

Avalanche Canada Foundation / Fondation Avalanche Canada
Financial Statements
June 30, 2022

To the Directors of Avalanche Canada Foundation / Fondation Avalanche Canada:

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Avalanche Canada Foundation / Fondation Avalanche Canada (the "Foundation"), which comprise the statement of financial position as at June 30, 2022, and the statements of operations and changes in net assets and cash flows for the year then ended, notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies and supporting schedules.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Foundation as at June 30, 2022, and the 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 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 the 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 Responsibilities 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.

Calgary, Alberta

October 4, 2022

MNP LLP

Chartered Professional Accountants

Avalanche Canada Foundation / Fondation Avalanche Canada

Statement of Financial Position

As at June 30, 2022

	Operating Fund	Government of Canada Agreement Fund	Province of British Columbia Fund	2022	2021
Assets					
Current					
Cash and cash equivalents (Note 5)	1,009,317	-	-	1,009,317	300,550
Accounts receivable (Note 6)	11,297	-	-	11,297	8,348
Prepaid fundraising expenses	600	-	-	600	3,221
Short-term investments	-	-	-	-	675,356
	1,021,214	-	-	1,021,214	987,475
Long-term investments (Note 7)	5,425	23,280,225	9,055,066	32,340,716	34,203,694
	1,026,639	23,280,225	9,055,066	33,361,930	35,191,169
Liabilities					
Current					
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	18,207	-	-	18,207	20,269
Deferred contributions (Note 8)	206,385	-	-	206,385	209,810
Deferred contributions related to funding agreements (Note 7)	-	23,280,225	9,055,066	32,335,291	34,198,269
Deferred fundraising revenue	610	-	-	610	750
	225,202	23,280,225	9,055,066	32,560,493	34,429,098
Net Assets					
Unrestricted net assets	801,437	-	-	801,437	762,071
	1,026,639	23,280,225	9,055,066	33,361,930	35,191,169
Approved on behalf of the Board					
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Director			Director		

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements

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Statement of Operations and Changes in Net Assets

For the year ended June 30, 2022

	Operating Fund	Government of Canada Agreement Fund	Province of British Columbia Fund	2022	2021
Revenue					
Interest and other income	22,417	1,402,043	1,000,000	2,424,460	910,753
Fundraising (Note 9)	120,337	-	-	120,337	85,998
Individual donations	84,781	-	-	84,781	109,363
Deferred contributions recognized (Note 8)	7,700	-	-	7,700	9,835
Corporate donations	700	-	-	700	10,250
Benefit Income	-	-	-	-	3,750
	235,935	1,402,043	1,000,000	2,637,978	1,129,949
Expenditures					
Program and grant funding (Note 3), (Note 4)	28,450	1,430,000	1,000,000	2,458,450	879,835
Bank charges and interest	1,657	52,043	-	53,700	51,588
Professional fees	27,091	-	-	27,091	18,500
Fundraising (Note 9)	37,217	-	-	37,217	28,171
Office	12,218	-	-	12,218	18,991
Insurance	7,442	-	-	7,442	910
Travel	2,494	-	-	2,494	-
	116,569	1,482,043	1,000,000	2,598,612	997,995
Excess (deficiency) of revenue over expenses	119,366	(80,000)	-	39,366	131,954
Net assets, beginning of year	762,071	-	-	762,071	630,117
Interfund transfer (Note 7)	(80,000)	80,000	-	-	-
Net assets, end of year	801,437	-	-	801,437	762,071

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Statement of Cash Flows
For the year ended June 30, 2022

