

Your 2021-22 Donor Impact Report!

Thank You From The President



Dear friends of the University of Regina,

It's my pleasure to share with you the stories of support and success featured in the 2021-2022 Donor Impact Report.

This past year we continued to face challenges posed by the COVID-19 pandemic, but your steadfast commitment to our students and our University helped us navigate it all while paving the way for a better future.

This Donor Impact Report, whose theme is "shaping the world in which you want to live," clearly demonstrates how your commitment to philanthropy has had a positive effect on the U of R, its students, and its mission to advance high-quality and accessible education, influential research, creative endeavours, and meaningful scholarly experiences in pursuit of local and global contributions to knowledge. In the Report, you will also learn how donations totaling \$12,155,776 had an impact on our student's ability to pursue their post-secondary education.

The Report also highlights the impact your generosity has on our efforts to continue implementing the University of Regina's 2020-2025 strategic plan, titled *All Our Relations: kahkijaw kiwānkomākaninawak* (Oree for "all our relations"). Our commitment, combined with your support, has allowed the U of R to take positive steps forward in key areas: Truth and Reconciliation; discovery; well-being and belonging; environment and climate change; and impact and identity.

I invite you to take a few moments to read this year's Donor Impact Report and see how our supporters' generosity continues to make a difference in the lives of U of R students.

On behalf of our entire University of Regina community, thank you for being a part of an alumni and donor community that has invested in creating a better University for our students, and in doing so, is shaping a better world for all of us.

Yours sincerely,

Jeff Keshen
President and Vice-Chancellor

Impacting Students 2021/22: Statistical Highlights

Amount distributed to students through awards: \$6,175,012.30

- Undergrads: \$5,554,724.04
- Grads \$620,288.26

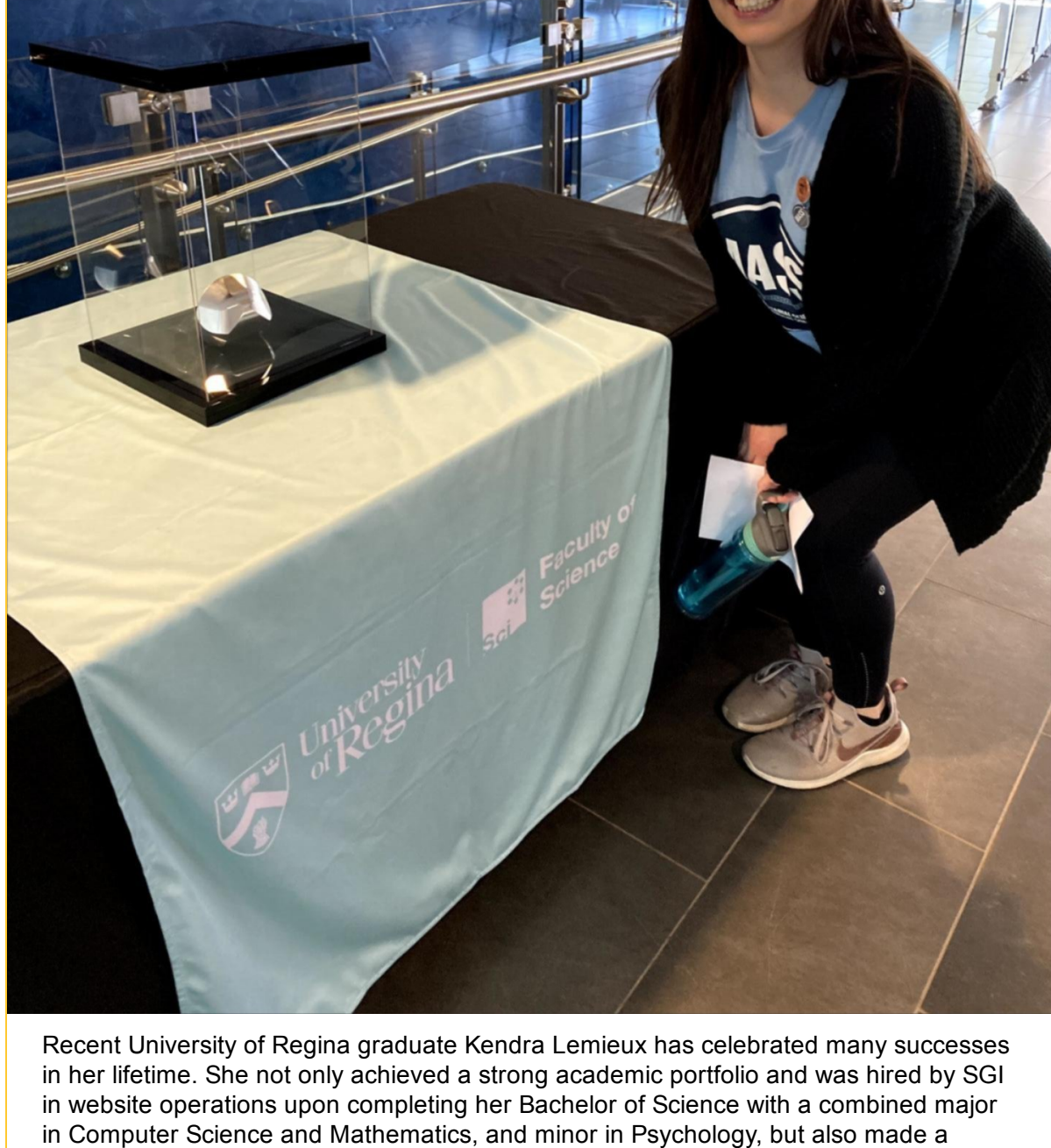
Number of students who received an award: 3989

