The VERITAS Foundation

ANNUAL REPORT

2026

The Veritas Foundation is a non-profit charitable foundation registered with the Canada Revenue Agency (#732323126 RR0001). Its mission is to be Canada's authoritative source for individuals, groups and companies to participate in the country's charitable sector and evaluate its effectiveness and impact.

To accomplish this mission, the Veritas Foundation has created the **Veritas Foundation Giving Fund** (VGF) to enable donors to establish their own Donor Advised Fund (DAF) or endowment. The Veritas Foundation receives donations from donors, invests these proceeds in the VGF, and makes grants over time to a donor's favourite charities, projects, and/or permitted entities ("Eligible Charities").

The Veritas Foundation offers donors the opportunity to:

- Set up a DAF that may be named by the donor;
- Make irrevocable donations to the Veritas Foundation of either cash or securities;
- Receive an official tax receipt for each donation;
- Pay no capital gains on donations of qualified securities and receive a tax receipt for the full fair market value of the securities;
- Scale the impact of giving by running campaigns and events, and allowing others to donate to the DAF;
- Recommend grants to eligible charities, projects, or other entities for the donor's lifetime and beyond;
- Increase the amount that can be granted over time through the tax-free growth of the assets in the DAF; and
- Simplify their charitable giving activities by consolidating their giving activities into one account.

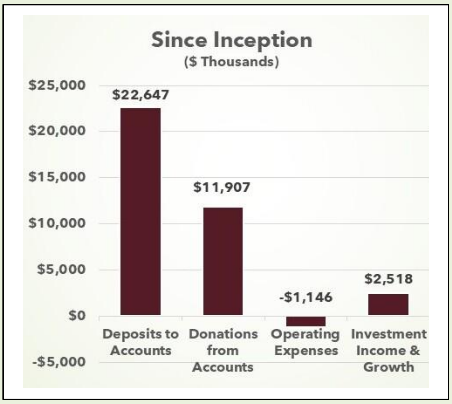
Veritas also provides, to donors and others, independent, fair and respectful research into Canadian registered charities to help them in evaluating and choosing their favoured charities.

The Veritas Foundation is part of the Veritas Group of Companies, including sister companies Veritas Investment Research Corporation and Veritas Asset Management. It will continue to build on their outstanding reputation for conducting independent research and products for Canadians for over 20 years.

SUMMARY OF ACTIVITIES – FISCAL 2026

During the year ended March 31st, 2026, The Veritas Foundation is proud to have accomplished the following:

- The Veritas Foundation Giving Fund continued to grow as a donor-advised fund, offering individuals, groups, and companies the opportunity to open their endowed charitable accounts for charitable giving.
- Supported 168 Charity Campaigns in raising $4.3 million from 3,056 unique Donors through our online Charity Marketplace.
- Offered both a searchable **Charity Ratings Database** of 56,000 Charitable Organizations and **The Veritas Foundation APP** on the Apple App Store and Google Play to assist clients in making their donation decisions.
- Produced monthly Research Reports and Newsletters for our donors, charity management, and the public to help educate them on the importance of community and planned charitable giving.
- Honoured the Fastest Growing Charities in Canada from 2019 to 2024 in 19 charity categories with our annual **Veritas500 Awards**.
- Worked with our sister companies, Veritas Charity Services Inc. and Veritas Asset Management, to provide superior administration, research, and investment management services to The Veritas Foundation Giving Fund.
- Celebrated the **5th Anniversary** of the Veritas Foundation Giving Fund and its notable contribution to Canada's charitable sector. During this period, the accounts in the Veritas Foundation Giving Fund made almost $12 million in donations to Charities, and Veritas Asset Management contributed $2.5 million in account growth.



