

# MAKING THE FUTURE BRIGHT

2018-19 Annual Report



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## VALUES

**Empowerment | Inclusiveness | Innovation | Passion | Collaboration | Integrity**

# MAKING THE FUTURE BRIGHT



Life is a beautiful, wonderful, complicated thing. Life with blindness should be no different. Together, we're empowering people with sight loss to lead independent, active lives and chase their dreams - and we're smashing the stigma and barriers that stand in their way.

Recent research confirms what we've been hearing for years: employment levels are a serious problem facing people with sight loss. With all the technological advancements and educational opportunities available, people with sight loss shouldn't be disadvantaged when trying to find a job. While campaigning for more inclusive workplaces, the CNIB Foundation has launched Come to Work - a program that introduces employers to an innovative talent pool of job seekers who are blind or partially sighted.

We know technology can level the playing field for people who are blind or partially sighted, but it must be accessible, available and affordable. As we fight to connect people with the technology they need and want, we've unveiled Phone it Forward - a program that puts smartphones directly into the hands of people with sight loss. We're also advocating to expand and modernize government funding for assistive technology through the Re-Vision ADP (Assistive Devices Program) campaign.

As we transform our communities into beacons of accessibility and inclusion and cultivate a stronger community presence where people can live, work and play without barriers, we've opened CNIB community hubs in Kingston, London and Montreal.

A CNIB Community Hub isn't just a physical space; it's a unique programming concept where participants connect with others. Whether it's kids and parents having playgroups with tactile toys, teens trying out virtual reality rooms, or adults reviewing the latest bestseller in braille book clubs, there's something for everyone!

At CNIB Lake Joe, attendance reached a five-year high - 660 participants - a 34 per cent increase over 2017. We introduced new youth programs, including English immersion for French-speaking campers, to build leadership skills.

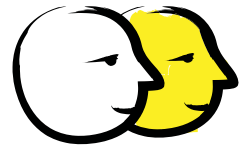
Last year, the CNIB Eye Van served nearly 4,500 patients in Northern Ontario, where ophthalmology services aren't available. In March 2019, a brand new CNIB Eye Van hit the road! As we build a brighter future, we are partnering with Vision Loss Rehabilitation Canada to expand the delivery of essential eye care.

With your support, the CNIB Foundation is strengthening relationships with corporate partners and fostering community engagement to achieve true equality, universal accessibility and absolute inclusion. Thank you for believing in a limitless future for people with sight loss and working with us to change what it is to be blind. You're making the future bright.

Angela Bonfanti, Vice-President  
CNIB Foundation (Ontario and Quebec)



# MISSION



To change what it is to be blind through innovative programs and powerful advocacy that enable Canadians impacted by blindness to live the lives they choose.

## Our strategic ambitions:

### **Boosting participation in the world of work**

A job is so much more than just a pay cheque: it's a means to self-reliance, a source of identity and pride and a gateway to a brighter future. From the moment children are old enough to dream what they'll be when they grow up, through every stage of their education and careers, we're fueling their ambition and championing their equal participation in the world of work.

### **Unleashing the power of technology**

Technology can level the playing field for people who are blind or partially sighted - but only when it's accessible, available and affordable. We're fighting to connect people of all ages with the cutting-edge technology they need and want and helping them build the skills to capitalize on its potential.

### **Driving achievement and equality**

Life is a beautiful, wonderful, complicated thing. Life with blindness should be no different. We're empowering people who are blind or partially sighted to lead independent, active lives and chase their dreams - and we're smashing the stigma and barriers that stand in their way.



Celebrating our centennial in 2018, the CNIB Foundation is a national not-for-profit organization that empowers people impacted by blindness to live the lives they choose. Funded by charitable donations and enabled by the selfless contributions of volunteers, our innovative programs and powerful advocacy drive change in communities from coast to coast to coast.

