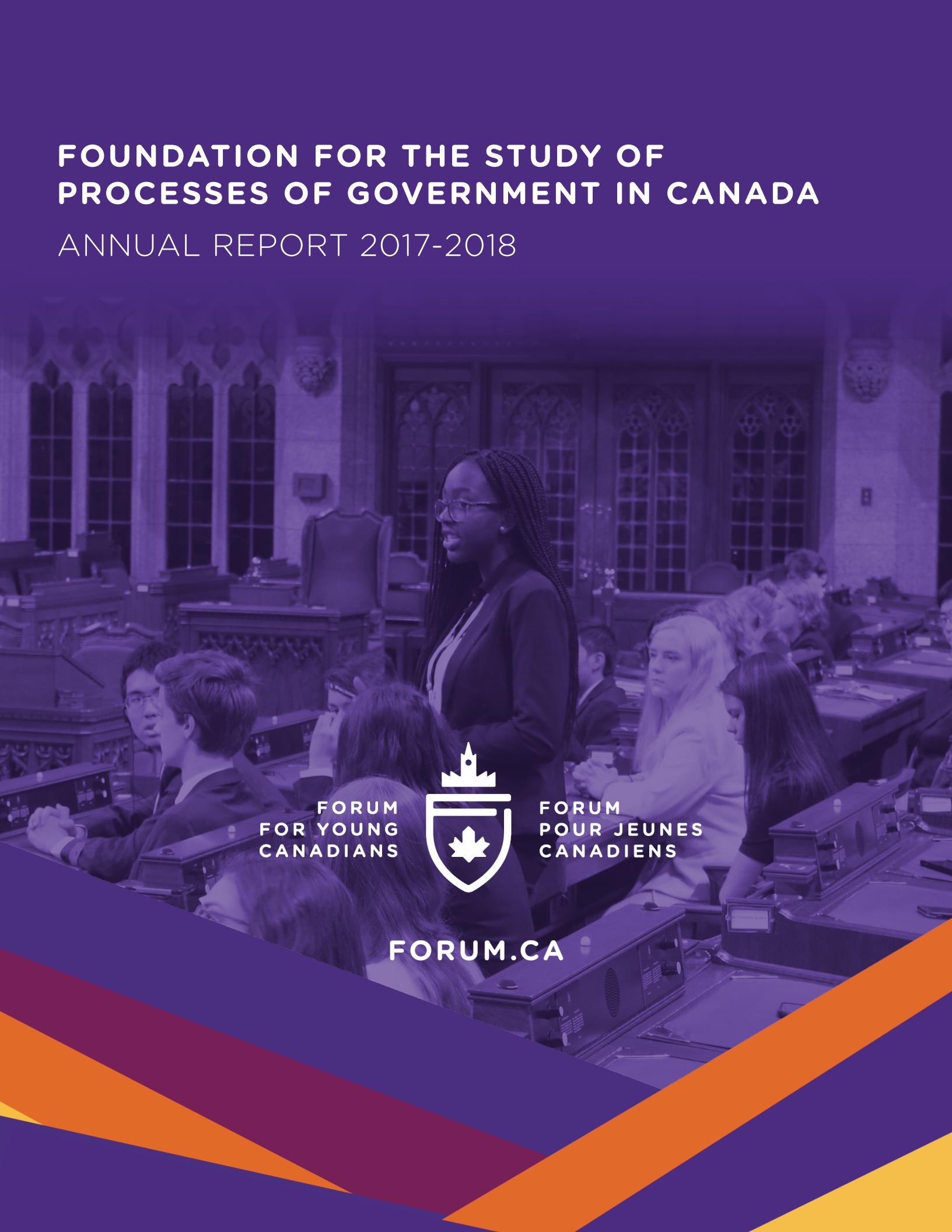


FOUNDATION FOR THE STUDY OF PROCESSES OF GOVERNMENT IN CANADA

ANNUAL REPORT 2017-2018



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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 privileged to have the support of the Senate of Canada and the House of Commons, and are honoured to sit in each Chamber and walk the halls of Parliament.



MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR



This year can be summarized in two words: Strategic Plan. Following last year's AGM, the Board, along with PGF Consultants, started the year-long process of discussions, consultations, brainstorming, debate and team-work which resulted in a Vision, a Mission, Core Values and Strategic Outcomes for the next 3 years. With a focus on youth, diversity, civic engagement, stakeholder relations and organizations stability and sustainability, I am happy to share with you the main elements of our Strategic Plan.

Mission

The Foundation offers innovative programming that engages youth in Canada's democratic process and its institutions.

Vision

Empowering youth for lifelong and meaningful civic engagement.

Values

Agility: We align with trends by collaborating closely with our partners, members and beneficiaries. We incite change, creativity and innovation to continually improve the quality of our services.

Inclusiveness: We seek to engage the broadest diversity of Canadians within our programs. We offer programs that are inclusive and represent the richness of Canada's diversity.

Youth Oriented: We strive to direct our programs towards young Canadians, the cornerstone of the organization. Youth involvement at all levels is essential in order to align programs with needs and interests.

This strategic framework will guide our endeavours as we embark on the next chapter of the Foundation, as we become more sustainable, as we modernize and develop our programs, and as we increase our impact.

& THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

We are honoured to have Her Excellency the Right Honourable Julie Payette, follow her predecessors as she accepts to be Honourary Patron of the Foundation.

On behalf of our national Board of Directors, we also express our sincerest appreciation to Exchanges Canada, who have confirmed the renewal of our funding agreement for another 3 years. We look forward to working with the new Minister of Canadian Heritage and Multiculturalism, the Honourable Pablo Rodriguez.

The work of the Foundation, especially the Forum for Young Canadians program, would not be possible without the ongoing support of our two Honourary Chairs: The Honourable George J. Furey, Speaker of the Senate, and the Honourable Geoff Regan, P.C., M.P., Speaker of the House of Commons. We would like to thank them and their teams for championing our program.

Thank you to the 100+ volunteers who helped throughout the year in the office, at events, during the Forum program and by helping with recruitment in each of their regions. An organization like ours thrives as a result of to the hard work and commitment of volunteers, board members, logistics assistants and group leaders, who are dedicated to the success of our mandate.

Finally, a special mention to the Foundation's office team! Their daily tasks involve navigating protocols, stakeholders relations, processes and policies. Every day they do so with pride and one objective: Offering the best program, the best experience and services to our students, partners, collaborators, and the entire Forum community.

Justine Hendricks
Chair

Marie-Michèle Laferrière
Executive Director





ABOUT THE FOUNDATION

OUR MANDATE

The Foundation for the Study of Processes of Government in Canada is a registered non-profit 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**

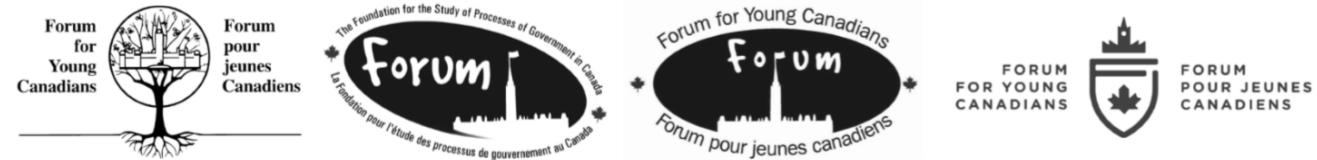
To achieve these goals, the Foundation has operated several programs to educate politically engaged young people. Its flagship program is Forum for Young Canadians, which has served to foster leadership skills while promoting civic engagement. While meeting youth from across the country, participants 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.

AGM 2017

During the 41st AGM, the Foundation recognized parting Board members: Cate McCready, Chuck Tolley, Dan Hurley, Nick Hurley and Nick Masciantonio. We value their ongoing efforts and impact as integral stakeholders of our Foundation.