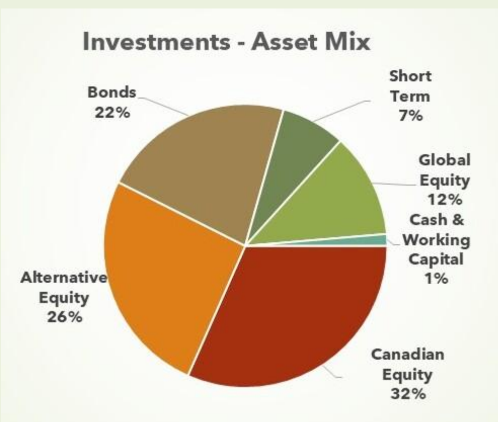
INVESTMENT PORTFOLIO

Investment markets continued their recovery during the year, and the Veritas Foundation Giving Fund participated in this recovery. The assets of the Veritas Foundation Giving Fund have steadily increased during this period.

Investment returns were strong through fiscal 2026 despite the many global political challenges. Bond and short-term interest rates provided good income returns, and equity markets remained stable. The portfolio's long-term investment goals are to provide returns that match or exceed the mandated 5% payout ratio and to deliver incremental positive returns.

Veritas Foundation Giving Fund Performance Summary To March 31st, 2026

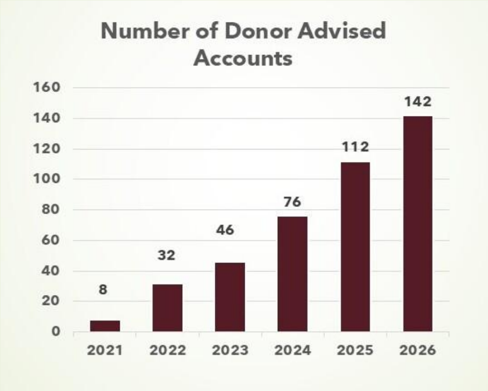
Period	Return
1 Month	(4.1)%
3 Months	1.3%
6 Months	2.6%
1 Year	11.9%
2 Year CAGR	8.6%
3 Year CAGR	7.0%
5 Year CAGR	3.5%
Since Inception	17.5%

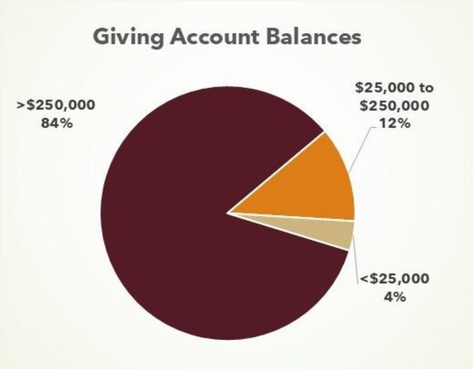


The portfolio's asset mix remained conservative and balanced. Exposure to Global Equities was added during the year. Short-Term yields remained attractive, while Canadian Equities, Global Equities, and Alternative Equities provided moderate upside returns.

DONORS

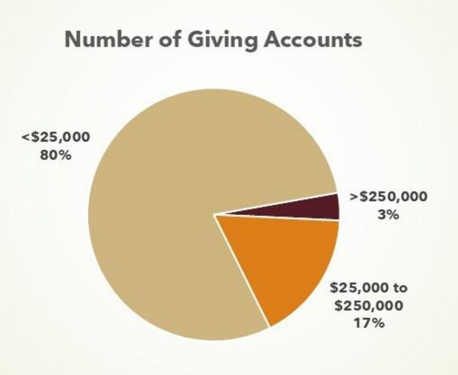
Recognizing the tremendous benefits of Donor Advised Funds, donors increasingly turned to this charitable product when planning their charitable giving and helping out their community. The number of Donor Advised Accounts has increased steadily.



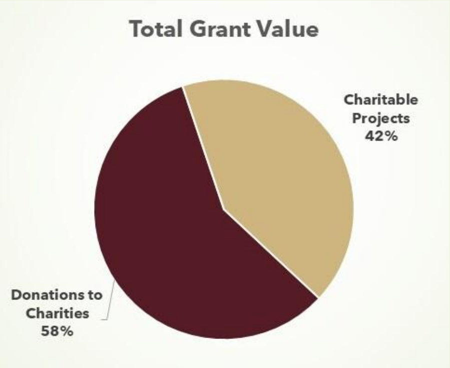


Donor Advised Funds are an attractive charitable giving product across the wealth spectrum. Many individuals, companies, and community groups are embracing a smarter, more flexible approach to philanthropic planning.

