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### Highlights:

- First annual International Women's Day Art Show featuring 25 artists from across Ontario and Quebec
- Installation of York Region Arts Council Indigenous Trail Marker by artist Donald Chretien at KHCC
- KTHS 50th Anniversary Exhibition
- Pollinator Community Art Project
- The Bookshelf Project
- Travelling Wedgwood Exhibition
- Truth & Reconciliation Day in partnership with the York Region Indigenous Action Committee welcoming over 350 people
- Return of Trees & Treats

### Challenges:

- January started with another month of Covid-19 closures
- Accessibility renovations extended into 2023 due to supply chain issues
- Determining new public needs after extended closures
- Staffing changes

### Opportunities:

- New partnerships including York Region Arts Council and York Region Indigenous Action Committee
- Purchase of Past Perfect collections management software

### Looking Ahead: 2023

- January 14 - March 18: *Stereotype Smash* International Women's Day Art Exhibition
- March 25 - May 27: *Selfie Kings*
- June 3 - August 12: *You Do You* Pride Month Art Exhibition
- August 19 - November 10: *On the Trail of the Monarch Butterfly*



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## Collections:

Over 150 artifacts and 300 archival documents were donated in 2022 including:

- A large collection representing the Kettleby Post Office/General Store
- Textiles made in King Township
- A rocking chair original to a Schomberg hotel
- Thousands of archaeological fragments
- Cairns family photos and documents (Eversley)

## Grants & Fundraising:

- \$75,000 raised through the King Township Mayor's Cultural Gala for the KHCC, Arts Society King and the King Township Historical Society
- 7 government grants awarded over \$120,000 in funding

## Community Connections:

- 📈 14% increase in social media followers
- 📈 172% increase in KHCC visitors
- 📈 142% increase in volunteer hours
- ✚ 600+ reached through outreach
- ✚ 1200+ reached through site rentals



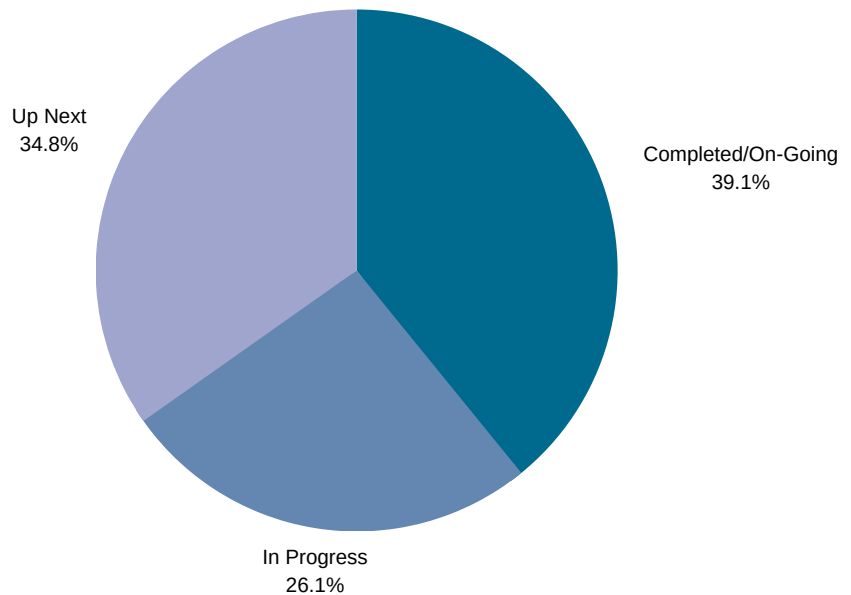
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## Master Plan Update:

Adopted by Council in 2021, the Heritage & Cultural Master Plan is the the guiding document for the KHCC for the next 10 years, with a 5 year review. The plan includes 42 action items that will be accomplished from 2021-2031.

### Actions Completed/ On-going 2022:

- 1.3 Create a schedule of 'pop-up' exhibits throughout the Township in order to 'meet people where they are at.'
- 1.4 Create a travelling exhibition.
- 1.7 Look for new partnership opportunities for exhibits.
- 3.2 Look for new partnership opportunities for programs and events.
- 3.5 Participate in outreach opportunities.
- 3.6 Act as a community hub by being a location to host regular group and club meetings on site.
- 3.7 Act in an advisory capacity to assist Art Society King and King Township Historical Society in creating heritage and cultural based programming.
- 3.9 Actively pursue partnerships for all KHCC events and programs.



- 4.4 Reinterpret the King Christian Church and King Railway Station.
- 5.4 Work to find potential partnerships for fundraising opportunities.
- 5.8 Continuously seek and apply for grants and other funding opportunities.
- 5.9 Continue to host and enhance the Mayor's Cultural Gala
- 6.1 Perform an annual scan of new potential members to the Cultural Committee and invite them to join.
- 6.2 Consider all offers of partnership, both formal and informal, that support the vision and mission of the Heritage and Cultural Master Plan.