Special recognition was given to Bob Wiens for 37 years of service and dedication to the Foundation. The Bob Wiens Scholarship was launched, where up to \$5,000 will be awarded annually, to Forum alumni, in Bob's name, on behalf of the Foundation.

FORUM HOMECOMING 2017



It was with a focus on alumni that the Foundation launched the year with a online campaign. Reminiscing on 42 years of group pictures, we asked alumni to identify themselves and their colleagues. This campaign led to the Homecoming Event, which was held where it all started, at Ashbury College in Ottawa.

Here are a few pictures of some of the fun we had during the Forum Homecoming. Thank you to all alumni (from 1978 to 2016) for coming to the event and helping us celebrate what it means to be a Forumer!



COMMUNITY OUTREACH



This year, staff, board members, alumni and volunteers attended over 25 events in the greater National Capital Region. These events helped strengthen our valued relationships with our partner and stakeholder groups across the nation.

- YSB Sleepout for Youth - Youth Services Bureau of Ottawa movement/ fundraiser
- Community Iftar Dinner - AMA Community Centre (with volunteers, Jalil Marhnouj, Soumaya Marhnouj / Forum Alumni, 2016 and Safiyah Marhnouj / Forum Alumni, 2017)
- CPF French Toast: French Second Language Awareness - Canadian Parents for French Parliamentary Breakfast
- Stepping Out 2018 - Dress for Success Fundraising Gala
- Women Deliver Reception - Hosted by Ambassador Mme Karen Rispal at the Embassy of France
- 2017 Federal Budget Party - ipolitics
- Voicefound Hops and Hotdog Fundraiser - Tavern on the Hill
- Panel Discussion Luncheons - Canadian Club of Ottawa
- Global Mental Health Imitative - YMentalHealth? Our Future Depends on it
- Ashbury Ball - Ashbury College
- Youth Innovation Summit - United Nations Association of Canada
- Women in the Arts presentation - Carleton University, School of Public Policy and Administration
- Holiday networking event - Women in Communications and Technology (WCT)
- TakingITGlobal screening of the Documentary RISING VOICES - sponsored by the Honourable Marilou McPhedran
- Elevate Women Entre nous - Rideau Club
- Pearson College UWC 60th Anniversary of Lester B. Pearson's Nobel Peace Prize - hosted by Hon. Chrystia Freeland
- Association of Fundraising Professionals (AFP) Philanthropy Awards
- AFP Fundraising Day
- Sommet de la philanthropie a Montreal
- Peace Tower Carillon tour with Dominion Carillonneur, Dr. Andrea McCrady

OUR FORUM ALUMNI



Staff, group leaders, logistic assistants, volunteers, sponsors, partners, MPs and other alumni of Forum reunited at the Session 3 MP Reception this year to give back to the Forum community and ensure that it keeps growing strong! Alumni from 1978, 1984, 1986, 1990, 1994, 1997, 2004, 2006 to name but a few, were in attendance!



Fun fact: There are currently 11 Members of Parliament, including 5 Ministers, who are alumni of the program. We thank each and every one of them for taking the time out of their busy schedule to meet the students.

"I wouldn't be here today if it wasn't for my Forum experience." -MP Greg Fergus.



The return of the alumni (and the flag!)
Jean Boily, Forum alumnus of 1982, and long time volunteer, came back this year to help the team as a logistics assistant during Session 2! Jean shared his experience and expertise and graciously gifted Forum's first official flag back to the Foundation!



FORUM FOR CANADA

Forum for Young Canadians was created by the Foundation, and its success as a leadership and civic engagement program is unparalleled.

Forum for Young Canadians brings youth, aged 15-19, from across Canada to the nation's capital to experience democracy at work on Parliament Hill.



FOR YOUNG INDIANS

Wow! We can't believe Forum 2018 is over and another successful year of Forum has ended! Once again, we were amazed and inspired by all of our participants...they truly are an incredible group of young Canadian leaders!
Please join us to take a look back at Forum 2018...

