

# Message From the President

The Shuswap Community Foundation enjoyed another fantastic year in 2006-07—which promises a great future for our communities. Last year 4 major new funds were established by caring Shuswap residents, and contributions to community funds helped to push total assets to over \$1.8 million.

Directors are confident that our assets will reach the \$2 million mark sometime this year, reflecting a growing recognition by Shuswap residents of what we like to call “the foundation difference.”

The Shuswap Community Foundation is “different” from other community charities and agencies in a number of ways: it is autonomous; it is entirely local; it deals only in endowed funds; it is forever—the Foundation will still be here in 50 years, in 100 years, in 1000 years, and somewhere along the way it will become the most significant non-governmental funder of quality of life initiatives in our area.

But the most significant “foundation difference” is that the Foundation does not do “charity”—it does “philanthropy” by funding the good works of charities.

And the Foundation provides the vehicle for everyone, well-off and not so well off, to be a philanthropist—to demonstrate her or his “love for their fellows” and their community by contributing to a perpetual legacy for the Shuswap.

I hope you like our new Annual Report format! Thanks to Marg Shand for most of the content, and our webmaster Laura Smith for most of the design. And of course, we want to really thank our corporate sponsors who paid for it. Without their support, the Foundation would not be able to maintain its practice of returning 100% of its fund earnings to the community each year!

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