



Fondations Philanthropiques Canada

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Together I Ensemble: Celebrating 25 Years as a Community

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Who we are

Philanthropic Foundations Canada (PFC) is Canada's national philanthropic network, working to strengthen Canadian philanthropy – in all of its diversity – in its pursuit of a just, equitable, and sustainable world.

Helping build more impactful philanthropy for 25 years, PFC brings grantmakers together to connect, learn, and bring about solutions that advance the common good.



Our Approach & Focus Areas

- PFC works with members to strengthen their governance, programming, and relationships.
- PFC creates inclusive spaces for philanthropic organizations to engage in dialogue, learn, and act collaboratively to amplify their collective voices and resources.
- PFC helps to translate evidence-based learning into actionable practice and policy.

Capacity-building

Increasing impact of philanthropic organizations by enhancing their effectiveness.

Collaboration

Providing opportunities for philanthropic organizations to work together and with community and government partners in supporting meaningful, scalable change.

Research and Public Policy

Improving public understanding of philanthropic organizations, and the policy environment for philanthropy and the broader non-profit and charitable sector.



Our membership is comprised of private and public foundations, charities, non-profits, donor advised funds, and corporate giving programs whose primary purposes are grantmaking. They range in asset size from less than \$1M to well over \$1B and are situated across Canada, representing nearly 50% of all assets of public and private foundations in the country. We also collaborate closely with the broader non-profit and charitable sector, businesses, and government.

In 2024 PFC celebrated its 25th anniversary – a significant milestone for our community! We marked the occasion by bringing our members and the broader network together at our National Conference – our largest to date – as well as by recalibrating our strategic framework to meet our community's evolving needs in the coming years.







Message from the President & CEO

Dear colleagues,

What began in 1999 as a small group of private foundations has grown into a diverse and dynamic network of Canada's leading grantmakers from across Canada, that span size and scope, but that are united by a shared commitment to advancing the common good.

In 2024, we brought together the people who power philanthropy. From our record-setting national conference to the growing momentum of our peer-led Affinity Groups - including for CEOs - we saw how vital it is to create space for connection, reflection, and shared learning. These initiatives - whether through candid conversations among foundation leaders or the emergence of new communities of practice - are helping to shape a more resilient and responsive philanthropic sector.

This year's achievements - from the groundbreaking Landscape Report to our dialogue series on polarization - reflect the power of coming together with purpose.

The volatility, conflict and angst of today's world is playing a major role in the work of our members, and in response, PFC has stepped up efforts in helping our community in making sense of the multiple crises and in taking action. Given the tough challenges facing Canada, Canadian philanthropy has a key role in shaping a hopeful and resilient future.

This is indeed PFC's mission, which was reconfirmed by our member consultation and the Board in 2024: Strengthening philanthropy - in all of its diversity - in its pursuit of a more just, equitable, and sustainable future for all.

Warm regards,

Jean-Marc Mangin President & CEO

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Message from the Board Chair

Dear colleagues,

As I conclude my term as Chair of the Board, I reflect with deep appreciation on this last year that not only marked a milestone in PFC's history, as Philanthropic Foundations Canada's 25th anniversary, but also demonstrated the strength of our sector's leadership, learning, and collective resolve.

We celebrated our anniversary by convening our largest National Conference to date in Ottawa. The team is thrilled to be building on this energy as they plan for our next national gathering in September 2026 in Winnipeg.

2024 also saw extensive member consultations, where we heard your aspirations and challenges. We responded with renewed focus on capacity-building, collaboration, and research and policy with a refreshed strategic framework for 2025–2028 towards deepening our sector's capacity to navigate complexity, polarization, and change.

As we look ahead, PFC remains committed to supporting our members and partners in building a more just, equitable, and sustainable future for all.

Our network continues to grow and broaden, and one of the things I'm most proud of from my time on the board has been the diversification of our network, including the recent welcoming of a number of Indigenous-led and Indigenous-serving foundations into our membership, and the increased representation on our Board.

As I pass the torch to our incoming chair, Ina Gutium, Vice-President, Operations at Ontario Trillium Foundation, I do so with immense confidence in the future of PFC. The organization is well-positioned to continue fostering collaboration, advancing equity, and supporting our sector through times of uncertainty and change. I am deeply grateful for the opportunity to have served this remarkable community.

Thank you for being part of this journey.