	<i>Operating Fund</i>	<i>Government of Canada Agreement Fund</i>	<i>Province of British Columbia Fund</i>	2022	<i>2021</i>
Cash provided by (used for) the following activities					
Operating					
Cash received from donations and fundraising	207,004	-	-	207,004	183,293
Cash paid for interest and bank charges	(1,657)	(52,043)	-	(53,701)	(51,588)
Cash receipts from investment income	22,417	112,434	1,580	136,432	68,441
Cash paid for program service expenses	(114,353)	(1,430,000)	(1,000,000)	(2,544,353)	(947,273)
Interfund transfer	(80,000)	80,000	-	-	-
	33,411	(1,289,609)	(998,420)	(2,254,618)	(747,127)
Financing					
Cash contributions received from Province of British Columbia	-	-	-	-	10,000,000
	-	-	-	-	10,000,000
Investing					
Purchase of short-term investments	-	-	-	-	(665,734)
Redemption of short-term investments	675,356	-	-	675,356	665,843
Purchase of long-term investments	-	(5,410,585)	-	(5,410,585)	(16,248,530)
Redemption of long-term investments	-	6,700,194	998,420	7,698,614	7,111,902
	675,356	1,289,609	998,420	2,963,385	(9,136,519)
Increase in cash resources	708,767	-	-	708,767	116,354
Cash resources, beginning of year	300,550	-	-	300,550	184,196
Cash resources, end of year	1,009,317	-	-	1,009,317	300,550

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Notes to the Financial Statements

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1. Incorporation and nature of the organization

Avalanche Canada Foundation / Fondation Avalanche Canada (the "Foundation") was incorporated federally on May 28, 1999 and registered in British Columbia as Canadian Avalanche Foundation. It is a federally registered charity and is exempt from income taxes under Section p.149(1)(f) of the Income Tax Act of Canada ("the Act"). The Foundation changed its name to Avalanche Canada Foundation / Fondation Avalanche Canada on July 2, 2014.

The Foundation's purpose is to support Avalanche Canada financially in its ability to coordinate public avalanche safety programs, deliver public avalanche awareness and education programs, provide curriculum and support to instructors of recreational avalanche courses, promote avalanche research, and act as a central point of contact for avalanche information such as providing avalanche bulletins and special warnings for many of the mountainous regions of western Canada.

2. Significant accounting policies

The financial statements were prepared in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations and include the following significant accounting policies:

Fund accounting

The Foundation follows the restricted fund method of accounting for contributions:

The Operating Fund reports the assets, liabilities, revenue, and expenses to the ongoing fundraising and operating activities of the Foundation.

The Government of Canada Agreement Fund reports the assets, liabilities, revenue, and expenses related to the Government of Canada funding agreement as disclosed in Note 3.

The Province of British Columbia Fund reports the assets, liabilities, revenue, and expenses related to the Province of British Columbia funding agreement as disclosed in Note 4.

Revenue recognition

i) Deferred contributions

From time to time, the Foundation receives donations in memory of avalanche victims or for other designated purposes. The Foundation follows the deferral method of accounting for these restricted donations. Deferred contributions are recognized as revenue in the period in which the related expenditures are incurred, as detailed in Note 8.

ii) Grants, general donations and fundraising revenue

Unrestricted grants, general donations and fundraising revenue are recognized as revenue when received. However, fundraising revenue received for an event to be held after the year end is deferred along with the related costs for the event.

Income taxes

The Foundation is a charitable organization and as such is exempt from income tax pursuant to Section 149(1)(f) of the Income Tax Act of Canada ("the Act"). To maintain its status as a tax exempt entity under the Act, the Foundation must meet certain requirements within the Act. In the opinion of management, these requirements have been met.

Contributed goods and services

Contributions of goods and services are recognized in the financial statements at the fair value of the items received. Volunteer time is not recorded due to the difficulty in determining the fair value.

Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include restricted and unrestricted cash on deposit and highly liquid money market instruments with maturities of less than three months at acquisition. Restricted cash is held to fund donor directed projects as described in Note 3, Note 4 and Note 5. The Foundation maintains cash and cash equivalents at financial institutions which, periodically, may exceed federally insured amounts.

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Financial instruments

The Foundation recognizes financial instruments when the Foundation becomes party to the contractual provisions of the financial instrument.

