



The ChariTree Foundation 2022 Annual Meeting



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Welcome to The ChariTREE Foundation (TCF) 2022 Annual Meeting.

Agenda

Last Meeting Follow-Up

- No outstanding items from the executive director.

Attendees

Andrea Koehle Jones, Hilda Wood, David Jones, John Koehle and Dr. Michael Koehle

Executive Director's Report

The ChariTree Foundation continued as a United Nations Climate Observer Organisation in 2022 at COP27 (remotely), COP15 (in person) in Montreal. The ChariTree Foundation continues to advocate for more formal and informal environmental education opportunities for kids around the world.



Here are a few 2022 press releases (including The ChariTree Foundation response to developments) sent out by various environmental groups and re-posted to the ChariTree website:

[COP27 establishes historic fund for loss and damage, led by the collective action of Global South leaders and allies and civil society](#)

“Children and youth must be at the heart of all climate decisions. We are encouraged by the commitment made at Cop27 to create a historic loss and damage fund — it offers a glimmer of hope for kids facing an inhospitable future. This breakthrough is sabotaged by the failure to clearly signal the phaseout of all fossil fuels. This means children everywhere will face more extreme climate events, loss and damage.”

— Andrea Koehle Jones, Executive Director & Children's Climate Education Advocate, The ChariTree Foundation (November 21, 2022)

[As COP15 opens, Canada pledges down payment for international finance for biodiversity](#)

“Children and youth are the future stewards of the planet and we urgently need to conserve, restore and safeguard the environment for them. The ChariTree Foundation welcomes Prime Minister Justin Trudeau’s announcement today of \$350 million in new international finance for biodiversity. Leaders at COP15 must act now to save nature. If we don’t, kids will have fewer and fewer opportunities to fall in love with nature and that would be a critical loss because you protect what you love.”

— Andrea Koehle Jones, Executive Director & Children’s Climate Education Advocate, The ChariTree Foundation (December 6, 2022)

[Nature groups give high marks for new federal commitment to a high ambition action plan to halt and reverse nature loss](#)

“Just as we can’t negotiate with nature, we can’t negotiate with our children’s future. The ChariTree Foundation is encouraged that Canada is taking the lead on accountable steps to halt and reverse biodiversity loss, especially for children and youth.”

— Andrea Koehle Jones, Executive Director & Children’s Climate Education Advocate, The ChariTree Foundation (December 15, 2022)

[Canadian Nature Groups Welcome Global Deal to Reverse Nature Loss by 2030 at COP15](#)

“The ChariTree Foundation welcomes the historic Kunming-Montreal global biodiversity deal to safeguard nature. This trailblazing deal will give children around the world more opportunities to get outdoors and fall in love with nature. That’s important because you protect what you love and that means more kids will grow up to protect nature too.”

— Andrea Koehle Jones, Executive Director & Children’s Climate Education Advocate, The ChariTree Foundation (December 19, 2022)

[Trudeau launches a new wave of ocean protections during visit to Bowen Island](#)

“There’s no time to wait. Let’s do all we can now to stop the accelerating decline of marine habitats and biodiversity in Canada and around the world. Kids everywhere are counting on us to do the right thing.”

— Andrea Koehle Jones, Executive Director & Children’s Climate Education Advocate, The ChariTree Foundation (Jul 19, 2022)



Since Earth Day 2006, The ChariTree Foundation has strived to grow environmental education opportunities for children across Canada and around the world.

"We are grateful to The ChariTree Foundation for supporting climate education and tomorrow's climate leaders at our Green School Network in Malawi." – Canadian Physicians for Aid and Relief (CPAR) posted this quote recently to show The ChariTree Foundation \$30,000 2020 donation for CPAR Green Schools in Malawi.

In 2022, The ChariTree Foundation sought opportunities to get more children outdoors and engaged in environmental education by:

1. Helping to fund construction of more outdoor classrooms at schools across Canada.
2. Supporting environmental education and tree planting programs at schools and camps
3. Working with other environmental education advocates and climate change leaders through various meetings including the The United Nations Biodiversity Conference (COP15) in Montreal (Dec 2022).

In summary this year, The ChariTree Foundation (TCF) donated \$36,280 to help build 16 outdoor classrooms across Canada, purchased trees for tree planting projects and donated \$1,000 to other registered Canadian charities that run children's environmental education programs. The ChariTree Foundation received \$35,852 in donations.