With a minimum opening balance of $5,000, most account balances were under $25,000, and only 3 percent were over $250,000. Small donors are embracing the opportunity to take control of their giving using our Donor Advised Fund platform.

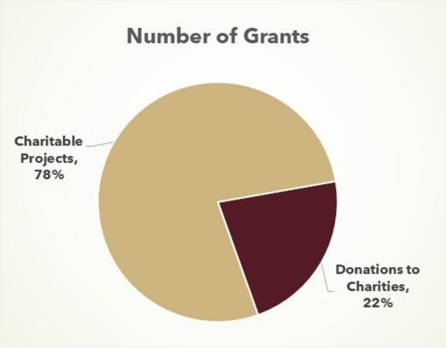


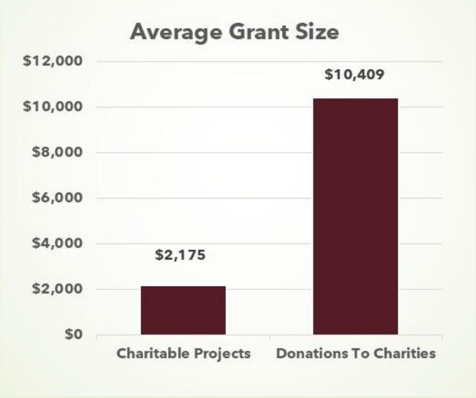
COMMUNITY IMPACT



Despite continuing concerns about the economy, donor grant recommendations remained very strong. Forty two percent of grants funded Charitable Projects created by donors themselves, including scholarships, meals for the homeless, arts projects, and more. This is a unique feature of the Veritas Giving Fund and is not available at our competitors.

The number of grants for donor Charitable Projects accounted for the largest component due to their smaller individual grant sizes and the frequency of donations. Donors supported the causes that interested them personally. We empower them to support their own causes.





The average donation per grant was substantial and meaningful to recipients. Donors' commitment to their causes provides stability and encouragement for non-profits and the communities they serve. Donor support remained diverse in size, geographic location, and charitable mission.

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Charities Supported

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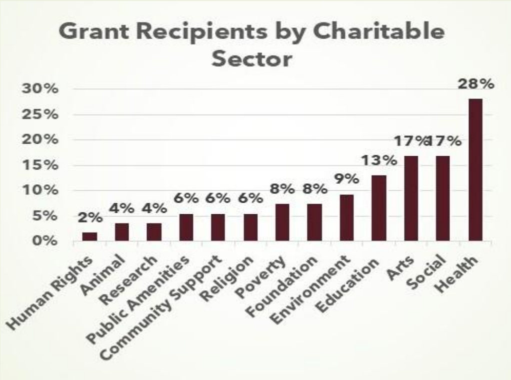
Charitable Projects Supported

