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Centre Wellington Community Foundation supports 30 local projects with COVID-19 Granting programs

Centre Wellington, August 24, 2020 - The Centre Wellington Community Foundation (CWCF) has granted \$111,372 towards 21 projects run by local registered charities who are supporting vulnerable members of our community throughout the COVID-19 pandemic. The grants were part of the Emergency Community Support Fund (ECSF) funded by the Government of Canada and administered locally by CWCF.

In addition, CWCF disbursed a further 9 grants to local organizations using (our) grassroots-supported CW COVID-19 Community Response Fund (CW-CRF). This brought the total granting to \$122,372 over 30 projects. More details and how to donate to CW-CRF can be found at www.cwcfoundation.ca or on social media @CWCFdn.

The grants went to support a wide array of organizations and needs from Food insecurity, helping organizations continue to operate with technology grants, transportation support, and several grants supporting mental well-being initiatives in our communities.

Several local organizations came together to solve problems and apply for grants. “Through regular engagement with community leaders, CWCF has been able to support important causes and organization which is a vital part of our role in the community,” says Raymond Soucy, CWCF Executive Director. “We were also able to attract Federal Funding support to our community.” Furthermore, CWCF benefited by partnerships with both the Guelph Community Foundation and The United Way Guelph Wellington Dufferin on several grants. Together we were able to increase the collective impact of the funding granted.

“Having the two programs allowed us to provide larger grants through ECSF, plus essential and immediate grants through our community supported CW-CRF grants,” said Randall Howard,



CWCF Chair. “Thanks to ECSF, we supported programs in Centre Wellington, Wellington North, Minto and Mapleton. This is a much larger area than we have been able to support in the past. We know there is still a lot more work to be done, and we are looking to the community for support.”

Those wanting more information or to donate, please go to www.cwcfoundation.ca.

ECSF is funded by the Government of Canada and is being administered in collaboration with Community Foundations of Canada, United Way Centraide Canada, and the Canadian Red Cross in communities across Canada. Its goal is to provide support to charities and non-profit organizations serving vulnerable Canadians.

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About the Centre Wellington Community Foundation:

Centre Wellington Community Foundation (CWCF) is a public, charitable foundation created for and by the people of Centre Wellington. Our mission is to strengthen the Centre Wellington community by helping donors to achieve their giving goals, and by helping local non-profit organizations find resources to support their important work.

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