With appreciation,

Simon Mallett Executive Director, Rozsa Foundation Chair, Board of Directors, PFC (2023–2025) Calgary, Alberta

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Membership Consultation & New Strategic Framework

Over 25 years, PFC evolved from a tight-knit community of 18 dedicated founding members, to a broad and diverse network of over 130 grantmakers from across the country. With the input and support of our community, PFC has adapted and iterated over the years to meet the needs of the network, the sector, and the times. As we successfully wrapped up our most recent 2021-2024 strategic plan, which helped guide our work through the unprecedented upheavals of those years, in 2024 we embarked on refining our path with a refreshed 2025-2028 strategic framework to meet our current moment.





Over the course of the year, PFC held its one of its largest community consultations to date, engaging with approximately 150 people and organizations – around 80% of our membership – to learn about their challenges, needs, and visions for PFC and the sector.

We are grateful for the dedication, engagement, and passion shown by our members. We heard from many of you about the rapidly changing environment in which we are operating, the challenge of keeping up with the pace of change, and the increasing complexity in the work being undertaken for social good. Our membership's efforts are at the intersection of systems change on the major issues of our time, and most of these are overlapping issues and cannot be tackled in isolation nor alone by a sole actor – they require deep focus and long-term collaboration, often in partnership with other foundations and beyond. We also heard a great appreciation for the work that PFC has done over the last four years to support your organizations and the sector during such an unprecedented period.



All the input we received has helped us tighten the scope of our three interconnected focus areas – capacity-building, collaboration, and research and policy. By using our knowledge of the sector and the players within and outside of our network, PFC can help bring people and organizations together with purpose and intention to advance common goals.

We celebrate the work of philanthropy and hope not only to challenge philanthropy to do more and do better, but to be facilitators of that ambition. The updated strategic framework and the community behind it will serve as our guiding star for the next four years, while remaining ready to pivot in the face of radical uncertainty to assist our philanthropic network to remain relevant and nimble for the common good.

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National Conference

Celebrating 25 years together as a network, PFC's 2024 National Conference - Together 25 Ensemble - was our biggest gathering yet. Over 420 members, friends, partners, and philanthropic sector leaders came together in Ottawa over three days to tackle the urgent challenges of our times, through shared learning, dialogue, and collaboration.

Weaving together a variety of experiences, the conference included a local welcoming from an Elder and an Indigenous leader from the philanthropic sector; eight Affinity Group meetings; three plenaries building on our theme of Together 25 Ensemble; 25 concurrent sessions touching on philanthropic fundamentals, trends & tensions, and collaboration; and a variety of fruitful side meetings. The program addressed a wide array of topics, covering grantmaking, investing, governance, Indigenous-led philanthropy, debating limited terms and perpetuity, understanding funding gaps, transforming philanthropy, reconciliation, government grantmaking, non-qualified donees, journalism, international development, climate action, research, data, youth, justice philanthropy, and more!

We also hosted three well-attended evening events, including attendee-led Dine Arounds at local restaurants; a social at the National Gallery of Canada, with Indigenous-themed art, food, and dance; and a reception on Parliament Hill with senators and MPs to honour retiring Senator Ratna Omidvar's contribution to the charitable sector.





From the start, coming together as a community has been what motivated us, with collaboration at the core of our conference experience. For an authentically community-led conference, we expanded our approach this year to better enable those attending our conference to help drive and co-create its programming and structure. We assembled a diversely represented advisory committee so that our community would be involved in steering our programming, and to tap into the collective wisdom of our sector we publicly opened up our call for speakers, receiving over 100 submissions. We also maintained our commitment for diverse representation at the conference – from speaker and session selection, to catering and entertainment – reinforcing how the sector has evolved to be more culturally, geographically, linguistically, and programmatically representative and welcoming.

Our collaborative approach also deepened with our formal partnerships, elevating supporters, media, and other networks throughout the conference experience. With special thanks to Addenda Capital, our generous principal partner, and an additional 18 supporting partners, this year's event had the most partnership support and involvement to date. We also developed a special media partnership with The Philanthropist Journal, recapping conference highlights and learnings to a broader audience through five share-back articles. Our collaboration with Imagine Canada was also reinforced through jointly planning the successful Parliament Hill reception, linking up our conference with their Hill Day for the first time. Likewise, many informal relationships were deepened over the three days, from affinity groups meeting in-person for the first time and strengthening their commitments, to new connections with government bodies, facilitated by the downtown Ottawa location.



