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The David Foster Foundation Overview

The David Foster Foundation is a national non-profit Canadian charitable organization dedicated to providing financial support for non-medical expenses to Canadian families with children in need of life-saving pediatric organ transplants.

In the past 34 years, the David Foster Foundation has assisted over 1,200 families with children in need of life-saving organ transplants and provided much needed dollars in direct family support.

In 2006, the Foundation became a national organization, expanding to help families across Canada.

The Foundation works in collaboration with pediatric transplant teams across Canada to provide support for children up to and including their 18th birthday year once they are listed for transplant to post-operative checkup.

Pediatric Transplant Centres:

- BC Children's Hospital, Vancouver BC
- University of Alberta Hospital, Stollery Children's, Edmonton, Alberta
- Alberta Children's Hospital, Calgary Alberta
- London Health Sciences Centre, Children's Hospital, London, Ontario
- Hospital for Sick Children, Toronto Ontario
- CHU Staine-Justine, Montreal Quebec
- Montreal Children's Hospital, McGill University, Montreal Quebec
- IWK Health Centre, Halifax Nova Scotia

Types of support may include:

- transportation costs, accommodation, long distance phone calls, meals and groceries for the family while they are in another city for their child's transplant or related care;
- clothes and basic personal items if the family has to leave their hometown suddenly for treatment or for their child's transplant; and
- rent or mortgage assistance on a short-term basis if necessary while the family is in another city or province for surgery or medical treatment.

Before the David Foster Foundation was established, as a result of the enormous emotional & financial stress on the family, approximately 85% of the families unfortunately, ended up divorced and/or bankrupt.

Through the David Foster Foundation, Canadian families receive financial support so they can be with their child during the entire life-saving organ transplant process. From the initial transplant, through to the postoperative care and annual checkups which can often go on for 7 or more years.

Our foundation staff works with the transplant team to help provide guidance and assistance as the families go through the processes involved in their child's transplant and medical care.

In addition to providing financial support to families, the foundation also strives to increase public awareness about the importance of becoming a registered organ donor.

Please go to the David Foster Foundation website: davidfosterfoundation.com and watch David's video and learn of the Foundation's story through the eyes of David.

David Foster



David Foster, OC, OOC, OBC is a Canadian musician, record producer, composer, singer, songwriter and arranger born in Victoria, British Columbia. David began studying piano at age four. As the story goes, his mother was dusting the family piano, hit one of the keys, and was shocked when David correctly called out, "That's an E!", thus discovering he had perfect pitch. The son of a maintenance yard superintendent and homemaker is a 16-time Grammy Award winner (including three for Producer of the Year) with an unprecedented 50 Grammy nominations, a recipient of seven Canadian Juno Awards, an Emmy Award and a three-time Oscar nominee, all over the course of four extraordinarily successful decades.

David Foster seems constitutionally incapable of resting on his laurels, and his relentless drive has propelled him throughout his career. Few other individuals can claim to have their fingerprints on more major moments in all of the popular music than David Foster. He has created hit songs and award-winning gold and platinum albums for a diverse array of artists including Barbra Streisand, Celine Dion, Whitney Houston, Michael Jackson, Madonna, Andrea Bocelli, Michael Bublé, Josh Groban, Rod Stewart, Stevie Wonder, Earth, Wind & Fire, Diana Krall, Natalie Cole, Michael Bolton, Seal, Chaka Khan, Kenny Rogers, Dolly Parton, Chicago, Hall & Oates, Brandy, 'N Sync, Boz Scaggs, and Gloria Estefan. He has escorted singers who have straddled both pop and classical styles like Andrea Bocelli and Josh Groban into the mainstream. He has created culture-defining soundtracks for blockbuster films like *The Bodyguard*, *Urban Cowboy*, and *St. Elmo's Fire*; and crafted timeless holiday classics, including perennial best-sellers like Josh Groban's *Noel*, Michael Bublé's *Christmas*, Celine Dion's *These Are Special Times*, Rod Stewart's *Merry Christmas Baby*, Andrea Bocelli's *My Christmas*, and Mary J. Blige's *A Mary Christmas*.

David Foster's success in the music industry over the last three decades has also allowed him the opportunity to give back to his community and reach out to children. Meeting with a young girl from his hometown who was awaiting a life-saving liver transplant had a profound impact on David. In 1986 he established the David Foster Foundation, which was originally based in British Columbia but in 2006 became a national foundation, helping families of children needing life-saving organ transplants across Canada. For 31 years, Foster has raised millions of dollars and assisted over 1,100 Canadian families through his foundation. He has also lent his musical talent to well over 500 charitable events.

In recognition of his music accomplishments and his unwavering commitment to charitable and philanthropic endeavors over the past four decades David Foster has received:

- 1995** Order of British Columbia & Hon Doctorate – University of Victoria
- 2002** Received Star on Canadian Walk of Fame
Hon Doctorate of Music University of California, Berkeley
- 2006** Officer of the Order of Canada
- 2007** Inducted into the Canadian Music Industry Hall of Fame
- 2010** Inducted into the Canadian Songwriters Hall of Fame
- 2013** Received Star on the Hollywood Walk of Fame
- 2014** Lion's Club International Humanitarian of the Year Award
- 2015** University of Victoria's Gustavson's School of Business Entrepreneur of the Year Award
- 2016** Honoured with Key to the City of Winnipeg from Mayor Brian Bowman
- 2016** Received B'Nai Brith's Award of Merit for humanitarian work
- 2017** Recipient of the University of Manitoba's 2017 International Distinguished Entrepreneur Award (IDEA).
- 2019** Humanitarian of the Year, The JUNO Awards