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\*Board Nominations 2021/22

### **Retiring Directors**

Ester Pike	Kelowna Women's Shelter
Karin Massar	BC SPCA
Kelly Paley	The Bridge Youth & Family Services
Shannon Jolley	JDFR

## **New Director Bios**



**Emily Cabrera** (she/her) is a Mexican/Canadian with an extensive background in Fund Development. Born and raised in Victoria, BC she always wanted to find ways to give back to her community and pursued a career in the non-profit sector after volunteering for many years. Throughout her career, Emily has found herself fundraising for Pacifica Housing, Victoria Women's Transition House, the University of Victoria and is currently working with the University of British Columbia. Emily loves working in Fund Development, connecting with donors to make impacts on programs that promote access, equity, and inclusion throughout the province. Emily lives with her daughter in Kelowna, BC on the unceded territory of the Syilx (Okanagan) Peoples.



**Drew McLaughlin** is the Development Officer, Interior and Prince George with the BC Cancer Foundation, and has been in this role for close to two years. Prior to joining BC Cancer Foundation, Drew worked at Hockey Canada for over 5 years with the National Women's Program, and within Events & Properties/Hockey Canada Foundation. Drew has a proven track record in community development, event management and fundraising, sharing that he is driven by the opportunity to rally community to make an impact; an empowering collective of game-changers.



**Abbie Norrish, MBA** has worked with a wide range of non-profit organizations as an administrator, fundraiser and executive director. She joined the team at the Central Okanagan Foundation two years ago as the Coordinator of Grants & Community Initiatives. She is proud to provide support to the many non-profit organizations working to make our community great. Abbie holds a Bachelor of Business Administration from Okanagan College, as well as an MBA from the University of Northern BC.



**Kathleen Lemieux, CFRE** is a high impact fundraiser with over 20 years experience in the not-for profit sector. She has experienced repeated success strategically developing and executing fundraising plans of action. She is a certified fundraising professional, and an 18-year member of the Association of Fundraising Professionals. She completed the Boston University Professional Fundraising Program and earned her CFRE designation in 2015. Kathleen spearheaded fundraising and awareness programs for Habitat for Humanity Okanagan, the Kelowna Women's Shelter and Pacific Riding for

Developing Abilities Association. She is the founder of Do Gooders, a social enterprise that offers a variety of support services for not-for-profits.



**Chandel Schmidt, CFRE** is the Director of Annual Programs for the KGH Foundation. In her 10+ years with the organization, she has held responsibility for administrative, event, communication and development roles. She graduated from UBC Okanagan with a Bachelor of Management and also holds her CFRE. She is one of the founding members of the AFP Okanagan Chapter and her passion is for finding simple and efficient solutions for donor-centred communication and engagement.



**Justin Goodhew** is a technology entrepreneur turned social impact entrepreneur; founder of [trellis.org](https://trellis.org), an all-in-one platform for virtual, in person and everything in-between fundraisers. Justin's personal and professional goal is to empower global collective impact by making it as easy as possible for money to go from a donor to a charities bank account. Justin grew up in the GTA but is now living in Kelowna, BC, and loves to snowboard, hike, and mountain bike with his partner and dogs.