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APGO EDUCATION FOUNDATION ANNUAL REPORT DOCUMENTS MAJOR YEAR OF ACHIEVEMENT IN 2022

August 17, 2022, Toronto, Ontario: The APGO Education Foundation (“The Foundation or APGOEF”) is pleased to announce the release of its annual report for 2022 which is available on [our website](#). Highlights are as follows:

- **Donations** of \$253,576 received in 2022
- **First series of GeoTrails on the Bruce Trail** released in partnership with McMaster University and the Bruce Trail Conservancy in the Hamilton and Niagara Region.
- **First ever Urban GeoTrail developed** in partnership with the University of Toronto on the downtown campus.
- **Launched a new blog** called Beneath Your Feet: A Geoscience Blog with 31 articles published in 2022.
- **Displayed “Rocks of the Kingston Area”** at the annual Kingston Science Rendezvous with partner Mining Matters and were voted “Best Booth in Show” by the attendees.
- **Exhibited at the Bancroft Rockhound Gemboree** with hands-on activities for kids; more than 1,000 people visited our booth.
- **Showcased our developing GeoTrails** at the Ottawa Lapsmith and Mineral Club Mineral Show generating strong interest for Geotrails on the Rideau Trail.
- As the Geoscience Education Partner for the Niagara Peninsula Aspiring Global Geopark, **developed the first GeoTrails in the proposed Geopark at Ball’s Falls and Cave Springs** and supported their application process to be recognized as a UNESCO Global Geopark.

Dr. Bill Pearson, P.Geo., Chair commented: “2022 was a very productive year as we were able to carry out a full summer’s field program to significantly expand our GeoTrails along the Bruce Trail and in the proposed Geopark in the Niagara Peninsula. Many thanks to our generous donors and to our dedicated team - Dr. Deana Schwarz, P.Geo., Manager GeoscienceINFO.com, Bernard Kradjian, Communications Manager, Veronica Klassen, Manager of our Blog and Monique Gaudet, Business Manager, for their excellent work over the past year. Our field program was led by Dr. Carolyn Eyles’ McMaster University team. Special thanks to Dr. Katie Maloney who did a terrific job overseeing the field program and to Mitacs Accelerate who provided funding to support this work. 2023 is shaping up to be an even better year!”

ABOUT THE APGO EDUCATION FOUNDATION

The APGO Education Foundation (“APGOEF”) is a registered charitable organization under the Canada Not-for-profit Corporations Act, registration number 84604 5052 RR0001.

The purpose of the charity is to advance the education of the public in the area of geoscience by:

- Holding lectures, presentations, and conferences on geoscience both in person and virtually to introduce geoscience to high school and university students as well as enhance the knowledge of the general public.
- Providing scholarships to post-secondary students for the study of geoscience in the final year of a Bachelor of Science (B.Sc.) degree program.
- Providing bursaries to immigrants to Canada who are internationally trained geoscientists and have demonstrated financial need for completion of licensure procedures for registration as professional geoscientists (P.Geo.s) in Ontario.

APGOEF provides funding to support innovative geoscience education projects working with university geoscience departments, community groups and not-for-profit organizations across Ontario. Please see our website at www.apgoedfoundation.ca

GeoscienceINFO.com an innovative one-stop spot for the public for information about the earth beneath their feet. This new website provides interesting information on all facets of geoscience. A particularly exciting feature of GeoscienceINFO.com is the highlighting of virtual fieldtrips in different areas in Ontario. This enables viewers to experience and learn about the geology of an area while traversing it digitally in ESRI ArcGIS Online™ and StoryMaps™. Information on the latest discoveries and news in the world of geoscience is featured on the website, on our blog Beneath Your Feet: A Geoscience Blog, as well as on our social media.

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