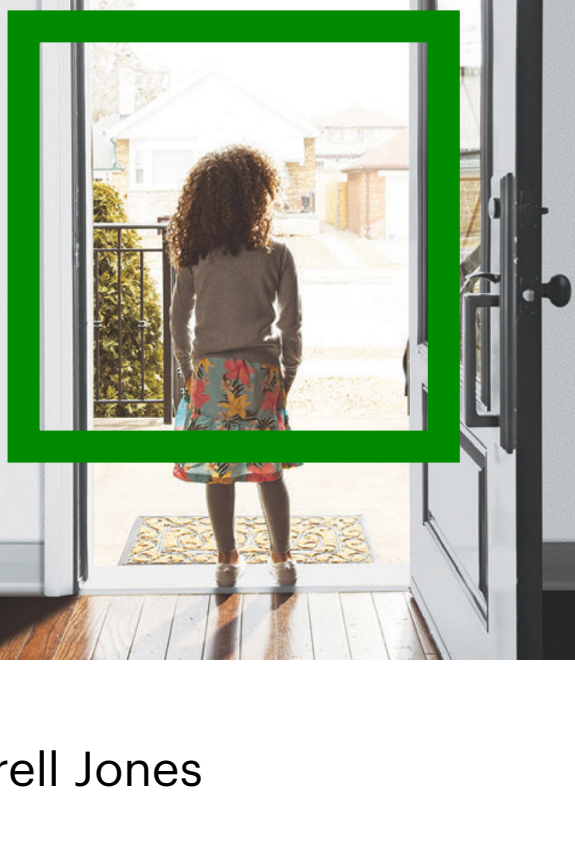


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# TD Corporate Citizenship Newsletter

Opening doors for a more sustainable and inclusive tomorrow



## Message from Janice Farrell Jones

SVP, Sustainability and Corporate Citizenship

Over the past few months, we made considerable progress on our collective goals to help drive equitable and sustainable change, supporting 355 community opportunities through the TD Ready Commitment across Canada and in the U.S.

Among the highlights from the first quarter was a \$1 million donation to support the Augmented Precision Medicine Lab at Sunnybrook Health Sciences Centre, an investment in developing cutting-edge artificial intelligence systems to help improve the clinical care that patients receive in the fields of cardiology, cancer and other chronic diseases. We know that when people feel confident about their health, they feel better about their future. We also advanced our efforts to promote clean economic growth to help support a transition to a low-carbon economy through a \$2 million grant to the new McGill Centre for Innovation in Storage and Conversion of Energy. As a result of initiatives like these, and our efforts to embed Environmental, Social, Governance (ESG) considerations across the Bank, I'm proud to say that TD was once again listed on the S&P Global Dow Jones Sustainability World Index for the eighth consecutive year and is the top ranked North American-based bank for 2022 on this index.

We closed out the quarter announcing the 2021 TD Ready Challenge grant recipients. Over 300 applicants responded to our

call for scalable solutions to address the learning loss in math and reading for students disproportionately impacted by the pandemic. The 2021 TD Ready Challenge problem statement resonated deeply for many, including myself, as we see how the pandemic is affecting children's learning. Read our spotlight story below or visit [td.stories.com](https://td.stories.com) to learn more about the 15 grant recipient organizations.

Through the TD Ready Commitment, we are proud to support community groups, learning from their insights to help focus our efforts and support opportunities that nurture positive change. It helps to accelerate and amplify our collective support of the communities we serve and has helped us evolve our ESG strategy that is guided by our purpose and inspired by our forward focus.

We know there is always more to do, and we will continue to work to help find solutions to help people, businesses and communities thrive in a changing world.

In the next two quarters of our fiscal year, there will be much more to share around Black History Month, Lunar New Year, Asian Heritage Month, National Indigenous History Month and Pride.

Please read on to learn more about how the TD Ready Commitment made progress against our goals over the last quarter.