FORUM FOR YOUNG CANADIANS - 2018

Exciting, innovative elements were added to the Forum program this year. New this year included: roundtables with Senators, presenting Member Statements in the House of Commons, a session on advocacy, and a special session on Indigenous Peoples in Canada to name but a few. These new additions quickly became highlights for our participants and partners alike.

The Senate Roundtables, a new and exciting addition this year, proved a highlight for participants. Students discussed and debated issues with Senators about which they were passionate. These breakout sessions followed the breakfast in the Senate foyer and a visit with the Speaker in the Senate Chamber. Thank you, Senate of Canada, for your participation and ongoing support of Forum!



This year, we were honoured to welcome a special panel of Forum Alumni, including the Hon. Mélanie Joly, the Hon. Seamus O'Regan, MP Greg Fergus and MP Shannon Stubbs to Forum. Not only did they speak about their roles as Parliamentarians, they also spoke about life after Forum and how they used their Forum experience as a stepping stone in reaching their goals.

Students presented their Statements by Members in the House of Commons this year - a privilege we may not see again for 10 years or more as Centre Block is schedule to close for renovations in 2019! Sitting in the House and engaging with the Speaker is always the top highlight during sessions. Thank you, House of Commons, for this incredible opportunity and for your ongoing support of Forum.



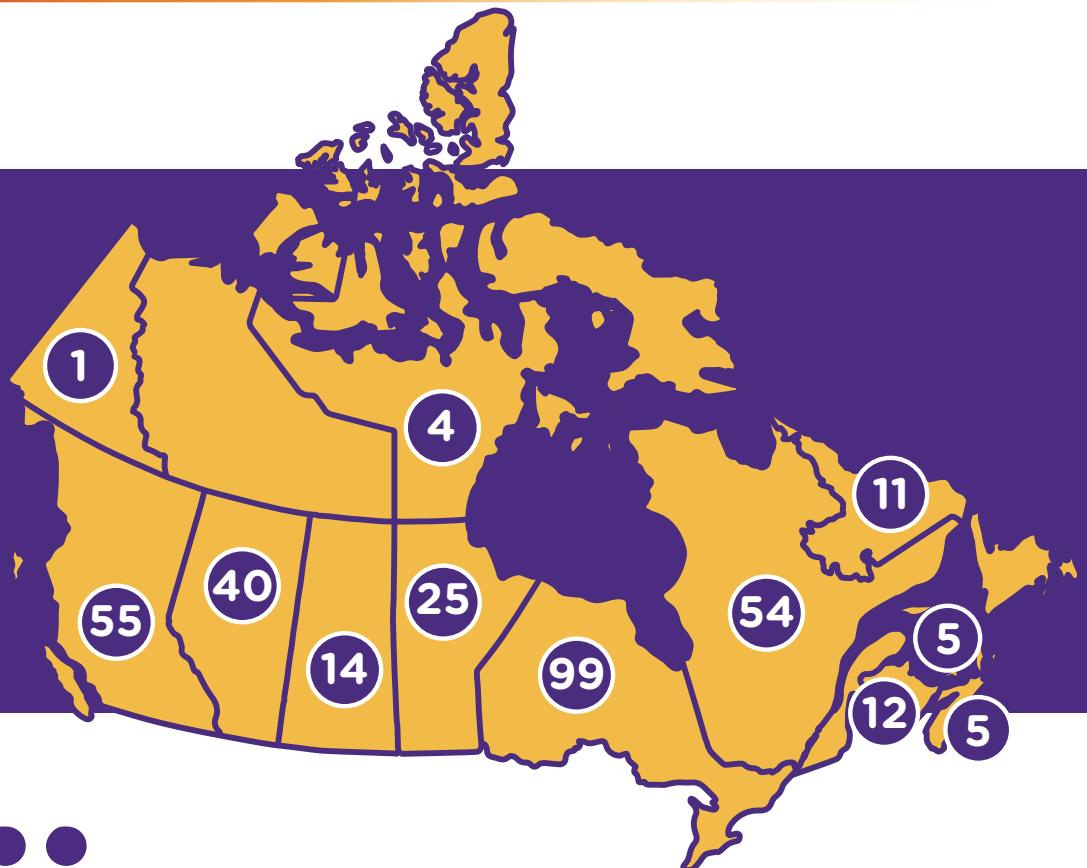
New in 2018, ONE Campaign engaged students on what it means to do advocacy work here in Canada and abroad. This was an eye-opening experience for participants and they came away with new skills and tools on how to engage politicians on issues that are important to them as young Canadians. The ONE Campaign also organized an optional full day of advocacy after Session 2 that built on these themes and in which many students participated.