Arm's length financial instruments

Financial instruments originated/acquired or issued/assumed in an arm's length transaction ("arm's length financial instruments") are initially recorded at fair value.

At initial recognition, the Foundation may irrevocably elect to subsequently measure any arm's length financial instrument at fair value. The Foundation has not made such an election during the year.

The Foundation subsequently measures investments in equity instruments quoted in an active market and all derivative instruments, except those designated in a qualifying hedging relationship or that are linked to, and must be settled by delivery of, unquoted equity instruments of another entity, at fair value. Fair value is determined by published price quotations. All other financial assets and liabilities are subsequently measured at amortized cost.

Transaction costs and financing fees directly attributable to the origination, acquisition, issuance or assumption of financial instruments subsequently are added to the carrying amount for those financial instruments subsequently measured at cost or amortized cost.

Related party financial instruments

The Foundation measures financial instruments originated/acquired or issued/assumed in a related party transaction ("related party financial instruments") at cost on initial recognition. When the financial instrument has repayment terms, cost is determined using the undiscounted cash flows, excluding interest, dividend, variable and contingent payments, less any impairment losses recognized by the transferor. When the financial instrument does not have repayment terms, but the consideration transferred has repayment terms, cost is determined based on the repayment terms of the consideration transferred. When the financial instrument and the consideration transferred both do not have repayment terms, the cost is equal to the carrying or exchange amount of the consideration transferred or received.

Financial instruments that were initially measured at cost are subsequently measured using the cost method less any reduction for impairment.

Transaction costs and financing fees directly attributable to the origination, acquisition, issuance or assumption of related party financial instruments are immediately recognized in excess (deficiency) of revenue over expenses.

Investments

Short-term investments consist of discount instruments and are measured at amortized cost. Long-term investments are held in zero coupon bonds and are measured at amortized cost.

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Measurement uncertainty

The preparation of financial statements in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations requires the directors to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Significant items subject to such estimates and assumptions include accrued liabilities and the fair value of items contributed by way of donation. Actual results could differ from those reported.

In early 2020 there was a global outbreak of COVID-19 (Coronavirus), which has had a significant impact on businesses and governments through the restrictions put in place by the Canadian, provincial and municipal governments regarding travel, business operations and isolation orders. The extent to which the Avalanche Canada is impacted will depend on future developments, which are highly uncertain and that cannot be predicted with confidence, such as the ultimate geographic spread of the disease, the duration of the outbreak, travel restrictions and social distancing in Canada and other countries, business closures or business disruptions and the effectiveness of actions taken in Canada and other countries to fight the virus.

The amounts recorded in these financial statements are based on the latest reliable information available to management at the time the financial statements were prepared where that information reflects conditions as at the date of the financial statements. However, there is inherent uncertainty about these assumptions and estimates which could result in outcomes that require adjustments to the carrying amount of the affected assets or liabilities in the future.

Restrictions on net assets

The externally restricted net assets are subject to externally imposed conditions as per the grant agreement.

3. Government of Canada Funding Agreement

In 2020, the Foundation entered into a tripartite agreement with Her Majesty the Queen in Right of Canada, as represented by the Minister of Public Safety and Emergency Preparedness ("the Minister") and Avalanche Canada, whereby the Minister provided the Foundation with up-front multi-year funding for the purpose of enabling Avalanche Canada to meet the objectives of its business plan. The maximum amount of the grant furnished to the Foundation is \$25,000,000 which was received in full in the 2020 fiscal year. The Foundation is responsible for managing the funds that are granted and ensuring funds under the grant are used in accordance with the agreement. Earnings on investments related to the grant are to be made available to Avalanche Canada for the purposes of achieving the objectives and activities set out in its business plan.

During the year, \$1,430,000 (2021 - \$850,000) of funds were contributed to Avalanche Canada under the terms of the agreement.

