

News Release

B for Kai receives over \$10,000 from 100+ Women Who Care Halifax members

Tuesday, December 6, 2022 (Halifax, NS) – At the 40th 100+ Women Who Care Halifax (100+WWCH) chapter meeting B for Kai was selected as the recipient of over \$10,000.

“While the word ‘difficult’ doesn’t even begin to describe the pain of losing Kai, we’ve found some comfort in turning our tragedy into something positive,” says Norrie Matthews, Founder, B for Kai. “With the IWK BforKai Trust, we have an opportunity to fix the awareness gap with Meningitis B (MenB) and help protect Nova Scotians against this deadly infection.”

The funding will help B for Kai to fund education, advocacy and research into Meningitis B. The funding will be used to develop an information package that will be sent to every doctor in Nova Scotia to encourage them to speak with their patients about Men-B, work with the IWK to provide every new mother with information about the importance of vaccinating for MenB for their baby, as well as provide information about MenB to every student who receives a quadrivalent vaccine in their junior high year.

In addition to B for Kai, the other presenting charities included Jazz East Rising Association (Halifax Jazz Festival) and Aphasia Nova Scotia.

B for Kai will return to the next 100+WWCH meeting in March 2023 to update 100+WWCH members on how the funds were used.

“We had the honour of hearing from three remarkable charities, and learning how they make HRM a better place,” said Colette Robicheau, Founder of 100+WWCH. “We want to recognize and thank our premier sponsor, The Hydrostone Market, and our venue sponsor, The Prow Gallery. They have given us outstanding support for this meeting.”

“We’re so excited to be gathering again, both in-person and virtually,” says 100+ Women Who Care Co-Chair Charlene Fekeshazy. “We are grateful to The Prow Gallery for hosting us in their beautiful space. It provides the perfect background for the meaningful work of our great group of giving gals.”

About 100+WWCH

100+WWCH is a membership-based giving circle. Founded by Colette Robicheau and Jennifer Salib-Huber in 2014, 100+WWCH brings together like-minded people to support local non-profit organizations and charities that serve the Halifax Regional Municipality.

100+WWCH members meet four times a year, during the first week of March, June, September and December. Once a quarter, members of 100+WWCH nominate charities.

Of the nominated charities, three are randomly selected to present at the upcoming meeting. Following the three presentations from charitable organizations, the 100+WWCH members anonymously vote (either in-person or virtually) for which charity they would like to receive over \$10,000.

Since 2014, 100+WWCH member donations have totalled over \$620,000 to charities in the Halifax area. Past recipients can be found [here](#).

For further information visit: 100womenhfx.com. Updates are shared on [@100WomenHalifax](https://twitter.com/100WomenHalifax) on Twitter, [@100WomenHalifax](https://www.facebook.com/100WomenHalifax) on Facebook and [@100women](https://www.instagram.com/100women) on Instagram.

About the recipient, B for Kai

B for Kai exists to help educate people about Meningitis B and increase vaccination rates. We believe that no infant, child, or adolescent should die as a result of this potentially fatal infection. To learn more, visit bforkai.com, jwkfoundation.org/bforkai, or follow [@bforkai](https://www.instagram.com/bforkai) on Instagram and Facebook.

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Past recipients:

1. Brunswick Street Mission (donation recipient \$TBD)
2. Ward 5 Neighbourhood Centre (donation recipient \$12,715)
3. Kids Help Phone (donation recipient \$12,400)
4. Shelter Nova Scotia (donation recipient \$10,800)
5. St George's YouthNet (donation recipient \$11,300)
6. We Are Young (WAY) (donation recipient \$10,900)
7. Phoenix Youth (donation recipient \$12,000)
8. Halifax Sexual Health Centre (donation recipient \$10,800)
9. Prescott Group (donation recipient \$12,000)
10. Eating Disorders Nova Scotia (\$12,100)
11. Halifax Refugee Clinic (donation recipient \$13,100)
12. Coverdale Courtwork Society (donation recipient \$14,700)
13. Souls Harbour Rescue Mission (donation recipient \$14,400)
14. LOVE - Leave Out Violence (Nova Scotia) (donation recipient \$14,800)
15. Halifax Search and Rescue (donation recipient \$17,400)

16. Street Connection Mobile Soup Kitchen (donation recipient \$16,500)
17. Building Futures Employment Society (donation recipient \$17,100)
18. Camp Courage, The First Responders Society (donation recipient \$18,200)
19. Canadian Mental Health Association - Halifax/Dartmouth Chapter (donation recipient \$19,500)
20. Chisholm Services for Children (donation recipient \$18,420)
21. Chebucto Connections (donation recipient \$18,400)
22. Habitat for Humanity Nova Scotia (donation recipient \$16,300)
23. The Club Inclusion (donation recipient \$17,300)
24. Metro Non-Profit Housing Association (donation recipient \$21,300)
25. L'Arche Halifax (donation recipient \$21,400)
26. reachAbility (donation recipient \$21,200)
27. Boys and Girls Club of Sackville Summer Camps (donation recipient \$22,500)
28. Dartmouth Family Centre (donation recipient \$20,600+)
29. The Leukemia and Lymphoma Society Patient Services Program (donation recipient \$21,350)
30. Elizabeth Fry Society of Mainland Nova Scotia (donation recipient \$19,600)
31. The Boys and Girls Club of Spryfield (donation recipient \$18,900)
32. YWCA's "Supportive Housing for Young Mother's Project" (donation recipient \$18,200)
33. Friends of Gilda (donation recipient \$17,700)
34. Amanda's Gift (Nova Scotia Council for the Family) (donation recipient \$16,600)
35. Dartmouth Adult Services Centre (donation recipient \$17,500)
36. Big Brothers Big Sisters of Greater Halifax (donation recipient \$17,300)
37. Alice Housing (donation recipient \$14,500)
38. Laing House (donation recipient \$17,000)
39. Bryony House (donation recipient \$12,000)

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