Charities Supported

10,000 Trees for the Rouge
2 Spirited People of 1st Nations
Anishnawabe Health Foundation
Blake Boultbee Youth Outreach Service
Bond Street Theatre
Boots on the Ground
Boundary Helping Hands Feline Society
Canadian Foundation For AIDS Research
Canadian Men's Health Foundation
Canadian Mental Health Association
Canadian Tank Museum
Canadian Urban Institute
CDC Quinte
Champions For Life
Children's Foundation of Muskoka
CIUT
Concours musical international de Montreal
Daily Bread Food Bank
Eva's Initiative for Homeless Youth
FairPlay Inc.
Friends of Allan Gardens
Georgian Bay Forever
Georgian Bay General Hospital Foundation
Georgian Bay Land Trust
Grand Forks Secondary School
Green Theory Design Inc.
Human Rights Watch
Jack.Org
Kootenay Robusters
Lambda Foundation
Learning and Living Hub
Make A Wish Canada
Making Art Making Change
McGill University Health Centre Foundation
Musicounts
Nellie's Women's Shelter
NepalAbility
New Goma Refugee Mattress Project
Nightbirde Foundation
Not Far From the Tree
NUI Mount Sinai
Operation Pegasus Jump
Optimist Club of Grantham
Paprika Festival
Project Pegasus
Project: Humanity
Rainbow Faith & Freedom
Red Pepper Spectacle Arts
Rotary Club of Grand Forks
S.H.A.R.E. Agriculture Foundation
Sick Not Weak Charitable Foundation
Soeurs de Sainte-Marcelline
The Corporation of Massey Hall and Roy Thomson Hall
The Gateway
The George Koutroubis Foundation
The Modern Miracle Foundation
The Muskoka Community Foundation
The Reading Partnership
The Salvation Army
Their Opportunity
Together We Can
UHN Foundation
University of Toronto
Valley Muskoka Community Foundation
We Are the Villagers
West End Phoenix
West Parry Sound Health Centre Foundation
World Heart Beat
Wounded Warriors Canada
Run for Sobriety Association



Monthly Research Reports

The Veritas Foundation is proud to contribute to the public knowledge and discourse of charitable giving in Canada through its monthly Research Reports. These reports cover diverse topics, including *Activities of Large Charities and Foundations in Canada*, *Top Risks and Opportunities Facing the Charity Sector in 2026*, *Donor Advised Funds and Insurance*, and *Running a Successful Fundraising Campaign*. Reports are available individually or by annual subscription. To order, visit our **Online Shop**.

Charity Reviews

We offer an extensive Charity Review program to assist Veritas Foundation Giving Fund Accountholders, the public, and Charity management in assessing the effectiveness and impact of an individual Charity or Foundation. We rate over 56,000 Canadian Charities based on their financial performance and operations, make recommendations to improve the Charity's impact, hold interactive meetings with management and the Board to gain in-depth knowledge of the Charity, and assign the Charity a rating from 1 star to 5 stars. **Our searchable database of rated charities is available on a subscription basis.**

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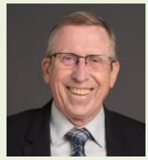

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FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Members of The Veritas Foundation

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of The Veritas Foundation (the Foundation), which comprise the statement of financial position as at March 31, 2026, and the statement of operations and changes in net assets and statement of cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of The Veritas Foundation as at March 31, 2026, and its results of its operations and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations.

Basis for our opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are independent of the Foundation in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in Canada, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Responsibilities of Management and Those Charged with Governance for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the Foundation’s ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the Foundation or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the Foundation’s financial reporting process.

Auditor's Responsibility for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Foundation's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Foundation's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Foundation to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

Concord, Ontario
June 11th, 2026

Valenzano & Pillo LLP
Licensed Public Accountants

THE VERITAS FOUNDATION

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

MARCH 31st

	2026	2025
ASSETS	**$**	**$**
CURRENT ASSETS		
Cash	120,018	85,909
Prepaid Expenses and other Current Assets (note 3)	92,731	95,515
Funds held in trust (note 4)	217,338	198,693
	430,087	380,117
INVESTMENTS (note 3)	11,763,969	7,970,926
	12,194,056	8,351,043
LIABILITIES		
CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	49,967	39,659
Trust liability (note 7)	217,338	198,693
	267,305	238,352
NET ASSETS	11,926,751	8,112,691
	12,194,056	8,351,043

APPROVED ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD

"Anthony Scilipoti"

DIRECTOR

"Sam LaBell"

DIRECTOR

See accompanying notes to the financial statements

THE VERITAS FOUNDATION

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS AND CHANGES IN NET ASSETS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED MARCH 31st

