

2016-2017 Year in Review

Annual Report



See the Impact Working Together is Making Across our Community

By partnering together, a powerful ripple effect of change is happening across our community. Lives of people are being changed forever through the generosity of our donors and fundholders; the commitment and passion of agencies and community members; and the leadership and guidance of Burlington Foundation. Here are just a few short stories that

we believe capture the important impact we are all making together. Impact across the community, from birth, and throughout all of life's journey. Now that's **brilliant.**

Ron Foxcroft, Board Chair

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Giving hope and safe haven to pregnant young women in need. Brilliant.

Shifra Homes



Ensuring children aren't facing hunger at home over the weekend. Brilliant.

Food4Kids



Building a social network for seniors to help support each other. Brilliant.

Nelson Allan Program



Supporting families 24/7 through very difficult times. Brilliant.

Carpenter Hospice

Brilliant Caring: Transforming Lives Forever

Baby Amelia is generationally important. She's the first baby born in three generations who won't battle Fetal Alcohol Syndrome. That didn't happen by chance and without Shifra and the support of Burlington Foundation and our donors, this story may well have had a very different outcome. "I'll be clean for two years this summer," her young mom, Ally smiles. "That never would have happened, Amelia would never have had this chance for a full life, without the help I got here."

Brilliant Nurturing: DJ and The Plum

Do you remember the last time you bit into a fresh plum and felt your senses explode with pure delight? That's how Vivian describes DJ's first, and now several, encounters with fresh fruit. Imagine that - a simple piece of fruit creating a real difference to a family. This little family has been lifted by the ripple effect of Burlington Foundation donors' support for the community. By partnering together, the Foundation, our donors, and Food4Kids have ensured DJ and hundreds of children like him don't go hungry.

Brilliant Living: The Story of a Living Treasure

"My uncle owned the Brant Inn which was a major draw for acts such as Liberace, Benny Goodman, Lawrence Welk, Louis Armstrong and my real favourites, The Ink Spots. But that night, keeping the spotlight on one of the greatest singers of all time was a real standout," Bruce Anderson, age 92, reminisces. He's the type of guy Nelson Allan had in mind with the creation of a fund with Burlington Foundation to support activities for isolated seniors. Bruce is one of the beneficiaries of Nelson's legacy of giving.

Brilliant Compassion: Finding Light in the Darkness

"We came here when my husband was reaching the end of his journey. Randy had a brain tumour and when the time came that I could no longer care for him at home, we made the decision to come to Carpenter. We found it so warm and welcoming that our confidence was high in bringing Randy to this community," recalls Robbie Cox. "The staff and volunteers became my surrogate family. The experience meant a great deal to me because they helped me so much in finding self-care."

See the short story videos at burlingtonfoundation.org/giving-stories



Burlington Foundation Rebrand

2016 was the year for the launch of our exciting refreshed brand identity, including our new rally



cry "Give brilliantly™". Our reimagined brand identity captures the ripple effect and brilliance that happens when we all come together to make change happen in our community.

Connecting Leaders - Mental Wellness

Accessibility Initiative:

Through Burlington Foundation leadership, several partners including Joseph Brant Hospital, St. Joseph's Healthcare, McMaster Children's Hospital Hamilton Health Sciences, ROCK and CMHA Halton, joined forces in the development of a 'one-window' mental health and addictions programs/services accessibility initiative. Stay tuned for exciting updates on this innovative, collaborative initiative.

Making mental health and addiction services more accessible to those in need. Brilliant.



Speaker Spotlight Event:

The Foundation partnered with Mayor Rick Goldring for an important evening with over 500 attendees focused on discussion, awareness

and support for mental health issues, featuring Michael Landsberg.

Giving Grants

In 2017, the Foundation's community funds and field of interest funds granted a record \$120,000, made possible by the Community Fund for Canada's 150th, a collaboration between Burlington Foundation, Community Foundations of Canada, the Government of Canada, and extraordinary leaders from coast to coast.







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Learn more about our granting program at: burlingtonfoundation.org/granting

Building Legacies





Managing **85** Total Funds



The full list of funds held at Burlington Foundation can be found at: burlingtonfoundation.org/burlington-funds

You can find our audited financial statements at: burlingtonfoundation.org/about/what-we-do

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