




Grant Awards; 2012-13

We appreciate all the time and expertise that went into the 2012-2013 grant applications submitted by 29 local organizations and agencies. Thank you for your applications and the great work you do in our community. We would also like to thank our Grants Council members, an inspired group of community volunteers who joined with BCF senior staff to review, assess and select the applications that most closely aligned with our Vital Signs and environmental priorities. Biographies of our 2013-2014 Grants Council members can be found [here](#). We are pleased to be providing grants to these excellent initiatives:

Charitable Organization	Program
Arthouse	After School Programs in Burlington - Pilot project for at-risk downtown children, offering Improv, Visual Arts and Choir experiences
Bay Area Restoration Council	Randle Reef Clean Up Project - Focuses on the on-going clean-up of Canada's largest toxic waste dump
Bruce Trail Conservancy	Cedar Springs Woods Reserve - Contribution towards purchase of acquisition of land in need of protecting in rural Burlington
Burlington Art Centre	Scholarship Program For Youth – Removes financial barriers to entry into a variety of visual arts programs for children and youth
Canadian Mental Health Association	Anti-Stigma Youth Summit - Speaker support for one-day workshop on stigma associated with youth mental health issues
Conservation Halton Foundation	Shrike Recovery Project - Captive Breeding program to rebuild the population of this highly endangered species 
Danielle's Place	Youth Support Group - Provision of support services to youth struggling with eating disorders and mental wellness through a weekly, client centred program
Easter Seals Ontario	Kids to Camp-Healthy Minds Healthy Kids - Sending disabled children to specialized summer camp that allows medically-fragile children to experience camp as an able bodied child would
Food For Life	Supports the weekly collection and distribution of surplus food in Burlington and a portion of the purchase of a new food truck to allow for increased capacity 
Habitat for Humanity	HomeWorks Program - Housing focused financial literacy program for individuals from lower income backgrounds will be expanded to include newcomers (people who have lived in Canada for under five years)
Halton Food for Thought	Nourishing Youth-Closing the Gap - Adding new school to an existing successful program, seamlessly providing one meal to secondary students living in poverty or at-risk of homelessness 
Reach Out Centre for Kids	Our Community Cares Healthy Living Project - Continuation of after school and camp project for at-risk children and youth from lower income backgrounds with the addition of a Healthy Active Living component
Start2Finish	Burlington Running and Reading Club - A pilot project at an elementary school to provide a combination literacy skills and physical activity among children, many of whom are newcomers to Canada, and are from lower income backgrounds
T.E.A.D. Equestrian Association for the Disabled	Leg up for Success - Registration fees for youth with physical and developmental disabilities to build confidence, participate in a physical activity and learn about caring for an animal through a unique therapeutic riding program.
YMCA of Hamilton Burlington Brantford	Underground Youth Centre - Support to existing successful youth drop-in centre with a music focus: youth can borrow instruments, take free lessons, jam with friends, and cut and mix their own tracks. They also learn about business through CD production and promotion.