- Undergrad: 3810
- Grad: 179

Enrolment as of the Fall of 2021:

- 13,860 undergraduate students
- 2,149 graduate students
- 2,738 international students
- 2,445 self-declared Indigenous students

Changing The Lives Of Changemakers



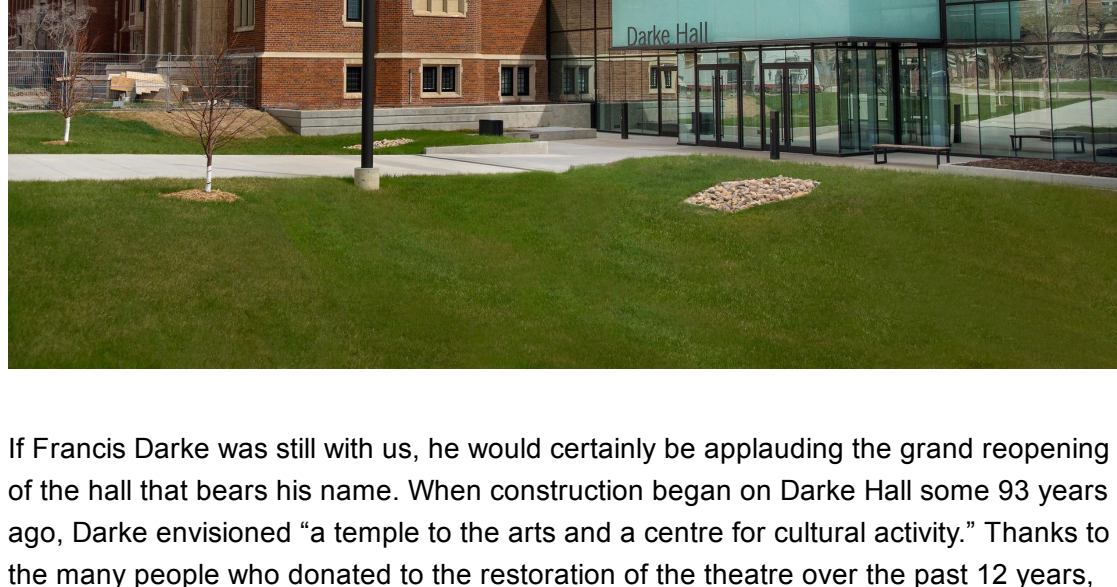
Recent University of Regina graduate Kendra Lemieux has celebrated many successes in her lifetime. She not only achieved a strong academic portfolio and was hired by SGI in website operations upon completing her Bachelor of Science with a combined major in Computer Science and Mathematics, and minor in Psychology, but also made a difference in the lives of other students through volunteerism.

