# THE FOUNDATION FOR THE STUDY OF PROCESSES OF GOVERNMENT IN CANADA

ANNUAL REPORT 2016-2017

**CELEBRATING CANADA 150** 



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Front page photo: Forum for Young Canadians participants visiting with the Right Honourable David Johnston, the 28th Governor General of Canada and Honourary Patron of the Foundation for the Study of Processes of Government in Canada. We would like to formally thank Mr. Johnston for honouring us with his presence and engaging the students in a discussion on Canada as a smart and caring nation. ©Lilifoto

# Message from the Governor General

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THE GOVERNOR GENERAL · LE GOUVERNEUR GÉNÉRAL



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I am filled with hope when I speak with young Canadians from across the country. Over the past seven years, I have met countless thousands of youth in my travels. In our conversations, I see their desire for change, I see them putting that desire into action—and I am inspired.

The Foundation for the Study of Processes of Government in Canada remains committed to equipping our youth with the tools to succeed. With every forum hosted, you are encouraging them to reach their full potential and to lead with confidence as they take the reins in creating a smarter and more caring Canada.

I am grateful to have had the opportunity to serve as your patron, and I congratulate you on another successful year!

David Johnston

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# Message from the Minister of Canadian Heritage

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Ministre du Patrimoine canadien



Minister of Canadian Heritage

Ottawa, Canada K1A 0M5



**D**epuis plus de 40 ans, la Fondation pour l'étude des processus de gouvernement au Canada encourage les jeunes de partout au pays à mieux comprendre les rouages de l'administration publique. On lui doit des initiatives audacieuses comme le Forum pour jeunes Canadiens qui permet, chaque année, à des centaines d'étudiants de se familiariser avec la vie parlementaire. En cette année de Canada 150, le gouvernement du Canada est particulièrement fier d'appuyer des projets comme celui-ci qui contribuent à former la prochaine génération de leaders.

A titre de ministre du Patrimoine canadien, je félicite la Fondation pour son travail d'éducation et de formation. Son engagement indéfectible auprès des jeunes Canadiens participe à la vitalité de nos institutions démocratiques. Bonne assemblée générale à tous! For more than 40 years, the Foundation for the Study of Processes of Government in Canada has encouraged youth from across the country to better understand how public administration works. They are responsible for bold initiatives like the Forum for Young Canadians, which every year allows hundreds of students to learn more about parliamentary life. This year, as we mark Canada 150, the Government of Canada is especially proud to support projects like this one that help edify our next generation of leaders.

As Minister of Canadian Heritage, I congratulate the Foundation on the work it does to educate and train. Its unwavering commitment to young Canadians makes an outstanding contribution to the vitality of our democratic institutions. I wish everyone an enjoyable conference.

L'honorable / The Honourable Mélanie Joly



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# Honourary Chairs





The Honourable George J. Furey, Q. C. Speaker of the Senate



The Honourable Geoff Regan, P.C., M.P. Speaker of the House of Commons

We are priviledged to have the support of the Senate and the House of Commons, and are honoured to have the opportunity to walk the halls of Parliament.



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As I reflect on the accomplishments of this past year, I am filled with a deep sense of pride and am very optimistic about the future. The celebrations of the 150th anniversary of our Confederation offered us the opportunity to reflect on the work we have done over the years. The Foundation's mandate is to engage young Canadians as they learn about the role and function of the three levels of democratic government in Canada, and to promote Canadian citizenship. It began with the simple formula of bringing together interested and engaged youth from across the country to participate in a constructive and educational exploration of their national institutions. Our experience has shown that it was, indeed, a formula for success.

As alumna of the Forum for Young Canadians, I can personally attest to the positive impact that the program has, and will continue to have, on young leaders. With the equivalent of three fulltime employees, short-term as well as part-time employees (numbers vary from year to year), and volunteer support, we deliver a program that distinguishes itself from any other youth program in the country. With over 22,000 alumni, it's no surprise that our members are very active across the country as politicians, civil servants, educators, media personalities, lawyers, doctors, and leaders in their industry sectors, to name but a few. This past year, we tracked our alumni and learned how their Forum experience directly influenced their lives and careers. Many are volunteering and leading innovative initiatives in communities around the globe, using the skills they developed through our programs.

