



Fort St James Community Foundation 777 Challenge – 2024 Winner
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The Fort St James Community Foundation was established in 2010 to provide a means to pool community donations and maximize funding opportunities for our area. Dedicated to the social improvement of our community, the FSJCF has provided funding support, grants and sponsorships for a variety of local and regional initiatives.

The Foundation gathers donations and legacies, investing the proceeds back into the community through its grant application process. In this way, Fort St. James and area have a resilient source of community organization funding.

One of the Foundation’s main fundraisers is its 777 Giving Campaign – employees may enroll at their workplace to have \$7 from each paycheck given to the Community Foundation.

Each year, the Foundation bestows its 777 Giving Campaign Award to the organization who has the largest number of employees enrolled in its campaign. This year, Treasurer Joyce Helweg was pleased to announce that the District of Fort St. James was the recipient of the 2024 777 Giving Campaign award. In 2023, the District donated a total of \$1,780 from 36% of its total workforce.

The origin of the name ‘777’ is explained by Fort St. James Community Foundation Treasurer, Joyce Helweg. “If 777 employees donate \$7.00 from each bi-weekly paycheck for 7 years, the Fort St. James Community Foundation will have an additional balance of \$1 million.”

The District of Fort St. James would like to thank the Fort St. James Community Foundation for its dedication in providing support to local organizations, and for its recognition of our employee contributions through this year’s award.

To learn more about the Fort St. James Community Foundation 777 Giving Campaign, click the link below or contact the Foundation directly:

[777 Giving Campaign](#)

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Treasurer Joyce Helweg presents the 2024 777 Challenge Award to Mayor Martin Elphee at a Council meeting on October 22, 2024.