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Vancouver
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Association

Annual Report 2024



INTRODUCTION

The Vancouver Botanical Gardens Association (VBGA) acknowledges that VanDusen Botanical Garden and Bloedel Conservatory are located on the unceded Ancestral shared lands of the xʷməθkʷəy̍əm (Musqueam), Skwxwú7mesh (Squamish), and səlilwətaʔ Nations. We are honoured to be on the lands where these Nations have lived since time immemorial, and where they continue to maintain stewardship and live in balance with nature.

Our mission of connecting people to plants is rooted in place-based education. We work to honour our host Nations' knowledge and protocols and will continue to build relations on trust and respect for the caretakers and knowledge keepers of the land that supports us. In the true spirit of Truth and Reconciliation, we recognize that our work of promoting environmental sustainability and stewardship would not be possible without Indigenous perspectives and knowledge.



VanDusen Botanical Garden and Bloedel Conservatory are jointly operated by the Vancouver Botanical Gardens Association (VBGA) and the City of Vancouver Board of Parks and Recreation. Both organisations share responsibility for the day to day running of the Gardens. This close and long-standing relationship is best represented in what we all get to experience every day at both locations.

In 2024, VBGA and Park Board signed a new Joint Operating Agreement. This Agreement will govern how both parties will work together for the benefit of VanDusen Botanical Garden and Bloedel Conservatory, our members, and the broader community. You can read the Agreement at vandusengarden.org/about.

LETTER FROM VBGA PRESIDENT



I am very pleased with the progress the Association has made this past year. Our Membership, Volunteer, Education and Philanthropy programs went from strength to strength, and 2024 was a year of milestones at the Garden and for the Association.

A highlight from this past year is the building of the Learning Garden at VanDusen Botanical Garden, a project we are proud to have undertaken in collaboration with the Vancouver Park Board and marks the first major Garden installation in thirteen years.

Our vision was for an educational space where program participants could attend practical classes and get their hands in the soil at VanDusen Botanical Garden, where volunteers could contribute their horticultural skills in garden beds, and where public garden visitors from near and far could learn and connect with gardening and plants. We started welcoming children attending our Summer Camps to the Learning Garden beginning summer 2024 and the Garden has been thriving since then.

The final phases of the Learning Garden are expected to be completed in 2025 and will include interpretive signage to further enhance learning in the space. You can read more about the Learning Garden further on in this report.

In addition to this wonderful development at the Garden, another remarkable achievement from this year is that donors gave VBGA the incredible gift of being able to welcome both adults and children facing financial barriers to our education programs.

This means we were able to provide a bursary to anybody who requested financial support to access our programing. Thank you for allowing us to be in the very fortunate position of being able to support those who need it most.

In May of 2024, former VBGA President Paul Kluckner and Steve Jackson Park Board General Manager signed the official Joint Operating Agreement (JOA) between VBGA and Park Board, the signing of which was the culmination of almost six years of hard work. We built on VBGA's Mission and Vision, the Park Board's VanPlay strategy, and the 2021 VanDusen & Bloedel Strategic Plan. The full JOA document is available to read on our website and both VBGA and Park Board staff have been working hard since then planning to operationalize the Agreement.

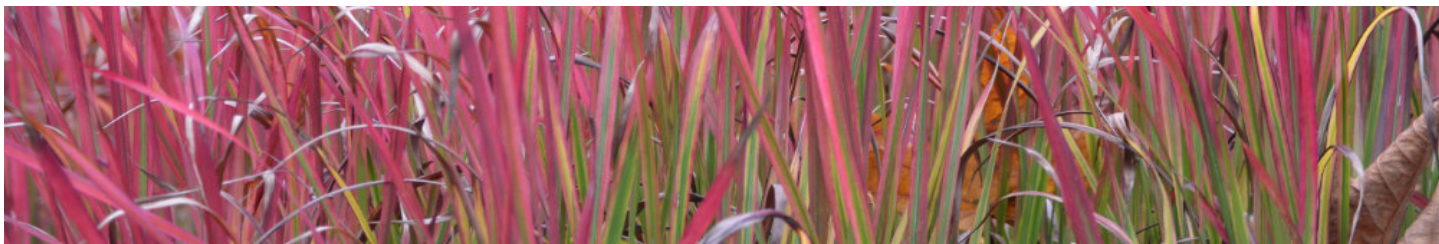
I would like to extend my sincere thanks to the VBGA staff and Board led by Executive Director Stephen Shapiro for their outstanding work this year. It has been my pleasure to work alongside them and I am very proud of what we have been able to achieve. I also wish to recognize the hard work of VanDusen and Bloedel Park Board staff led by Garden Director Ema Tanaka for their hard work and support.

