

# FOUNDATION NEWS

23rd Edition

JANUARY 2025

## SAVE THE DATE

The Annual General Meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 21st, 2025 at 7:00 PM at the Board Office (1251 - 1st Avenue SW)

All public are welcome

More information can be found at [www.mhcatholicfoundation.ca](http://www.mhcatholicfoundation.ca)

## THANK YOU!

Thank you to all individuals and community businesses who support the work of the Foundation.

If you would like more information about partnering with us, please contact Mackenzie at 403-502-8351 or [foundation@mhcbce.ab.ca](mailto:foundation@mhcbce.ab.ca) Thank you for your interest!

## OUR PURPOSE

The purpose of the Education Foundation is to enhance and fund Catholic Christian Leadership initiatives as well as provide opportunities to enhance education activities within the schools of the Medicine Hat Catholic Board of Education.



## Greetings from the Medicine Hat Catholic Schools' Education Foundation!

On behalf of the Medicine Hat Catholic Schools' Education Foundation, I would like to take this opportunity to thank our many volunteers, our school board trustees, staff within the division and my fellow board members for their many hours of hard work to make the Foundation successful in our mandate to promote Catholic Leadership as well as enhancing educational opportunities within our divisional schools.

I would like to personally welcome our new director, Mario Mudri and look forward to serving with him.

I look forward to seeing you at our Annual General Meeting being held on January 21st, 2025. All public are welcome to attend.

On behalf of the entire Foundation and myself, I would like to wish you Joy, Peace and Good Health throughout the New Year!

**ROB STROH, FOUNDATION CHAIR**

## WELCOME TO OUR NEW DIRECTOR MARIO MUDRI

Hello everyone! I have worked at Niblock & Co since 2022 after being admitted to the Alberta bar in the summer of 2022. I am married to my wife Maria and in my spare time I enjoy spending time at the gym, cooking, reading, travelling and spending quality time with family and friends. Being born in Kocur, Serbia, my family fled the Yugoslav Wars and immigrated to Canada in 1995. I am fluent in Ruthenian and conversant in Serbian and Ukrainian.

I am excited to be the newest director on the Education Foundation working towards enhancing the education of Catholic students in Medicine Hat!



## SCHOLARSHIPS September 2023 - August 2024

Scholarships can be established to support students as they venture out into post-secondary education. Criteria can be specified to target particular areas of interest or in memory of a loved one. *Tax receipts available for donations.*

### Archie MacPhail Memorial Scholarship (\$500 annually)

Available to a **Grade 10 to 12 student** to promote spiritual growth, Christian lifestyle, and development of religious leadership skills.

### Education Foundation Servant Leader Scholarship (\$500 annually)

Available to **all grades at all schools** to students who demonstrate a servant heart and is active in making a positive difference in the world.

### James Michael (Mickey) Lynch Memorial Scholarship (\$200 annually)

Available to a **Grade 12 student who was also a graduate of St. Louis School**. Chosen based on demonstrated skills in English grammar and must be registered in a post-secondary education program.

### Joe Stroh Memorial Scholarship (\$500 annually)

Available to a **Grade 12 student** selected for outstanding citizenship and service within the school and church community.

### Mook Giesinger Awards (\$300 annually)

Diligence Awards (\$50 each) given to **students in Grade 1 to 6 at St. Louis School** who work hard, show improvement, and exhibit an excellent attitude and effort.

### Pat Cullen Memorial Scholarship (\$900 annually)

Math Awards **available to St. Mary's students**. \$200 each Grades 7 to 9 highest achievement; \$100 each to Grades 7 to 9 second highest achievement.

### Sister Joan Burns Memorial Scholarship (\$900 annually)

Religious Studies Awards **available to St. Mary's students**. \$200 each Grades 7 to 9 highest achievement; \$100 each to Grades 7 to 9 second highest achievement.

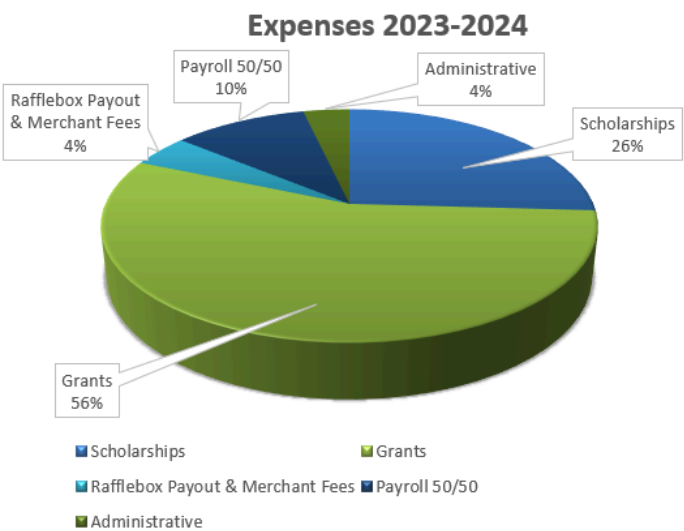
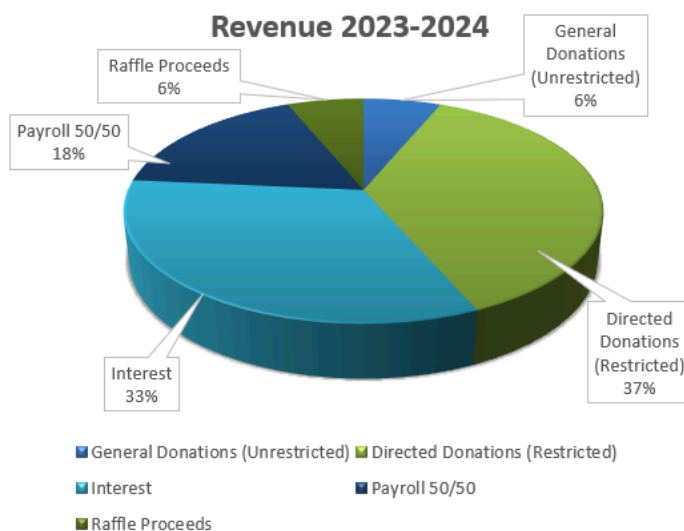
### Chuck Love Memorial Scholarship (\$500 annually)

