

Jubilee Fund

The United Church in the Prairie to Pine region is a founding member of the **Jubilee Fund** - Manitoba's only charitable impact investment fund. We offer financial help for local non-profits and social enterprises working to reduce the impact of poverty.

The Jubilee Fund has been making a difference all over Manitoba since the year 2,000. We have funded day cares, low income housing, small businesses ventures and more.

Over the past two years our **Rent Guarantee Program** has helped at-risk women, previously incarcerated individuals, youth-coming-out-of-care and newcomers who have the capacity to make full rent payments but are facing the barrier of a lack of rental history to find rental housing. Jubilee Fund's role is to act as a guarantor.

Projects outside of Winnipeg have included the following:

Portage la Prairie Vision of Independence

(VOI) is a non-profit charitable organization that provides housing and programs to persons with intellectual disabilities. VOI provides residential, day and supported independent living programs in Winnipeg and Portage la Prairie. A loan guarantee made possible by Jubilee Fund investors helped VOI with the purchase of a training centre building and general office located in Portage la Prairie.

Portage la Prairie Community Revitalization Corporation Inc.

Jubilee Fund investors supported this organization that helps to reduce poverty and its harmful effects in Manitoba—with a direct loan in 2020

Thompson

A loan guarantee made possible by Jubilee Fund investors helped Keewatinowi Awasiak Opi-Ki-Wak Inc. (a childcare service for postsecondary students) purchase equipment, toys and furnishings for a new facility at the University College of the North (UNC) campus in Thompson.

Anola

A loan guarantee made possible by Jubilee Fund investors helped Springfield Learning Centres Inc. (SLC) add 21 new subsidized childcare spaces, including five new infant spaces to their new facility in Anola, Manitoba.

Families and farmers across Manitoba

This past summer, the Manitoba Community Food Currency Program received a \$100,000 boost from the Jubilee Fund. Under the Manitoba Community Food Currency Program, clients of social service agencies are provided with currency in the form of vouchers to spend at farmers' markets. <https://www.brandonsun.com/local/2024/08/20/farmers-market-voucher-program-needs-more-vendors>

The Jubilee Fund has funded over 52 projects in the City of Winnipeg. To find out more about our projects and investment opportunities, check our website. <https://www.jubileefund.ca/>

*Respectfully submitted,
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