All the best,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "AM Copping".

Ann-Marie Copping

President,
Vancouver Botanical Gardens Association



A note from VBGA Executive Director Stephen Shapiro:



2024 was a milestone year for VBGA. We completed several major projects, and I extend my sincere thanks to everyone who contributed to this success.

In May 2024, former VBGA President Paul Kluckner and Vancouver Park Board General Manager Steve Jackson signed the official Joint Operating Agreement (JOA), marking the culmination of nearly six years of dedicated effort. Both VBGA and Park Board staff have been working hard since then planning to operationalize the Agreement, in particular; planning and implementing our move to the Discovery Room in the VanDusen Visitor Centre.

Another major achievement in 2024 was the creation of the Learning Garden at VanDusen - a collaborative project with the Vancouver Park Board that reflects our shared commitment to education and community engagement. The Learning Garden was built in time for our popular Summer Camp season, where over 500 children between the ages of 5 - 12 were able to participate in one or more sessions in this new space. Thank you to all our staff, volunteers, members and donors who contributed to the Learning Garden's success.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank our hundreds of volunteers who work tirelessly behind the scenes and directly with our community of members, donors, program participants and visitors. 2024 was a special year for our volunteer Garden Guides who celebrated their 50th anniversary of guiding at the Garden. This team started training the year before VanDusen Botanical Garden opened. Congratulations and thank you for 50 years of enhancing the Garden experience for countless visitors and members. VBGA Volunteers amplify our impact and help bring our mission to life as we connect to plants and their importance to our lives.

Stephen Shapiro
Executive Director
Vancouver Botanical Gardens Association

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VOLUNTEER ENGAGEMENT



In 2024, the Volunteer Team continued working on accessibility and inclusivity, launched new trainings, celebrated the 50th anniversary of the Garden Guides, and introduced the new Learning Garden Maintenance Volunteer role. More than 325 volunteers contributed over 19,000 hours in dozens of mission-focused roles.

We developed and launched two new online trainings; *Introduction to Inclusion, Diversity, Equity and Accessibility (IDEA)* and *Guest Experience Fundamentals*. We introduced a series of health and safety learning modules and refreshed the existing *Introduction to Indigenous Knowledge and Perspectives*. Over 200 volunteers completed one or more of the new trainings.

Volunteer Impact:

- We celebrated the Garden Guides' 50th Anniversary throughout 2024, (the first Guides began in 1974, the year before VanDusen opened to the public). To commemorate their 50th anniversary, a plaque was presented to the Guides at the Annual Recognition and Awards event held in October. This year the Garden Guides enhanced the visits of over 17,500 VanDusen visitors through walking and cart tours and at the Guide Information Trolley in the Plaza.
- Dedicated Seed Collector volunteers collected, processed and sold almost 3,000 seed packages, resulting in a donation of \$14,000 to VBGA. The seed packages were available in the VanDusen gift shop and on the Seed Collector's online store, shipping as far away as New Zealand.

