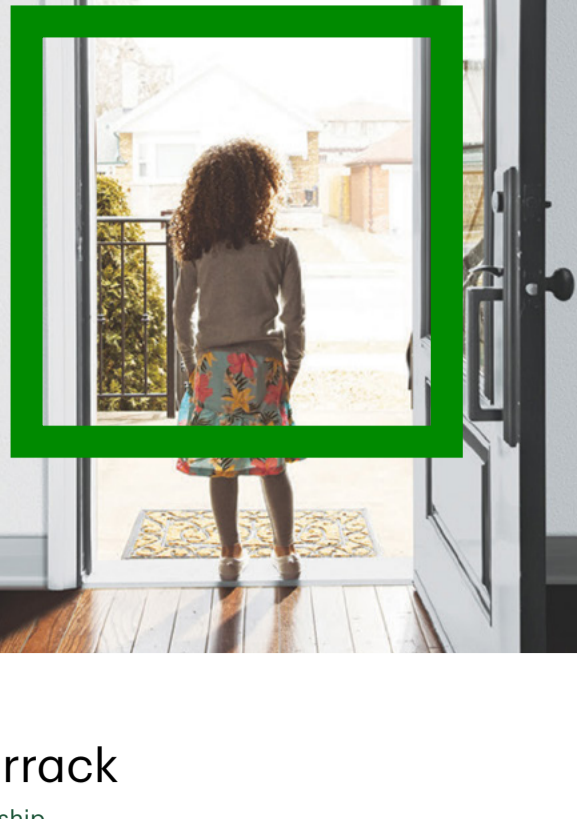


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TD Corporate Citizenship Newsletter

Opening doors for a more sustainable and inclusive tomorrow



Message from Andrea Barrack

Global Head, Sustainability and Corporate Citizenship

Over the last few months, the aspiration of our global corporate citizenship platform has never felt more prevalent. This spring we shared a collective grief over the discoveries at former residential schools across Canada and the recent waves of anti-Asian racism, Islamophobia, and antisemitism across North America. We've also witnessed several events demonstrating the accelerating impacts of climate change on our planet and the very real consequences for individuals and communities. It's been incredible to witness the growing consensus of citizens, private companies and the public sector on the need for greater action. These realities bring home how our work within global corporate citizenship holds particular meaning, now more than ever, and can help drive collective change.

At TD and through the TD Ready Commitment, the last few months have presented several opportunities to move our aspiration forward. First, by bringing diverse voices together inside and outside of the Bank, we were able to acknowledge current challenges and celebrate progress.

May marked Asian Heritage Month and June the start of Pride 2021 where, in solidarity with Asian and LGBTQ2+ communities and colleagues, we supported community-based programs and festivals, rallied through virtual enterprise colleague events and amplified our messages via North American Marketing campaigns.

June was National Indigenous History Month, which was a heightened opportunity to build awareness of the unique histories, cultures, contributions and achievements of Indigenous Peoples. The month culminated on National Indigenous Peoples' Day with a bank-wide virtual event that also enabled us to sit with the truth about our past, mourn the lives cut short due to the residential school system, support survivors and promote healing.

Second, this quarter also marked progress of our Environmental, Social and Governance evolution. We made progress on our global [Climate Action Plan](#) that supports the transition to a low-carbon future. We established an interim Scope 1 and 2 target to achieve an absolute reduction in greenhouse gas emissions (GHG) from our operations by 25% by 2025, relative to a 2019 baseline. This is a key example of how we're building on over ten years of GHG emissions reductions and challenging ourselves to do more.

As another quarter comes to an end, I'd like to share that I am moving on to other opportunities outside TD and this will be my last newsletter as Global Head, Sustainability & Corporate Citizenship. To my team, our colleagues, our customers, and of course, the community-based organizations we work with, thank you for your passion, talents and perseverance in helping to bring our aspiration to life.