Kendra attributes much of her academic, professional, and volunteer successes to the numerous student awards she proudly received, including the Douglas and Margaret Cuddington Scholarship in the Faculty of Science, the Joseph Duffy Memorial Scholarship (Campion College), the Muriel E. Finlayson Undergraduate Computational Science Research, and the John Spencer Middleton and Jack Spencer Gordon Middleton Scholarship to name several.

"These awards brought me peace of mind and great joy throughout my university experience, and eased the financial burden of higher education," says the former executive volunteer for the Mathematics, Actuarial Science, and Statistics Students' Society (MASS), which organizes an annual Pi Day celebration that builds community and a sense of belonging among students. "Thanks to the generosity of donors, I was able to make campus a better place to learn as a student. Now that I've graduated, I get to pay it forward by making the world a better place to live as an SGI employee. For that, I'm forever grateful."

Kendra's aspiration is to continue to working in the technology field and use her talents on SGI's website operations team to help keep the roads of Saskatchewan safe.

Celebrations Mark The Grand Reopening Of Darke Hall



If Francis Darke was still with us, he would certainly be applauding the grand reopening of the hall that bears his name. When construction began on Darke Hall some 93 years ago, Darke envisioned "a temple to the arts and a centre for cultural activity." Thanks to the many people who donated to the restoration of the theatre over the past 12 years, the grand temple has been restored to its former glory – and then some.

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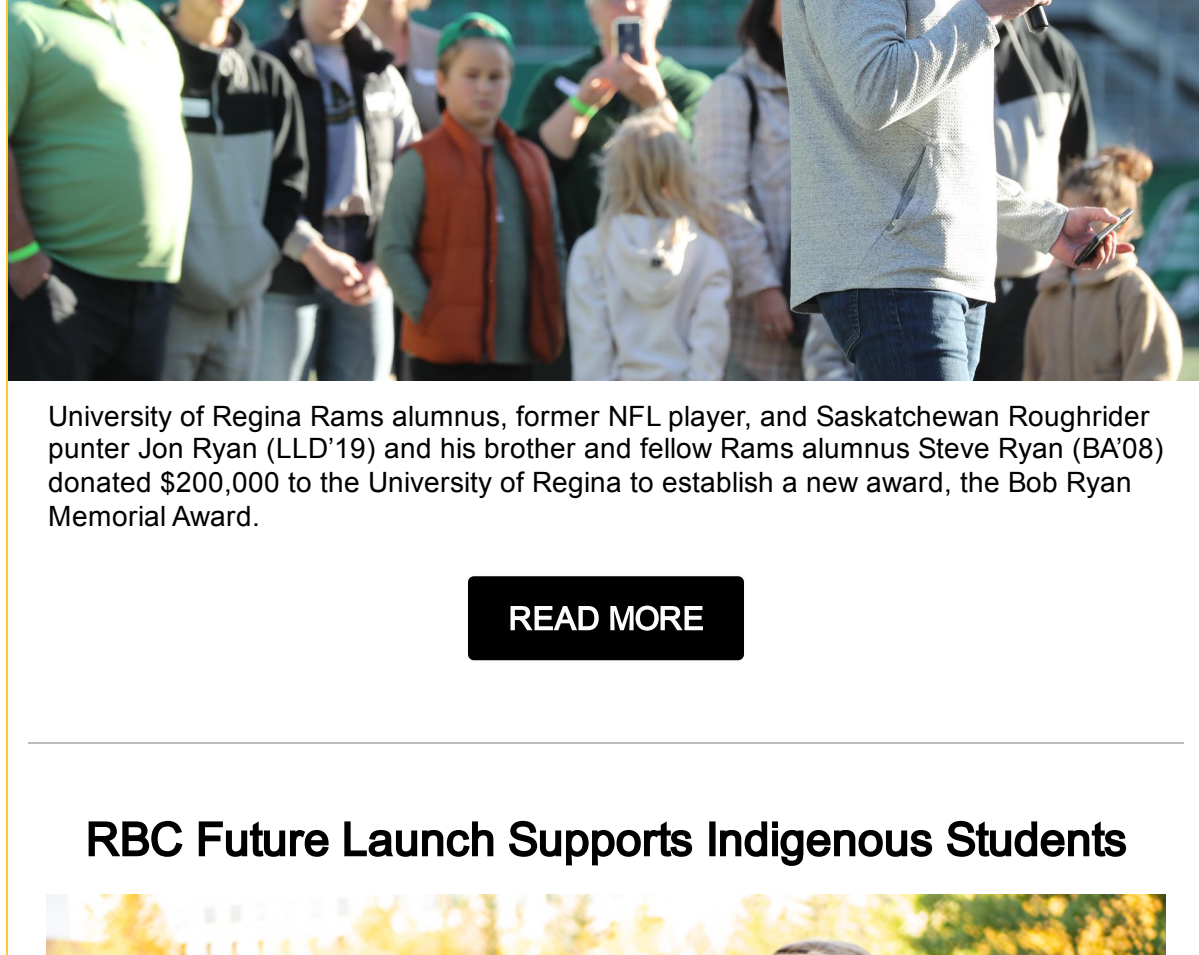
Get to know more about Darke Hall! **The Archer Library Archives** has a special digitized collection of artifacts from Darke Hall's storied past. You can peruse this collection here:

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Learn more about Darke Hall's fascinating past through a **special limited edition podcast** series, produced by CJTR's Paul Dechene.

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Rams Alumni Jon And Steve Ryan Give Back To The University Of Regina



University of Regina Rams alumnus, former NFL player, and Saskatchewan Roughrider punter Jon Ryan (LLD 19) and his brother and fellow Rams alumnus Steve Ryan (BA'08) donated \$200,000 to the University of Regina to establish a new award, the Bob Ryan Memorial Award.

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RBC Future Launch Supports Indigenous Students



Since 2017, the University of Regina, through the ta-tawāw Student Centre and with the support of RBC, has been celebrating Indigenous students who are developing and practicing skills and knowledge as leaders in the community.

Every year, four students are selected as winners of the RBC Neekaneewak Leadership Awards. The award categories are: Academic Development, Personal Development, Professional Development, and Cultural Development.

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U of R Community's 'Textbook' Support For Students



The University of Regina community has been an active participant in supporting students through the power of giving.

This spring faculty, staff and retirees got the chance to put their "Big Hearts" on full display by supporting students through the Big Hearts Family Giving campaign. Big Hearts Family Giving provides members of the U of R community the opportunity to give to the area or initiative they are most passionate about through payroll deductions and donations. Every donation made through Big Hearts Family Giving has an immediate impact on students and their academic success. Together, the U of R community raised over \$200,000.

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University Of Regina Establishes Project Resilience To Support Students Affected By War

