Human Rights Trust, Winnipeg, MB

\$14,000

Funding was provided for the “Egale Youth OUTreach Social Service Support Worker” project. This project will provide crisis intervention and housing support for homeless LGBTQ2S youth in Toronto. The funds from CDF will specifically be used for hiring a FT Social Service Support Worker, to allow them to serve more homeless youth with intervention services, employment assistance, referrals, and health care.

www.egale.ca



Providing Alternatives Counseling and Education Society, Regina, SK

\$13,000

Funds from the CDF will go towards the “Transitioning & Peer Support” project and will be used primarily to employ a PT TAPS Support Worker. The main projected project outcome will be to transition outdoor survival sex workers, by providing counselling and addressing root causes.

www.pace-society.org

