

## 25th Annual General Meeting

held at

Port Alberni, B.C.

September 2020

Creating Lasting Benefits For Our Community

## Report from the Chair for 2020

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Sadly our Annual General Meeting and Grant's Presentation, normally held in May each year, was deferred and eventually cancelled, because of the public gathering regulations set forth by the Provincial Medical Officer, due to the Covid 19 pandemic issues.

Once again deserving students received bursaries managed by the Foundation, six charitable societies received grants from their permanent endowment funds and of course there are many groups who received discretional funding last year (*spreadsheet attached*).

Sadly Gilliam Trumper passed away after serving on the Board for seven years and a long distinguished career in local and provincial politics. Jack Ensign also resigned as he relocated to the North Island.

We had planned on publishing our third Vital Signs in 2020, but have now reduced that to a smaller "snapshot publication" which will be available next month.

Hopefully the world will return to some sense of normality in 2021 and we can once again meet with the wonderful volunteers in person. They deserve particular praise for their response over the past eight months and we were pleased that the Foundation could access additional funds from various sources totaling \$111,000 to aid with their work.

Respectfully,

Hugh Grist - Board Chair

## **2020 Grant Applicants and Recipients**

<u>Charity</u>	Amount Requested		Amount Approved AVCF		Amount Approved Homelessness		<u>Project</u>
<u>2020</u>							
						<b>Fund</b>	
Abbeyfield House	\$	2,000	\$	2,000			trailer for transporting wheelchairs etc.
Bread of Life	\$	5,000			\$	5,000	building renovations
Westhaven	\$	2,000	\$	2,000			Sara Stedy walker
P.A. Marine Rescue Soc.	\$	1,337	\$	1,337			Technical Safety Vests (4)
A.V.Neighbourhood Link	\$	5,000			\$	4,000	Read & Feed Program to Elem. Schools
Community Arts Council	\$	2,500	\$	1,500			Publish an Arts Guide (5000 copies)
A.V. Hospice	\$	2,000	\$	2,000			Replace kichen flooring
A.V. Museum	\$	500	\$	500			Promotional expenses for juried art show
School Backpack Program	\$	1,000	\$	1,000			
Special Olympics	\$	1,000	\$	1,000			Years activities
Cycle Alberni	\$	5,000	\$	2,500			12-15 bike acquisition for E.J.Dunn
Parks & Rec.	\$	900	\$	900			Our Town Event
	\$	28,237	\$	14,737	\$	9,000	