Please read on to learn more about some of the other ways the TD Ready Commitment provided support and drove impacts across the last quarter.

The Four Interconnected Drivers of Change

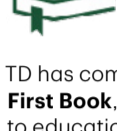


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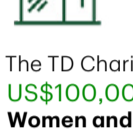
Early Learning, Income Stability, Affordable Housing, Financial Literacy



Funding approved for **195 organizations in total this quarter in Canada and the United States.**



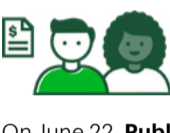
TD has committed **US\$250,000 to First Book**, a nonprofit dedicated to educational equity as a path out of poverty. On June 15, First Book announced the launch of Black Kids Matter campaign, which is supported by the TD Ready Commitment, an initiative designed to help amplify, celebrate and empower the voices of Black children. As part of the initiative, First Book will distribute 13,000 culturally relevant books that showcase diverse characters, voices and life experiences to children of colour in underserved communities.



The TD Charitable Foundation donated **US\$100,000 to the Center for Women and Enterprise (CWE)** to provide technical assistance, training and support for 1,000 small businessowners with a focus on women and people of colour. Across Massachusetts, Rhode Island, New Hampshire and Vermont, CWE will support businessowners in receiving their women of colour owned business designation through its Women's Business Enterprise National Council (WBENC) certification program.



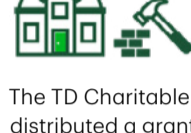
On July 12, **Skills for Change** announced the launch of its **Data Analytics** program, which is supported by TD through the TD Ready Commitment. This custom designed Data Analytics program aims to create opportunities to help mid-level career professionals reskill and upskill while helping to create viable career paths for the future with an emphasis on newcomers, immigrants, and refugees. In addition, a virtual event was held with four panelists from TD who work in various capacities in the Data Analytics field, which offered participants more information on what it's like working in this field.



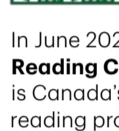
On June 22, **Public Policy Forum** held their **third annual Brave New Work Conference**, which looked into policy recommendations and possible solutions to support the future of work. At this event, Public Policy Forum announced a new **three-year program**, supported by TD, that will focus on economic and financial inclusion and will provide insights into the financial and economic wellbeing of Canadians.



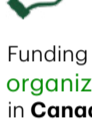
The 2021 TD Scholarships for Community Leadership Awards Ceremony took place virtually on June 3, 2021 marking the 26th year of the program. The scholarship program provides 20 students who have had a remarkable leadership impact on their community, with scholarships of **up to \$70,000 over four years** for their post-secondary education and also offered summer employment opportunities with the bank.



The TD Charitable Foundation distributed a grant of **US\$100,000 to the Credit Builders Alliance**. Through these funds, a subgrant and technical assistance program will launch to help affordable housing providers report rental payment history to credit reporting agencies, boosting credit scores for individuals living in affordable housing developments.



In June 2021, the annual **TD Summer Reading Club** program launched, which is Canada's biggest, bilingual summer reading program for kids of all ages, all interests, and all abilities. This free program is co-created and delivered by **over 2,000 public libraries across Canada**. It celebrates Canadian authors, illustrators and stories and is designed to help kids build a lifelong love of reading.

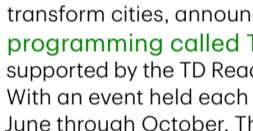


Vibrant Planet

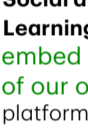
Green Spaces, Low-Carbon Economy



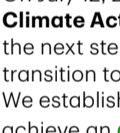
Funding approved for **15 organizations in total this quarter in Canada and the United States.**



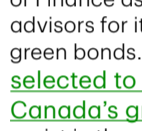
In May 2021, **Future Cities Canada**, the national cross-sector initiative designed to accelerate innovation to transform cities, announced its **2021 programming called The Summit**, supported by the TD Ready Commitment. With an event held each month from June through October, The Summit brings together urban thought leaders, private- and public-sector innovators, mayors and community leaders to showcase what's ahead in creating more resilient communities of the future.