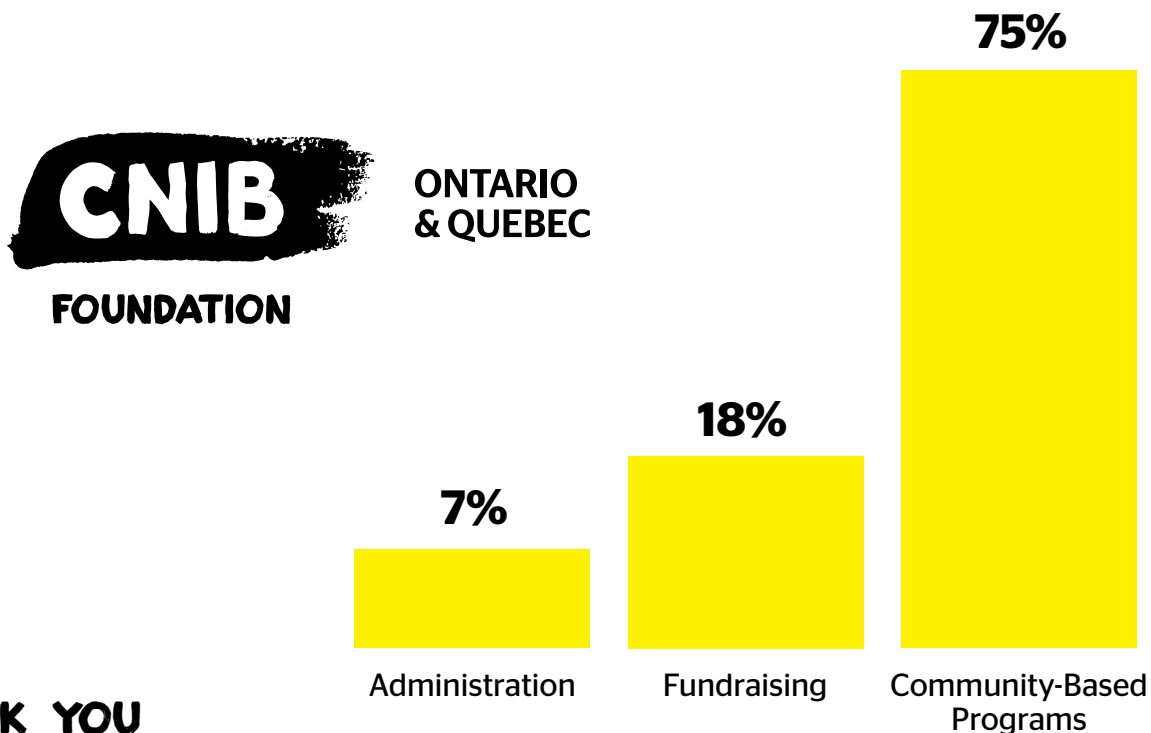
## The CNIB Foundation's wide-ranging programs address the needs of people of all ages as they:

- Enhance their skills, realize their goals and live with confidence;
- Have fun, play, connect with others and demonstrate that people with sight loss can do anything;
- Get the skills and resources to attain work ambitions, and break through barriers in the job market;
- Learn the knowledge, social skills and independence to achieve their full potential in school and life;
- And, advocate to change perceptions about blindness, eliminate barriers and transform challenges into opportunities.

Visit **cnib.ca** to learn more.

## YOUR INVESTMENTS

In 2018/19, we invested more than \$11 million in programs for people with sight loss.



## THANK YOU

A century of experience has taught us that turning our bold dreams into reality takes a community. Our impact is powered by the generosity of people like you. With your support, we have the resources to follow through on our goals and empower those we serve to achieve theirs. Thank you for making the future bright for people with sight loss.

# CNIB Foundation launches **COME TO WORK**



In November, the CNIB Foundation launched Come to Work, a program that connects job seekers who are blind or partially sighted with employers who want to discover the full potential of Canada's talent. Visit [cometowork.ca](https://cometowork.ca) to become a partner, join our talent pool or volunteer as a mentor.

"We have had great pleasure working with the CNIB Foundation through the Come to Work program and truly believe it will greatly benefit other organizations to hire more people who are blind or partially sighted. It's a great opportunity to share best practices and collaborate with other companies on how to be an inclusive employer and showcase abilities rather than disabilities."  
-Deloitte Canada



## **Your Impact: Making the future bright for someone who is blind**

Armed with a Bachelor of Social Work degree from McGill University, Amanda Cape spent nearly two years trying to secure full-time and permanent employment in her field. Despite three placements and numerous volunteer positions, she constantly encountered barriers (mainly stigma) while applying and interviewing for jobs as someone with sight loss.



