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THE ACTORS' FUND OF CANADA: FACTS AND FIGURES

History and mandate

- The Actors' Fund of Canada was incorporated on May 27, 1958. The Fund is a registered charity.
- Its first president was actor Jane Mallett. The other founding members were actors Barbara Hamilton, Barry Morse and William Needles, theatrical producer Donald George Davis and Union Executive Larry McCance.
- The Fund's original Letters Patent include as its purposes:

"To care for, relieve and aid poor, needy and distressed persons belonging to or associated with the theatrical profession in Canada and their families and the families of deceased persons belonging to or associated with that profession.", and

"To defray in whole or in part the burial expenses of such persons."

The Fund's mandate has expanded beyond the theatrical profession and it now grants short-term, charitable assistance to professionals working in all sectors of the entertainment industry.

Professional groups served by the Fund include: Actors, Choreographers, Composers, Dancers, Designers, Directors, Film, TV & Theatre Craftspeople, Musicians, Playwrights, Screenwriters, Singers, Stage Managers, Technical Personnel and practitioners of a variety of other professional disciplines within the industry.

- The Actors' Fund is a national organization and delivers emergency assistance to entertainment industry professionals anywhere in Canada.

Sources of funding

Revenue from several sources allows the Fund to carry out its mandate. The Fund's revenue sources include:

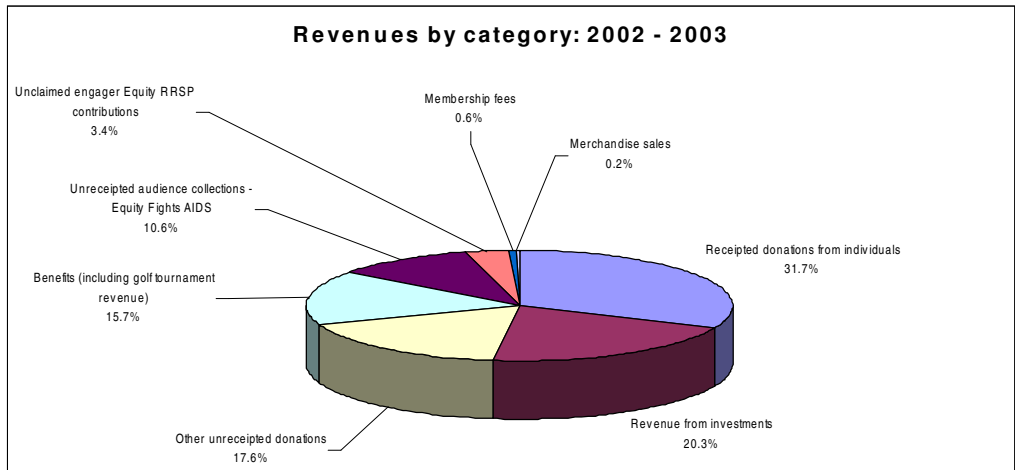
- Personal donations from industry personnel
- Benefit performances by member companies of the Professional Association of Canadian Theatres and proceeds from other fundraising events
- Sales of Actors' Fund branded sweatshirts and greeting cards
- Donations from industry unions and professional associations
- Special events, such as:

The Annual Big Swing Golf Tournament

Presented in partnership with the Directors Guild of Canada – Ontario, the tournament is in its 8th year. This year's tournament, held on June 26, 2004 raised approximately \$54,000 for the Fund.

The "More Than Applause" awareness and fundraising campaign

During the second annual campaign, scheduled for October 18 – 25, 2004, the Fund is encouraging individuals and associations in all entertainment industry sectors to hold a wide variety of awareness and fundraising events.



Types and amounts of financial assistance provided

The Fund provides short-term charitable assistance without expectation of repayment to approximately 200 people per year. The Fund's assistance is primarily intended to help clients maintain or recover their health, housing and ability to work during a period of financial hardship. The Fund has experienced a dramatic increase in the demand for its assistance over the past year.