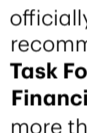
On June 10, 2021, within TD, we launched a new **Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) Learning Program** to help further embed ESG within the fabric of our organization. This new online platform provides colleagues with a foundational understanding of ESG, including what it is, why it is important and how we are approaching ESG at TD.



On July 12, 2021, as part of our global **Climate Action Plan**, we announced the next step in our support of the transition to a low-carbon future. We established an interim target to achieve an **absolute reduction in greenhouse gas emissions from our operations (Scope 1 and 2 GHG emissions) by 25% by 2025**, relative to a 2019 baseline. This action builds on the milestones in our GHG emissions reduction history that we have achieved over the past ten years.



TD has been selected by the Government of Canada's Department of Finance as one of its structural advisors for its inaugural issuance of green bonds. **TD Securities** was **selected to advise on the design of Canada's green bond framework**, assist in the development of the on-going program, and support an inaugural issuance in the coming year.



TD Asset Management (TDAM) has officially joined efforts to support recommendations from the global **Task Force on Climate-related Financial Disclosures (TCFD)** joining more than **2,000 organizations**, including TD Bank Group, in demonstrating a commitment to building a more resilient financial system and safeguarding against climate risk. TD has been supporting TCFD since 2018.

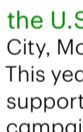


Connected Communities

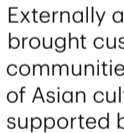
Shared Experiences, Arts and Culture, Local Needs



Funding approved for **219 organizations in total this quarter in Canada and the United States.**



Through the TD Ready Commitment, we supported **virtual Pride programs across 40 markets in Canada and the U.S.**, in cities like Toronto New York City, Montreal and Washington, D.C. This year's Pride activities are also supported by our annual Marketing campaign. This year's theme conveys that although progress has been made for the community, there's more work to be done to keep driving momentum.



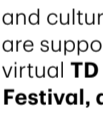
In May, we launched a campaign to mark **Asian Heritage Month in Canada and Asian American Heritage & Pacific Islander Heritage Month in the US**. The campaign spoke to the importance of **standing united with Asian communities against racism**. Externally and internally, the campaign brought customers, colleagues and communities together in recognition of Asian cultures. Initiatives, supported by the TD Ready Commitment were highlighted, along with a North American internal event where we joined in solidarity with Asian communities and colleagues, celebrated the rich diversity of Pan-Asian history, and shared experiences through Asian arts and culture.



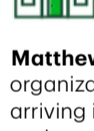
In June, we marked **National Indigenous History Month** across TD, which **celebrates Indigenous Peoples across Canada**. It was also an opportunity for reflection, to sit with the truth about the past, drive education on Truth and Reconciliation and contribute toward building unity between all Canadians.



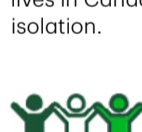
Throughout the summer months, TD continued to support more than **60 music and cultural festivals across Canada** through a virtual-first approach, with festivals running from June through October. Through these festivals and events, we are supporting free or low-cost participation opportunities for diverse groups and communities to come together, feel connected and amplify voices in arts and culture. Some of the festivals we are supporting this year include the **virtual TD Salsa on St Clair, TD Mosaic Festival, and Festival Haiti en Folie**.



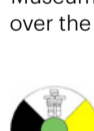
A grant of **USD\$20,000** was awarded to the **Brooklyn Innovation Institute Fellowship** through the TD Charitable Foundation. This capacity building program provides emerging artists with a series of professional development opportunities designed to place artists on a meaningful path towards economic stability and sustainability. Over the course of six months, selected artists will participate in one-on-one financial counseling sessions, professional webinars and creative development opportunities.



