Donor impact

Thank you!

Over the past year, financial support from the community has made a huge difference in the lives of the people we serve. More people than ever before donated to our charity and made more things possible than ever before. We are extremely grateful. Here are just some of the ways donors like you have had an impact.

Keeping us on the road to success



This past spring, our "Drive for a Drive" campaign raised $57,000 to help with the challenge of operating our aging fleet of vehicles. Island Ford Superstore led the way with a generous matching gift, and they sourced for us a used, accessible van in fantastic condition and at an incredibly low price. Local Tim Hortons locations also supported our campaign, contributing all proceeds from their Smile Cookie Week initiative in May. We are lucky to have such community-minded corporate friends. They inspired thousands of dollars in private contributions that, altogether, now help us to take the people we serve to medical appointments, job interviews, family visits, and community outings. We are currently exploring opportunities to ensure we make the best use of the remaining campaign donations. This is wonderful for us, as we do not have another reliable source of funding to replace aging vehicles that are becoming increasingly costly to maintain.

Shortening the wait for children



Last winter, our donors contributed $90,000 to our "Your support. Their potential." campaign, providing close to 500 hours of early intervention therapies (occupational therapy, physiotherapy, and speech language therapy) for young children in the Cowichan Region. The need is enormous. Demand for our children's services has tripled since 2014. 300+ pre-school children were on our waitlist, facing wait times ranging anywhere from two to 15 months. The pre-school years are when these therapies can have the greatest impact, so this campaign was crucial. Donor support immediately increased our current capacity to provide help through extra access to our team of trained therapists. This, by itself, will not end the long waitlist, but it has been of great help to local families.

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Giving children a voice

Some of the children we serve have difficulty communicating verbally. Thanks to 100 Who Care Cowichan and everyone who supported our spring 2025 fundraiser, more children now have iPads equipped with augmentative and alternative communication programs. These tools aid our team of Speech Language Pathologists and help children express their needs and connect with their families, friends, and community. For a child who has difficulty expressing what they want or how they feel, this is a profound difference maker.



Making our spaces accessible



Through our "Access.Ability" campaign in winter 2025, your donations helped make our programs and buildings more accessible to the people we serve. $113,000 were raised from generous community contributions combined with a federal accessibility grant. Improvements included two new accessible washrooms for two key programs, accessible exterior doors at one of our service centres, an accessible entrance ramp, and more. With the remaining funds, we are currently exploring the potential to add an accessible elevator for second-story housing units at one of our residences. This would make that entire property fully accessible.

We appreciate you

Our service contracts simply do not cover everything we need to do or have for the people we serve. Without the support of our community, we could not do the work we are here to do. Thank you—from everyone connected with Clements Centre—for touching lives. This report referenced dollars, but we cannot put a value on the difference you have made. Please click here to watch a video of your donations in action.

Thank you!



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