

# Rural Communities Foundation of Nova Scotia Dave Gunning Zero Hunger



Hugh MacKay  
Rural Communities Foundation  
of Nova Scotia

2025



# Agenda

- Who we are
- What we do
- Dave Gunning Zero Hunger Fund
- Ask for Consideration
- Q&A



# Who we are

- A community foundation supporting rural Nova Scotia, through convening, fund development and granting.
- We have a proven track record, with more than 20 years of developing and delivering grant programs.
- We are a federally registered charity, accountable to community members, donors & grantees.
- We are a member of the Community Foundations of Canada and the Nova Scotia Not-for-Profit Coalition.

# What we do

- We support community-based local improvement initiatives in rural Nova Scotia.
- We convene local people to find local solutions to problems and challenges.
- We fundraise to provide grants to community organizations.
- We provide tax receipts for donations.
- We administer trust funds on behalf of individuals and organizations.

# What we do

**Some of our current projects:**

- **Ukrainian Nova Scotia Resettlement Fund**
- **Joan Feynman Climate Change Fund**
- **Housing For Health**
- **Soaring Eagle Fine Arts Grants**
- **Community Impact Conferences**

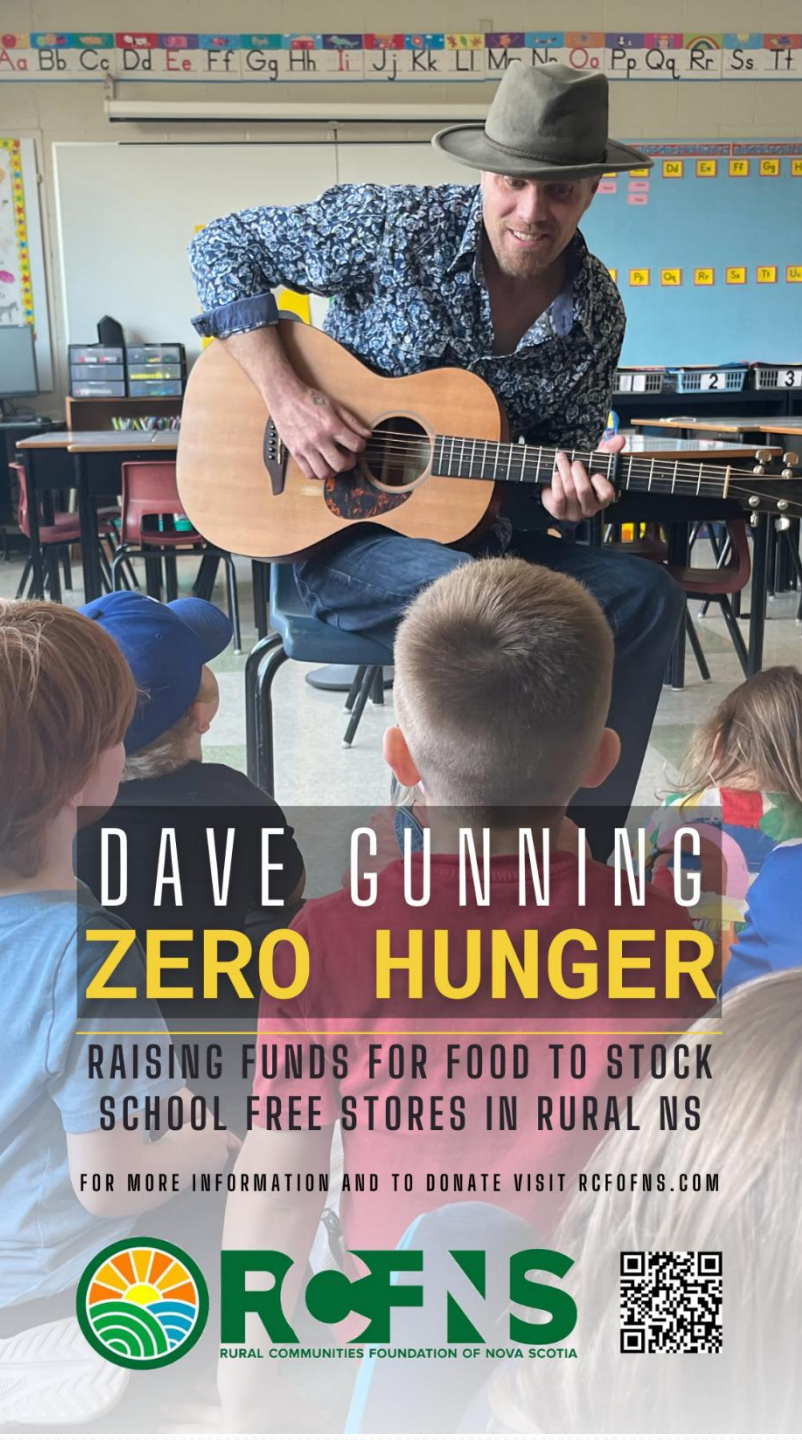


# What we do

## Some of our current projects:

- Ukrainian Nova Scotia Resettlement Fund
- Joan Feynman Climate Change Fund
- Housing For Health
- Soaring Eagle Fine Arts Grants
- Community Impact Conferences
- **Dave Gunning Zero Hunger Fund**





# DAVE GUNNING ZERO HUNGER

RAISING FUNDS FOR FOOD TO STOCK  
SCHOOL FREE STORES IN RURAL NS

FOR MORE INFORMATION AND TO DONATE VISIT [RCFOFNS.COM](http://RCFOFNS.COM)



# Dave Gunning Zero Hunger Fund

- Acclaimed Nova Scotia musician Dave Gunning has teamed up with RCFNS to launch the Dave Gunning Zero Hunger Fund.
- The campaign is aimed at supporting 'Free Stores' in rural Nova Scotia schools.
- Free Stores provide food for students to take home for their families who are struggling to provide adequate nutrition.



# Dave Gunning Zero Hunger Fund

- In December 2024 we distributed \$100,000 in grants to Free Stores in schools across Nova Scotia, including East Hants.
- Our 2025 goal is to raise \$200,000 to provide grants to additional schools across the province.
- Funds raised locally are granted to local schools.
- We have raised 10% of the 2025 goal through public and corporate donations.
- As part of our 2025 fundraising, we are applying for Community Grants from NS municipalities.

# Dave Gunning Zero Hunger Fund

## Our ask:

- Provide individual and corporate awareness and support for the campaign



# Dave Gunning Zero Hunger Fund

## Our ask:

- Provide individual and corporate awareness and support for the campaign
- Consider providing a donation to the campaign



# Dave Gunning Zero Hunger Fund

## Our ask:

- Provide individual and corporate awareness and support for the campaign
- Consider providing a donation to the campaign
- Consider us for a Community Grant



# Dave Gunning Zero Hunger Fund

## Our ask:

- Provide individual and corporate awareness and support for the campaign
- Consider providing a donation to the campaign
- Consider us for a Community Grant
- Support a Dave Gunning Zero Hunger fundraising concert in East Hants



# Dave Gunning Zero Hunger Fund

**Thank you  
for your time and consideration!**

**QUESTIONS?**