"I had multiple interviews at various places. Every time I was told that I wasn't the right fit or I didn't have the experience," says Amanda. "At some point, you wonder if it's experience or people's perceptions."

In 2018, Amanda was offered an internship with the CNIB Foundation. Motivated by her own experiences, she joined the team as Program Coordinator, Come to Work.

"This position resonated with me and connected with my skills," says Amanda. "Not enough doors are opening. Through the program, we're trying to break down some of those attitudinal barriers, including prejudice."

Amanda says it has been rewarding to connect with participants in the Come to Work talent pool. Some of the job seekers would like to work in administration or IT while others would like opportunities in the legal field or social work.

Her advice to other job seekers?

"Don't settle or put limits on your abilities," says Amanda. "Always take advantage of networking and volunteer opportunities. These experiences have served me well."

# CNIB Foundation launches **PHONE IT FORWARD**



In September, we formally unveiled Phone It Forward – a new program that gives Canadians a unique opportunity to donate their old smartphones, receive a tax receipt, and empower people who are blind. Visit **phoneitforward.ca** to donate your old smartphone.

## **Your Impact: Making the future bright for someone who is blind**

Scott Seiler dreamed of owning a smartphone, but the cost and lack of hands-on training was a barrier.

As someone who had never sent a text message, Scott says he felt disconnected from the outside world. He longed for something that would allow him to connect with people without having to rely on memorizing multiple phone numbers.

Through the CNIB Foundation's Phone It Forward program, Scott received a free smartphone and one-on-one user training. Slightly nervous about learning how to send text messages, he was shocked at how easy it was.

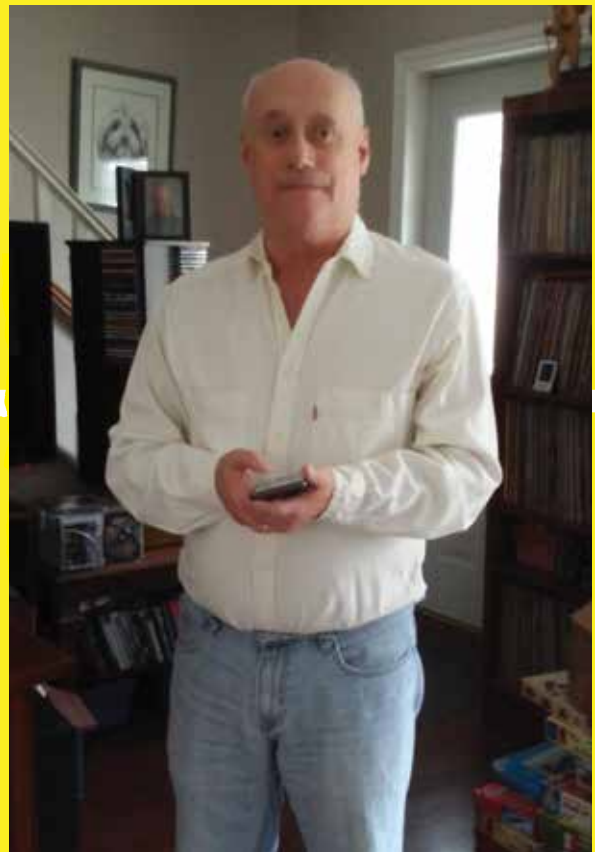
"I thought I was going to have to press all kinds of buttons to type out a message, but I just talked to Siri," says Scott. "Getting the smartphone is one piece of the puzzle – having access to training is key. I'm in my late fifties, I didn't grow up accustomed to this stuff."

Now, he's learning how to use the built-in voiceover technology to help stay connected with family and friends.

"Getting this technology and the apps loaded on my smartphone by someone who knows what they're doing is what makes this program so great," says Scott. "I know I wouldn't be able to access this technology without the support of the CNIB Foundation."

Scott says his smartphone has given him peace of mind. He is continuing to learn how to use the device and hopes to become proficient.

"Anyone can pick up a newspaper or read a book for that matter – I'm not able to do that," says Scott. "It's a big deal to be able to find information and stay connected with a handheld device."





# CNIB Foundation launches RE-VISION ADP (ASSISTIVE DEVICES PROGRAM) CAMPAIGN



Technology fosters inclusion, and it reduces feelings of isolation and depression for people who are blind, partially sighted or Deafblind – but only when it’s accessible, available and affordable.