- The Plant Sale Committee coordinated an offsite event in Port Moody. They focused their time on revising the Plant Sale for its modified return in 2025.
- The Discovery Stations at VanDusen and Bloedel had another successful year, logging over 6,700 interactions engaging visitors in citizen science and the importance of biodiversity.
- Garden Hosts maintained a welcoming presence in the Visitor Centre and interacted with over 28,000 visitors and members to VanDusen, answering questions, and highlighting what to see.
- Today in the Garden volunteers were onsite over 150 days. Their work highlighted the best of VanDusen through the thoughtful displays of cuttings that welcomed visitors by the entrance.
- Out in the Garden, visitors' enjoyment of the Garden plants was enhanced by Plant Labeler and Sign Cleaner volunteers, who support Garden staff with plant inventory and signage.
- 62 Education volunteers dedicated their time and talents to enhancing the experience of preschool, youth and adult program participants. The new Learning Garden Maintenance role supports key tasks such as weeding and watering.
- Special Event volunteers supported events like Harvest Days and Fleurs de Villes. These accessible, flexible opportunities welcomed 110 volunteers who contributed 589 hours of support.
- Office, communications, and practicum student volunteers dedicated over 1,200 hours behind the scenes.



VBGA EDUCATION

Growing plant-based literacy

Connecting people of all ages to plants through educational programming at VanDusen Botanical Garden and Bloedel Conservatory is at the heart of what we do as an organization. In 2024, our educational roots continued to spread at Bloedel Conservatory with the launch of our newly revamped in-person field trip experience. We also had the unique opportunity to grow new shoots by expanding this field trip beyond the Conservatory dome, offering it both in-person and online, making it accessible to schools across Canada.



This blended field trip was carefully crafted by our 2024 VBGA Fellow, Dr. Poh Tan, and the VBGA Education Team, thanks to financial support from Jean Hurst and the Christopher Foundation. Through support from the Government of Canada's Community Services Recovery Fund, we were able to record educational videos for the online field trip both inside and outside Bloedel Conservatory. We were honoured to record video clips of individuals sharing their diverse cultural perspectives and meaningful connections to tropical plants native to countries including Venezuela, Brazil, Mexico, Malaysia, China, India and Benin.

The Education Team shared their passion for plants in the United States and Canada by giving three presentations for the American Public Gardens Association (APGA), including for the APGA IDEA cafe (focused on Indigenous

Inclusion) which took place online for hundreds of participants, at the APGA Annual Conference in Boston, and at the APGA Education Symposium in Salt Lake City. Education team members also presented at the Take Me Outside Conference in Banff, Canada.

Closer to home, we branched out to communities at events including the Vancouver Heritage Fair, Science World Pollinator Fair, and BC Housing Block Party. We were pleased to host the official opening event for the Greater Vancouver Bird Celebration at VanDusen Botanical Garden, as well as partnering with the Royal BC Museum for a Community Dialogue session focused on accessibility.

We were pleased to launch a free VanDusen Botanical Garden digital guide through Bloomberg Connects, which is a new way for us to connect with our wider community through education. We have created two interactive digital tours on this app - a First Peoples & Plants Tour narrated by our Indigenous Education Facilitator, and a Garden Highlights Tour narrated by our Learning Garden Coordinator. Each of these tours provides free digital, interactive access to the Garden and showcases some of our educational content. These multimedia tours include video and audio recordings, and insights from our Education team to engage users deeply, furthering the VBGA mission of connecting people to plants.

Our educational roots at VanDusen Botanical Garden and Bloedel Conservatory continue to keep us grounded in providing quality place-based environmental programs for learners of all ages. Our offerings for schools and teachers include: guided and self-directed curriculum aligned tours for K-12, Pollinator Days field trip festival, nature kits, teacher professional development (both online and in-person), teacher resources available for borrowing from the Yosef Wosk Library & Resource Centre, free adult education courses for educators, and our annual teacher Open House. We continue to offer diverse adult education programming, family and preschool programs, nature camps, public outreach, library programming, and research fellowship and internship opportunities for post-secondary students. As we grow new shoots onsite in our Learning Garden and further afield via our digital educational offerings, we will continue to nurture our roots dedicated to connecting people to plants.