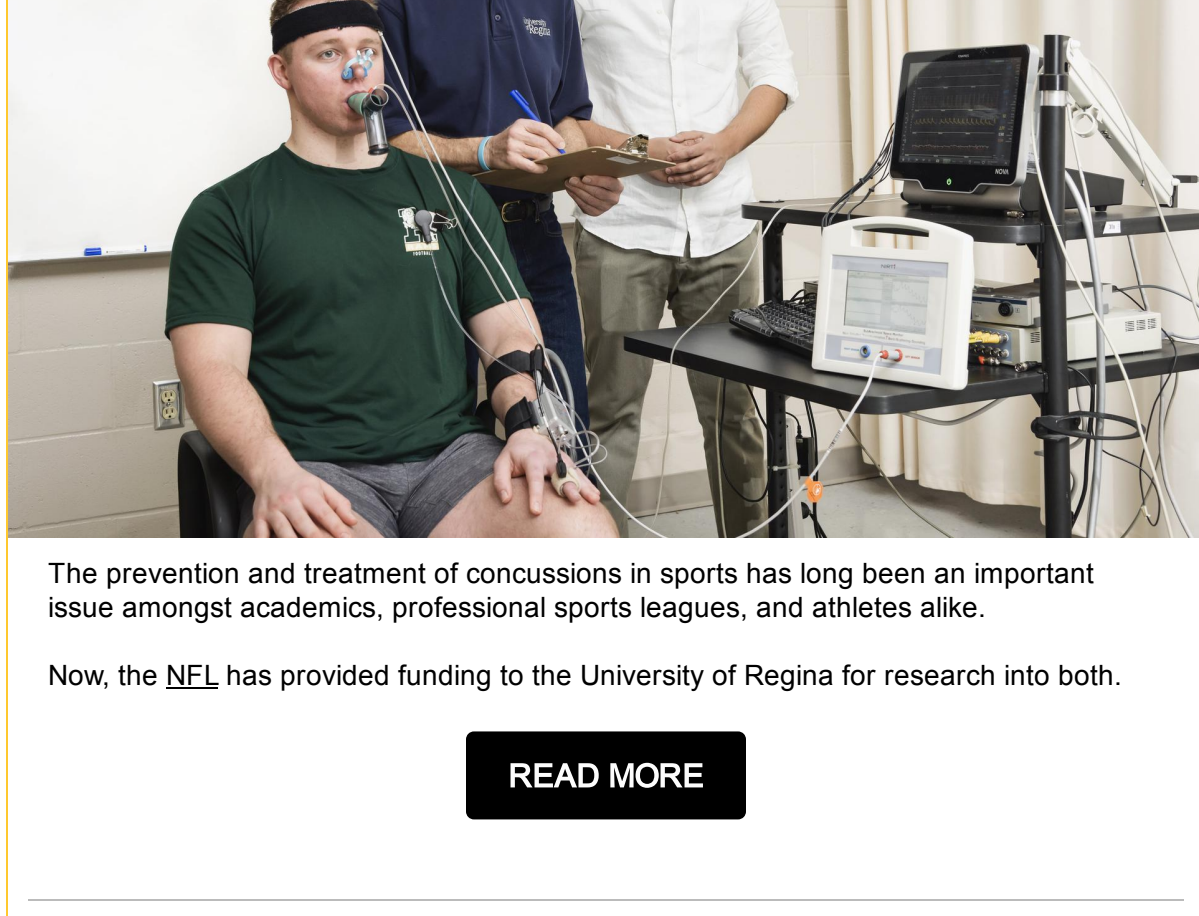


Zohra Zahir is a PhD candidate with the Faculty of Science at the University of Regina. After living in other, larger cities like Kabul and Delhi, she fell in love with how peaceful Regina is. However, she often thinks about her family members, including five siblings, who live in her home country of Afghanistan.

With students like Zahir in mind, the University of Regina has created a fund to support students affected by war, or other forms of political violence, in their home countries so they may continue their studies at the U of R. Project Resilience will establish scholarships, provide emergency funds, and deliver other supports for these students and their families.

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NFL Awards U Of R Researcher More Than \$500,000 USD For Concussion And Cannabis Research

