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## **Brooke Alvinston Community Fund Launched**

**Brooke Alvinston, ON** – The Sarnia Community Foundation Board and the Brooke Alvinston Council are pleased to announce the establishment of the Brooke Alvinston Community Fund. It is intended that the fund will provide a means to enrich the lives of those living in Brooke Alvinston and provide an opportunity for residents to make a direct and lasting difference to their community. The agreement has met with the approval of the Brooke Alvinston Council and the SCF board and reinforces the long standing commitment of SCF to build a better community for all of Lambton County.

"As the role of the Community Foundation is to support the quality of life in our community and because we are committed to building the vitality of the local region," says SCF Board Chair Silvana Cservik, "we are pleased to administer this fund on behalf of the Municipality. It is a great opportunity for those who want to support truly local initiatives now and for ever." Executive Director Jane Anema adds, "SCF is actively working towards building a vibrant, inclusive, livable Lambton and the establishment of the Brooke Alvinston Community Fund builds towards that goal."

"Our community has come together to build a community park and many other community upgrades," Mayor Dave Ferguson states. "The Brooke Alvinston Community Fund is one means for its citizens to continue building on the rich heritage of neighbours helping neighbours for the common good. We've chosen to work with SCF to ensure that we are able to take advantage of their expertise in giving and granting for our community's benefit. Donations to the Brooke-Alvinston Community Fund are being handled by SCF to ensure that donors know the funds are only spent on community betterment. Decisions on spending income and grants will be made locally by our local committee"

As Lambton County's most comprehensive charity and a centre for community philanthropy, the Sarnia Community Foundation is home to a growing number of funds that support all areas of charitable endeavour. The arts, children and youth, education, the environment, health, and social services are all areas that the Foundation makes grants to on an annual basis. SCF has been working within the county since 1983 and has returned more than 5 million dollars to a wide variety of local community projects and charitable endeavours.





## The Brooke-Alvinston Community Fund Grant Awarded in Recognition for the Fund's Establishment September 2021



**Brooke Alvinston Community Fund Committee Members** Don McGugan and Dave Ferguson present a grant for the HAM (Hope Alvinston Ministries) Camp programme to Jim Breen (Camp Director) and Pasty Ikert (Treasurer). The programme provides much needed jobs for youth and summer programming for children in the local area. Missing from the photo is Janice Phillips the third Brooke Alvinston Community Fund Committee member