COMMUNITY FOUNDATIONS

The Banff Community Foundation
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Lorraine Widmer-Carson, ED
Tel: 403-762-8549, Fax 403-762-8544
Email: banffcf@shaw.ca
Website: www.banffcommunityfoundation.org
Aims of organization: To steward the Community Endowment fund; to administer The Community Grants program; and to encourage philanthropy.
Vision: To improve the quality of life for Banff National Park communities-now and forever.
Mission: To live a model of philanthropy that is transparent and accountable to its donors, to the community and that inspires future generations.
Volunteer opportunities: Annual call for applications to board of directors; community members recruited regularly.

Blessed Are the Children Foundation
210 Lady MacDonald Drive, Canmore, AB T1W 1H3
Lori Hogarth – Contact person
Tel: 403-678-6304, Fax: 403-451-1465
Blessed Are the Children Foundation organizes and hosts one fund raising event each year. Monies raised are held in trust and used to assist qualified families within the Bow Valley who have a child that unexpectedly suffers catastrophic illness, injury, or death.
Number of Volunteers each year: 6 – 10
Number of Volunteer work hours: 6 – 100

Bow Valley Community Foundation
204, 1240 Railway Avenue, Canmore, AB T1W 1P4
Tel: 403-678-3189, (Mike Kuzik – Chair) Fax: 403-678-2533
Email: info@bowvalleycf.org
Web: www.bowvalleycf.org
The Bow Valley Community Foundation helps the people of Canmore and vicinity by encouraging philanthropy and funding charitable activities through the creation of permanent endowment funds. Donors contributions are invested into perpetuity and through the power of endowment, grow over time, creating legacies that have a positive and meaningful impact in our community. The Bow Valley Community Foundation builds and strengthens our community through collaboration with donors, charitable organizations and community leaders.
Number of Volunteers each year: 12
Number of Volunteer work hours: 650

Canmore & Area Health Care Foundation
1100 Hospital Place, Canmore, AB T1 W 1 N2
Tel: 403-678-4358, Fax: 403-678-4388
Email: info@canmorehealthfoundation.com
Web: www.canmorehealthfoundation.com
The Foundation helps to organize events and manage donations to the hospital for the purpose of purchasing equipment that is not provided through government funding. Since 2003, over $650,000. in equipment has been purchased as a result of personal and business donations in support of the hospital. 100% of all donations go directly to local health care needs in the Bow Valley, and fundraising is now underway for the expansion of the Bow Corridor Cancer Centre.
Number of Volunteers each year: 45
Number of Volunteer work hours: 100 - 120

Dave Irwin Foundation for Brain Injury Recovery
c/o #3 Riverview Place, Canmore, AB, T1W 2B9
Dave Irwin, Board Chair; Lynne Harrison, Secretary, Director
Tel: 403-688-0697
Email: lynne@daveirwinfoundation.org
Website: www.daveirwinfoundation.org
Our mission is: To increase awareness and prevention of acquired brain injury (ABI) in Canada, and to improve the quality of life of Canadians living with brain injury, through funding of academic research and innovative outreach programs and services.
Our vision is threefold:
- To increase public awareness and prevention of acquired brain injury through targeted communication programs with media, ski industry sponsors, corporate donors, and through publicity during the DIFFBI Annual Dash-for-Cash Ski and Snowboard Challenge events.
- To increase the level of understanding and knowledge of acquired brain injury, and to improve the proficiency of treatment of brain injured persons through the funding of further academic research by leading neuroscientists into all aspects of acquired brain injury, prevention, rehabilitation and treatment through the awarding of "Summit for Acquired Brain Injury" Research Grants.
- To award "Dave Irwin Foundation for Brain Injury" Grants to assist organizations which provide rehabilitation and community outreach support services to acquired brain injured Canadians through advocacy, education, and rehabilitation.
The Dave Irwin Foundation for Brain Injury Recovery has given out over $225,000 in grants since its incorporation as a Charitable organization with Revenue Canada.

Victory Social Benevolence Foundation
#3 – 3 Industrial Place, Canmore, AB T1W 1A5
Tel: 403-678-9801
Victory Social Benevolence Foundation (VSBF) is a non-profit organization dedicated to assisting individuals and families of low income in the Bow Valley. VSBF operates Victory Thrift Store and partners with the community in running programs such as: Back-To-School, Operation Jacket Frost and Dress 4 Success.