PROGRAMS

2022 ChariTree Foundation Supporting Children's Environmental Education \$36,280



2022 Outdoor Classrooms \$35,000

1. \$2,000 **Chute Lake Elementary School**, Kelowna, BC, \$2,000 grant Dec 4, 2021
Cheque# 000013 (cheque#13 deposited Jan 7, 2022)
2. \$2,000 **St. Anne Catholic Elementary School** in Blenheim, ON (cheque#16 grant Feb 18, 2022)
3. \$2,000 **Country Hills Public School** in Kitchener, ON (cheque#18 grant Feb 18, 2022)
4. \$2,000 **Foothills Academy Society**, Calgary, AB (cheque#17 grant Feb 18, 2022) 5. \$2,000 The Town of Portugal Cove – St. Philip's **Eaton School** (Brookside Intermediate School), Newfoundland and Labrador (cheque#19 grant Feb 18, 2022) 6. \$5,000 **UBC Forestry Wild & Immersive**, Maple Ridge, BC (cheque#15 processed Feb 7, 2022 but originally sent 12/4/2021)
7. \$2,000 **Bothwell Elementary School**, Surrey, BC (cheque#20 grant Sept. 22, 2022)
8. \$2,000 **Beacon Christian School**, St. Catharines, ON (cheque#21 grant Sept. 22, 2022)
9. \$2,000 **Roots School**, Maple, ON (cheque#22 grant Sept. 22, 2022) 10. \$2,000 **École Leduc Estates School**, Leduc, AB (cheque#23 grant Sept. 22, 2022) 11. \$2,000 **Comox Valley Schools (North Island Distance Learning - NIDES)**, Courtenay, BC (cheque#24 grant Sept. 22, 2022)
12. \$2,000 **St. Kevin Catholic Junior High School**, Edmonton, AB (cheque#25 grant Sept. 22, 2022)
13. \$2,000 **Pigeon Lake Regional School**, Falun, AB (cheque#26 grant Sept. 22, 2022) 14. \$2,000 **Fort Rouge School**, Winnipeg, MB (cheque#27 grant Sept. 22, 2022)
15. \$2,000 **Elementary School Patricia-Picknell**, Oakville, ON (cheque#28 grant Sept. 22, 2022)
16. \$2,000 **Vincent Massey Public School**, Oshawa, ON (cheque#29 grant Sept. 22, 2022)

2022 Donations to Supply Trees for Tree Planting Programs for Children + Youth \$280

Redwood Country Day Camp, Vaudreuil-Dorion, QC \$280

2022 Donations to Environmental Education Programs for Children + Youth \$1,000



"The ChariTree Foundation is helping EYA engage youth facing barriers in hands-on environmental education which equips them with the skills and passion to steward the environment for future generations." — Environmental Youth Alliance in Vancouver's Downtown Eastside.

Environmental Youth Alliance (EYA) (Vancouver, BC) \$500

Environmental education incorporating Indigenous Knowledge in Vancouver's downtown eastside. EYA provides free, experiential nature education and hands-on habitat stewardship programs for youth.

"I feel more connected to the environment and more caring towards nature. It feels good to know that I can make a positive influence in my community." — EYA participant

The ChariTree Foundation Partnerships

Executive Director Andrea Koehle Jones, The ChariTree Foundation board members and other volunteers continue to choose to work without compensation so overhead has remained low. This means that donations go directly to children.

In Canada, The ChariTree Foundation works with schools, community groups, summer camps and other children's organizations. Internationally, the foundation partners with other Canadian non-government organizations working abroad.

This work would not be possible without the generous support of various foundations, individual donors and international partners.



Canadian Friends of Fresh & Green Academy \$500

Environmental education programs for children and youth in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.

2022 INCOME

Total 2022 Donations to The ChariTree Foundation = \$35,852

Receipting Partners

1. The FirstLine Foundation, Toronto, ON / Vancouver, BC \$30,000
2. Canadahelps.org, Toronto, ON \$5,732.85
3. PayPal Giving Fund Canada \$120



CENTS TO THE CAUSE

Everyone at The ChariTree Foundation volunteers their time including the executive director. For every dollar donated, after overhead (admin/website costs excluding surplus) 99 cents are available for environmental programs that benefit children and youth.

Percentage of donations spent on fundraising costs: 0%

FINANCIAL TRANSPARENCY

The Foundation's financial statements for current and previous years are available on the website.



The ChariTree Foundation Statement of Operations and Net Assets for the year ending Dec 31, 2022

	2021	2022
Revenue		
• Donations	27,817	35,852
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Expenses		
• Donations to children's environmental education, tree planting and outdoor classroom projects	19,800	36,000
• Nursery trees and shipping	53	280
• Administrative	2,105	230
	21,958	36,510
 Deficiency (excess revenue over expenses)	 5,870	 (657)
Net assets (beginning of the year)	7,506	13,366
Net assets (end of the year)	13,366	12,709



The ChariTree Foundation Balance Sheet for the year ending Dec 31, 2022

	2021	2022
Assets		
Current		
• Cash	15,357	13,366
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Liabilities		
Current		
• Trade and other payables	1,990	0
	13,366	12,709
Net Assets		

Approved on behalf of the Board

Executive Director

2023

So far in 2023, The ChariTree Foundation has received just under \$11,350.22 in donations.



Mongolia is warming at a rate 3x faster than that seen anywhere else on earth. The ChariTree Foundation is excited to partner with UNICEF Canada to provide climate education + tree planting opportunities to kids in Mongolia.

[IPCC report shows climate science and solutions are clear, and must be rapidly implemented](#)

“When we fail to act on the science of climate change, we fail children everywhere.

“Children in Canada and around the world are suffering from devastating climate impacts – extreme storms, heat waves, flooding, wildfires. Kids are counting on us. Today’s message from the IPCC is clear: we have powerful solutions but the world needs to step up and deliver urgent climate action on all fronts: ‘everything, everywhere, all at once.’”

— Andrea Koehle Jones, Executive Director & Children’s Climate Education Advocate, The ChariTree Foundation (March 20, 2023)

Right now, The ChariTree Foundation is working with various Canadian environmental groups to help contribute to the National Biodiversity Strategy. (June 2023)

Other Business

Next I will be preparing annual reports to be mailed out by June 15, 2023.

- 1.) Canada Revenue Agency Registered Charity Information Return.
- 2.) Ministry of Finance British Columbia Registry Services Annual Report.

Thanks for all your support over the years ~ and thanks for helping to make the world a better place!

Andrea Koehle Jones
Executive Director and Children's Environmental Education Advocate

The ChariTree Foundation acknowledges and is thankful to live, learn and work on the territory of the Coast Salish people, specifically the Skwxwú7mesh (Squamish) Nation.