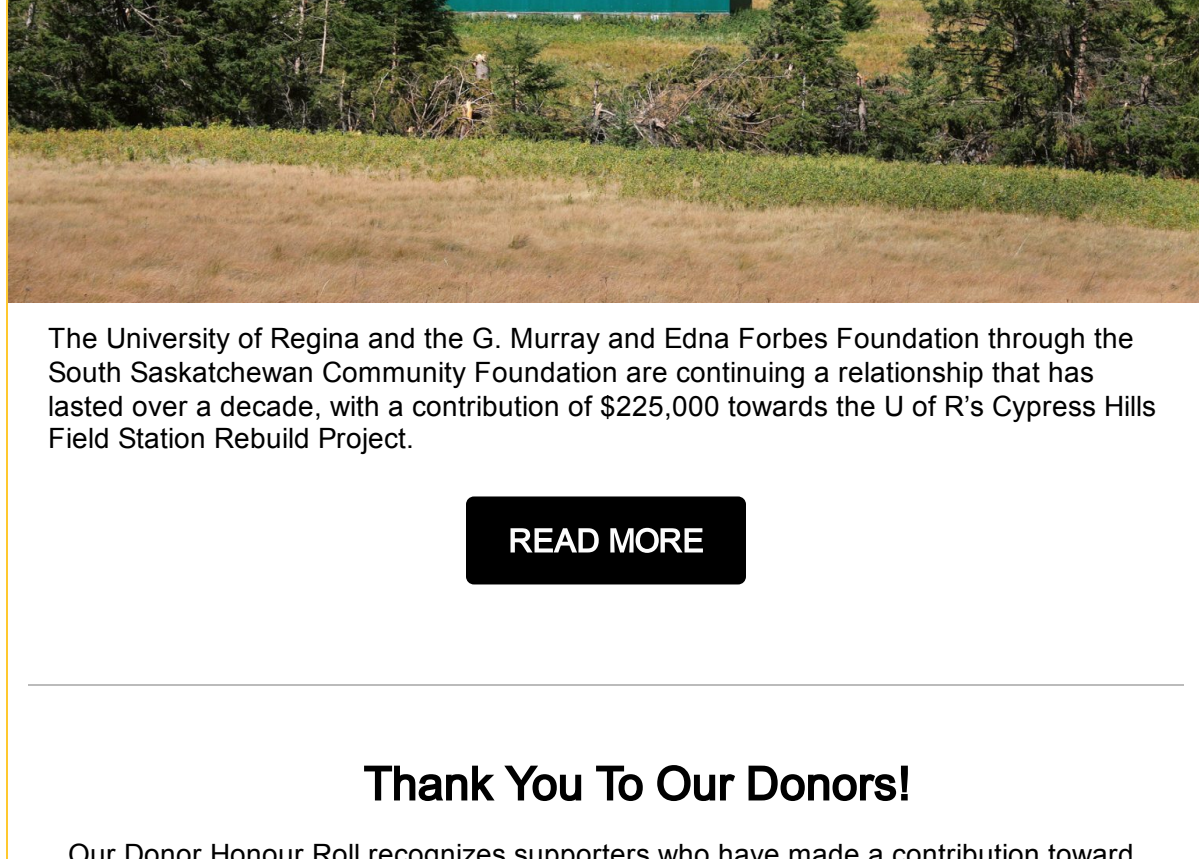


The prevention and treatment of concussions in sports has long been an important issue amongst athletes, professional sports leagues, and athletes alike.

Now, the **NFL** has provided funding to the University of Regina for research into both.

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University Of Regina's Cypress Hills Field Station Rebuild Project Receives \$225,000 Grant



The University of Regina and the G. Murray and Edna Forbes Foundation through the South Saskatchewan Community Foundation are continuing a relationship that has lasted over a decade, with a contribution of \$225,000 towards the U of R's Cypress Hills Field Station Rebuild Project.

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Thank You To Our Donors!

Our Donor Honour Roll recognizes supporters who have made a contribution toward University of Regina's students, programming, research, and other initiatives.

On our website we proudly recognize and honour the names of donors who demonstrate the unique ways we can make an impact on the University, and fall under one or more of the following categories:

Sustaining donors who are committed to giving regularly through the year, and **\$1,000+ donors** who have given \$1,000 or more in the previous fiscal year.

Legacy gift donors who wish to leave a lasting legacy of generosity that will endure past their lifetime, and help build the future they envision by including us in their estate plans.

We also include a category for **memorial/tribute gift honourees**, in whose name donors have made a gift in the previous fiscal year to show their respect, appreciation, or admiration for a friend or loved one, either living or passed on.

We invite you to take a moment and view the names of those described above, who inspire a sense of unwavering hope and optimism in all of us through their generosity:

Sustaining \$1,000+ Donors

Legacy Gift Donors

Memorial/Tribute Gift Honourees

People who made a donation: 1,384

Sustaining and \$1,000+ donors: 483

Expected legacy donors: 81

New donors: 560

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