Our objective is to be innovative with the tools and opportunities we offer our participants. Our desire is to expand the Forum experience beyond the program in order to provide Canadian youth with a better understanding of our democracy and the processes of government, while empowering their leadership capacity through civic engagement. The Forum Experience begins approximately three months prior to the arrival of our participants. We are proud of our new interactive platform which provides online activities for our students and encourages them to actively engage in their learning process. We strive to offer unique opportunities to our participants by collaborating with Government as well as with community partners.

Governance was a great priority in 2016-2017. Supported by the Chair of Governance, Bob Wiens, andthe AdHocCommittee, the Foundation undertook a full restructuring and revision of our by-laws. As a result, a number of recommendations were made with the objective of making the Foundation more proactive while gaining organizational efficiency. Members will vote on the proposed changes at the October, 2017 Annual General Meeting.

We are honoured to have had the Right Honourable David Johnston, as Honourary Patron of our Foundation since 2011. On behalf of our national Board of Directors, our sincerest thanks to the Honourable Melanie Joly, Minister of Canadian Heritage, and her staff at Exchanges Canada, as well as The Honourable George J. Furey of the Senate and the Honourable Geoff Regan, P.C., M.P., Speaker of the House of Commons. We thank them all for their support and dedication to Canada's youth.

Our many achievements would not have been possible without the hard work and dedication of our Board of Directors, Foundation staff, and numerous supporters. Equally vital are the young Canadians who inspire us to strive to improve our programs as we continue to strengthen the Foundation.

#### **Justine Hendricks**

Chair

# Message from the Forum Team

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Canada 150...a year for setting records! Yes, that's right! 2016-2017 was a recordbreaking year for the Foundation as we surpassed a number of our objectives. We had a long waiting list of enthusiastic young leaders who were eager to attend the Forum for Young Canadians, a record number of Parliamentarians and partners in attendance at the MP Receptions, and reached a historical record high in sponsorship, just to name a few!

Canada 150 presented many opportunities for the Forum team to increase brand visibility and our community profile by attending numerous networking events. The Forum team was active in repositioning the Foundation as a leading organization in youth education. This year we offered comprehensive training for the vulnerable sector to our volunteers, provided unique opportunities for our students to share their voices as youth leaders during their Forum Experience, and built strong relationships with new and existing sponsors and partners by offering tailor-made opportunities. As proud as we are of these results, we realize that there is still work to be done to reach our objectives and goals. We are confident that the work of the past year positions the Foundation for many future successes.

The Forum team is well supported by an amazing group of Board Members, volunteers, partners and alumni, and we thank them for their ongoing contributions. Engaging with youth participants, at this critical stage when they are eager to learn and make a difference in their communities, reminds us why the mandate of the Foundation continues to be relevant today. By building awareness of the many aspects which shape and influence our country, including its regions, languages, diversity, politics, and history, we are in a great position to help youth understand the pivotal role that they play in our democracy. We are proud of the role we play in educating, equiping, and empowering a collaborative community of engaged young leaders who are determined to shape the future of Canada.

#### Marie-Michèle Laferrière

Executive Director



## **Our Message**

The Foundation for the Study of Processes of Government in Canada is a registered nonprofit organization founded in 1975. Its mandate has two goals:

- To engage young Canadians about the role and function of the three levels of democratic government in Canada
- To promote Canadian citizenship

To achieve these goals, the Foundation has operated several programs to educate politically engaged young people. Its flagship program is Forum for Young Canadians, which has existed since the Foundation was created. The programs of the Foundation have also served to foster leadership skills while promoting civic engagement. Participants in these programs have had the opportunity to learn about government, democracy and citizenship, to meet various stakeholders in the Canadian public sphere, and to connect with other young people from across the country whose interests are similar to their own.

The Foundation started with a simple formula: To bring together interested and engaged youth from across the country to participate in a constructive and educational exploration of their national institutions. Time has shown that this is a recipe for success. The participants in the programs of the Foundation, who now number more than 22,000, reap a tremendous reward.

## AGM 2016

At Forum's 40th Annual General Meeting, we said goodbye to a group of dedicated volunteers who



contributed countless hours and effort to make Forum what it is today. A huge thank you goes out to all of our leaving board members: Jean-Pierre Lagueux, Sandra Henderson-

Journeaux, Anne Jones, Mike Flintoff, Avis Fitton, Tim O'Loan, and Ian Capstick. The Foundation will miss you!



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## Active Members in our Community

This year, the Foundation attended several public relations events and community activities.



