

THE TENAQUIP FOUNDATION

WORKING TOGETHER



Dear Tenaquip Foundation,

I wanted to say thank you once again for being such a huge part of our Radiothon's success. We are so fortunate to also have the support of the Tenaquip team and count ourselves very lucky to have this partnership. As usual, your team went all out to bring life and enthusiasm to the Radiothon, and to help us raise \$1.3 million!

Gratefully yours,
Janice Nault - Director, Annual Giving
Montreal Children's Hospital Foundation

The Tenaquip Foundation is a proud supporter of the Montreal Children's Hospital Radiothon. Raising money for the children....

West Island Community Shares and The Tenaquip Foundation Lighting up the Community Together!

The Tenaquip Foundation is a big believer and supporter of West Island Community Shares. In 2016 the fundraising organization raised over 1.2 million dollars, which it allocated to the 40 West Island community groups it partners with.

The Tenaquip Foundation is an overall supporter of Community Shares, but in 2016 they partnered in two of their more prominent fundraising campaigns. Between November 25th and December 31st, The Tenaquip Foundation matched incoming donations from individuals and businesses.

The Foundation was also the official sponsor of Community Shares' first annual "Light Up Our Community" holiday campaign which included lighting up the Christmas trees in the Sears Court at Fairview, Pointe Claire. The campaign was a huge success for Community Shares, raising over \$67,000.



2016 BENEFICIARIES

- Accueil Bonneau
- Alberta Council of Women's Shelters
- ALS Quebec
- Always Together
- AMCAL Family Services
- Asia's Hope
- Aurora Food Pantry
- Big Brothers and Big Sisters
- Blue Door Shelter
- Calgary Food Bank
- Calgary Homeless Foundation
- Calgary Urban Project Society
- Calgary Women's Emergency Shelter
- Cancer Research
- Centraide
- Childrens' Wish Foundation
- CLSC Lac St. Louis Pierrefonds Foundation
- Doane Hospice House
- Easter Seals Alberta
- Fondation Charles Bruneau
- Greater Vancouver Food Bank
- Health Bridge
- Hope and Cope Compassionate Fund
- Inn From the Cold
- Kicks for the Cure
- Kids Help Phone
- Light a Dream
- Mackay Center
- Madagascar School Project
- Mississauga Food Bank
- MNI
- Montreal Children's Hospital Foundation
- November
- Muscular Dystrophy Canada
- Nazareth House
- NDG Food Depot
- Newmarket Food Pantry
- Nova West Island
- Old Brewery Mission
- On Rock Community Services
- Peter Munk Cardiac Center
- Plan Canada/Because I am a Girl
- Princess Market Cancer Foundation
- Red Cross
- Retina Foundation
- Salvation Army
- Southlake Regional Health Centre
- Starlight Foundation
- Sun Youth
- The Quiet Room
- Tyndale St Georges
- United Way
- Welcome Hall Mission
- West Island Cancer Wellness Center
- West Island Citizens Advocacy
- West Island Community Shares
- West Island Mission
- West Island Palliative Care Centre
- Women's Center of Montreal
- World Vision
- York Region Abuse Program



"On behalf of hundreds of students attending Toujours Ensemble, let me express my sincere thanks for your recent generous donation."

Bineta Ba, Toujours Ensemble

"Thanks to your support we were able to fulfill some important community needs, among other things we were able to give over 1500 food baskets and toys at Christmas."

Karime Issa, The Salvation Army

"On behalf of the West Island Mission, I would like to express my heartfelt thanks, your commitment to helping the underprivileged in our community is making a huge difference."

Kent Elvidge, West Island Mission

"Without generous donors such as The Tenaquip foundation we would have to turn away people who need our help."

Suzanne O'Brien, Hope and Cope

"We thank the Tenaquip Foundation for their past financial support. We are doing our utmost to promote education and research in the field of retinal diseases."

Allan Berger, The Retina Foundation of Canada

"Your donation helps us maintain the spirit and mission of our community; providing safety, warmth, nutrition and shoes for those without."

Sheila Woodhouse, Nazareth House



"Dear Mrs. Reed." "I would like to extend my deepest gratitude for The Tenaquip Foundations commitment to support and establish the Reed Family Phase 1 Clinical Trial Unit at the MNI."

Guy Rouleau, Montreal Neurological Institute



"Your generosity will truly make a difference in the lives of many deserving children. It will give them the chance to hear the words they long for" ... "Your wish is granted"

Tyler Mercer, Children's Wish Foundation

"Your gift will benefit the lives of hundreds of patients and their families in our community. I hope you take great pride in making this possible."