2018 participants had the privilege of participating in the Blanket Exercise presented by KAIROS. The Blanket Exercise is intended to share the historic and contemporary relationship between indigenous and non-indigenous peoples in Canada. Students, staff and volunteers found the interactive experience enlightening, emotional and inspiring.



2018 STATISTICS

325 students traveled to Ottawa from all across Canada. They came from both rural and urban communities, and represented a wide variety of perspectives and views.



1/3
from rural
communities



24%
visible minorities

15 students with a disability (physical and/or mental) participated

41% of 2018 students indicated they were bilingual

SOCIAL MEDIA

Over **100** views on each Forum4YC Instagram story posted during sessions



Statements by Members
were livestreamed on our Instagram and Facebook pages during each session



Our very own Snapchat filter was used **337** times with over **5k** views



@Forum4YC

#ImAForumer

OUR IMPACT



MP ENGAGEMENT OF ALL STRIPES

116 MPs

were in attendance at our MP Receptions;
some attended all three receptions

23 MP visits

were separately organized by our logistic
volunteers

159 students

had the opportunity to meet their MP!

1 student

had the special honour of meeting our Prime
Minister, the Right Honourable
Justin Trudeau!

RECONCILIATION - A STRONG THEME

30 Indigenous students (First Nations, Inuit and Métis) participated in Forum this year! Some had the honour of meeting with Chief Perry Bellegarde, the National Chief of the Assembly of First Nations. Hunter, from Thompson, Manitoba, addressed many MPs, Forum partners and other guests on issues about which he is passionate as an Indigenous youth in today's Canadian society. Thank you all for sharing your voices and enriching the Forum experience for all participants!



FUND DEVELOPMENT

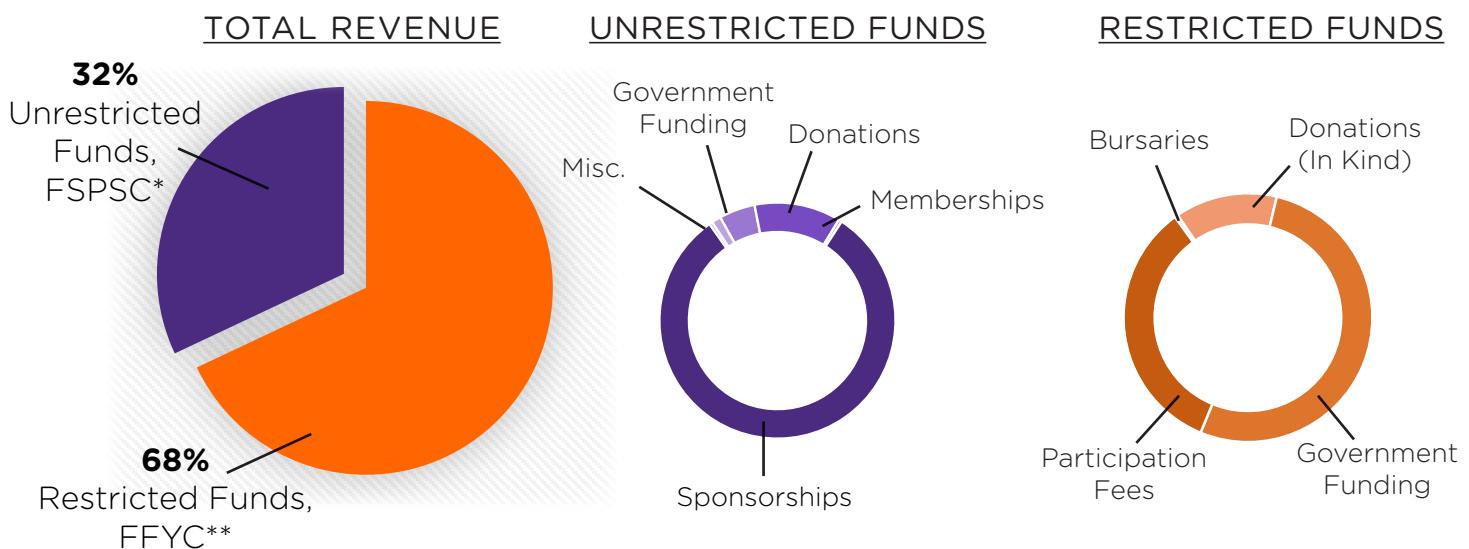
The Foundation for the Study of Processes of Government is a registered Canadian charity and the funding vehicle for the Forum for Young Canadians program and other mandate-related initiatives. Throughout the year, the Foundation focused on various fundraisers and outreach initiatives to diversify revenues and build important relationships with its stakeholder base. Efforts also focused on adopting sector best practices for accountability and transparency in fund development and revenue management.