Chicken Farmers of Canada Parliamentary Reception



Canadian Association of Former Parliamentarians' Dinner



Canadian Parents for French Breakfast



Pearson Centre for Progressive Policy"The Charter @ 35"



Canada 150 Celebrations



Voicefound Fundraisers



Canadian Club of Ottawa Luncheons Annual Report 2016-2017

# Other Events:

Dinner in the Parliamentary Dining Room hosted by the Usher of the Black Rod, Mr. J. Greg Peters

Friends of Forum 40th Anniversary Luncheon on the Hill

Open Senate Caucus on Charities: Modernizing the Relationship

Carleton University: PhilanthroThink panel discussions

Association of Fundraising Professionals (AFP) Fundraising Day

Canadian Federation of Agriculture AGM Reception

Samara/ iPolitics 2017 Democracy 360 Report Launch

National Child Day Breakfast Reception at the Senate

Prime Minister's Youth Council Community Partner

Visit with a Winston Churchill Memorial Trust Travelling Fellow from the UK



We send a thank you to our 50+ partners, supporters and Friends of Forum.



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# Sponsors and Partners

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#### Scotiabank



Export Development Canada (EDC)



Canadian Association of Former Parliamentarians

THANK YOU for inspiring and empowering Canada's youth leaders!



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**A Year for Setting Records** 

The 2017 sessions of Forum for Young Canadians welcomed 357 high school and CÉGEP students from across Canada to Ottawa. These participants made their voices heard by engaging with the Governor General, Senators, Members of Parliament, and numerous other stakeholders over the course of three, week-long sessions.

The successes of the 2017 sessions were many and included increased engagement with Parliamentarians, increased social media connections, as well as improved representation and diversity of all Forum participants and volunteers, to name a few. As a result, the Forum Experience will have a lasting impact on the lives and communities of these young Canadians beyond Canada's 150!





The 28th Governor General, the Right Honourable David Johnston met with participants this year at Rideau Hall. We are truly grateful for his support of Forum through his patronage of the Foundation of the Study of Processes of Government in Canada from 2011 to 2017.

Six lucky students had the opportunity to visit the office of the Chief Public Health Officer at the Public Health Agency of Canada during Session 2. They used their voices by taking part in a round-table discussion on the opioid crisis and shared their views on how to better reach youth in their communities.





During Session 1, several Forum students were able to meet with National Chief Perry Bellegarde of the Assembly of First Nations. One of the most important priorities of Forum students is reconciliation with indigenous peoples, and the participants were grateful for the opportunity to learn from National Cheif Bellegarde.

Forum was honoured to welcome eight Syrian newcomers to the nations capital in Session 1. The students were excited to meet Senator Jim Munson and share their stories and journeys in becoming new Canadians.





# Our Participants

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"You don't believe other people when they say it's a life changing experience, until you do it yourself and you realize it is." - Michaela, ON

"It was awesome meeting like-minded people from all over Canada. Meeting my M.P taught me how to bring what I learned back to my community." - Emma, QC

"This program taught me more than I could ever imagine and it was by far the best week of my life!" - Ashley, PE

"Great experience for all." - Aseem, YT

"Forum opened my eyes to the perspectives of youth from across the country. I can say it will benefit me for the rest of my life." - Kleo, NT

"I was never a politics person and I never thought I'd be one. But I guess I was wrong!" - Ji Yoon (Joanne), AB "I had such a great time, I hope everyone will get the same opportunity as me." - Eh Chri, SK





# #6words4Canada

"This is an amazing opportunity to learn more about the Canadian government and interact with other youth who are passionate about politics from across the country." - Nicholas, AB

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"This program, although only one week, has changed my life for the better through the knowledge I gained and the people I met." - Isabella, QC

"Met the nicest people of my life and learned more about politics that I ever could have in schools." - William, NL

"It's truly a wonderful experience to be surrounded by a group of open-minded and accepting people." - Jasmine, BC

"Fantastique, best week ever." - Joshua, AB

"Made me realize how amazing my country is, and the amazing opportunities out there." - Jenna, NB

This year, Forum collaborated with the Campfire Project to engage students, MPs, alumni, volunteers and other guests in a conversation about what Canada means to them. Using the hashtag #6Words4Canada, messages were shared on social media and the results were presented in a Canada 150 word-cloud. "This was one of the most memorable experiences of my life and I learned so many new things and valuable lessons/skills about our great nation." - Zuhayr-Hussain, ON

"Forum is a whirlwind of a week; you'll learn so much and meet these incredible new friends!" - Hope, NU

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# Forum 2017 by the Numbers



Forum's 357 students travelled to Ottawa from all 13 Provinces and Territories. They came from both rural and urban communities and represented a wide variety of perspectives and views.