As Mohammed Hashim (Canadian Race Relations Foundation) noted at the closing plenary - "The future is unwritten and belongs to you and I" - this conference positioned the sector well to write its own next chapter. Building common reference points on critical issues, establishing safe space for challenging dialogues, and reinforcing community ties for deeper collaboration, we are now as a sector ready to meet the moment ahead, and drive our next 25 years together.

This was such an incredible opportunity for Annauma to share our approach to Inuktitut Philanthropy in Nunavut. We had really good, heartfelt conversations with a number of people, some of which I am sure will grow into long-term partnerships.

Danielle Gibbie, Executive Director,
 Annauma Community Foundation

The conference was filled with important discussions about the role of philanthropy in addressing polarization, what's needed to enable Indigenous self-determination, and how we can better collaborate to meet the needs of the communities we serve. Oh, and of course there was plenty of laughter with new and old friends.

- Justin Wiebe, Lead, Innovation and Strategic Growth, Mastercard Foundation



Leadership Capacity-Building Initiatives



CFO Retreat

PFC's CEO Retreat is an annual in-person gathering and community of peers for philanthropic leadership to discuss key issues and important developments in our sector. In 2024, the retreat was held in Alton, Ontario, hosting 30 foundation CEOs for candid conversations under Chatham House Rules. The gathering created unparalleled opportunities for deepened peer connections, and facilitated discussions around how to tackle some of the most pressing questions and challenges uniquely faced by foundation leaders.

CEO Peer Support Group

This peer-driven initiative provides a platform for leaders from member organizations across Canada to sustain conversations throughout the year, creating opportunities for sharing information, building relationships, and supporting one another. Evolving over the year from a monthly group call on a thematic topic, the initiative has taken on a peer cohortbased model, hosting smaller groups on quarterly calls for an informal tour de table to discuss trends, challenges, and experiences. The initiative has seen a strong uptick throughout the year, comprising to date of over 50 regular participants over 5 cohorts, attesting to the invaluable peer exchanges facilitated by this opportunity.



Funder Affinity Groups



Funder affinity groups are formal or informal collaborations of grant makers with a shared interest in opportunities to meet each other, share knowledge and information, and encourage collaboration on particular issues. 2024 saw the emergence of several new member-led affinity groups, as well as growing momentum and strengthening ties amongst existing groups, bolstered in particular by groups meeting in-person at the national conference.

Healthy Aging Affinity Group

Our newest group, the Healthy Aging Affinity Group, held its first cycle of meetings in 2024. With the generous support from the Waltons Trust, this peer learning space has been actively building a collaborative of funders passionate about healthy aging, recognizing that during this time of unprecedented demographic change there is a remarkable opportunity to shape a positive future for older adults and, in turn, strengthen our entire society. The group met four times over the year, including in-person at the conference, hosting external presentations as well as roundtable discussions on topics ranging from advocacy and government relations for foundations and grantees, to learning from the Canadian Centre for Caregiving Excellence.





Family Foundations Affinity Group

The Family Foundations Affinity Group launched in 2024 as a new peer-driven initiative, providing an opportunity for family foundation staff and family members to meet and share information and best practices. Identifying a gap, PFC supported members in setting up the group to help build networks and facilitate exchange amongst those in the unique context of a family foundation, and in 2025 will be taking a more active role in holding quarterly meetings for the group.

Communications Affinity Group

The Communications Affinity Group is a platform for practitioners from across the network to meet regularly and discuss important or emerging strategic communications and public affairs issues relevant to Canadian foundations, philanthropy and the wider non-profit and charitable sector. The initiative supports the exchange of ideas, learning about relevant news, sharing intel and working together on communications, while providing a forum for collective action, professional development, networking and dialogue. The group met seven times through 2024, including in-person at the conference, holding a combination of formal workshops and casual roundtables on topics ranging from annual reports and social media best practices, to government relations and lobbying for change.





Arts Funders Affinity Group

The Arts Funders Affinity Group fosters conversations among philanthropic arts and culture funders who are motivated to share knowledge, collaborate, and pool resources, fostering a collective commitment to the arts. The group had two well-attended meetings in 2024, including in-person at the conference, and had fruitful conversations exploring how funders can leverage collective action for greater impact in the arts.