Additional funds are vital if we hope to continue to:

- offer life-changing opportunities so that students can participate in initiatives that will positively contribute to their local communities;
- offer bursaries to ensure that the Forum experience is accessible to everyone, regardless of their social or economic situation;
- strengthen the Foundation's infrastructure, communications and training;
- create innovative tools to enhance quality programming that engages our young leaders.

Last June, the Foundation ran an annual campaign in collaboration with Canada Helps' 2018 Great Canadian Giving Challenge. The Foundation's staff and Board Members joined forces to personally support the campaign by collectively matching donations up to \$8,000!

We are happy to report that there was an increase in individual donations of 15% from the past fiscal year and we hope to concentrate efforts to grow philanthropic giving in 2019 and beyond.



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**Forum for Young Canadians

FRIENDS OF FORUM



Forum would not be possible without the support of its many partners. Over 100 volunteers and 50 partners contributed to the Forum for Young Canadians in 2018 alone. Their dedication and support of the program facilitates student learning and empowerment and has allowed Forum to remain Canada's premier youth civic engagement program for over 42 amazing years!

FUNDRAISING & SUPPORT

Thank you to our 50+ partners, supporters and Friends of Forum.

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canadienne des
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FRIENDS OF FORUM • AMIS DU FORUM

Capital Hill Hotel & Suites • Commission Scolaire de la Beauce-Etchemin
Culinary Conspiracy (Caterer) • Cupcake Lounge • Duke of Edinburgh's Award
Dress for Success • Nando's • Ottawa Walking Tours • Pita Pit • Suits his Style
Uniglobe CBO Travel • Voicefound

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PARTNERSHIP & SUPPORT



Bombardier



Export Development Canada



Canadian Association of
Former Parliamentarians



iPolitics



Global Automakers of
Canada

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

OUR PARTICIPANTS

"FORUM GAVE ME SO MUCH MOTIVATION AND INTEREST INTO BEING A LEADERSHIP FIGURE IN MY COMMUNITY AND HAVING THE KNOWLEDGE TO MAKE CHANGES HAPPEN IN MY COMMUNITY AND THE NORTH ITSELF."

-HUNTER, MB



"THANKS TO THE FORUM, I REALIZED THAT IT IS UP TO ME, AS A YOUNG PERSON TO COMMIT MYSELF, TO RAISE MY VOICE AND PROMOTE CERTAIN VALUES FOR A BETTER FUTURE AND A MORE OPEN, INCLUSIVE CANADA."