Matthew House, a Toronto-based organization that helps refugees arriving in Canada by providing shelter and support in a welcoming, home-like setting, announced the **ownership of two homes that will be used to support refugees** in the Matthew House community. With support from TD, Matthew House will provide wrap-around support to help refugee and newcomers settle into their new lives in Canada and reduce social isolation.



In July, the TD Charitable Foundation provided a **US\$75,000 grant to the Queens Museum** to support **The Year of Uncertainty Community Partnership Program**. Nine community organizations based in Queens, New York have been selected to receive financial resources to support the production of a community driven project, initiative, or campaign, taking place at the Queens Museum or within the Queens borough over the next year.



Gord Downie & Chanie Wenjack Fund (DWF) held virtual events to mark **National Indigenous History Month**. DWF's events created opportunities to learn about the past, reflect on the truth, and acknowledge the contributions First Nations, Inuit and Métis Peoples. They also provided a forum to continue dialogue and identify steps toward Truth and Reconciliation.

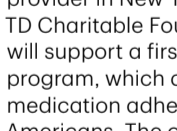


Better Health

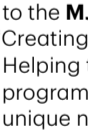
Innovative solutions for more equitable health outcomes for all



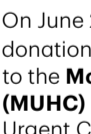
Funding approved for **60 organizations in total this quarter in Canada and the United States.**



A grant of **US\$150,000** was provided to **Northwell Health**, the largest health provider in New York City, through the TD Charitable Foundation. The funds will support a first of its kind pilot program, which aims to improve statin medication adherence in African Americans. The objective is to prevent cardiovascular disease (CVD) and reduce CVD disparities. Fourteen different cohorts will go through this pilot, which leans on virtual-delivery, individualized behavior-change techniques and medication adherence using wireless pill bottles.



The TD Charitable Foundation awarded a **US\$150,000** grant over two years to the **MJHS Foundation**, to support the "Creating Safety and Building Trust: Helping the Veteran Community Access" program. This initiative tackles the unique needs of veterans who are more reluctant to access care, including veterans of colour and LGBTQ2+ veterans, which have traditionally been under-funded.



On June 21, 2021, TD announced a donation of **\$1 million** over five years to the **McGill University Health Centre (MUHC) Foundation** for their AI for Urgent Care Program. This initiative is focused on helping to create better access to radiology and improve diagnosis and early detection of potentially life-threatening conditions, with the goal of benefiting the health of remote or isolated communities in Quebec.



From May 17-28, 2021 we launched a new colleague engagement campaign in support of **Canada's Children's Hospital Foundations (CCHF)**. The "Momentum Challenge" supports our goal of helping to **create improved health outcomes for Canadian youth over the next 10 years**.

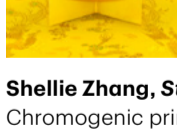
We asked colleagues to take part by learning about the challenges facing adolescent health in Canada, participating in a 12-day movement challenge individually or in a virtual team, or by making a one-time donation to a CCHF children's hospital foundation in their region.

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Quarterly Art Moment: TD Corporate Art Collection

The TD Corporate Art Collection is committed to supporting the amplification of contemporary, underrepresented, and diverse voices in arts and culture across North America. Each quarter, we highlight two art pieces from the TD Corporate Art Collection to help build a conversation on equity and art.

This quarter we are featuring:

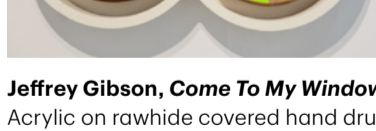


Shellie Zhang, Still Life with Dragonfruit, 2018-2019

Chromogenic print

Shellie Zhang (b. 1991, Beijing, China) is a multidisciplinary artist based in Toronto, Canada. *Still Life with Dragonfruit* combines visual cues from traditional Chinese and Western still life paintings, the bowl of decorative produce, offerings at shrines, and the tradition of gifting fruit to others. Zhang is interested in how arrangements of fruits and vegetables are presented as "tender jewels" on pedestals to represent care, affection and labour.