Available to a **Grade 12 student** who is actively involved in student council, displays a strong character all around and is a servant leader who is a role model for others.

## PAYROLL 50/50 - OCTOBER 2023 TO SEPTEMBER 2024

Thank you to Medicine Hat Catholic Board of Education employees for participating and working with the Education Foundation by donating on a monthly basis through the Payroll 50/50 program. For the 2023-2024 school year, \$5703 was invested to support Foundation initiatives!

## FINANCIAL REPORT - YEAR ENDING AUGUST 31, 2024



## EDUCATION FOUNDATION DONATIONS

Please mail your cheque donation to:

Medicine Hat Catholic Schools' Education Foundation  
1251 - 1st Avenue SW  
Medicine Hat, AB T1A 8B4

Or donate online at:

<https://mhcbeschoolcashionline.com>

*Receipts will be issued for all donations!*

Thank you!

The Foundation is a registered non-profit organization and registered charity with the CRA.  
Registration No. 876792821 RR0001

## GRANTS AWARDED

September 2023- August 2024

**Brown Bag Lunch Delivery Program (\$3000)**  
Funds were used for the delivery of lunches to schools within the Medicine Hat Catholic Board.

**SPICE & Blueprints Conference (\$3000)**  
Funds were used for to enable teachers to participate in Catholic School community conferences which focus on nurturing faith seeds to take root in others.

**St. Mary's Musical - Frozen Jr. (\$1000)**  
Funds were used for promotional materials and transportation for all participating St. Mary's students

**St. Patrick's School- Faith & Wellness Day (\$400)**  
Funds were used for presentors who were invited to the school to present different sessions to the student body

**Camp McCoy (\$1000 to various schools)**  
Funds were used to help cover the cost of Camp McCoy rental and transportation to/from Camp McCoy.

A very heartfelt thank you to the Knights of Columbus Outdoor Education Grant for \$2000 annually that helped assist various Catholic Schools' attend Camp McCoy.



**HOLY TRINITY ACADEMY  
CAPITAL CAMPAIGN**

*Building Possibilities*

The Medicine Hat Catholic Schools' Education Foundation is a proud partner of Medicine Hat Catholic Board of Education's new school project, Holy Trinity Academy. Donations toward the new school will support our students and staff and the Medicine Hat community.

To make an impact and join the legacy please contact Janna Hickey at [buildingpossibilities@mhcbce.ab.ca](mailto:buildingpossibilities@mhcbce.ab.ca) or 403-527-2292 ext. 1031

The Education Foundation will issue tax receipts for all eligible donations.

## STEAK NIGHT FUNDRAISER

Thank you to everyone who joined us for our 1st annual steak night fundraiser on October 22nd! It was a huge success and we are very grateful for the continued support of our donors and community members.

We want to extend a our sincerest appreciation to all the businesses and community partners who donated to our fundraising event. The generosity of all has helped ensure the ongoing support necessary for Catholic Christian leadership initiatives, scholarships, and supporting unfunded school projects. throughout the Division.



## LEAVE A LEGACY

LEGACY DONOR PROGRAM

When planning your estate, please consider leaving a lasting legacy to Catholic Education in Medicine Hat. Individuals who have included the Medicine Hat Catholic Schools' Education Foundation in their estate plans will become Education Foundation legacy donors.

**Giving methods tailored to your unique situation. Here are some of the more popular ways of giving:**

**Direct Gifts**

- You can make a gift of cash, or other appraised assets such as appreciated securities. Cash gifts can be in a lump sum or pledges over a period of years.

**Wills** (Consult your lawyer)

- A gift of a percentage of estate assets or a specific sum of money can be made in your will.

**Life Insurance** (Consult your insurance agent)

- Complete a "change of beneficiary form" for an existing policy.

**Retirement Funds** (Consult your investment advisor)

- Complete a "change of beneficiary form" for an RRSP or RRIF

MHCSEF directors are not professional advisors. Please consult yours to decide which route is best for you.

**To learn more about our legacy donor program please visit our website: <https://www.mhcbce.ab.ca/education-foundation/legacy>**



# EDUCATION FOUNDATION PHOTO GALLERY