Program and Grantmaking Staff Affinity Group

PGSAG is a monthly group get-together for program and grantmaking staff, where participants meet to discuss opportunities to work on initiatives together and exchange ideas, good practices, and other information, building their impact by learning and sharing from one another. The group met four times in 2024, including in-person at the conference, holding sessions that featured a combination of external speakers, workshops, and open discussions on topics ranging from toolkits for working with non-qualified donees to grant management systems. We also saw a turnover in Steering Committee members to bring new perspectives and energy to the group, and have renamed them to Community Weavers to better reflect their roles supporting this very important part of the PFC network.





Investment Roundtable

The Investment Roundtable is a peer-driven series of discussions for foundation investment staff and board members, providing a unique and dedicated space to discuss emerging investment trends in the sector as well as challenges and opportunities peers are facing, helping members build networks and learnings with colleagues from across the country. The group met four times in 2024, including inperson at the conference, hosting external presentations as well as roundtable discussions on topics ranging from asset mixes in public and private markets to the disbursement quota and Program Related Investments, including a presentation from the CRA.

PFC also continues to help support and promote peer-driven initiatives including the Mental Health and Wellness Affinity Group, and the Early Child Development Funders Working Group.

JEDI Accelerator

The second year-long cohort of PFC's Justice Equity Diversity Inclusion (JEDI) Accelerator wrapped up at the beginning of 2024, providing participants with an intensive educational peer-learning platform focused on the unique needs and operating environments for funders, helping them bring justice, equity, diversity and inclusion to life throughout their organization – from governance to grantmaking. The cohort was comprised of five participating funder teams, with 86% reporting that following the program they now feel their foundation is better equipped to take action on JEDI.



SPOTLIGHT

Productive Dialogue in a Polarized World

2024 was a year of heightened societal polarization, including growing Anti-Semitism, Islamophobia, and Anti-Arab and Anti-Palestinian hate in Canada. Responding to a need identified by our members to help build bridges in this context, PFC developed an initiative to increase understanding and collaboration in the Canadian philanthropic community. It rolled out through a three-part series to help our network generate ideas, practical solutions, and useful resources to navigate difficult conversations and a way forward.

With the leadership and guidance of renowned experts in conflict resolution, mediation, and law, the initiative launched with an extensive consultation with the network, and the curation of relevant pedagogical resources about navigating conflict. Building on these outcomes, phase 2 was developed into two different types of offerings: 1) information sessions on topics including Polarization and Empathy, Human Rights and the Canadian Legal Landscape, and the Power of Storytelling in Fostering Connection; and 2) a facilitated cohort-based dialogue series aimed at fostering a safer environment to engage in meaningful discussions on the impact of polarization and discrimination, concerns about sector reactions and responses, aspirations for change, and the community's collective role during this time. Phase 3 then focused on sharing back participants' learnings with the broader community, including through a well-attended presentation at our National Conference, and a guest blog post.





The initiative drew strong participation from our membership, as well as broad engagement and financial support from our network, attesting to its need and effectiveness. We are grateful to our initiative partners: Canadian Race Relations Foundation, Community Foundations of Canada, Houssian Foundation, Inspirit Foundation, McConnell Foundation, United Church of Canada Foundation, and Vancouver Foundation.

As we focused in 2024 on coming together, the deep relationships and trust-building developed through this dialogue series allowed for continued collaboration and a cohesive community to emerge strong through a polarizing year. While undoubtedly difficult for those engaged, the feedback we received was overwhelmingly positive; significant breakthroughs were shared regarding learning new perspectives, empathy building, and philanthropic community and relationship cultivation. As societal polarization continues to persist, the mutual trust and effective communication strategies gained from this experience has set our community up for meeting the moment and tackling the challenges ahead, regardless of the differences and diversity within our broad network.

I am so grateful to have been part of this brave initiative.

- Anonymous participant

We need more spaces and opportunities to convene and dialogue together. I learned the value of how crucial this is in order for us to start working toward solutions.

- Anonymous participant

I enjoyed meeting new folks working in the same sector from across the country and the container that was created so we could share and be vulnerable.

- Anonymous participant

Regional Gatherings

Complementing our National Conference, where our network came all together from across the country, PFC also hosted a series of regional gatherings to connect with members on a local level and engage in region-specific conversations. In 2024 we held four well-attended regional events – in Montreal, Toronto, Vancouver, and Calgary – bringing our community together to learn as well as to network informally and meet with local peers. Many of the events this year focused on discussions around our new Landscape Report, providing our network with a unique opportunity to engage actively with the content, provide feedback, and discuss takeaways and next steps.



