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MORE THAN \$85,000 AVAILABLE IN COMMUNITY GRANTS

North Vancouver, BC – In just four years, the North Shore Community Foundation has more than doubled the amount of money it is offering in grants to North Shore charities and non-profit groups. An increase in donations and responsible management of \$3 million in assets has resulted in almost \$87,000 being available in discretionary grants this year. As recently as 2011, there was just over \$40,000 available. Applications for financial support are now being accepted from North Shore community programs and services, which must be run by registered charities, educational institutions, or government agencies.

In addition to the \$86,958 available in discretionary grants, over \$65,000 has already been earmarked for scholarships and directed grants. When added to the \$50,000 given to the North and West Vancouver Branch of the Canadian Mental Health Association, as a result of funds raised at the North Shore Mayors' Golf Tournament, the Foundation will be distributing more than \$200,000 this year alone. Over its 27 years as a community foundation, the NSCF has given out \$1.5 million to improve the quality of life on the North Shore.

The North Shore Community Foundation is run entirely by volunteers, who work on behalf of all residents on the North Shore to fund community programs, services, and scholarships. The Foundation responsibly manages \$3 million in assets in 26 different trust funds, and serves the entire North Shore from Lions Bay to Deep Cove. Grant application forms are available on the Foundation's website at www.nscommunityfoundation.com. Please note that applicants must be a "qualified donee" as per CRA regulations. The grant application deadline is September 30, 2015.

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