

Jubilee Fund celebrates 25 years of making a difference in Manitoba!

As a founding member of the Jubilee Fund we have much to celebrate. Our commitment to the Jubilee Fund over the years has been invaluable. Thank you to Prairie to Pine Region, Region #5, the Centre for Christian Studies, Immanuel United Church, Rosser-Grosse Isle United Church and the many individuals who hold investments in the Jubilee Fund enabling us to do the important work you will read about below.

This is who we are

VISION STATEMENT

Jubilee Fund sees a future in which equitable economic opportunities are available to all members of society.

MISSION STATEMENT

Jubilee Fund's mission is to finance projects that reduce poverty and have a positive social impact in Manitoba. The Jubilee Fund is a non-profit lender that finances organizations and individuals that do not qualify for traditional financing.

Jubilee Fund works with financial institutions to provide flexible financing—including loan guarantees, direct loans and bridge financing for Manitoba organizations that reduce poverty.

Highlights from 2024

Project Support – Mirroring investment growth, project support reached new highs in 2024 with more than \$700,000 in projects being supported by Jubilee. Projects supported included deeply affordable home ownership projects from Purpose Homes, a food security initiative in the form of vouchers to the economically disadvantaged that allows people to access healthy, fresh, locally grown food from Farmer's Markets throughout Manitoba, as well as support for affordable childcare development and expansion. We were thrilled to see one of Jubilee's most exciting, supported projects, Harriet Street Affordable Seniors'Housing Project, pay back the entirety of their \$550,000 loan a mere two and a half years after it was distributed. We are happy to report that construction is well under way on the new affordable housing project in the heart of Winnipeg – a project that would never have been able to start without the support of investments by people and organizations into Jubilee.

Highlights so far in 2025

The Jubilee Fund has supported **Peg City Car Co-op** with a direct loan of \$500,000 to electrify their fleet of cars. This is a win both for affordability and the environment.

The Rent Guarantee Program is the first of its kind in Manitoba. It is intended for at-risk women, previously incarcerated individuals, youth-coming-out-of-care and newcomers who have the proven capacity to make full rent payments but are facing the barrier of a

lack of rental history. Jubilee Fund's role is to act as a guarantor for one year. This year we have helped more than 90 people to access rental housing. The key word that is being used by partners to describe the program is HOPE. Rent guarantees are being approved throughout Manitoba.

Purpose Homes is another significant project from the past year as we assisted them in building single family homes for sale below cost to families that would otherwise not be able to afford one.

You can help the Jubilee Fund this Christmas season by purchasing a beautiful wreath from Sunshine Greenhouse in Steinbach. Maybe your church can get involved in promoting this important initiative.

For more information go to <https://www.jubileefund.ca/donate/2025-wreath-fundraiser/>

For more information about donating or investing in the Jubilee Fund, go to:
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Respectfully submitted,

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