# **DONATIONS**

# FRIENDS OF THE BROCKVILLE MUSEUM

The Friends of the Brockville Museum was created for the express purpose of promoting awareness of the Brockville Museum, protecting, and preserving it, and providing it with financial and material support. To this end the Friends was incorporated as a "Not for Profit Corporation" in June of 1993.

On October 1, 1993, Revenue Canada, Customs, Excise and Taxation, as it was then known, determined that Friends qualified for tax exempt status as a registered charity under paragraph 149(1)(f) of the Income Tax Act. It was further determined that the Friends was a public foundation as the Friends met the requirements of paragraph 149.1(1)(g) of the Act. As a registered charity the Friends will issue a tax receipt for all donations received by the Friends.

## WAYS TO MAKE A DONATION

#### **GENERAL DONATION**

Donations made under this category are for the general needs of the Museum. All operating needs of the Museum are covered by the activities of the Brockville Museum, which also draws from donations made to the General Donation Fund.

### SPECIFIC DONATION

From time to time the Museum may identify a specific need for donations. An example of this would be the recent Painting Picnic with Prudence Heward Exhibit, the renovation of the Carriage Hall Exhibitions, or the refurbishment and installation of the New York Restaurant Sign. You would need to identify on the form the exact purpose of your donation, as specified by the Museum.

The current fundraising drive is for specific donations to the 2032 Fund. In March 2021 the City of Brockville obtained a Feasibility Study for the Brockville Museum that identified the need to relocate the Museum as the current location is too small to house all its collections (it is already paying for off-site collections storage space), is subject to flooding, and suffers from a variety of deficiencies and deferred maintenance issues. The long-term goal is for the "new" Museum to open to the public no later than 2032, the bicentennial of Brockville's incorporation as a town. The "2032 Fund" has been established by the Friends of the Brockville Museum to begin the task of collecting donations specifically earmarked for this long-term project. You would need to identify on the form that your donation is to be made to the 2032 Fund.

### **BEQUEST**

This is a future gift outlined in your Will. In addition to planning for the well-being and financial security of your loved ones, your Will is a valuable tool for communicating your charitable wishes. Your estate is eligible for a tax receipt also.

# **CANADA HELPS**

You may choose to make your donation through the Canada Helps site (canadahelps.org) linked to the Brockville Museum website. Any donations made through Canada Helps receive a tax receipt from Canada Helps, not from the Friends of the Brockville Museum

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