

Some of the organizations that have benefited from the foundation include:

- Grande Prairie Public School District Nutrition & Lunch Program
- Grande Prairie Catholic District Nutrition and Lunch
- GPFFCF "Sparky's Secret Wish Campaign"
- John Howard Society of Grande Prairie
- Crouses Cleaners "Coats for Kids Campaign"
- Kev's Kids
- Wapiti House/St Laurence Center/Friendship Center
- Prostate Cancer- Movember
- Odyssey House
- Sunrise House
- Grande Prairie Food Bank
- GP and District Burn Society
- Community Foundation for the County of Grande Prairie Firefighters
- Rainbow Society
- Muscular Dystrophy Canada
- Canadian Cancer Society
- United Way
- Grande Prairie Regional Hospital Foundation
- 3D Children's Charity of Grande Prairie
- Numerous Local Families
- RMHC "Superhero Soiree"



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The Grande Prairie Firefighters Charitable Foundation was established in 2007 by the Grande Prairie Firefighters Association. The GPFFCF is a charity run by the City of Grande Prairie Firefighters who are passionate about making our community a better place to live. 100% of the profits raised goes towards supporting families, and individuals in Grande Prairie.

Mission Statement: The Grande Prairie Firefighters Charitable Foundation is a cooperative fundraising body that will benefit the citizens of our community and support other charities with similar goals and objectives.

The foundation will continue to work in partnership with organizations that have had long standing relationships with our firefighters, as well, we are looking to forge new partnerships and explore new ways to try to benefit our Community and Region.

Goals & Objectives:

- To raise money for medical care facilities in Alberta.
- To raise money for public education.
- To provide bursaries for community service and scholastic achievement.
- To raise money for medical and health care research.
- To assist members in the region of Grande Prairie, Alberta that have been affected by traumatic wounds, injuries, medical episodes, or chronic disease.
- To provide relief from poverty in the Grande Prairie region.

The Foundations biggest initiatives are:

- **Sparky's Secret Wish** is an annual Christmas campaign which involves the secret nominations of deserving families over the holiday season. In addition to receiving gift cards for food and presents GPFFCF partners up with local businesses who have provided hams and turkeys. \$25,000.00 is dispersed out every holiday season.
- **School Lunch Program** where we help the school boards in Grande Prairie with supporting students who can't come to school with sufficient food. Over \$10,000 was donated through the program in 2021.
- **Student Leadership Award** \$1,000.00 is awarded annually to a graduating student who best empowers local grade 12 students to be active leaders in their community and that can come up with the most concise, creative, and effective way to use an additional \$1,000 budget to better their community.
- **Individual Donations** the foundation supports multiple individuals and families in the community who have fallen on difficult times due to medical, financial, or emotional situations.

Annual Fundraisers:

- GPFFCF Annual Golf Tournament
- GPFFCF Bunnock Tournament
- United Way Fire Truck Pull
- AB Food and Beverage Expo
- GPFD vs RCMP Hockey Game "Battle of the Badges"
- GPFFCF Hockey Pool
- McHappy Day
- Firefighter Calendar
- Rooftop Campout
- Buck for Luck Muscular Dystrophy Campaign
- Movember
- PACE Center "Walk a mile in her shoes"