Education Highlights:

- The Yosef Wosk Library and Resource Centre welcomed 4059 library visitors
- Library programming included; 9 Preschool Storytime sessions, 5 Rae Warner Speaker Series, 9 Book Club meetings and 3 art exhibitions celebrating local artists
- 116 participants joined us for Medicine Wheel Ceremonies
- Family Programs hosted 457 participants

“My kids absolutely loved camp last week! They said it was their favourite camp so far and definitely want to go back!”

- Camp Parent



- The Preschool Wonder Walks program hosted 172 of our youngest Garden enthusiasts and their caregivers
- Our family workshops achieved a 101% fill rate in 2024, selling out every spot (and more!)
- We welcomed 6179 field trip participants to VanDusen Garden and Bloedel Conservatory
- We facilitated 55 days of camp throughout the year and welcomed 1397 children across 8 Pro-D Camps, 10 days of Spring Break Camps, and 8 weeks of Summer Camps



- 410 students attended field trip programs at Bloedel Conservatory
- 533 students from 19 schools attended Pollinator Days Field Trip Festival
- 430 teachers attended 5 full-day and 4 half-day professional development workshops held at the Garden and online



“Thank you for the bursary. It made it the field trip accessible for all children.”

- Teacher

- 425 participants joined our in-person adult education programs
- 260 participants attended our online adult ed programs
- This year our Adult Education program introduced 15 brand-new offerings including: Traditional & Indigenous Craft Techniques, Wildlife & Habitat Conservation and Sustainable Gardening & Plant Identification
- 425 students learned about VanDusen Botanical Garden from their classrooms with our Nature Kits offering



“I love this thoughtful, intelligent group and our discussions are fascinating!”

- Book Club Attendee

THE LEARNING GARDEN

The construction of the Learning Garden was a major highlight for VBGA and the Education Team in 2024 and marks our first major Garden installation in thirteen years. The Learning Garden is a dream project made a reality through the support of many generous donors and in collaboration with the Vancouver Park Board. This welcoming and inclusive space gives education program participants the opportunity to get their hands into the soil at VanDusen and learn in a practical way. With the assistance of our volunteers, who contribute their time and skills to help maintain the Learning Garden, visitors - whether lifelong gardeners or curious newcomers - can directly explore the richness of nature and gardening.

When building the space, it was important for us to follow community garden accessibility standards set by the City of Vancouver, and we also consulted with the Disabled Independent Gardeners Association. The entire area has wheelchair grade gravel, the potting bench is accessible for various heights, and each planter is designed to be wheelchair accessible. A selection of ergonomic gardening tools is available catering to a wide range of users.

The Learning Garden features the newly constructed central Garden Lab and is maintained by VBGA staff and volunteers. The Garden Lab comprises of eight raised planters and one larger central U-shaped planter. The Learning Garden also includes existing collections curated and maintained by Park Board employees, such as the apple orchard, beehives, and a thriving vegetable garden.

Custom benches made of durable, recycled plastic suitable for groups of 30 or more are arranged in a semicircle allowing for presentations, and a custom three-level potting bench gives learners additional space to work. A 96-square-foot shed allows for efficient storage, and new plumbing has allowed for immediate access to water for growing and cleaning produce, as well as for the creation of a hand washing station. In addition, a new rain barrel is both a functional and educational display piece.

The first phase of the Learning Garden was completed in time for our 2024 Summer Camps. Each raised garden bed has a curated theme, one of the most popular being the taco garden, which showcases plants from popular taco recipes. Hundreds of children got to plant seeds, water, weed, harvest and learn culinary skills such as dicing vegetables to make pickles and salsa. Garden visitors enjoyed themed garden beds such as the plant dye garden, the tea garden and the plants grown in outer space garden.

This exciting new installment at VanDusen Botanical Garden is a transformational space, allowing all Garden visitors to learn about plant-pollinator relationships, ethnobotany, food security, biodiversity, conservation, and more. Seeing smiling nature enthusiasts of all ages interact with this space and each other is one of our proudest achievements and we look forward to creating additional innovative and inclusive programming in this space in the years ahead to further our mission.



