



# Community Matters

## 1. Sussex Area Burger Week – October 16 to 25, 2020



Sussex Area Community Foundation is organizing Sussex Area Burger Week (SABW) Round 2. This is the second year for SABW which will be October 15 to 25. SABW is when local restaurants and eateries are asked to create a special burger to sell for one week only. A portion of sales from these burgers is then donated to the Sussex Area Community Foundation to help with programs and services. The challenge is to sample all the burgers within the timeframe or you can pick a couple of favorites. Burger buyers are asked to vote on their favorite burger for the favorite of the year. Last year Taste and See created the Sweet Maple Bacon Brunch Crunch which gained the most votes followed closely by the All Season's burger called The Aviator. When you purchase a burger you receive a ticket for the grand prize of local merchandise valued over \$250.00. This is an event you don't want to miss! Burgers are available for eat-in or take-out and support local business and the Foundation.

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*The Sussex Area Community Foundation is a public charity run by local volunteers. The Foundation invests pooled donations with returns used to address community needs through grants and scholarships.*

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## 2. Random Act of Kindness Day

Join us in spreading kindness in the community. November 6 will be Random Act of Kindness Day. A time to do something kind for someone with nothing in return. Sussex Area Community Foundation will be offering grants to local schools to help share kindness.



### 3. Emergency Community Support Fund

To help the most vulnerable in our community's deal with the effects of COVID-19 the Government of Canada sponsored grants to be distributed by Community Foundations of Canada, United Way and The Red Cross organizations across Canada. Sussex Area Community Foundation was pleased to provide the following grants to the Sussex area to help with COVID-19 issues:

**AX: Arts & Culture Centre Sussex** received a grant to develop a series of online art programs including artist presentations, literary readings and live interactive workshops to allow vulnerable people in the community to engage in arts and cultural activities in the safety of their own home.

**Community Action for Refugees Sussex** received the following grants:

**Social:** This project will provide 4 refugee families living in Sussex each with a family pass at the Nutrien Civic Centre to encourage social participation, physical activity, and mental health stimulation within a community environment.

**Education:** This project will provide the 4 refugee families living in Sussex each with a lap top computer in order to access online English classes, online school activities, and to better stay in touch with other community members through social media platforms.

**Transportation:** This project will increase opportunity for the 4 refugee families living in Sussex to travel to various appointments, school, work, socialize, etc. It will be accomplished in the short term with taxi vouchers and through out the longer term in driver education for 3 more individuals in the families.

**Portage Atlantic:** Portage is a not-for-profit organization whose primary mission is to help vulnerable people aged 14-21 struggling with substance abuse problems get rid of their addictions. This project would be to develop a hybrid virtual room for the Portage center in Cassidy Lake for residents.

**Sussex and Area Seniors Centre:** Update facility and activities to accommodate social distancing. The project will purchase of extra tables and an improved sound system that can be used on both floors at the same time.

**Sussex Pregnancy Care Center:** Will expand the wide range of streamed parenting education lessons can be done at home with the incentive of earning practical necessities for parents and their young children.

**Good News!** The Government of Canada is sponsoring a second round of the Emergency Community Support

Fund with applications being accepted from October 5 – 31, 2020. You can get more information by contacting the Sussex Area Community Foundation or going to the website at [sacfi.org](http://sacfi.org). This fund is to help the most vulnerable in our community that have been affected by COVID-19. Thanks to the Government of Canada for making this funding available to help our community.