Lynn Conforti, Southlake, Regional Health Center Foundation



"On behalf of the families at the Emergency Shelter, I share our sincerest gratitude for your recent gift. The impact of your gift will be measured in the lives freed from family violence and abuse."

Paul Chambers, Calgary Women's Emergency Shelter



"I would like to sincerely thank you for generously sponsoring 15 children through Plan International Canada. Your commitment to helping children will truly change lives around the world. We could not do our lifesaving work without you."

Rachel Knope, Plan International Canada

"We can't thank you enough for all your support over the years. It has truly had a meaningful impact on the lives of the families we serve."

Claudine Cook, ALS Society of Quebec

"Your donations to the greater Vancouver Food Bank helped make a real difference for families in our community."

Aart Schuurman, Greater Vancouver Food Bank

"Your generosity reaches into the deepest corner of the lives of all who walk through the doors of Friendship House, blessings to you."

Linda Slaman, Friendship House

"We are truly grateful for The Tenaquip Foundations continued support in 2016, your generous donation will go a long way in helping the children and their families."

Renae Addis, Peel Children's Aid

"I would like to express my tremendous gratitude to you for your support of United Way, over the years you have helped to improve the lives of countless families."

Judi Gilbert, United Way Hastings and Prince Edward

Message from the Executive Director The Tenaquip Foundation ... Working Together!

When we say "The Tenaquip Foundation Working Together" we mean it. We work closely with over 70 charitable organizations each year helping them make people's lives better. However, the saying also holds true for the foundation itself. The Tenaquip Foundation is truly a collaborative effort with so many people involved. There is the board of Directors and the Donations Committee who give so much of their time. And then there are the employees of Tenaquip / SCN whose hard work allows the foundation to be able to donate to so many worthy causes.

I have often been asked what it is like working with the foundation. "It's fantastic, I love it" I say, "It feels great to be in a position to help those less fortunate and maybe bring a smile to someone's face." At the same time it can often be heartbreaking, because there is only so much we can do and so much more is needed. It's heartbreaking to hear some people's stories of pain, of hunger and of abuse, but it is

fantastic that we are able to lend a helping hand and maybe give a little hope.

I wanted to share just a few of the many thank you letters that we receive on an ongoing basis that truly make us feel good about what we are doing at The Tenaquip Foundation ... making a difference in some people's lives one day at a time.

Michael Fitzgerald - *Executive Director*

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“Seize The Day”

A collaboration with The Tenaquip Foundation and ALS Quebec

The Tenaquip Foundation with the help and support of Claudine Cook and ALS Quebec is very happy to present a new program called “Seize the Day”

If you know someone with ALS, you know what a horrible and crippling disease it is. Like many terminal illnesses, ALS affects not only the patient but everyone in the family; physically, emotionally and financially.

We wanted to find a way to bring a little happiness, and a little hope to these families, even if just for a day. This is why we started the “Seize the Day” program.

Our hope is to work with as many ALS patients and their families as possible and to help them do something they otherwise would not be able to do. For some it could be as simple as going to a concert or sporting event (which is actually not simple for an ALS patient) or it could be flying in family members from across the country for a big family reunion. We want to help that person and that family Seize the Day!

The first recipient of our program was Carlos

Botelli. Carlos is in his forties and has been living with ALS for over ten years. He says one of the things that got him through tough times was his love of “everything comic book.”

In 2016 we arranged for Carlos and his family and friends to attend a private screening of Batman vs Superman. It was a full day for Carlos, which included more than twenty people dressed as superheroes, superhero posters, memorabilia and of course popcorn.

This is what Carlos had to say after his day. “Hi! It was such a great day on Saturday. I can’t believe the effort you guys put into it, down to the costumes. BTW Cassandra’s was my favorite, she even had the ears / goggles from The Dark Night Rises. Thanks for the best day in a long time. I was so tired in the best way possible that I went to sleep at 4 pm and woke up at 8 the next morning”.

People keep saying that I’m so brave and inspirational and ask me how I do it? My answer is quite simple really. ... I just don’t want to die so I do everything in my power not to. I also set short-term goals for myself. I’m a big fan of everything Comic Book so I set the goal of watching The Avengers movie back in 2012. My new goal is to watch The Avengers 2 and Batman vs Superman. So live every day like it’s your last because it might be, but never give in. I’ve had my share of days with wanting to end my life, but the dark days pass, I swear it.

Carlos Botelli ... part of a statement he made 10 years after being diagnosed with ALS.

The Tenaquip Foundation, Providing for Much Needed Anaesthesia Machines at Southlake Regional Hospital in Newmarket, Ontario.

The Anaesthesia team is a critical part of the world-class care provided at Southlake Regional Health Centre in Newmarket, Ontario. Thousands of patients rely on anaesthesia to help control pain and provide comfort in all areas of the hospital, from the maternity ward to palliative care, from orthopaedics to cancer care.