**“The Learning Garden
gives the simple joy
of planting back to
the community.”**

**- Chantal Martin, VBGA Director of
Education & Research**



MEMBERSHIP HIGHLIGHTS

In 2024, the Vancouver Botanical Gardens Association's membership program continued to grow, bringing more people closer to nature through unlimited access to VanDusen Botanical Garden and Bloedel Conservatory. Members enjoyed special discounts on educational programs, priority registration for nature camps, savings on select special events like Sakura Days Japan Fair and Festival of Lights, and exclusive offers at Shaughnessy Restaurant and partner businesses around Vancouver.

This year, new membership options were introduced. A Youth Membership category was launched, encouraging younger generations to connect with nature, while a Group Membership option provided a new way for organizations and community groups to enjoy the Garden together. Additionally, we introduced a Patron Membership, offering enhanced benefits for those who wish to deepen their support of VBGA's mission.

"All your services and entire garden experience are excellent. Thank you."

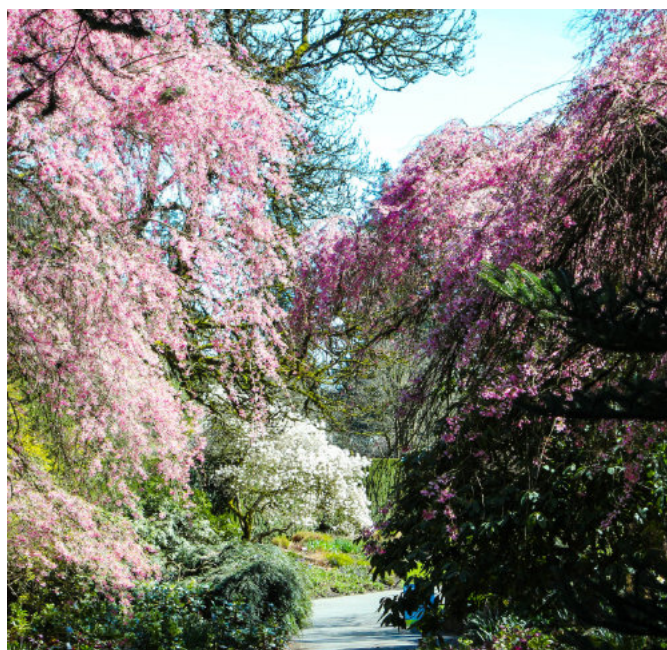
- VBGA Member

By the end of 2024, our membership community had expanded to 15,601 active members, up from approximately 14,000 members in 2023. The Membership program enjoyed a significant 6% increase in revenue in 2024 to a total of \$536,801, up from \$505,889 in 2023, which helps fund crucial initiatives such as botanical conservation, Indigenous programming, and educational bursaries.



"Very happy with membership overall and planning to renew for next year."

