

NLCU Charitable Foundation announces new giving strategy during Good Tidings Gathering

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(ST. JOHN'S, NL): This afternoon, the NLCU Charitable Foundation (NLCU CFC or "the Foundation") held an online event called Good Tidings Gathering. During the event, attended by representatives of more than 40 registered charities in Newfoundland and Labrador, the Foundation announced important changes to its giving strategy.

The goal of the Foundation's new giving strategy is to increase the overall impact of its donations. Instead of providing small donations to many charities, the Foundation will now focus on supplying larger donations to a limited number of charities each year. Allison Chaytor-Loveys, President and Chairperson of the NLCU CFC, explains that "these larger donations should provide selected charities with a significant boost to help move forward with important projects, whether they be for programming, services, or infrastructure."

Qualifying charities interested in receiving a donation will be able to express their interest through a simple online application available on the Foundation's website, nlcucfc.com. The application process will outline criteria for eligibility and expectations for selected charities. The deadline for applications will be February 28.

The Good Tidings Gathering ended merrily, with a random draw for a \$1,000 donation from the NLCU Charitable Foundation. All charities attending the event who were deemed eligible for the draw had their names entered. The donation was won by attending charity, Wooden Boat Museum of Newfoundland and Labrador.

"2020 has been tough for many people, communities, and organizations, so we were absolutely thrilled to be able to raise enough funds to provide \$94,700 in donations to 77 charities in Newfoundland and Labrador this year," says Chaytor-Loveys. [A full list of 2020 donation recipients is attached to this release.]

Though 2020 has been shaped by a pandemic that spurred a swift economic downturn, the NLCU Charitable Foundation's fundraising efforts raised monies that were on par with previous years. Chaytor-Loveys credits the Foundation's continuing success to its dedicated event sponsors and volunteers. "As a charity, every year we have been blessed with the enduring commitment of a wonderful group of corporate sponsors and the best volunteers you could ask for. We simply cannot do it without them."

Corporate sponsors for 2020 include Newfoundland and Labrador Credit Union (NLCU), CDL Holdings, NEI Investments, The Co-operators, Aviso Wealth, E.C. Boone, League Data, The CUMIS Group, Diebold Nixdorf, Reddy Kilowatt Credit Union, Johnson Insurance, Hickman Automotive Group, and The Woodshop on Fogo Island. Volunteers of the Foundation are comprised mainly of NLCU employees.

The Good Tidings Gathering was held in lieu of the NLCU Charitable Foundation's traditional Annual Charities Luncheon, a one-of-a-kind networking event for Newfoundland and Labrador charities that the NLCU CFC has hosted for many years in St. John's.

To learn more about the NLCU Charitable Foundation, visit nlcucfc.com.

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Recipients of Donations from the NLCU Charitable Foundation in 2020

- 1. Alzheimer Society of NL, Inc.
- 2. Autism Society of NL
- 3. Bay St. George Sick Children's Foundation Inc.
- 4. Big Brothers Big Sisters of Eastern Newfoundland
- 5. Boys and Girls Clubs of Canada NL Region
- 6. Bridges to Hope Inc.
- 7. Calos Youth Orchestras
- 8. Canadian Cancer Society NL Division (Daffodil Place)
- 9. Canadian Hard of Hearing Association NL
- 10. Canadian Liver Foundation NL
- 11. Canadian Red Cross NL
- 12. Caribou Group of Rotary (Waterford Hospital Initiatives)
- 13. Choices for Youth
- 14. Clarenville SPCA
- 15. CNIB Foundation
- 16. Community Action Group For Adults with Developmental Disabilities
- 17. Community Food Sharing Association
- 18. Community Mental Health Initiative Inc.
- 19. Crohn's and Colitis Canada Eastern Avalon Chapter
- 20. Cystic Fibrosis Canada NL Chapter
- 21. Dr. H. Bliss Murphy Cancer Care Foundation
- 22. Dr. Jack Hand Legacy Foundation
- 23. Easter Seals NL
- 24. Eating Disorder Foundation of Newfoundland and Labrador
- 25. Epilepsy Newfoundland & Labrador
- 26. Foundation of the Rotary Club of St. John's (Food Hampers)
- 27. Gander Goodwill Centre
- 28. Heart & Stroke Foundation of NL
- 29. Home Again Furniture Bank
- 30. Hope Air
- 31. Hope Haven
- 32. Iris Kirby House Foundation, Inc.
- 33. Janeway Children's Hospital Foundation
- 34. Karen's Place
- 35. Kids Eat Smart Foundation
- 36. Kids Help Phone, Atlantic Region
- 37. Kiwanis Music Festival Association of St. John's
- 38. Knights of Columbus Charity Foundation
- Labrador West Ministerial Association & Food Bank

- 40. Lady Cove Women's Choir
- 41. Legion Hospital Foundation
- 42. Lionel Kelland Hospice
- 43. MADD Avalon
- 44. Manuels River Heritage Society
- 45. Newfoundland Pony Society
- 46. Newfoundland Symphony Orchestra Association
- 47. NL Association for Community Living
- 48. NL Brain Injury Association
- 49. NL Down Syndrome Society
- 50. Opera on the Avalon
- 51. Parkinson Society Canada, NL Chapter
- 52. Perchance Theatre
- 53. Prostate Cancer Canada
- 54. Quidi Vidi Rennie's River Development
- 55. Rainbow Riders St. John's Therapeutic Riding Association
- 56. Ronald McDonald House Charities NL
- 57. Single Parent Association of NL
- 58. Special Olympics Newfoundland & Labrador Inc.
- 59. St. John's Women's Centre
- 60. Stella's Circle Community Services
- 61. The Arthritis Society NL Division
- 62. The Candlelighters Association of NL
- 63. The Duke of Edinburgh's Award NL Division
- 64. The Gathering Place
- 65. The Kidney Foundation of Canada NL Branch Office
- 66. The Lung Association NL
- 67. The Murphy Centre
- 68. The Pottle Centre
- 69. The Royal Canadian Legion Grand Falls (NFLD No. 12) Branch Poppy Fund
- 70. Thomas Howe Forest Foundation Inc.
- 71. Toys for Joy
- 72. Trinity-Conception-Placentia Health Foundation
- 73. U-Turn Drop In Addiction Center
- 74. Vera Perlin Society
- 75. Vine Place Community Centre Inc.
- 76. Western Regional Hospital Foundation
- 77. Wooden Boat Museum of NL
- 78. The Jimmy Pratt Memorial Outreach Centre Inc. (NOTE: This was a donation of moose meat.)