4. Province of British Columbia Funding Agreement

In March of 2021, the Foundation entered into an agreement with Her Majesty the Queen in Right of British Columbia, as represented by the Minister of Public Safety and Solicitor General ("the Province") whereby the Province provided the Foundation with up-front multi-year funding for the purpose of enabling Avalanche Canada to coordinate and provide public avalanche safety programs in the Province of British Columbia. The maximum amount of the grant furnished to the Foundation is \$10,000,000 which was received in full in April of 2021. The Foundation is responsible for managing the funds that are granted and ensuring funds under the grant are used in accordance with the agreement. Earnings on investments related to the grant are to be made available to Avalanche Canada for the purposes of achieving the objectives and activities set out in its business plan.

During the year, \$1,000,000 (2021 - \$nil) of funds were contributed to Avalanche Canada under the terms of the agreement.

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5. Cash and cash equivalents

	2022	2021
Cash	930,105	221,766
Money market fund	79,212	78,784
	1,009,317	300,550

\$203,385 (2021 - \$209,810) of cash and cash equivalents, are funds restricted to contribution obligations as disclosed in note 8.

6. Accounts receivable

	2022	2021
Accounts receivable	10,000	4,918
Goods and services tax recoverable	1,241	851
Interest receivable	56	2,579
	11,297	8,348

7. Long-term investments

	2022	2021
Measured at amortized cost:		
PH&N Institutional Portfolio - Government of Canada (Schedule 1)	23,280,225	24,198,269
Guaranteed Investment Certificate bearing interest at 0.50% for Year 1, 1.00% for Year 2, 1.65% for Year 3 and 1.65% for Year 4 maturing June 12, 2023	5,425	5,425
Guaranteed Investment Certificate bearing interest at 0.20%, matured in the year	-	10,000,000
PH&N Institutional Portfolio - Province of British Columbia (Schedule 2)	9,055,066	-
	32,340,716	34,203,694

A portion of the \$25,000,000 proceeds received from the Government of Canada, in the amount of \$1,430,000 (2021 - \$850,000) were used to fund Avalanche Canada's operations. During the year, \$80,000 was transferred from the operating fund to the Government of Canada grant fund to cover a portion of the fund's expenditures. Included is an amount of \$10,000 (2021 - \$10,000) that was transferred to operating fund net assets as a cost recovery for a portion of administrative expenditures of the operating fund. The PH&N Institutional Portfolio has a fair market value of \$21,990,586 (2021 - \$24,867,740).

A portion of the \$10,000,000 proceeds received from the Province of British Columbia, in the amount \$1,000,000 (2021 - \$nil) was used to fund Avalanche Canada's operations. The PH&N Institutional Portfolio has a fair market value of \$8,726,029 (2021 - \$nil).

The above Guaranteed Investment Certificate of \$5,425 (2021 - \$5,425) is pledged as security for the Foundation's credit card.

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8. Deferred contributions

Deferred contributions represent contributions that have been externally restricted as described below and are therefore not generally available to pay for operating expenses of the Foundation.

	2022	2021
Balance, beginning of year	209,810	212,067
Deferred contributions received	4,275	7,578
	214,085	219,645
Deferred contributions recognized as revenue	7,700	9,835
	206,385	209,810

Deferred contributions consist of the following funds:

The International Snow Science Workshop Fund	137,948	142,548
The Craig Kelly Fund	3,711	4,310
The Hincks Fund	46,245	43,246
Cora Shea Memorial Fund	15,381	16,881
Al Hodgson Memorial Fund	3,100	2,825
	206,385	209,810

9. Fundraising

	2022	2021
Revenue		
Online auction and raffle	102,470	73,436
Backyard backcountry challenge	2,227	12,562
Splitfest	15,640	-
	120,337	85,998
Expenses		
Online auction and raffle	32,087	12,275
Whistler fundraiser (i)	-	10,742
Backyard backcountry challenge	4,837	5,154
Splitfest	293	-
	37,217	28,171
Net fundraising revenue	83,120	57,797

(i) Following provincial and regional health guidelines, the global outbreak of COVID-19 (coronavirus) resulted in the cancellation of in-person events. As a result, certain cancellation costs were incurred by the Foundation.