- VBGA Member



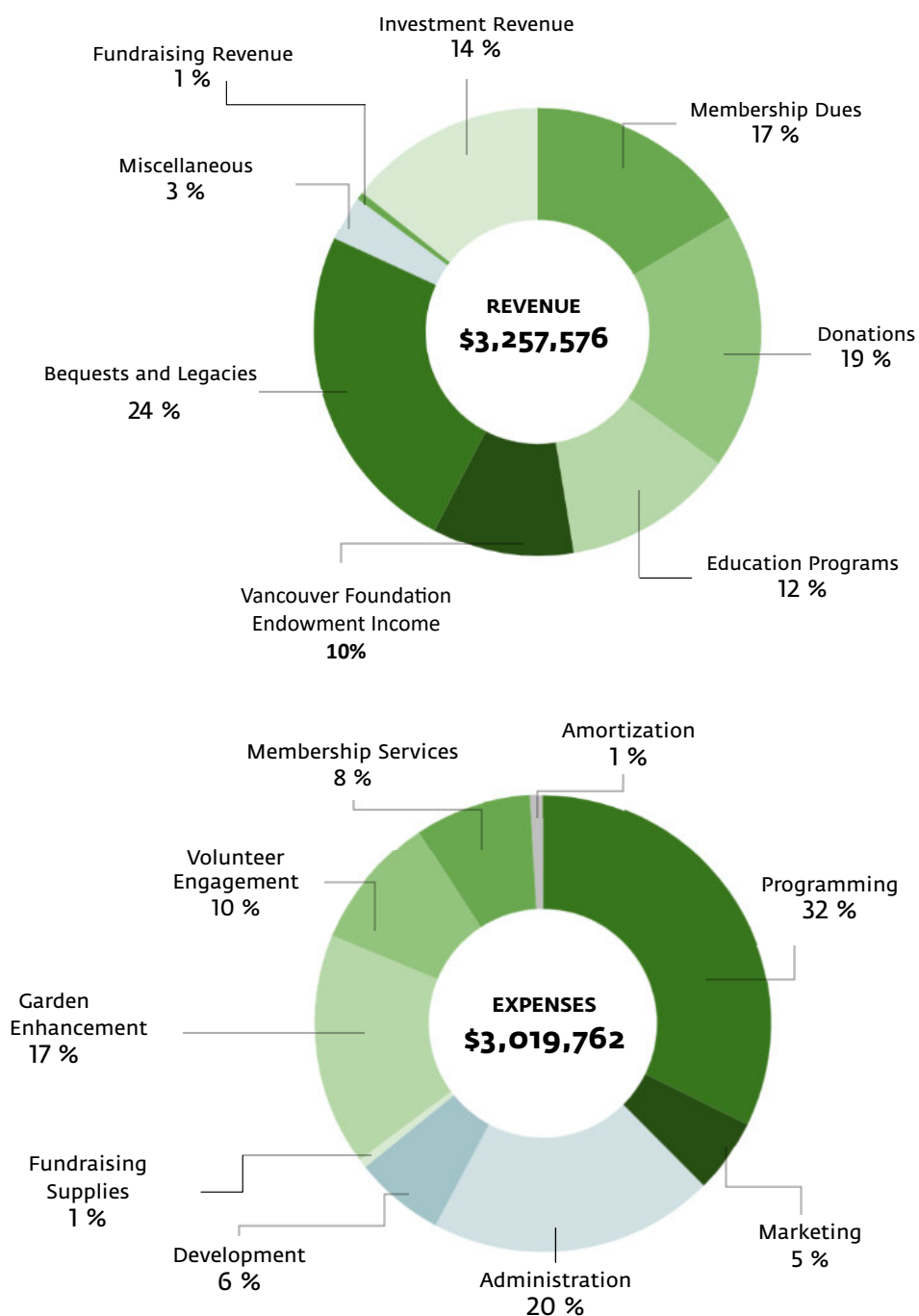
Our annual Member Appreciation Event in the fall was once again a highlight. Held alongside the exclusive Garden Gift Shop sale, members enjoyed a warm and welcoming atmosphere with complimentary refreshments, special discounts, and a chance to connect with fellow nature lovers.

At the heart of our membership program is our dedicated team of Member Service Associates and volunteer Garden Hosts, who provide exceptional service at the Membership Desk, online, and over the phone. Their efforts ensure that every member feels valued and supported throughout their journey with VBGA.

We are incredibly grateful for our growing membership community, whose continued support plays a vital role in protecting and enhancing VanDusen Botanical Garden and Bloedel Conservatory for future generations.

FINANCIAL RESULTS

VBGA has completed the fiscal year with a surplus of \$237,814. Our financial statements are audited by BDO Canada LLP. A copy of our full financial statements is available on our website, vandusengarden.org/about.



*The administration costs shown are not allocated to specific program areas and are centralized support services.



DEVELOPMENT

The successes you have read throughout this report are testament to the unwavering dedication of our supporters. 2024 was a year where we faced soaring inflation and record numbers of people seeking bursaries, all against a backdrop of continued climate change. But, thanks to the garden lovers who stepped forward to make a difference, 2024 was a year the Gardens flourished.