	2026 $	2025 $
REVENUE		
Donations	5,235,699	5,791,996
Realized gain on securities trades	263,675	293,241
Events (Note 6)	84,655	(3,232)
Investment Income	159,531	85,231
Unrealized increase in fair value of investments	1,066,027	74,781
	6,809,587	6,245,249
EXPENSES		
Administrative expenses	180,335	106,409
Investment management expense	152,166	89,230
Custodial Fees	49,774	36,750
Professional Fees	19,298	15,226
Rent and overhead	5,396	5,705
	406,969	256,552
NET SURPLUS BEFORE UNDERNOTED	6,402,618	5,988,697
Awards, grants and disbursements	2,588,558	3,613,921
NET SURPLUS	3,814,060	2,374,776
NET SURPLUS, BEGINNING OF YEAR	8,112,691	5,737,915
NET SURPLUS, END OF YEAR	11,926,751	8,112,691

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

THE VERITAS FOUNDATION

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED MARCH 31st

	2026 $	2025 $
CASH FLOWS PROVIDED FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Net surplus	3,814,060	2,374,776
Items not requiring use of cash		
Loss/(Gains) on disposal of investments	(263,674)	(293,241)
Unrealized gains on marketable securities	(1,066,027)	(74,781)
	2,484,359	2,006,754
Changes in non-cash working capital:		
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	2,784	(36,396)
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	10,308	(314)
	2,497,451	1,970,044
CASH FLOWS USED IN INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Purchase of marketable securities	(4,128,401)	(5,938,385)
Proceeds from sale of marketable securities	1,665,059	3,991,763
	(2,463,342)	(1,946,622)
NET INCREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	34,109	23,422
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, BEGINNING OF THE YEAR	85,909	62,487
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, END OF THE YEAR	120,018	85,909

The Foundation was incorporated as a corporation without share capital on January 18, 2017 under the laws of Canada. It received its charitable status as a private organization effective November 28, 2018. The Organization offers individuals, families, groups and corporations a platform to establish their own Donor Advised Fund in the Veritas Foundation Giving Fund.

Its purpose is to make sustainable improvements to the Charitable sector through research and granting programs. The primary investment objective of the Foundation is to manage donors' original capital to disburse the funds over a multi-year horizon to charitable organizations and causes selected by the donors. The Foundation's secondary objective is to grow donors' original capital through investment income and capital appreciation, with a view to increasing the impact of each donation and extending the potential timeline of disbursements.

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of accounting

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations (ASNPO). ASNPO requires entities to select policies appropriate for their circumstances from policies provided in these standards. The following are the policies selected by the Foundation and applied in these financial statements.

Unrestricted Funds

Unrestricted funds reflect amounts remaining after externally and internally restricted funds, and are available to fund operations of current and future periods as required.

Revenue recognition

The Foundation follows the deferral method of accounting for donations, which are recognized in revenue when received or receivable. Grants to charities which are recommended by donors are at the discretion of the Foundation.

Income from investments is recorded as earned. Gains and losses from changes in the fair value of investments are recorded, whether realized or unrealized.

Use of estimates

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to make estimates assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and reported amounts of revenue and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from these estimates.

Financial instruments

The Foundation's financial instruments consist of cash and investments. A financial asset or liability is recognized when the Foundation becomes party to contractual provisions of the instrument. Financial assets or liabilities are initially measured at their fair value.

The Foundation subsequently measures its financial assets and financial liabilities at cost or amortized cost, except for its investments which are quoted in an active market and are subsequently measured at fair value. If there is no quoted price in an active market then the Foundation uses valuation techniques that maximize the use of relevant observable inputs and minimize the unobservable inputs. Changes in fair value are recognized in the statement of operations and changes in net assets.

For financial assets measured at cost or amortized cost, the Foundation regularly assesses whether there are any indications of impairment. If there is any such indication of impairment, and the Foundation determines that there is a significant adverse change in the expected timing or amount of future cash flows from that financial asset, it recognizes an impairment loss in the statement of operations and changes in net assets. Any reversals of previously recognized impairment losses are recognized in operations in the year the reversal occurs.