## The Four Interconnected Drivers of Change

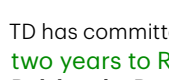


### Financial Security

Early Learning, Income Stability, Affordable Housing, Financial Literacy



Funding approved for **94 organizations in total this quarter** in **Canada** and the **United States**.



TD has committed **\$150,000 over two years to Reside Winnipeg**, a **Raising the Roof** project aimed at increasing access to affordable, stable housing for Indigenous families and individuals at risk of homelessness. Renovations to a vacant property in North End Winnipeg will provide paid hands-on training and wraparound supports to over 40 people with barriers to employment during construction and create three homes for families from the Indigenous community and youth aging out of care. Fearless R2W, an organization from the Indigenous community dedicated to keeping families together, will provide tenants with ongoing supports including connection to resources to help reclaim kinship practices from the culture of Indigenous Peoples.



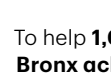
**Seneca College's Career Recharge program** received a **\$450,000 grant** from TD to continue developing and delivering resources, workshops and activities to help individuals re-enter the workforce, advance in their field, change careers or start a new venture. Established through a \$1-million TD Ready Challenge grant in 2019, this new grant will help keep the free program operating until at least 2024.



In December, the TD Charitable Foundation renewed support for the **Streetwise 'MBA'** program through a **\$120,000 U.S. grant to Interise**. Over the next year, 75 small business owners in Wilmington, DE and in the greater Baltimore area will receive specialized support through the Streetwise MBA program to help facilitate access to procurement opportunities, as well as public and private capital. TD colleagues from Commercial and Retail lines of business will act as guest speakers and subject matter experts on preparing financial statements for loan applications and what financial institutions look for during the lending process.



The TD Charitable Foundation is supporting the **United Way of Greater Philadelphia and Southern New Jersey** with a **\$150,000 U.S. grant over the next year to launch Individual Development Accounts (IDA)**. The program will offer financial education and wealth-building opportunities to 300 participants from low-income or underrepresented communities and will match individual savings 3:1 for post-secondary education, small business expansion, or first-time homeownership.



To help **1,000 third graders from the Bronx achieve reading proficiency**, the TD Charitable Foundation will provide **\$125,000 U.S. to support the United Way of New York City's READNYC program**. Expanded learning and summer engagement opportunities will be offered at five elementary schools in the Bronx over the next year to support student literacy, equity mindset development, and increased instructional leadership effectiveness.



### Vibrant Planet

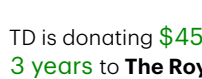
Green Spaces, Low-Carbon Economy



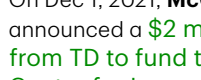
Funding approved for **12 organizations in total this quarter** in **Canada** and the **United States**.



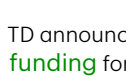
In January, the **TD Friends of the Environment Foundation (TD FEF)** released the **2021 Year in Review**. **Over \$3.9 million** was donated to 551 Canadian projects through TD FEF with the support of more than 130,000 donors.



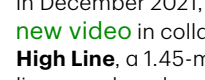
TD is donating **\$450,000 over 3 years to The Royal Canadian Geographical Society (RCGS)** to help increase the amount of healthy green spaces across Canada through the planting of native seeds, plants and trees. The RCGS aims to help start a national movement to revitalize, rehabilitate and restore biodiversity, and strengthen habitats by providing resources - knowledge, skills and seeds - for people to create naturalized spaces on their own properties.



On Dec 1, 2021, **McGill University** announced a **\$2 million donation from TD to fund the new McGill Centre for Innovation in Storage and Conversion of Energy**, which aims to be a key contributor in driving sustainability in Canada and one of the world's leading sites for carbon-free energy conversion and storage innovation. Funds from TD will help bolster research capacity in innovative, carbon-free energy solutions, build a community of researchers in the field, and train students to become agents of change who can drive forward technologies of the new green economy.