When the cost to build the Learning Garden was driven up by global inflation and supply chain issues, it was our donors who stepped forward to ensure that it was completed. These supporters shared our vision – that everyone should have the opportunity to have hands-on experience with nature and grow something of their own. Thanks to them, over 13,000 square feet was renovated in time for Summer Camps, giving hundreds of children their first ever experience caring for plants.

“Between the pandemic, inflation, and global supply chain issues, I have never worked with a more challenging budget. Our donors never lost faith, they are what kept this project alive”

- Chantal Martin
VBGA Director of Education & Research

When more people than ever before needed help to experience the Gardens, it was donors who gave them the opportunity to participate. No child was denied the chance to learn and play in the Gardens this year, and low-income seniors were able to access free education for the first time in the Garden’s history. We are delighted to share that this will continue into 2025, with a record number of people choosing to donate to continue this incredibly worthy cause.

When climate change threatened the future of VanDusen Botanical Garden, it was donors who kickstarted the Climate Adaptation Fund. This fund sets aside money to ensure that VanDusen will remain an oasis in our city for future generations and has already been used to purchase dozens of new species for the Gardens; ones we hope will flourish despite our changing climate.

We head into 2025 in the knowledge that our community is behind us. It is because of this support that new projects and events will be undertaken, further elevating VanDusen Botanical Garden and Bloedel Conservatory as internationally recognized places of learning, beauty and respite.

Whether you have supported the Gardens for years or are new to our community, whether you’re a dedicated philanthropist or simply doing your part to make a difference—thank you.

You were the reason the Learning Garden was built, you are why no child or senior who requested financial support was excluded from enjoying the Gardens, and you are why the Gardens will continue to thrive for future generations.



- **13,950 square feet of space renovated for the Learning Garden**
- **344 plants purchased from the Climate Adaptation Fund**
- **2,639 education bursaries given**
- **More people donated in 2024 than any time in the past decade**

THANK YOU 2024 SUPPORTERS

LIFETIME CUMULATIVE GIVING

(1985 to
December 31, 2024)

ALMA SOCIETY (\$15,000 plus)

The Glenn and Annetta Agnew
Memorial Fund, held at the
Vancouver Foundation
Loretta & Glenn Barr*
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Whole Foods Market

Vancouver Botanical Gardens Association gratefully acknowledges the generosity of our donors whose support is critical to sustaining our activities, programs, and services allowing us to continue connecting people to the importance of biodiversity and deepening their connection with nature. Every effort has been made to ensure the accuracy of this list. If there are errors or omissions, please accept our apologies and contact our development team at 604-257-8677.



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Estate of Elizabeth B. Walker
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Estate of Brian Clark
Willoughby
Estate of William John Winder
Estate of Lillian Jenda
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Estate of Alma Philion
Estate of Claire R. Spencer
Estate of Elizabeth Margaret
Stirling
Estate of Barrie Wharton

ANNUAL GIVING

(January 1st 2024 to
December 31st 2024)

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Endowment Fund, held at the
Vancouver Foundation*
Glen and Marjorie Olds Fund,
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Kay Raisbeck
Service Canada
The Vancouver Foundation
Alma VanDusen Garden Fund,
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VanDusen Plant Sale
Estate of Godfrey H. Lynam
Estate of Sharmeen Patricia
Ritchie
Estate of Silvia Dorothea Starr
Estate of Mollie Thackeray

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The Christopher Foundation
Fairway Fund, held at the
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VanDusen Seed Collectors
Charles & Dale Young
Estate of Barbara Eveline
Burman
Estate of Helen Bloxsom Davis

RED CEDAR (\$5,000-\$9,999)

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Rita Dempsey
Diamond Foundation
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Endowed Fund, held at the
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J.M. Hurst*
IDEA Center for Public Gardens
Larkspur Foundation*
Jane Macdonald
Master Gardeners Association
of BC*
Nature Canada
TD Friends of the Environment
Foundation
Wray Family Foundation
Karen Zahn

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Mike & Kathy Gallagher
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Patsy Pugh
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YMCA of Greater Vancouver

ARBUTUS (\$500-\$999)

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Alison Buchan
Jason Chan
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The Garden Club of Vancouver*
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