“In 2017, we connected with thousands of Canadians impacted by blindness through public meetings and surveys. We received a clear message: government-funded assistive devices enable individuals with sight loss to lead active, independent lives. In response, the CNIB Foundation launched the Re-Vision ADP (Assistive Devices Program) campaign to help get up-to-date technology into the hands of Ontarians with sight loss,” says Kat Clarke, Manager, Advocacy and Government Relations, CNIB Foundation (Ontario & Quebec). “With your support, nearly 900 letters were sent to Party Leaders and MPP candidates ahead of the Ontario general election in June. In hopes of updating the program as soon as possible, we continue to meet with key stakeholders.”

Visit **cnib.ca** to read the Re-Vision ADP report.

## Your Impact: Making the future bright for someone who is blind

Alongside the CNIB Foundation, advocates like Hersha Rele are urging the province to recognize the immediate need to modernize ADP. A tech-savvy 25-year-old, Hersha is supporting the Re-Vision ADP campaign with hopes of ensuring Ontarians who are blind, partially sighted or Deafblind have access to game-changing technology, such as smartphones. In 2018, Hersha spoke firsthand about the benefits of accessible technology at CNIB’s meeting with the ADP staff.

“I want to make sure everyone can access up-to-date technology. People need to be assessed based on their individual needs and have the autonomy to purchase what they want,” says Hersha.



She hasn’t always felt this way about approaching the world with low vision, but with increasing self-confidence gained through programs and volunteer opportunities with the CNIB Foundation, and a new job to call her own, Hersha has become a vocal advocate – even penning a Re-Vision ADP opinion-editorial for a local newspaper.

“I was intimidated but empowered. I wanted to make sure my points were well made, and my message was well received,” says Hersha.

Hersha continues to volunteer with the CNIB Foundation and other community organizations to help eliminate discrimination and advocate for an inclusive, barrier-free society for people with sight loss.



# CNIB GUIDE DOGS CELEBRATES GRADUATES



With your support, CNIB Guide Dogs' inaugural class celebrated their graduation in November.

"This is a milestone for our guide dog program," said John Rafferty, President and CEO, CNIB. "We've been able to see our vision for this program come to life and exceed our expectations."

## **Your Impact: Making the future bright for someone who is blind**

When Danika Blackstock met her guide dog, Ulysses, she knew CNIB Guide Dogs made the perfect match.

The University of Waterloo student needed a guide dog that would excel at navigating a busy campus and be ready to sleep during lectures.

"He likes a challenge, and he likes people. He loves weaving in and out of crowds, and he's speedy," says Danika.

Shortly after being matched, Danika and Ulysses bonded.

"I can always tell what he's thinking - he's always processing situations. He's very analytical," says Danika.

She praises CNIB Guide Dogs for its person-centric approach - it's flexible and convenient. When she couldn't attend the entire three-week training session in Ottawa, a guide dog mobility instructor came to her home.

"Having the trainer see us in our everyday environment was super helpful," says Danika. "My trainer even came into my classroom to see how he could support us. If I have any issues, I can call or text the team, and they answer me as quickly as possible."

Danika is thankful for all the support she's received.

"It's important for me to thank his sponsor and puppy raisers," says Danika. "Working a dog gives you a sense of freedom and independence. I feel so much more confident working him because I know he will get me anywhere I need to go safely."

Visit [cnibguidedogs.ca](https://cnibguidedogs.ca) to learn more.

# HONOURING OUR DEAR FRIEND AND COLLEAGUE, BILL VASTIS



Often described as the heart and soul of CNIB Lake Joe, Bill Vastis brought people together. He could be found sharing compelling stories around the campfire, creating captivating musical moments with his mandolin in tow, and participating in outdoor adventures and activities in Muskoka.



A passionate advocate, loyal mentor and devoted CNIB Lake Joe team member, Bill passed away on January 22, at the age of 46. Whether you've known Bill for a day or years, the impact is the same. He had an electricity about him that made everyone he met feel special, valued and included. We spoke with Derek Thompson, Member, CNIB Lake Joe Advisory Board about his 30-year friendship with Bill.