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10. Financial instrument risk disclosure

The Foundation, as part of its operations, carries a number of financial instruments. It is management's opinion that the Foundation is not exposed to significant interest rate, currency, credit, liquidity or other price risks arising from these financial instruments except as otherwise disclosed.

Interest rate risk

Interest rate risk is the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market interest rates.

The Foundation's short-term and long-term investments bear interest at a fixed rate, and are intended to be held to maturity. As such the interest rate risk the Foundation is exposed to is limited and is assessed as low.

The Foundation is exposed to interest rate fair value risk to the extent that the money market mutual fund earns interest at a floating interest rate. Given the balance of money market mutual funds as described in Note 5, the Foundation's risk exposure is limited and is assessed as low.

Market risk

Market risk is the risk that changes in market prices and interest rates will affect the Foundation's fair values or future cash flows. These risks are generally outside the control of the Foundation. The objective of the Foundation is to mitigate market risk exposures within acceptable limits, while maximizing returns. The directors believe the exposure to market risk is limited, as such the risk is assessed as low.

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Schedule 1 – Marketable Securities
For the year ended June 30, 2022

	<i>Book Cost</i>	<i>Amortization</i>	<i>Amortized Cost</i>
Province of BC Interest Strip Bond, maturing December 2028, discounted at .81321	2,663,263	179,460	2,842,723
Province of BC Interest Strip Bond, maturing June 2029, discounted at .80247	2,772,534	189,875	2,962,409
Province of BC Interest Strip Bond, maturing June 2030, discounted at .7806	1,366,050	96,802	1,462,852
Province of Ontario Generic Coupon Strip Bond, maturing June 2023, discounted at .93137	2,193,376	120,298	2,313,674
Province of Ontario Generic Coupon Strip Bond, maturing June 2024, discounted at .90998	2,302,249	132,674	2,434,923
Province of Ontario Generic Coupon Strip Bond, maturing June 2025, discounted at .88886	2,457,698	147,127	2,604,825
Province of Ontario Generic Coupon Strip Bond, maturing June 2026, discounted at .86705	2,536,121	158,032	2,694,153
Province of Ontario Generic Strip Residual Bond, maturing June 2027, discounted at .85155	2,648,321	162,975	2,811,296
Canadian Government Short Term Note, bearing 0.2% interest, maturing September 2022	3,038,376	-	3,038,376
Cash	114,994	-	114,994
	22,092,982	1,187,243	23,280,225

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Schedule 2 – Marketable Securities
For the year ended June 30, 2022

	<i>Book Cost</i>	<i>Amortization</i>	<i>Amortized Cost</i>
Province of BC Interest Strip Bond, maturing June 2028, discounted at .84946	849,460	7,106	856,566
Province of BC Interest Strip Bond, maturing June 2027, discounted at .87600	876,000	6,968	882,968
Province of BC Interest Strip Bond, maturing June 2029, discounted at .82033	820,330	7,314	827,644
Province of BC Interest Strip Bond, maturing June 2030, discounted at .79107	791,070	7,477	798,547
Province of Ontario Generic Coupon Strip Bond, maturing June 2023, discounted at .97846	978,460	5,228	983,688
Province of Ontario Generic Coupon Strip Bond, maturing June 2024, discounted at .95409	954,090	6,113	960,203
Province of Ontario Generic Coupon Strip Bond, maturing June 2025, discounted at .92871	928,710	6,547	935,257
Province of Ontario Generic Coupon Strip Bond, maturing June 2026, discounted at .90393	903,930	6,733	910,663
Cash	1,899,530	-	1,899,530
	9,001,580	53,486	9,055,066