By Province:	Social Media			
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BC: 51	68700 views facebook.com			
₩ <b>8</b> MB: 22	<b>68/00</b> views facebook.com <b>2342</b> interactions /ForumCanada			
NB: 21				
NL: 5				
NS: 7				
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PE: 6	594 Video Views			
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This year, 131 schools sent a participant to Forum for the first time in at least 5 years, which is more than half of our schools. 62 new schools in Ontario sent participants, and 24 new schools in Quebec sent participants for this year's sessions.

82 participants came from underrepresented demographics, far exceeding our target of 50. This diversity reflects Canada, as well as Forum's values of giving every young Canadian a voice and furthering interest in civic engagement.





#### \*Foundation for the Study of Processes of Government in Canada \*\*Forum for Young Canadians



The Foundation and its Forum program have impacted many participants over its 41 years. Many Forum alumni have become exceptional leaders in Canadian society. Here are just a few of our alumni making a difference.

Canadian Actress Sandra Oh with

her former MP Beryl Gaffney

## Forum Alumni in Parliament:

## **4** Cabinet Ministers

The Honourable Mélanie Joly Minister of Canadian Heritage

The Honourable Jean-Yves Duclos Minister of Families, Children, and Social Development

The Honourable Mélanie Joly at Forum



The Honourable Jean-Yves Duclos with former MP Louis Duclos at Forum

The Hounourable Karina Gould

at Forum with her former MP

Patricia Ann "Paddy" Torsney 



Minister of Veterans Affairs Associate Minister of National Defence

The Honourable Seamus O'Regan

The Honourable Karina Gould Minister of Democratic Institutions

## 6 Additional MPS

Daniel Blaikie Elmwood- Transcona, Manitoba

> Randy Boissonnault Edmonton Centre, Alberta

Matt DeCourcey Frederiction, New Brunswick

> **Greg Fergus** Hull-Aylmer, Quebec

> > Shannon Stubbs Lakeland, Alberta

Anita Vandenbeld Ottawa West-Nepean, Ontario

wouldn't be here toda wasn't for my Forum experience.

## **Other Influential Forum Alumni:**

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**Justine Hendricks** Vice-President, Resources Group at Export Development Canada Chair- Forum for Young Canadians

Sandra Oh Canadian Actress- "Grey's Anatomy"

Stewart Hickox Canada Director of The ONE Campaign

#### Darren Praznik

President & CEO of Cosmetics Alliance Canada Former Member of Provincial Parliament

# Members of Parliament Reception

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Members of Parliament cheerfully greeted Forum students at the program's MP reception.



Participants from Newfoundland and Labrador with their MP, Yvonne Jones.



MP Earl Dreeshen of Red Deer, AB, presenting a certificate of participation.



MP David Anderson with participants posing in the Forum photo booth.



MP Mark Strahl enjoying a conversation with student participants.



Nikki Ashton posing for a picture with student participant.



Members of Parliament, including the Honourable Geoff Regan, participated in the Campfire Project. #6wordsforCanada







## **Our Thanks**

Over 100 volunteers and 50 partners contributed to the Forum for Young Canadians in 2017. Their dedication and support of the program facilitates student learning and empowerment. Due to their generous contributions, Forum has remained Canada's premier youth civic engagement program for over 41 amazing years.

#### **2017 Session Totals**



100+ volunteers







#### 7,200 hours given

Supporters



## \$1000.00 and above

Bob Wiens	Mike Flintoff
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Association of Canadian Financial Officers	Fredrick Martin

## \$500.00-\$999.99

Nicholas MacDonald

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## Up to \$499.99

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#### REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT AUDITORS ON THE SUMMARY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

To the Trustees of the Foundation for the Study of Processes of Government in Canada

The accompanying summary financial statements of the Foundation for the Study of Processes of Government in Canada, which comprise the summary statement of financial position as at July 31, 2017, the summary statement of operations and changes in net assets for the year then ended, and related notes, are derived from the audited financial statements prepared in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations, of the Foundation for the Study of Processes of Government in Canada as at July 31, 2017 and for the year then ended.

We expressed an unmodified audit opinion on those financial statements in our report dated September 21, 2017.