With the entire fleet of anaesthesia machines reaching end-of-life, replacements are a top priority. The Tenaquip Foundation has helped to fund this much-needed equipment that the hospital relies on to provide only the best care for their patients. Over 55,000 outpatients visit the hospital each year.

Taylor Browne
Southlake Regional
Health Centre Foundation





GIVING BACK WITH SUN YOUTH ORGANIZATION ... THEY NEED OUR HELP, THEY NEED YOUR HELP!

In a recent conversation with Executive Vice President of Sun Youth Organization, Sid Stevens, something he said really stuck with me. He said "poverty and hunger never take vacations."

This was the start of a conversation in which Sid explained that Sun Youth's Food Bank and Emergency Relief Fund programs are going through difficult times and are facing situations not before seen in their 62 years.

Generally the summer period is a quiet period in terms of demand for food, however over the past few years Sun Youth has seen an increase in the number of families seeking assistance. On a monthly basis they supply food to an average of 2300 underprivileged families. This is 600 more families than the average from a few years ago.

There are many factors that contribute to this growing need, but the main factor has to do with the increase in global food prices. Unfortunately, not only does this drive more families to the food bank, but it also affects the amount of donations Sun Youth is receiving. Over the past year they have seen a 20 percent decrease in donations.

Sun Youth Organization is now one of the largest community groups in Quebec and The Tenaquip Foundation is very proud to be a part of their efforts.



The Calgary Women's Emergency Center and THE TENAQUIP FOUNDATION Working Together:

...Giving kids the resources to overcome family violence and abuse.

When Jayden* first came to the Calgary Women's Emergency Shelter with his mom and siblings he just couldn't talk – not the way a boy his age should. He'd grunt and point, and maybe say a one-syllable word, but that was it.

It was clear he had a developmental language delay from the effects of family violence in the home. The counsellors at the Emergency Shelter were worried because language development affects children's ability to bond with others and make friends and it influences their success at school.

Not only does the center provide shelter and safety to a family like Jayden's, – a family escaping violence and abuse, they also provide counselling, emotional support,

physical and mental health care, and legal guidance to help them rebuild their lives and stop the abuse.

Reaching out to Jayden was a step-by-step process that involved everyone at the Emergency Shelter – staff, volunteers, counsellors, and family. They worked to expand his language skills through reading, literacy games, and activities. Consistency on their part was key. Jayden is now doing much better.

* His real name is not used to protect his confidentiality and safety.





United Way

**When we work together,
amazing things are possible**

Tammy Ho didn't grow up with many advantages in life. She was raised by a single mom who came to Canada as a Vietnamese refugee. Yet despite facing an uphill battle at an early age, today, she's a vibrant, optimistic student who volunteers with Syrian teenagers helping them learn English at Mount Pleasant Neighbourhood House.

Like thousands of vulnerable children, the neighbourhood house was Tammy's lifeline through her adolescence. She attended pre-teen and teen programs where she received help with her homework, learned how to cook, volunteered with her community and spent time with her friends and mentors. The organization also provided financial relief during a family crisis, as well as the skills needed to help her find her first job.



"United Way would like to thank The Tenaquip Foundation for their generous support of our work that makes stories like Tammys' possible."

*Scott MacDonald,
United Way of Lower Mainland*



**The Tenaquip Foundation, working with
The Children's Wish Foundation ...
helping bring dreams to life.**

Meeting Mary Poppins

Madelyn is six years old and has Cerebral Palsy. In her young life she has endured countless hospital visits and two major surgeries. One of the many things Madelyn adores is the beloved character Mary Poppins. Over the last few years, Madelyn has been turning to her favourite movie to help her through her difficult times, and the uncertainty of her medical life. "She can be crying in pain, but the moment the movie comes on and she sees Mary Poppins her pain seems to subside, and she smiles".

Madelyn's wish was to meet her favourite character Mary Poppins. The moment they met Madelyn's face lit up with joy and all of her worries and uncertainties faded away; her wish is a great reminder of how special each wish really is.



WEST ISLAND CANCER WELLNESS CENTRE

The Little Yellow House

Debbie Magwood had a dream, a vision! She wanted to create a place that would provide physical and psychological care to help improve the health and well being of people living with cancer. In 2009 this dream came true and the doors of The West Island Cancer Wellness Centre officially opened. However, within three years the centre was busting at the seams. There was so much demand for the services that the center offered, it had to turn away patients; this was unacceptable to Debbie, a kind heart and a cancer survivor herself. Debbie started dreaming again, but she

knew this time she had to dream bigger. There were just too many people in need of the centre's services.