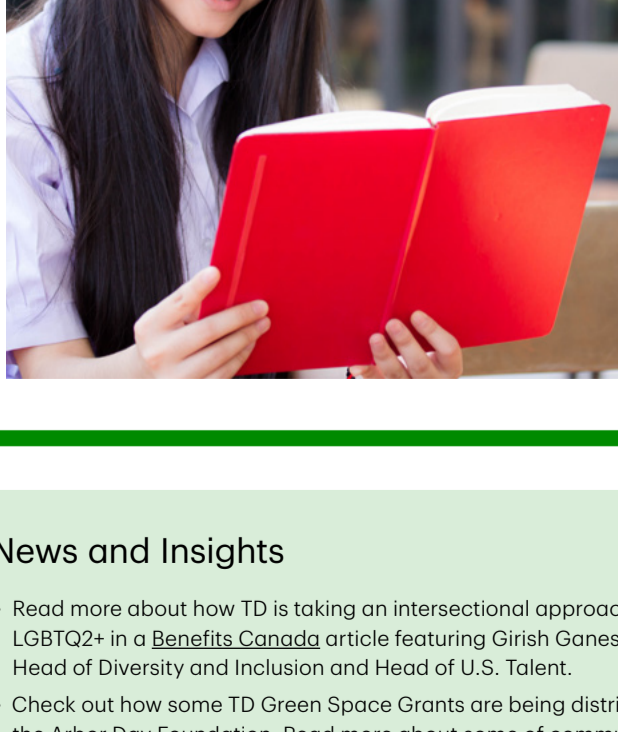
Still Life with Dragonfruit is part of a series titled *Offerings to Both Past and Future*. Created as tributes, the series aims to sustain the collective memory of those in the afterlife and those in the present.



Jeffrey Gibson, Come To My Window, 2020

Acrylic on rawhide covered hand drums and custom frame

Jeffrey Gibson (b. 1972, Colorado, United States) is a Mississippi Choctaw-Cherokee painter and sculptor based in Hudson, New York. His practice combines Indigenous traditions with the visual languages of Modernism to explore the contemporary confluence of personal identity, culture, history, and complex social narratives. *Come To My Window* uses traditional Indigenous materials like animal hides to create aesthetically dynamic drums.



Launch of the 2021 TD Ready Challenge

On July 12, 2021 the fourth annual edition of the **TD Ready Challenge** launched, a key initiative of the TD Ready Commitment, which focuses on helping to support the development of innovative, impactful and measurable solutions for a changing world. The 2021 TD Ready Challenge seeks solutions to address the predicted learning loss in math and reading for disproportionately impacted students in grades K-12 as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. The pandemic has disrupted elementary and high school education across North America and the transition to alternative ways of teaching has created challenges for both students and teachers due to uneven implementation and unequal access to technology.

A total commitment of C\$10 million, will be distributed through one-time grants for eligible organizations in Canada and the U.S. Watch for our announcement about our 2021 TD Ready Challenge grant recipients in the coming months. For more details on the 2021 TD Ready Challenge, please visit td.com/readychallenge.

News and Insights

- Read more about how TD is taking an intersectional approach to support LGBTQ2+ in a [Benefits Canada](#) article featuring Girish Ganesan, Global Head of Diversity and Inclusion and Head of U.S. Talent.

- Check out how some TD Green Space Grants are being distributed through the Arbor Day Foundation. Read more about some of communities selected, such as [Surrey, B.C.](#), [New Westminster, B.C.](#), and [Conception Bay South, Newfoundland](#).

- Shelley Sylva, Vice President, Head of U.S. Corporate Citizenship, is featured in an [Authority Magazine](#) article highlighting Shelley's career journey and perspective on the importance of social issues, like affordable housing.

Coming Up Next Quarter

Watch out for more on initiatives, such as TD Tree Days.

For virtual-based community events taking place across Canada and the United States, visit communityevents.td.com.