

Making a Difference June 2025

A Year To Be Thankful

By Chris Saunders

Over the past year I have had several opportunities to reflect on our community and all that we should be thankful for: family, friends, neighbors. I am particularly thankful to

Pinawa's volunteers. We have all been touched by the efforts of so many that give their time and experience to make our community thrive.

Volunteering is also beneficial for the volunteer. The American Heart Association says volunteers experience less depression and anxiety, higher self-esteem and life satisfaction, greater happiness and a sense of meaning compared with those who do not volunteer. Please consider being a Pinawa volunteer, both for our community and yourself.

The Foundation has had another busy year in 2024. We distributed over 1\$87,000 to support numerous local projects. Much of this funding comes from our endowment fund, now over \$1.9 Million, allowing us to continue to support the community for years to come.

Pinawa Scholarships

2024 Pinawa Foundation Scholarship (\$1,500)

Mallery McKay received the Pinawa Foundation Scholarship. Mallery participated in the school community on student council, LIVE, yearbook and Youth in Philanthropy (YIP). Girl Guides provided more opportunities for volunteer work and taught her valuable life skills. She has volunteered at Siloam Mission, fund raising for animal rescue, cleaning litter from roadside spring and fall as well as fostering puppies. Her interests included attendance at a leadership conference through Manitoba A.L.I.V.E. where she learned the value of active listening and how to make a speaker feel heard.



Mallery McKay Receives the Pinawa Foundation Scholarship from Foundation Board Member Lisa Krupka

Gladys Guthrie Memorial Scholarship (\$2,000)

Celeste Fontaine received the Gladys Guthrie Scholarship. Celeste is pursuing a career in rehabilitation therapy in kinesiology at the University of Winnipeg. This memorial scholarship has been established by her family to be presented to a deserving student entering nursing or a related field of health care.

Celeste has served on the student council, participated in L.I.V.E., YIP and coached middle school soccer. Girl Guides offered the experience of volunteer work visiting seniors, time at Siloam Mission and fundraising activities. She is also a member of the RCMP National Youth Advisory Committee, a group that discusses youth issues such as cyberbullying, mental health and discrimination.



Celeste Fontaine Receives the Gladys Guthrie Memorial Scholarship

Community Project Month

The Foundation would like to thank everyone that donated to our annual Community Project Month in May 2025. "May is our giving month in Pinawa" said Carol Findlay from the Foundation. This year, we raised over \$113,386 for 17 projects, including the 50% top up provided by the Foundation, including:

Children's Place Day-Care - "Furniture for new Day Care". Goal: \$14,200; Raised: \$14,259

Survivor's Hope - "Reaching Out Project Sarah Circle". *Goal:* \$3,000; *Raised:* \$10,443

Pinawa Cancer Care - "Treatment Chair Replacement". Goal: \$8,500; Raised: \$7,627

F. W. Gilbert PAC - "Gymnastic Mats (20)". Goal \$9,500; Raised \$3,450

Pinawa Lions Club - "Pergola Refurbishment and Pinawa Birthday Weekend Expenses". *Goal \$15,000; Raised:* **\$6,750** Pinawa Public Library - "Computer Upgrades". Goal: \$4,500; Raised: \$5,550

WSXC Ski Club - "Snowmobile for Trail Grooming". *Goal*: \$8,000; *Raised*: \$6,611

EMCA - "LED Stage Lighting -Community Center". *Goal:* \$3,500; *Raised:* \$3,187

Courts of Pinawa Club - "Picnic Tables with Umbrellas". *Goal*: \$1,640; *Raised*: \$1,792 Pinawa Minor Baseball - "Reviving the Game Infield". Goal \$16,500; Raised: \$3,879

Two Rivers Seniors - "Services for Seniors programs". *Goal: \$6,000; Raised: \$9,610*

Pinawa Minor Hockey - "Scoreboard
Project". Goal: \$6,000; Raised:
\$6,689

Pinawa Health Auxiliary -"Replacement Bed/Mattress Project Year 2" Goal: \$20,000; Raised: \$14,150 Pinawa Holiday Cheer Committee -"Tall Trees & Festive Signs". *Goal:* \$1,500; *Raised:* \$937

Orville Acres Arena - "Brine Line Straightening". *Goal: \$8,500; Raised: \$10,580*

Pinawa Swimming Pool - "Community Support for Pool Refurbishment". *Goal:* \$47,600; *Raised:* \$7,162

Pinawa Art 211 - "Art in the Garden Tour Signage/maps". *Goal \$1,425; Raised: \$705*

Some of Our 2024 Projects

The generous donations allowed the Pinawa Health Auxiliary to authorize the hospital to purchase two beds for \$22,600.



The Pinawa Holiday Cheer Committee did a major redesign and enhancement on our annual Holiday Light Display this season thanks to the generous donations received through the 2024 Community Projects Month!



The F.W. Gilbert P.A.C. Playground Committee completed the Hill Slide play area.