Volunteer service

The work of the Organization is partially accomplished by the contribution of voluntary services. The Organization does not record the value of volunteer services unless the fair value can be reasonably estimated. These services are received gratuitously; therefore, no value has been included in these financial statements as the fair value is not readily determinable.

2. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT

The Foundation is exposed to various risks through its financial instruments. The Foundation manages these risks by maintaining a diversified portfolio of investments.

Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Foundation cannot meet its financial obligations as they come due. The majority of the Foundation's investments are traded in an active market and can be readily liquidated. In addition, the Foundation aims to retain sufficient cash positions to maintain liquidity. Therefore, the Foundation's liquidity risk is considered minimal.

Market risk
Market risk is the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market prices. Market risk comprises three types of risk: currency risk, interest rate risk and other price risk.

Currency risk
Currency risk is the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in foreign exchange rates. The Foundation is not exposed to currency risk.

Equity price risk
Security price risk is the risk that the value of financial instruments will fluctuate due to changes in market prices. The Foundation is exposed to price risk through its holdings in publicly traded equities.

Credit risk
Credit risk is the potential for financial loss should a counterparty in a transaction fail to meet its obligations. The Foundation's investments in certain securities including fixed income and private commercial mortgages are subject to credit risk. The maximum exposure to credit risk on these financial instruments is their carrying value.

Investment Policy
Funds must be managed in adherence to the principles of consistency and continuity. The principle of conservatism predominates when the investment committee, advisers, and securities custodians are engaged in decision making and applying strategies.

The objective is to optimize the return on the fund while considering the risk that the Foundation is prepared to assume as well as specific constraints set out in the investment policy. Risk stems from the uncertainty inherent to several factors (loss in value of specific investments, decrease in fair value caused by financial market fluctuations, etc.), the combined actions of which could have consequences on the Foundation's ability to meet its commitments.

Return is optimized through an ideal combination of financial assets, diversification, and sufficient latitude to use investment vehicles with higher return potential depending on the periods.

3. PREPAID EXPENSES AND OTHER CURRENT ASSETS

The Foundation's investments consist of the following:

	2026 $	2025 $
GST/HST Recoverable	92,731	95,515

4. FUNDS HELD IN TRUST

Funds Held in Trust are managed on behalf of another Registered Canadian Charity under a Trustee Agreement dated January 4, 2021. Under the Agreement, The Veritas Foundation is responsible for administrative functions including, maintaining accounting and operating records. The Registered Canadian Charity may withdraw funds at any time with written notice.

5. INVESTMENTS

The Foundation's Investments consist of the following:

	2026 $	2025 $
Cash, marketable securities and mutual funds	11,763,969	7,970,926

6. EVENTS

During the year, The Foundation organized a number of fund raising events.

	2026 $	2025 $
Event revenues	444,406	244,297
Event expenses	359,751	247,529
NET (COST) FROM EVENTS	84,655	(3,232)

Revenue does not include receipted Donations collected during the event. These donations are included in Donations presented on the Statement of Operations and Change in Net Assets.

7. RELATED PARTIES AND SERVICE AGREEMENT

The Foundation has entered into a service agreement with Veritas Charity Services Inc. to perform or arrange for administrative, marketing and promotion services. The provision of these services is included in administrative expenses. It has also entered into a service agreement with Veritas Asset Management Inc. for investment management services. The service agreements are on normal commercial terms. These two companies are subsidiaries of VIRC Holdings Inc. Two of the Foundation's directors are principals of VIRC Holdings Inc.

	2026 $	2025 $
Expense	309,727	198,871
Accounts Payable	30,000	20,772

8. OTHER INFORMATION ON THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

The Income Tax Act rules for Charitable organizations stipulates that certain minimum amounts be disbursed during their fiscal year. The Foundation has exceeded the requirements set out in the Act.

Our Vision

We will participate in a thriving Canadian philanthropic sector where the most impactful charities with the highest governance standards are celebrated and supported by donor capital.

Our Mission

The Veritas Foundation aims to be Canada's authoritative source for participating in the country's charitable sector and evaluating its effectiveness and impact.

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