Other Partnership Projects

PFC has also continued to collaborate on projects in partnership with our members and other sector partners.

Canadian Philanthropic Commitment on Climate Change

This is a partnership with Community Foundations of Canada, Environment Funders Canada, and The Circle on Philanthropy, and part of <u>WINGS's #PhilanthropyForClimate</u> movement. This initiative is a call on all foundations and other funders in this land to signal their commitment to act on climate change regardless of their respective missions. For part of 2024 programming was paused while the Steering Committee completed a strategic review, with outcomes including the forthcoming addition of a new mentorship program and tailored resources. Momentum has been picking up again since co-hosting a session on philanthropy's call to climate action at our National Conference.



Funders in nonprofit data ecosystem

This is a partnership with Ontario Trillium Foundation, Canadian Centre for Nonprofit Digital Resilience, and the Ontario Non-profit Network. Together we have been convening philanthropic leaders and working together to co-create tangible strategies to advance change on how funders engage with data and participate in the nonprofit data ecosystem. In 2024 we held two roundtable discussions to explore how to engage as stewards in the nonprofit and philanthropic data ecosystem.

Advancing JEDI in capital flows

This is a partnership with New Power Labs to advance justice, equity, diversity, and inclusion in capital flows. Working with a defined group of members and partners from our network New Power Labs is developing public-facing educational materials, and curating training sessions, workshops, and community engagement, all aimed at advancing justice, equity, diversity, and inclusion in the deployment of philanthropic capital, from grantmaking to investments. PFC is proudly serving as the project's charitable partner.

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Landscape Report and New Research Agenda

2024 was a pivotal year for PFC's research output, building bridges between academia and practitioners through our landmark Landscape Report, and launching a bold new research agenda as we marked our 25th anniversary.

Building on PFC's previous Snapshot Report research, in 2024 we launched our new Landscape Report – <u>An Evolving Landscape</u>: <u>Reflecting Canada's Philanthropic Foundations</u> – which was developed as part of Dr. Michele Fugiel Gartner's post-doctoral research fellowship with PhiLab and PFC. The report uses a mix of currently available but under-analyzed or unreported quantitative data, along with qualitative data gathered through extensive interviews conducted with a diverse cross-section of PFC members and non-members from across Canada over the past year. Going for the first time beyond statistics towards analysis, sense-making, and greater transparency, the report provides a deep dive into what the data reveals about how Canadian philanthropic foundations developed, and what purposes, approaches, and roles they use to deliver on their mandates – from investment to grantmaking. The Landscape Report also provides new insights on total grantings, areas of funding, and new trends.





Positioning itself as an accessible starting place for sector dialogue, and the first edition of future reports that will continue capturing the ongoing story of Canadian foundations, the PFC network was invited in throughout the year to participate in this iterative study. Opportunities for pre- and post-release feedback and reflection were provided through three regional events across the country, a series of blog posts were published and generated great online discussion, and a well-attended research panel at our National Conference furthered the conversation and helped close the gap between theory and practice. The report was also introduced into a course at Carleton University's Master of Philanthropy and Nonprofit Leadership (MPNL) program. The Landscape Report itself received impressive readership, with over 1,500 downloads, with a broad audience ranging from foundations and grantmakers to researchers and policymakers.

This report, and the creation of a full-time Lead Researcher position at PFC in 2024, has elevated PFC's position as a thought leader and resource in the sector, and has launched our new research agenda, People and Practices in Canadian Philanthropic Foundations. In partnership with PhiLab and Carleton University's MPNL program, PFC's research focus has now expanded and deepened to provide in-depth organizational analysis of philanthropic foundations in Canada, exploring their operational practices and the human elements shaping their impact. Through annual publications, we are aiming to redefine understandings of philanthropy, enhance sector transparency, and monitor progress over time.

With evidence-based learning a key component of PFC's updated strategic framework, underpinning how we help increase foundations' impact for meaningful and scalable change, 2024 saw a reinforcing of our research activities as propping up everything we do. In particular, it is increasingly tied to our policy agenda, filling in the data deficit to more effectively advocate for our sector with data-driven solutions, and to paint a more transparent picture of the foundation landscape for better public understanding. In a changing political context with policy reviews on the horizon, developing our research capacity now puts us in a strong position to meet the moment prepared as a leading sector voice.



