

TRINITY CENTRES FOUNDATION

The \$2.5 million community bond campaign

The Organization

Founded in 2018, Trinity Centres Foundation is a pan-Canadian charitable organization that was created with the vision of preserving, restoring, and re-purposing underutilized churches into community hubs and affordable housing.

The Need

As an organization that works in capital development projects with the kinds of organizations that have large barriers accessing financing from traditional financial institutions, a need for creating a pool of funds to allow potential clients to access financing became evident.

The Solution

Structuring and managing a 2.5-million-dollar community bond from public and private foundations was seen as the best way to create access and unlock pre-development financing that will allow further financing for various project.

In Their Own Words

“The advantage of a community bond is that you get to structure it based on your needs, balanced with what the investors are willing to bear. You get a little more flexibility in terms of how you structure that tool when compared to a loan.”

Key lesson(s) or best practice(s) shared

Engaging with the social finance community of practice, as well as sharing information and experiences is essential to building understanding and insight in this developing field.

AT A GLANCE

Type of organization

Registered Canadian Charity

Social finance approach

Community bond

Sustainable development goal(s)



Investment readiness stage

Social financial awareness



Business model/
plan development

Organizational ability



Impact measurement
and reporting

Network development