TD announced a **second round of funding for the Patents for Startups** program, which helps early innovators protect and patent their clean technology, health technology and sustainability solutions. Working in collaboration with the **TD Sustainable Future Lab** accelerator in Waterloo, the program builds on our global Climate Action Plan to help support a transition to a low-carbon economy and continue to bring our ESG efforts forward.



In December 2021, TD sponsored a **new video** in collaboration with the **High Line**, a 1.45-mile-long (2.5 km) linear park and one of New York City's most beloved destinations for both locals and tourists alike. This unique video provides viewers and those not able to visit with a 360° guided, private tour of the High Line. Watch the video [here](#).



The **TD Charitable Foundation** supported the **Reed Foundation for Autism** as they seek to help young people with autism as they move to the next stages of adulthood. The programs offer students hands-on training in an urban hydroponic farm, providing them with the skills to contribute to the expansion of sustainable agriculture and the economic development of their communities while earning a wage to help support themselves in adulthood.

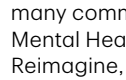


### Connected Communities

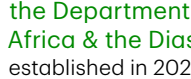
Shared Experiences, Arts and Culture, Local Needs



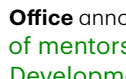
Funding approved for **174 organizations in total this quarter** in **Canada** and the **United States**.



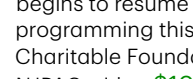
The **TD Charitable Foundation** provided a **grant to Mental Health Association Inc.** to respond to the opioid epidemic that has impacted many communities across the country. Mental Health Association's GRIT (Grow, Reimagine, Inspire, Transform) program in Holyoke, MA, is a multidisciplinary, evidence-based residential treatment program serving members of the LGBTQ+ community aged 18+ who have both a substance use disorder and a mental health diagnosis.



TD is supporting the **Art Gallery of Ontario** as it continues to **expand the Department of Arts of Global Africa & the Diaspora** that was established in 2020. Funding will help support opportunities to amplify and highlight the history, creativity and excellence of the arts and artists of Global Africa and the Diaspora.



In November, the **Black Screen Office** announced the **first group of mentors in the Script Development Fund Mentorship Program** sponsored through the TD Ready Commitment. Industry experts will provide coaching and guidance to support up-and-coming screenwriters and producers develop content that represents and includes under-represented voices.



As the **New Jersey Performance Arts Center (NJPAC)** thoughtfully begins to resume in-person programming this year, the TD Charitable Foundation supported NJPAC with a **\$100,000 grant**. The funds will go towards the Center's Building Community Connections Through Jazz Initiative, a state of arts education programs that will bring students, educators and community members together around jazz, and provide educators with the tools they need to help ensure students can thrive in their classrooms.



### Better Health

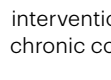
Innovative solutions for more equitable health outcomes for all



Funding approved for **25 organizations in total this quarter** in **Canada** and the **United States**.



TD is donating **\$750,000 over five years to Brock University's SeniorFit** program offered by the Well-Niagara Center for Health and Well-Being. Funding will be used to help increase access for Niagara residents aged 55 years and older to community health and well-being programs, health education, and early detection and intervention of cardiovascular and chronic conditions.



**Sunnybrook Foundation** announced a **\$1MM gift over 5 years** from TD in support of the Augmented Precision Medicine Lab at Sunnybrook Health Sciences Centre. Funding will help develop innovative artificial intelligence systems aimed at improving clinical care in the fields of cardiology, cancer, and other chronic diseases.



TD is donating **\$225,000 over three years to the Community Health and Social Innovation Hub at the University of the Fraser Valley**. Funding will be used to support research, machine learning and artificial intelligence solutions that will help reduce social isolation and loneliness in youth and older adults who have been disproportionately impacted by the pandemic.



The **TD Charitable Foundation** supported the **Maine Seacoast Mission Island Health Program** which provides access to basic medical and behavioral care to over 700 underserved residents across seven remote islands in Maine. The program offers a variety of services including telehealth appointments, health education, screening clinics, mental health counseling, in-home visits, professional referrals, and follow up care.