I hope that with this and further research we can have a clearer picture of the sector and what we need to do to have greater impact.

- Ian Boeckh, President and Director,
Graham Boeckh Foundation



The Landscape Report is a core source reading for anyone interested in what's happening in Canadian philanthropy. I'm excited to be learning more deeply and to share this seminal work with my colleagues in the philanthropic space and students in my MPNL course.

- Teresa Marques, President & CEO, Rideau Hall Foundation

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Public Policy

PFC's work throughout the years behind the scenes on policy saw a shift in 2024 towards a better understanding of our sector's role in government relations and advocacy. This includes the participation of Sara Krynitzki, our Associate CEO, on the CRA and Finance Canada's Technical Issues Working Group, as well as President & CEO Jean-Marc Mangin on the government's Advisory Committee on the Charitable Sector. The momentum was captured at our September reception on Parliament Hill honouring Senator Ratna Omidvar, in tandem with our National Conference and Imagine Canada's Hill Day, where over 400 foundation and non-profit leaders came together to meet with policymakers, ministers, and MPs. The packed room and interest from policymakers highlighted the importance of the sector and its engagement in policy, and the presence of attendees from the CRA at our Ottawa conference reaffirmed this recognition for increased collaboration.





Statement of revenues and expenses

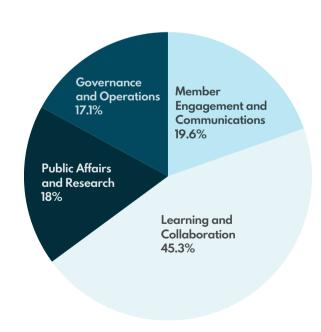
Year ended December 31, 2024

Operations	2024 \$	2023 \$	
Revenues			
Contributions	628,404	572,877	
Membership Fees	957,019	896,620	
Conference and Events	638,839	18,123	
Services	-	32,585	
Interest	54,661	45,312	
	2,278,923	1,565,517	



Expenses

Ne	t	42,094	74,221
		2,236,829	1,491,296
	Governance and Operations	381,486	415,689
	Public Affairs and Research	403,519	353,867
	Learning and Collaboration	1,012,931	351,752
	Member Engagement and Communications	438,893	369,988



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Our Team

The people behind our organization in 2024



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The people behind PFC are at the centre of our impact as a national network. In addition to our staff and board, PFC also hosts a number of committees, which are comprised of board members, and volunteers from PFC members and partners, with PFC staff support. Learn more about the important leadership of our committees herc-numbers/.

PFC Members

In 2024, we welcomed 20 new members to our network of grantmakers! As we celebrate 25 years together as a network, we are incredibly grateful for the ongoing support and engagement of each and every one of our members - from those who have been with us from the start and helped lay the foundations still holding up our network, and from those who joined more recently and contributed to bringing our community to where it is today.

Below are our 2024 Members, from January 1 - December 31, 2024.



Alva Foundation





















Max Bell Foundation















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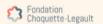












































































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PFC Partners

In addition to the critical revenue we receive from membership contributions, PFC also receives grants and other generous support from our members and other sector leaders - essential support for our special projects and growth strategy. In 2024 our partnerships grew significantly, with new partnerships fostered in support of our National Conference, Dialogue Series, new policy and research agenda, and select affinity groups.





















































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Looking Ahead

Now in 2025, Canada finds itself in a politically complex and unprecedented moment as a country whose economy, sovereignty, and security are being threatened.

In 2024 we lay the building blocks that will now help us meet this moment - from the pulse check we established through our membership consultation and the guidance of our new strategic framework, to deepening relationships at our National Conference, developing techniques for difficult dialogues amid polarization, and bolstering our research capacity for evidence-based learning.

PFC is now being called upon to use our platform for capacity-building, collaboration, research and policy to help guide our membership to come together better equipped to understand the implications these turbulent geopolitical waters could have on our sector in Canada. Over the upcoming year, we will be delivering a responsive suite of programming and thought leadership to help foundations to not only mitigate economic risks, but to exchange ideas, identify actionable solutions, and collaborate on strategic philanthropy that better supports our partners, grantees, and communities, and that strengthens Canada's economic future – helping to safeguard our sovereignty and our long-term national resilience.



JOIN US



Become a member to leverage your sector leadership for the common good.



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