

A LETTER

From the CRCF Chair

Rotary is built on a foundation of service and giving, with Rotarians supporting meaningful projects in our local community and around the world. The Calgary Rotary Clubs Foundation (CRCF) exists to support that commitment. Established by Calgary's Rotary clubs in 1972, CRCF is a registered foundation that helps grow and safeguard club donations, returning a portion of the earnings annually for our member clubs to put into action.

In 2025, I'm pleased to report that the CRCF Board has approved a distribution of more than \$2.8 million to support Rotary-led initiatives, with the General Fund reaching a total of \$68.3 million as of February 28, 2025.

This strong performance reflects the continued efforts of our Board and committees. Under Greg Stevenson's leadership, the Investment Committee revised the Investment Policy Statement to ensure our portfolio remains well-balanced and secure. Their stewardship, along with the work of our investment managers, contributed to an \$8.1 million increase in fund performance this year.

Our Audit Committee, led by Sandy Dougall and supported by Treasurer Rob Brookwell, completed another efficient audit process with the external audit firm. Our day-to-day operations and reporting were expertly managed by CRCF Accountant Tracy Nelson.

The Governance Committee, chaired by Vern Kimball, continued refining our policies and supported the onboarding of new Board members. Rob Wolfson also led an in-depth Director Orientation session to help ensure continuity and engagement among current and incoming directors.

Meanwhile, our Communications Committee worked to expand the annual impact report and enhance the CRCF website. These efforts help bring to life the stories behind the numbers, showcasing the value that CRCF adds to the work of local Rotary clubs.

My thanks to the many dedicated individuals who have supported the work of the CRCF this year, especially those completing their terms. And congratulations to Rob Wolfson, who takes on the role of Chair for 2025–26. It has been an honour to serve as Chair of this organization and to witness the real and lasting impact of CRCF's contributions to our community.

Mike Ruttan Chair, 2024 - 25

the NUMBERS

\$2.8M

Funds distributed to clubs in 2025

\$68M

Fund balance at year end (Feb. 28, 2025)

2025 Community Impact Highlights

Feature Story:

Rotary Clubs Support Garden of Hope

In 2024, three Calgary Rotary clubs—the Rotary Club of Calgary Downtown, Rotary Club of Calgary North, and Rotary Club of Calgary Heritage Park—came together to support the creation of the Garden of Hope at Ruth's House Society, a shelter serving African-Canadian women and their children fleeing domestic violence. Together, the clubs contributed \$10,000 to help bring this vision to life.



The Garden of Hope was developed in consultation with the community to provide a restorative outdoor space that promotes healing and emotional wellbeing. The design includes seating areas, sensory features like fragrant flowers and calming sounds, and safe, child-friendly structures. This initiative reflects Rotary's deep commitment to dignity, cultural respect, and community-based collaboration.

Also featured in our 2025 Impact Report:

Heritage Park Club

The Rotary Club of Calgary Heritage Park supported the creation of a new Indigenous storytelling space at Heritage Park's First Nations Encampment, enhancing opportunities for cultural education and public engagement.

Carya's Bowmont Commons

Three Rotary clubs collaborated to fund a chairlift at Bowmont Commons, improving accessibility at this northwest Calgary community hub for wellness, counselling, and support programs.

Legacy Place Society

A major donation from the Rotary Club of Calgary Stampede Park helped renovate a Calgary facility serving first responders and military families, creating a more welcom ing, supportive environment during times of stress or crisis.

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