The **TD Charitable Foundation** provided a **grant to the Orlando Health Foundation to support Teen Xpress**, a unique, school-based mobile healthcare unit which aims to increase access to comprehensive, integrated healthcare for uninsured and underserved youth. As the only free, adolescent-focused clinic in Orange County, it is a lifeline for over 600 teens annually who are unable to access care elsewhere.



TD provided an additional **\$150,000 U.S. grant to the Medical Institute of South Carolina** to scale the Prostate Cancer Screening Program for African American Men pilot program launched in 2020. This innovative program aims to help reduce screening disparities and remove barriers to accessing care among African American men aged 40-69 in South Carolina.

Q1 2022: Nov-Jan. Results are reported for Q1 FY'22 year to date and are preliminary. Final figures will be reflected in the 2022 TD Ready Commitment Report. All dollar values are in Canadian, unless otherwise stated.

## Quarterly Art Moment: TD Corporate Art Collection

The TD Corporate Art Collection is committed to helping support the amplification of contemporary, under-represented, and diverse voices in arts and culture across Canada and the U.S. Each quarter, we highlight two art pieces from the TD Corporate Art Collection to help create a conversation around equity and art.

This quarter we are featuring:



**Nico Williams, miigwech, miigwech, miigwech, 2021**  
10/0 glass beads, thread

Ojibwe artist, Nico Williams (b. 1989, Aamjiwnaang First Nation, Ontario, ON) works with materials such as glass seed beads and Indigenous porcupine quills to create geometric beadwork sculptures that revitalize living traditions. The artist renders a range of disposable materials through the meticulous, hand-made process and tradition of beading: in doing so, he rejects disparaging colonialist and racist narratives that circulate about Indigenous cultures, imbuing these with symbols of status and the integrity of everyday life.

© Nico Williams. Courtesy of the artist and Wil Aballe Art Projects, Vancouver.



**Sanford Biggers, Untitled, 2020**  
Antique quilts, plywood, gold leaf

Sanford Biggers (b. 1970, Los Angeles, CA) currently lives and works in New York City. His work is an interplay of narrative, perspective, and history that speaks to current social, political, and economic happenings. His diverse practice positions him as a collaborator with the past through explorations of often-overlooked cultural and political narratives from African history. Working with antique quilts that echo rumors of their use as signposts on the Underground Railroad, he engages these legends and contributes to this narrative.

© Sanford Biggers. Courtesy of the artist and Monique Meloche Gallery, Chicago.

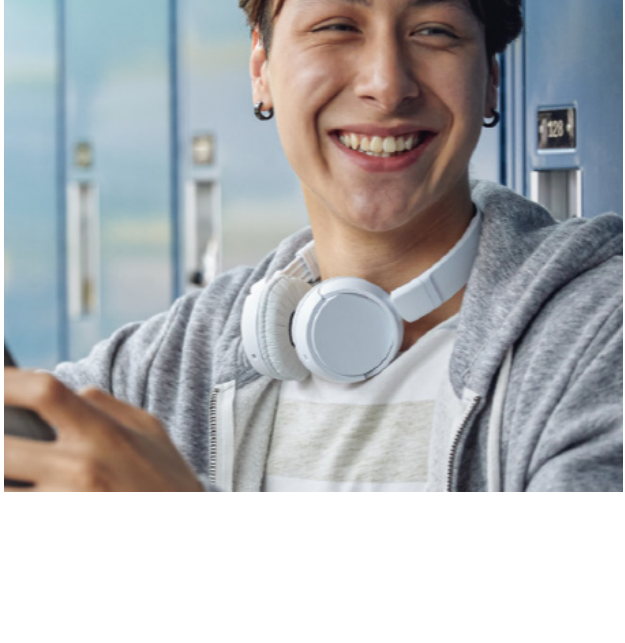
## Helping close the learning loss gap: The 2021 TD Ready Challenge

The TD Ready Challenge grant program is an annual initiative across our North American footprint designed to provide support to organizations that work to help solve pressing issues facing people across many communities. It acts as a catalyst for change, inviting non-profit and charitable organizations working on innovative interventions to help address a problem statement connected to one of the four Drivers of Change of the TD Ready Commitment. A total of CDN \$10 million in grants is available under the program.