The NEW Big Yellow House

By now Debbie had the backing of the community and the funds started coming in for her new dream and in April of 2016 construction started on the "New Big Yellow House." The new centre was to be three times the size of the original location, allowing Debbie and her staff to look after and care for many more patients. In December of 2016 the new centre was ready to help those who needed it.

The new centre, located in Kirkland, QC, has also increased their hours of programming to over 900 per month which was greatly needed as registration increased by over 150 percent shortly after the doors opened.

"If it wasn't for the support from incredible donors like The Tenaquip Foundation the new centre would not have been possible."

*Debbie Magwood,
The West Island Cancer
Wellness Centre*



The Greater Vancouver Food Bank ... *Dorothy's Story*

"Dorothy suffers from cancer. As you might imagine, it has taken a lot out of her. There have been a lot of expenses that she couldn't plan for."

"She was a grandmother, caring for her young grandson, he was 3 at the time when Dorothy and I met. She told me that one of the main reasons they needed to use the food bank was because she was suffering from cancer. It took a lot out of her, and added a lot of extra costs; small things like parking at the hospital. She needed to take her car because she was too tired and weak to take the bus. With less money and no real resources Dorothy had no choice but to rely on the food bank."

This is just one of the many stories we hear every year; things happen, lives change, we never know where we will be tomorrow or next year. The Greater Vancouver Food Bank makes a big difference in so many people's lives. When people need us the most we will be there for them with nutritious food and opportunities to learn, all in an environment of respect and dignity."

*Heidi Magnuson-Ford
Greater Vancouver Food Bank.*

The Tenaquip Foundation Helping The Calgary Food Bank Meet Their Demand in Trying Times.

This is a report I received from the D.D. Coutts of the Calgary Food Bank in May of 2016.

Hello Michael: I wanted to give you an update on what's happening in Calgary and Alberta. Yesterday, Cenovus announced another 440 layoffs, and Murphy Oil has just announced its cutting jobs in every location. Unfortunately, the downward spiral in oil prices is still deeply impacting our city and our province. The economic downturn has hit Calgary particularly hard. The provincial unemployment rate is at 8.5 %, the highest in the country since 1988.

To give you an idea of what this means in real numbers, before the downturn we gave out between 2500-3000 hampers in a month. Now we are giving out about 5000 hampers a month. In the month of March we gave out 5400 hampers, which provided food for 14,700 people.

D.D. Coutts, The Calgary Food Bank

"I contacted D.D at the end of February 2017 to see if things were improving. According to her perspective from The Calgary Food Bank and based on the amount of hampers they are still giving out, things have not improved. In fact, she has heard that more large scale layoffs are coming."

*Michael Fitzgerald,
The Tenaquip Foundation*



Remembering Ken Reed ... Where it all started.

It has been just over ten years since Ken Reed, the founder and past president of Tenaquip/SCN passed away from ALS.

Mr. Reed was a brilliant business man, an insightful entrepreneur and a truly benevolent human being. Even before Tenaquip/SCN became successful, at a time when he had no money, he was still able to find some spare change or a few dollars to give to those that he came across that were less fortunate. As years went on and his business became more successful Mr. Reed continued his giving ways. Two of his favorite causes to support were the Old Brewery Mission and the Salvation Army. So it was no surprise that before he passed, Ken Reed established The Tenaquip Foundation, who, to this day still supports, among many others, the Old Brewery Mission and the Salvation Army.

Since 2006 The Tenaquip Foundation has been helping those in need in the local community, across Canada and even internationally. All of this is possible only through the foresight and generosity of Mr. Ken Reed and the hard work and commitment of every Tenaquip/SCN employee.

Thank you Ken Reed and thank you Tenaquip/SCN employees for making The Tenaquip Foundation a reality.



Welcome Hall Mission, 125 years of helping people find their place in society

Richard is 46 years old, and recently his life was completely transformed. For 20 years, Richard had a stable career, he always loved his work and helping others. He was married for 13 years and was a committed partner, but things took a turn. He went through a difficult divorce that took an emotional and financial toll and then he lost his job.

He began to struggle with anxiety and depression as he searched in vain for new work. His self-confidence and self-esteem crumbled as weeks turned into months. Eventually, he began to run out of funds and started relying on friends for support.

Richard has now been in supported housing at Welcome Hall Mission for almost a year. For the first three months, it was critical for him to stop and take stock, while gaining new employability skills. "I'm so grateful that Welcome Hall Mission was there for me," said Richard. "I was able to turn to Welcome Hall Mission instead of turning to the streets. And when I did, I found people who understood me. They gave me a safe place, warm nutritious meals, time to heal and strategies and skills to face my challenges."

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— Richard