The PSS Youth in Philanthropy Group visited the Pinawa Public Library to see the new tv monitor that was purchased with the YIP grant. The tv monitor provides an ongoing scroll of information; library hours, new book titles and genres, the calendar of library events, and more. Thank you to the Pinawa Library Board for your continuing support of YIP!

2025 YIP Grants

Pinawa Daycare - Highchairs -\$525

Survivors Hope - Marketing Materials - \$300

Pinawa Library - Multi station Charger/Floor Cushions - \$170

Orville Acres Arena - Hockey Stick Holders - \$680

Pinawa Hospital = Ceiling Truck Sling - \$250

Two Rivers Seniors - Equipment for Shirley's Kitchen - \$600

Junior Curling - New Brooms - \$475

Philanthropy Week

The Foundation added **\$101,818** to our endowment, including \$4,000 in grants from the Province of Manitoba and The Winnipeg Foundation. The value of the Foundation's endowment funds at the end of 2023 was over \$1,908,000. The same week-long format will be used for 2025. Details will be posted on our Facebook page in the fall. Please remember that donations can be mailed by cheque, on-line at the Endow Manitoba webpage, by e-transfer to fndlyc@gmail.com, or in person at the mall in mid-November.



2025 Board of Directors

Chris Saunders - Chairman

Carol Findlay - Treasurer

Connie Hamon - Secretary

Cindy Litke - Social Media

Lisa Krupka - YIP

Kristen Ticknor - Newsletters

Kate Kaminski - Technology/Parade

John Tait - Member at Large

Biographies are on our web page

2024 Fast Facts

- > **\$247,000** donated to Foundation in 2024.
- > **\$188,000** granted to Pinawa groups in 2024.
- > **\$1,908,000** endowed funds as of Dec. 31, 2024.
- > **\$1.1 Million** donated 2011.
- > 80 donors have donated 5 years or more.
- 27 Scholarships awarded.
- > 1,700 Pinawa Resource Guides Distributed



For more information about the Pinawa Foundation, or to make a donation, visit us at pinawafoundation.org or check us out on Facebook. We accept e-transfer for Pinawa Foundation to fndlyc@gmail.com with all same info as a cheque.



For our Good. For our Future.

Check out our new QR Code that will take you right to the Foundation's Donation page!

2024 Financial Summary

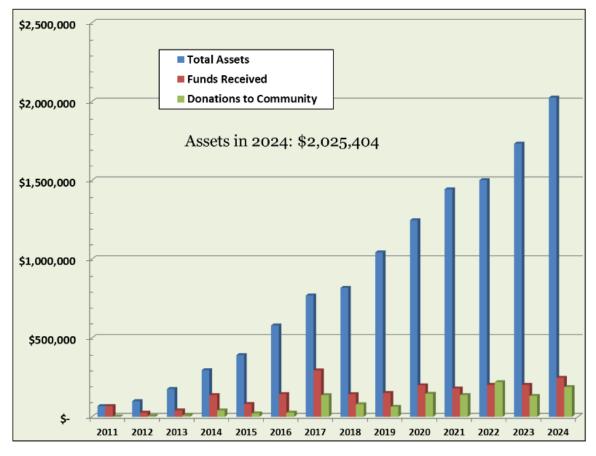
Income Statement

	2024	2023
Revenue		
Donations	\$ 247,001.64	\$ 202,381.28
Interest Earned	\$ 49,244.88	\$ 44,787.43
Winnipeg Foundation Gains	\$ 179,815.86	\$ 106,961.34
Grants	\$ 19,211.25	\$ 22,420.00
Winnipeg Foundation Transfers	\$ 71,832.45	\$ 62,427.66
Miscellaneous Revenues	\$ 3,529.61	\$ 6,809.35
Total	\$ 570,635.69	\$ 445,787.06
Expenses		
Grants	\$ 55,641.62	\$ 47,669.69
Scholarships	\$ 3,500.00	\$ -
Directed Donations	\$ 128,837.32	\$ 84,737.62
Operating Expenses	\$ 3,796.51	\$ 7,012.19
Winnipeg Foundation Administion Fees	\$ 25,285.25	\$ 20,465.25
Less Cash Fund Transfer	\$ 61,226.00	\$ 53,768.00
Total	\$ 278,286.70	\$ 213,652.75
Net Income	\$ 292,348.99	\$ 232,134.31

Balance Sheet

		2024	2023
Assets			
Cash	\$	74,824.47	\$ 65,577.19
Long Term Investments	\$1	L,908,139.30	\$ 1,628,447.21
Accounts Receivable	\$	-	\$ -
Deferred Asset	\$	42,440.14	\$ 39,030.53
Other (land/building/office equipment)	\$	-	\$ -
Total Assets	\$2	2,025,403.91	\$ 1,733,054.93
Liabilities & Equity			
Liabilities	\$2	2,025,403.91	\$ 1,733,054.93
Accounts Payable	\$	-	\$ -
Owner's Equity	\$	-	\$ -
Total Liabilities and Equity	\$2	2,025,403.91	\$ 1,733,054.93

Foundation's Financial Performance



* All funds collected up to 2011 are recorded in 2011.

Thank You Pinawa!