-AÏSSATOU, QC

"THE MAIN REASON WHY I RECOMMEND APPLYING TO FORUM IS MY EXPERIENCE WITH THE OTHER PARTICIPANTS... FORUM PARTICIPANTS HAVE CHANGED MY PERSPECTIVE ON CANADA"

-OLIVIA, BC



"I DECIDED TO APPLY FOR FORUM IN THE HOPES OF DEVELOPING MY KNOWLEDGE OF CANADIAN POLITICS. WHAT I EXPERIENCED DURING THAT WEEK WAS, HOWEVER, MUCH GREATER..."

-FÉLIX-GABRIEL NAULT, QC



"We hope to see this program continue to grow and prosper so that generations after us will also... get this opportunity to develop skills and interact with people all over the country."

-Session 3 Participants

"Forum is a program that transcends ages, ethnicities and languages. I discovered that each fellow participant had immense passion, articulation speaking skills and a heart of true gold. Through the beautiful city of Ottawa, I learned that politics is engaging, inspiring and innovative. It truly has been an experience to remember."

-Sarthak, AB

"Within six days I feel that I have never been more motivated, challenged, encouraged, and inspired to do better for myself and for my community."

-Emily, QC

"I loved the diversity, being in an environment with people from all over the country was an amazing experience"

-Rachel, NS

"Forum was engaging, enriching, and connected me with new friends from across the country. This unforgettable and impactful week gave me incredible insight into our parliamentary democracy and honed my sense of civic responsibility."

-Sean, ON

"My forum experience was amazing. It was an excellent way to broaden my perspective, gain powerful knowledge, learn about myself and my country and how powerful and influential my voice is as long as I have the courage to use it."

-Anastasia, ON

"I am coming back to Quebec with so many tool[s] but most of all with immense optimism for the future of Canada. Forum is an amazing opportunity to learn about the work of our government and I feel overwhelming gratitude to the people that made my trip possible."

-Félix-Gabriel, QC

"Forum is absolutely UNFORGETTABLE. Trying to describe it would be almost impossible. No words can compare to the knowledge, experience, opportunity and lifelong friendships gained at Forum"

-Abby, AB

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\$1000.00 AND ABOVE

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Justine Hendricks

Leon Lubin

Bob Wiens

\$500.00 - \$999.99

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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, 2018, 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, 2018 and for the year then ended.

We expressed an unmodified audit opinion on those financial statements in our report dated October 19, 2018.

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".

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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, 2018 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

A handwritten signature of "KPMG LLP" in black ink, with a horizontal line underneath it.

Chartered Professional Accountants, Licensed Public Accountants
Ottawa, Canada

October 19, 2018

FOUNDATION FOR THE STUDY OF PROCESSES OF GOVERNMENT IN CANADA

Summary Statement of Financial Position

July 31, 2018, with comparative information for 2017

	2018	2017
Assets		
Current assets:		
Cash	\$ 68,274	\$ 48,416
Short-term investments	—	83,060
Accounts receivable	110,124	108,050
Prepaid expenses	10,896	—
	<hr/> 189,294	<hr/> 239,526
Long-term investments	—	14,130
Tangible capital and intangible assets	21,301	20,547
	<hr/> \$ 210,595	<hr/> \$ 274,203
Liabilities and Net Assets		
Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ 27,949	\$ 22,990
Net assets:		
Invested in tangible capital and intangible assets	21,301	20,547
Unrestricted	161,345	230,666
	<hr/> 182,646	<hr/> 251,213
	<hr/> \$ 210,595	<hr/> \$ 274,203

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, 2018, with comparative information for 2017

	2018	2017
Revenue:		
Programs	\$ 805,826	\$ 760,558
Donations and contributions (including donations of goods and services of \$116,467 (2017 - \$113,343))	370,517	406,426
<u>Investment</u>	<u>1,545</u>	<u>1,328</u>
	1,177,888	1,168,312
Expenses:		
Program services	618,321	621,492
Office	145,536	157,659
<u>Operations</u>	<u>482,598</u>	<u>376,520</u>
	1,246,455	1,155,671
Excess (deficiency) of revenue over expenses	(68,567)	12,641
Net assets, beginning of year	251,213	238,572
Net assets, end of year	\$ 182,646	\$ 251,213

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, 2018

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, 2018 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.



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