# **ABOUT HCF**

#### **Our vision**

A vibrant, diverse and inclusive Hamilton.

## **Our mission**

To drive positive change by connecting diverse people, ideas and resources.

## How we do it

- By helping people give in a way that has meaning to them and impact in the community.
- By supporting all aspects of community life through grants and loans to a wide range of charitable organizations and initiatives.
- By bringing people together to address priority issues that affect Hamiltonians.

#### Facts at a glance

Year ended March 31, 2022

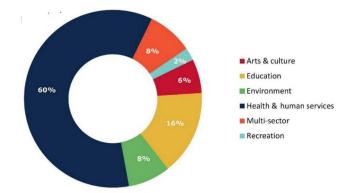
- Total assets: \$261.1 million, including \$31.6 million in impact investments generating both a financial and social and/or environmental return
- Operating expenses: 1.03 percent of average total assets
- Donations received: \$10.8 million last year
- Grants and community leadership spending: \$13.6 million last year which included 918 grants to 344 organizations
- Loans to charities and not-for-profits: \$11.9 million

HCF is one of some 200 community foundations across Canada.

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#### Grants by sector

Year ended March 31, 2022<sup>1</sup>



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Total granting reflects Board-directed granting and the interests of those who have established donor-advised and designated funds.



#### **Community leadership**

**Pandemic response.** In March 2020, we established the \$2 million Pandemic Response Fund. Its purpose is to meet immediate basic needs, stabilize services to vulnerable populations, support Hamilton's recovery and rebuilding, and strengthen its long-term resilience. As of March 31, 2022 more than \$4 million has been granted to Hamilton organizations.

Read more: hamiltoncommunityfoundation.ca/covid19

**ABACUS:** Advancing Post-secondary Access is a 10-year commitment to increase the likelihood that young Hamiltonians — especially those typically under-represented in post-secondary — will graduate from high school, and access post-secondary opportunities. ABACUS focuses on the middle-school years, a time where youth experience significant changes that affect the educational path. ABACUS focuses on the factors that affect students' likelihood of continuing their education including the transition into and out of the middle-school years, the importance of children's overall social and emotional wellness to their academic achievement, and the needs of students historically underserved in the education system.

Read more: <u>ABACUSatHCF.ca</u>

**Impact investing.** Recognizing that all investments have impact, we believe they can be powerful tools to accelerate achieving our vision and mission. Impact investing works toward this goal by targeting investments that generate both financial and social/environmental returns. We are committed to aligning all our investments with our mission and vision both through impact investing and responsible investing: public market investments that integrate environmental, social and governance factors into their selection and management.

Read more: hamiltoncommunityfoundation.ca/impactinvesting

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