The summary financial statements do not contain all the disclosures required by Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations applied in the preparation of the audited financial statements of the Foundation for the Study of Processes of Government in Canada. Reading the summary financial statements, therefore, is not a substitute for reading the audited financial statements of the Foundation for the Study of Processes of Government in Canada.

#### Management's Responsibility for the Summary Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation of the summary financial statements in accordance with the basis described in note 1.

#### Auditors' Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the summary financial statements based on our procedures, which were conducted in accordance with Canadian Auditing Standard (CAS) 810, "Engagements to Report on Summary Financial Statements".

#### Opinion

In our opinion, the summary financial statements derived from the audited financial statements of Foundation for the Study of Processes of Government in Canada as at July 31, 2017 and for the year then ended are a fair summary of those financial statements, in accordance with the basis described in note 1.

KPMG LLP

Chartered Professional Accountants, Licensed Public Accountants

September 21, 2017

Ottawa, Canada

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# FOUNDATION FOR THE STUDY OF PROCESSES OF GOVERNMENT IN CANADA

Summary Statement of Financial Position

July 31, 2017, with comparative information for 2016

	2017	2016
Assets		
Current assets:		
Cash	\$ 48,416	\$ 99,171
Short-term investments	83,060	81,377
Accounts receivable	108,050	66,151
	239,526	246,699
Long-term investments	14,130	14,130
Tangible capital and intangible assets	20,547	15,515
	\$ 274,203	\$ 276,344
Liabilities and Net Assets		
Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities Deferred revenue	\$ 22,990	\$ 27,697 10,075
	22,990	37,772
Net assets:		
Invested in tangible capital and intangible assets	20,547	15,515
Unrestricted	230,666	223,057
	251,213	238,572
	\$ 274,203	\$ 276,344

See accompanying notes to summary financial statements.



# FOUNDATION FOR THE STUDY OF PROCESSES OF GOVERNMENT IN CANADA

Summary Statement of Operations and Changes in Net Assets

Year ended July 31, 2017, with comparative information for 2016

	2017	2016
Revenue:		
Programs	\$ 760,558	\$ 732,621
Donations and contributions (including		
donations of goods and services		
of \$113,343 (2016 - \$113,708))	406,426	355,913
Investment	1,328	1,334
	1,168,312	1,089,868
Expenses:		
Program services	621,492	557,613
Office	157,659	138,048
Operations	376,520	309,683
	1,155,671	1,005,344
Excess (deficiency) of revenue over expenses	12,641	84,524
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Net assets, beginning of year	238,572	154,048
Net assets, end of year	\$ 251,213	\$ 238,572

See accompanying notes to summary financial statements.

# FOUNDATION FOR THE STUDY OF PROCESSES OF GOVERNMENT IN CANADA

Notes to Summary Financial Statements

#### Year ended July 31, 2017

The Foundation for the Study of Processes of Government in Canada (the "Foundation") is a Canadian registered charity founded in 1975 and incorporated without share capital under Part II of the Canada Corporations Act. In 2014, the Foundation continued its incorporation under the Canada Not-for-profit Corporations Act. Its principal activity is the Forum for Young Canadians program whose objective is to give young Canadians the opportunity to gain a clear understanding of the processes of government in Canada with particular emphasis on the machinery of government in the federal capital.

The Foundation is exempt from income taxes under paragraph 149(1)(f) of the Income Tax Act (Canada).

#### 1. Summary financial statements:

The summary financial statements are derived from the complete audited financial statements, prepared in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations, as at July 31, 2017 and for the year then ended.

The preparation of these summary financial statements requires management to determine the information that needs to be reflected in the summary financial statements so that they are consistent, in all material respects, with or represent a fair summary of the audited financial statements.

These summarized financial statements have been prepared by management using the following criteria:

- (a) whether information in the summarized financial statements is in agreement with the related information in the complete audited financial statements; and
- (b) whether, in all material respects, the summarized financial statements contain the information necessary to avoid distorting or obscuring matters disclosed in the related complete audited financial statements, including the notes thereto.

Management determined that the statement of changes in net assets and the statement of cash flows do not provide additional useful information and as such has not included them as part of the summary financial statements.

The complete audited financial statements of Foundation for the Study of Processes of Government in Canada are available upon request by contacting the Foundation.

#### 2. Economic dependence:

The Foundation receives a substantial portion of its operating funds from the Government of Canada and is economically dependent on its continuing support of the Foundation's mission.