"Bill always expressed a desire to live life to the fullest "carpe diem" and never let his physical challenges be obstacles in his pursuits. He personified the phrase "no excuses" and constantly sought adventure and experience - whether in his education, his profession or recreational activities. Bill was probably the most generous man I knew - in giving time, attention, gifts, hope, laughs, inspiration and food. He never showed up anywhere without a smile (or something to eat!) and was always ready to give advice or support without anyone having to ask."

More than 2,000 people attended Bill's funeral service.

"This is a testament not only to who Bill was as a person, but to the mountains he moved for our mission," says Angela Bonfanti, Vice-President, CNIB Foundation (Ontario & Quebec). "As an aside, whenever we needed to find Bill at Lake Joe, we only had to look to the lake. That's where we always found him - it was his favourite place to be!"

Well regarded for his advocacy work, dedication, and years of service at CNIB Lake Joe, Bill was a remarkable person who will be remembered for his infectious laugh, megawatt smile, and generous kind nature.



# ENRICHING LIVES, MAKING MEMORIES, BUILDING INDEPENDENCE



Summer camp has always been about trying new things, pushing your boundaries, making new friends and having fun! Nowhere is that experience more profound than at CNIB Lake Joe, a life-changing camp for people with sight loss.

Tim Hogarth, along with John Firstbrook, is continuing the fundraising work that Tim's father, Murray, was part of 20 years ago. At last year's Celebrate Muskoka: Clam Bake in support of CNIB Lake Joe, Tim purchased a magnificent painting by Sarah Moffat, which he promptly gifted to the camp.

"I saw it as being a piece for those with sight loss to enjoy. It is a beautiful piece of tactile art for people to "see" through touch," says Tim. "With its electric blues and the beautiful hemlock tree that are so prevalent in Muskoka, it is perfect for Lake Joe."



Penny Leclair, a camper who is Deafblind, was among the first to experience the new artwork.

"I enjoyed exploring the tree trunk as well as the branches and foliage," says Penny. "The moment crystallized when I experienced the stars and moon in infinite space."

Robert From, Chair, CNIB Lake Joe Advisory Board, says it was magical to see Penny experience the painting with the assistance of an intervenor.

The intervenor acts as Penny's eyes and ears, describing the painting with touch and using a tactile alphabet called two-hand manual.

"The communication between Penny and her intervenor gives Penny access to the wonder of nature expressed in the artwork," says Robert.

The artist, Sarah, says she drew on her own summer camp experience.

"I channeled the impressive beauty of our natural world through the landscape we see so often, especially around Georgian Bay," says Sarah. "When it was donated back to the camp, my heart was full."

In 2018, the Hogarth Family Foundation made a lead gift of \$250,000 to help transform CNIB Lake Joe into a year-round camp.

"As the old saying goes, it's always better to give than to receive," says Tim. "It's like quicksand - I didn't fully realize what I was getting into and couldn't help getting pulled in deeper after seeing everyone's contributions and huge smiles on the campers' faces. There's only one CNIB Lake Joe!"

## **Celebrate Muskoka: Clam Bake**

Emceed by Joan Kelley Walker, The Real Housewives of Toronto, the CNIB Lake Joe Vision Team hosted the Celebrate Muskoka: Clam Bake. In celebration of CNIB's 100th birthday, the event raised more than \$180,000 for the "Sponsor a Camper" bursary program and greatest areas of need at CNIB Lake Joe.

### **Committee Members**

Nancy Simonot, Chair; Tracey Burton; Tom Cross; Marie Hewitt; Helen Hunt; Michaela Hutchison and Chelsey Penrice.



# CNIB LAKE JOE HOSTS ENGLISH IMMERSION PROGRAM



For a second year in a row, eight French-speaking youth with sight loss had an unforgettable experience at CNIB Lake Joe. In July, they were welcomed into the hearts of English-speaking campers as part of the English immersion program. The youth were impressed by the natural beauty of Muskoka, the accessibility of the camp, and the opportunity to practice their second language.

“My English has really improved since we were immersed, and the instructors always speak English. I learned a lot more than in my community, where everybody speaks French,” says Benjamin, a camper from Saint-Pascal-de-Kamouraska, Quebec.



Left-Right: Jo  , Samuel, Sylia, Eithel, Samuel, Od  lie, Benjamin, Charlotte, and Najla

As the campers practiced their second language and boosted their confidence, they also explored another part of Canada and enjoyed accessible and inclusive programming, including canoeing, campfires, kayaking, cycling, waterskiing, swimming, sailing and fishing.