In 2021, the TD Ready Challenge focused on supporting scalable solutions to address pandemic-related learning loss in math and reading faced by disproportionately impacted students in grades K-12 in communities across Canada and the U.S. After receiving over 300 applications and following extensive rounds of judging from a North American judging Panel, we announced the final 15 grant recipients of the 2021 TD Ready Challenge in January.

Visit the TD Stories website to meet the grant recipients and learn more about each in their own words: [td.stories.com](https://td.stories.com)

Congratulations to the grant recipients across Canada and the U.S. and thank you to all the organizations who submitted applications and shared their passion for creating positive change.



## Awards and Noteworthy Mentions

- TD Bank Group (TD) was listed in the Dow Jones Sustainability World Index for the eighth consecutive year. The DJSI benchmarks the sustainability performance of leading companies based on environmental, social, and economic performance. From a global pool of 242 banks, TD was included in the shortlist of 24 banks and is the top ranked North American-based bank for 2022 on this index.
- On November 16 and 18, 2021, 60 TD colleagues from across Canada and the U.S. came together virtually to lend their professional skills to support local community organizations during the inaugural TD Pro Bono Volunteer Marathon. The pilot event offered TD employees a rewarding opportunity to use their talents to help eligible organizations address critical capacity-building challenges in areas such as data analysis, marketing and communications, strategy, process improvement, and more.
- One Vanderbilt, the new TD flagship location in Midtown Manhattan, offers over 2,700 square feet of immersive digital screens and a curated TD Art Collection that further exemplifies the TD U.S. brand promise Unexpectedly Human and features artists from across New York City's five boroughs.
- TD colleagues and retirees helped more than CDN\$23 million for various charities across North America during the 2021 TD Employee Giving Campaign, with new record totals reached in each of Canada and the U.S.
- Following a successful inaugural year, the TD Bank U.S. Board Placement Program matched nine senior TD executives with charitable organizations. In collaboration with BoardSource, the Board Placement Program offers an opportunity to enrich the colleague experience, help build their understanding of the communities where we live and work, and make a long-term and meaningful impact while pairing organizations with leadership skill sets and expertise needed to further their goals.

## News and Insights

- U.S.**
  - Read Shelley Sylva's article in [Inside Philanthropy](#) highlighting the importance of addressing cumulative learning loss due to COVID-19 among students in grades K-12.
  - In this TD Stories article, Paige Carlson-Hiem, Director of the TD Charitable Foundation, discusses the [growing housing affordability crisis](#) and what that means for an equitable COVID recovery.
  - Read about [six U.S. organizations that will receive funding through the 2021 TD Ready Challenge grant program](#) in the New Jersey Business Magazine.
  - Find out more in a Technology Networks article about a [\\$150,000 U.S. grant to the Feinstein Institute for Medical Research](#) that will help launch a program aimed at reducing cardiovascular disease in the Black community.
- Canada**
  - Meet the 2021 TD Ready Challenge grant recipients on our TD Stories sites in [Canada](#) and the [U.S.](#), and stay tuned for details on the 2022 TD Ready Challenge, which will be announced later this year.
  - Read more about three innovative solutions from 2021 TD Ready Challenge grant recipients – [Organisation Kids Code Jeunesse](#) in Québec, the [University of New Brunswick](#), and [Strong Start Charitable Organization](#) in Waterloo.

## Coming Up Next Quarter

Watch for more information on 2022 Black History Month programming and Lunar New Year events that took place in Q2.

For virtual-based community events taking place across Canada and the United States, visit [communityevents.td.com](https://communityevents.td.com).