Pinawa Foundation Newsletter April 2025



Community Project Month is coming soon - MAY 2025

The Pinawa Foundation will stretch community donations by 50% (to a maximum of \$3,000 per project). One cheque can contribute to all or any of the participating groups. Tax receipts will be issued for donations of \$25 and over. We accept etransfer for the Pinawa Foundation to fndlyc@gmail.com (*NOTE NEW ADDRESS*); please provide your mail and email addresses for tax receipt purposes.

The following groups are participants in 2025 Community Project Month:

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

Survivor's Hope – "Reaching Out Project Sarah Circle". Goal: \$3,000

Pinawa Cancer Care – "Treatment Chair Replacement". Goal: \$8,500

F. W. Gilbert PAC – "Gymnastic Mats (20)". Goal \$9,500

Pinawa Lions Club – "Pergola Refurbishment (Ironwood Trail and Suspension Bridge) and

Pinawa Birthday Weekend Expenses". Goal \$15,000

Pinawa Public Library – "Computer Upgrade (3 Staff 2 Patron)". Goal: \$4,500

WSXC Ski Club – "Snowmobile for Trail Grooming". Goal: \$8,000

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

Courts of Pinawa Club - "2 Picnic Tables with Umbrellas". Goal: \$1,640

Pinawa Minor Baseball – "Reviving the Game Infield Maintenance/Equipment". Goal \$16,500

Two Rivers Seniors – "Services for Seniors programs". Goal: \$6,000

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

Pinawa Health Auxiliary – "Replacement Bed/Mattress Project Year 2" Goal: \$20,000

Pinawa Holiday Cheer Committee - "Tall Trees & Festive Signs". Goal: \$1,500

Orville Acres Arena - "Brine Line Straightening". Goal: \$8,500

Pinawa Swimming Pool – "Community Support for Pool Refurbishment". Goal: \$47,600

Pinawa Art 211 – "Art in the Garden Tour Signage/maps". Goal \$1425

Gifts in Memory

The Pinawa Foundation received donations that were gifts in memory of Agnes Swanson, Lorne Swanson, and Rita Fontaine.



Youth In Philanthropy



Hello from YIP! The PSS YIP committee has started into its 2025 term. A big thank you to the grade 7 and 8 classes, who had us into their classroom to give them a presentation on YIP. We want to encourage them all to consider joining our YIP team! The spring granting reminder emails have been sent out, and we are already receiving some back. If we have missed any organizations, please check out the Pinawa Foundation website, or contact the Pinawa Foundation to inquire about the YIP granting form. Thanks again to all the organizations who continue to support our Youth in Philanthropy program.

PSS YIP Committee sure was busy with its fall visits! YIP visits the organizations that have received grant money from the 2024 YIP spring granting season. Some of the project's visits:

The PSS Youth in Philanthropy visited the Pinawa Public Library to see the new tv monitor that was purchased with the YIP grant money awarded last June. The tv monitor is visible through the library window, into the hallway, and provides an ongoing scroll of information for all who come by to see: from the library hours, to new book titles and genres, to the calendar of library events, and more. Thank you to the Pinawa Library Board for your continuing support of YIP!





YIP had the pleasure of visiting the hospital to see what they had purchased with the Spring 2024 grant money. This included privacy screens, curtains, and a variety of hygiene essentials for patients. We are so glad we got to help make sure patients are more comfortable during their stay at the hospital, and we thank the hospital for supporting YIP!

The committee would again like to thank all of the community organizations supporting the Youth in Philanthropy committee. Students love seeing how YIP can make a difference in their community!



Pinawa Christmas Hamper Campaign 2024



The Pinawa Foundation was very pleased to collect donations on behalf of the Christmas Hamper Committee again this past year. \$10,400.70 was collected to help local families during the holiday season.



2024 Giving Challenge - Thank You Pinawa!

During this year's Giving Challenge, Manitobans made 2,996 gifts to their communities, totaling more than \$1.87 million! With stretching grants from The Winnipeg Foundation and the Manitoba government, you raised more than \$2.07 million for your communities' unrestricted funds. Congratulations!

The Pinawa Foundation raised the fourth most donations this year (out of 56 Foundations). Gifts of \$97,218 from 110 donors earned the Foundation \$4,000 in grants from the Winnipeg Foundation and the Province of Manitoba.

Community Project Month Updates

For updates on all 2024 Community Projects, head to the Pinawa Foundation Facebook page!

Just some of the updates.....

Health Auxiliary - Bed Replacement Project

The generous donations allowed us to authorize the Hospital to purchase two beds for approximately \$14,391.18 and two mattresses for approximately \$8200.00.



We are presently still waiting for them. We are hoping to also purchase a lounger chair for Room 1 that would open into a bed for family members who wish to stay overnight.

We sincerely express our appreciation for the generosity of both the community and the Foundation.

Pinawa Holiday Cheer Committee - "Tall Trees (metal) Light Enhancement"

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!

With the funds we received from the Pinawa Foundation for CPM 2024, we purchased: 3 - Flagpole style metal Christmas tree frames with hooks and stakes, 14 - String Lights, 6 - LED Projectors, 6 - Flood Lights, 6 - Shooting Stars, 3 - Sets of Twinkling Snowflake Lights and 22 - Extension Cords



Unfortunately, only one of our Flagpole metal tree frames was delivered in time to be incorporated into the holiday display due to the Canada Post strike. We will be incorporating the additional two frames into next year's display, as well as purchasing additional metal frames next year as we continue adding to the light display for the community to enjoy. This will greatly improve the display as the wooden frames are more susceptible to damage and falling over in wind, even when staked into the ground.

Two Rivers Seniors – Services for Seniors programs

Two Rivers SRC is a non-profit organization dedicated to helping seniors and persons with disabilities remain independent and living in their own homes as long as possible. The monies we raise during our fundraising projects is spent as follows: 1) Training staff so they are knowledgeable on government programs that assist seniors in remaining in their homes 2) Office rent 3) Telecommunications 4) Training volunteers to assist in our programs (a) Friendly visits b) Pen pal c) Assist seniors in applying for government programs

The Board of Directors of Two Rivers SRC gratefully acknowledge the many donations received and especially The Pinawa Foundation not only for their donation but for organizing and administrating Community Project Month.

F. W. Gilbert PAC - Hill Slide Play Area

d) Delivering groceries, medications etc.)

The F.W. Gilbert P.A.C. Playground Committee is pleased to announce the completion of the Hill Slide play area, which was made possible by funds raised during this year's Community Project Month. This project marks the final phase of the Committee's natural playground enhancement initiative for the F.W. Gilbert School grounds.



Funds were allocated to secure machinery for final hill shaping, procure topsoil and sand, and hire a landscaper to lay sod across the hill. The new play area features a double-slide, a climbing rock ramp, and an enhanced toboggan run, with a projected opening in mid-November 2024. Costs were higher than anticipated due to the uniqueness of the project and the unfinished hill size. The additional funds raised were dedicated to this aspect of the project.

The Committee is thrilled with the results and looks forward to seeing the school and the wider community enjoy this new space.

For more information about the Pinawa Foundation, or to make a donation, visit us at pinawafoundation.org or check us out on Facebook.

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