“For some of them, it’s their first time being away from home for a week. For others, it’s their first flight,” says Najla Noori, Youth Program Lead, CNIB Foundation Qu  bec. “It was an amazing opportunity for them to build their independence.”

Lives were enriched, memories were made, and independence was built on the shores of the CNIB Lake Joe.

## Your Impact: Making the future bright for someone who is blind

The moment Joshua Cook arrived at CNIB Lake Joe, he knew it was the beginning of a beautiful, lifelong bond.

“Before I went to camp, I felt isolated. I was the only person I knew with a visual impairment,” says Joshua. “I wanted to be around other people with sight loss. Lake Joe really put things into perspective for me.”

Diagnosed with Stargardt disease as a child, Joshua began to learn how to sail through the Camp Abilities program at CNIB Lake Joe in 2012. Six years later, he represented Canada at the World Blind Sailing Championships in Scotland.

“If I hadn’t been introduced to sailing at Lake Joe, I never would have learned those skills or gained the confidence I have,” says Joshua.

In 2017, Joshua wanted to give back to the people who shaped his life - he officially became a CNIB Lake Joe counsellor.

“I wouldn’t be the man I am today, if it weren’t for Lake Joe,” says Joshua. “I want to show young campers what it’s like to live with sight loss. Camp life is for everyone!”





# CANADIAN TIRE CORPORATION INVESTS IN CNIB LAKE JOE



For nearly a century, Canadian Tire Corporation (CTC) has proudly supported communities coast-to-coast. This value is a cornerstone for the company, and the CNIB Foundation has been a grateful beneficiary of CTC's support for the last three years.

Like the CNIB Foundation, CTC believes that all kids of all abilities should have the opportunity to reach their full potential. CTC's corporate charity, Jumpstart, works hard to remove financial and accessibility barriers to sport and recreation so all kids have the chance to play. In 2018, Jumpstart added 24,000 hours of accessible programming and helped create more than 130,000 square feet of accessible play space.

CTC supports the CNIB Foundation directly by helping make facilities such as CNIB Lake Joe more accessible, allowing those who are blind or partially sighted to participate in sport and play alongside their sighted peers. Thanks to investments from CTC, we are building a multi-sport court, redeveloping the recreation and learning hall as well as constructing an accessible boathouse, providing a safe space for CNIB Lake Joe participants to enjoy recreational activities.

We are grateful for our partnership with CTC. Together, we are working to create an inclusive Canada!



# BUILDING A BRIGHTER FUTURE FOR CNIB EYE VAN PATIENTS



As we build a brighter future for patients, the latest model of the CNIB Eye Van (Medical Mobile Eye Care Unit) was unveiled in March 2019. This is the 5th generation of the unit since the program was launched in 1972 - the previous model had been on the road since 1993. The new unit is high-tech, accessible and spacious. With the upgraded equipment (e.g. electrical system and generator), we're positioned to serve more patients in remote and rural communities.

To provide patient-centered care, the CNIB Eye Van partners with the Eye Physicians and Surgeons of Ontario, a section of the Ontario Medical Association and the Ontario Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care. Every year, with the commitment from more than 25 ophthalmologists and three staff (two nurses/ophthalmic assistants and a driver/assistant), the program serves 4,500 patients in Northern Ontario.

**"Professional. Thorough. Informative. Friendly. Efficient. I feel we are very lucky to have your service. This service saves time and money. Thank you!"**  
-Manitouwadge Patient

## **CNIB Eye Van Medical Advisory Committee**

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Diabetic retinopathy is the most common cause of vision loss among people with diabetes and a leading cause of blindness among working-age adults. In 2018, through a partnership with diabetes programs, 51 per cent of CNIB Eye Van patients screened had



diabetes or were at risk of developing the disease, and an additional 7 per cent were referred to diabetes programs.

**"The doctor clearly explained what he saw in the back of my eye relating to my diabetes. He helped me understand the need to control my sugars. He showed real care."** -Dryden Patient

Today, none of this would be possible without community support. A heartfelt thank you to AstraZeneca Canada Inc., Bausch + Lomb, Bayer Inc., Goldcorp Inc., Labtician Thea, Manitoulin Transport and the Toronto Ophthalmology Society.

