



ELGIN - ST. THOMAS
**Community
Foundation**

Dutton Dunwich-West Elgin Community Fund

What is a Community Foundation?

The Elgin-St.Thomas Community Foundation works with caring individuals to strengthen communities across Elgin County. We do this by matching donors with their giving interests, creating a lasting legacy that will impact change today, tomorrow and forever. Donor dollars are invested in an endowment fund and the interest generated each year is then granted to charitable organizations within Elgin County.

We are the charity for charities. For Elgin. Forever. Since 2003.

Currently managing over \$12 million in assets and have granted \$3.9 million as of 2021!



What is a Community Fund and how does it work?

A community fund is a fund that is dedicated to support a specific geographical area, such as Dutton Dunwich-West Elgin. The Dutton Dunwich-West Elgin Community Fund was established in 2020, with a founding donor campaign we successfully raised \$180,000, and granted \$4,350 in its first year!

- ✓ A local committee educates local citizens about the Community Fund.
- ✓ Local citizens make donations of cash, securities, land, bequests in a will or an insurance policy, etc. while receiving tax benefits (Connect with your financial advisor to learn what benefits work best for you!)
- ✓ Elgin-St. Thomas Community Foundation manages the assets, issues tax receipts, assists individuals in creating a named fund/leave a legacy, and more.
- ✓ The Dutton Dunwich-West Elgin Steering Committee decides on grants to local charities, and the Foundation issues grant cheques.
- ✓ Local charities receive funding needed to facilitate much needed projects in the Dutton Dunwich-West Elgin region.

How Can you Help?

Learn more, talk to a Steering Committee member, become a contributing donor, start a fund!

For more information, please contact any of the committee members below or call Elgin-St. Thomas Community Foundation.

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