We would also like to thank our individual donors, community partners and service clubs for ensuring this innovative program improves the lives of people in Northern Ontario.

Looking forward, we will continue to work with the Government of Ontario and other stakeholders to ensure access to this medical mobile eye program is an integral part of the health care system, with sustainable funding. Through a collaborative process, we will ensure high-quality, timely and essential services continue to be available and covered for everyone who needs them.

# MANITOULIN TRANSPORT SUPPORTS THE CNIB EYE VAN IN NORTHERN ONTARIO



For decades, Manitoulin Transport has played a vital role in enabling the CNIB Eye Van to prevent blindness in Northern Ontario. The company's founder, Doug Smith, is a Member of the Order of Canada. He is well known for his sincerity, commitment and community-minded outlook - values he has instilled in his employees.

"Our partnership began when I first met Doug. He has done more than we could have hoped for," says Dr. Steve Arshinoff, Medical Director, CNIB Eye Van. "His incredible commitment has continued with his son, Jeff."



Jeff Smith, Manitoulin Transport

Since the program was established in 1972, Manitoulin Transport has provided a wide range of support.

"Whether it's ensuring our staff are trained so they can obtain their truck driver's license, providing maintenance and emergency roadside assistance or guiding us on transportation standards, the Manitoulin Transport team is amazing," says Lisa O'Bonsawin, General Manager, CNIB Eye Van. "From the moment we leave in March until the end of the tour in November, we know they're only a phone call away. That's peace of mind."

With Manitoulin Transport's commitment, the program serves nearly 4,500 patients in 30 communities every year.

"For many years, the CNIB Eye Van has made a tremendous contribution to patients in smaller communities in the North," says Jeff Smith, Executive Vice-President, Manitoulin Group of Companies. "Manitoulin Transport is delighted with the success of this endeavour and continues to support its mission wherever it travels."

Nearly 90 per cent of the patients screened on the CNIB Eye Van are monitored for eye conditions that could lead to blindness, if left untreated.

"We can never thank Manitoulin Transport enough," says Dr. Arshinoff.



# THANK YOU



Every year, we are astounded by the incredible support of our donors. Some of you organized a fundraising event while others made a gift in your will, signed up to be a monthly donor, or gave in memory of a loved one. You made it possible for thousands of people with sight loss to live full, independent lives. Thank you. You're making the future bright!

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# CNIB ENDOWMENT PROGRAM

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From its earliest roots in the 1950s, the CNIB Endowment Program was born out of a desire to provide sustainable funding for programs and services that benefit individuals impacted by blindness. Seventy years later, the CNIB Endowment Program totals \$11 million, ranging in size from \$1,200 to \$2 million. The program categories include: children and youth, adults and seniors, research and technology, literacy and library, and CNIB Lake Joe. In 2017, two funds were created in honour of CNIB's first century, the CNIB Guide Dog Fund and The Second Century Fund, an unrestricted pool.

## **Moving forward: The Second Century Fund**

Looking ahead, The Second Century Fund will become a priority as we move toward creating a nationwide campaign to grow the fund. With 4.5 per cent of capital distributed annually, The Second Century Fund provides a secure footing for sustainable resources.

## **Bold dreams, bright futures**

Recent years have found a shift in thinking and planning – from “bequest” creation of endowments to gifts of current assets. Donors are creating endowed funds from gifts of shares, stocks or property to fund the original capital – often, further gifts are added at the time of their death. By creating an endowment in real time, donors are enjoying the benefits of knowing how their capital investment is doing while using it to encourage friends, families and associates to make gifts in their honour. Recent gifts of this type include: Griffith R. Lloyd and Christina Lloyd Fund for Research on Macular Degeneration; Kathleen Elizabeth Ward and E. Neville Ward Fund for Education and Technology for Children; Chanchlani Global Vision Research Award, and the Jane Beaumont Funds for Literacy and at-risk Children and Youth.

In 2018, new Endowed Funds were created, through a Friends for Life Bequest from Marion I. Smith, the Victor and Marion Smith Fund for Literacy and Seniors in Belleville/Picton. The Endowment Program also received funding from The Estate of Christine Calderone and The Estate of Ethel Henrietta Miller.

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