

FUNDSCRIP FACT SHEET

1. What is Fundscrip?

Fundscrip helps organizations (e.g., churches, schools and clubs) to raise funds through the purchase of gift cards, which the Fundscrip organization buys in bulk. Participants can buy gift cards through Fundscrip from about 200 stores and services – including Esso, Shell, Walmart, Tim Hortons, Home Depot, to name a few. These gift cards are (and look) exactly the same as the gift cards you could buy on your own in those stores. Several of the Executive have been buying gift cards through Fundscrip to try it out since November. In eighteen months, four members of the Executive have raised \$1,000 for the Club! Ken Collum has personally raised over \$500.

2. How does it work?

Participants buy gift cards through Fundscrip to use in stores where they shop on a regular basis – to buy food, cosmetics, toiletries, gas, clothing, shoes, and so on. Participants also buy them to use as gifts. You can buy a card for an amount of your choice - \$10 to \$500. **No one will ever pressure you to buy cards.**

Each time someone from our Club purchases a gift card through Fundscrip, RHLBC gets a percentage of the face value of the card. The percentages are listed on the Fundscrip website and typically range from 2% to 10%. Sometimes there are special promotions.

EXAMPLE: If I buy an Esso gift card valued at \$200, the Club gets 2% = \$4. It might not sound like a lot, but it adds up! Now, when I buy gas, I use my Esso gift card instead of my credit card or cash.

The gift cards have no expiry date and are transferable.

3. How can I find out what stores and services are involved?

The Fundscrip website www.fundscrip.com lists all the current stores and services (about 200), which are of these types:

Apparel (e.g., Roots 10%)

Business & Office (e.g., Staples 3%)

Children & Toys (e.g., The Children's Place 8%)

Department Stores (e.g., Dollarama up to 4%)

Electronics

Entertainment (e.g., Indigo 5%)

Gas (e.g., Esso up to 20%)

Grocery (e.g., Loblaws 3%)

Health & Beauty (e.g., Shoppers 3%)

Home & Garden (e.g., Canadian Tire 4%)

Restaurant & Coffee (e.g., Pizza Hut 3%)

Specialty (e.g., Laura Secord 7%)

Sports & Leisure and Travel (e.g., Fairmont Hotels 8%)

Additional stores are added to the website from time to time and there are special deals (a time-limited promotion of a higher percentage for a given store. Your best source is the Fundscrip website: www.fundscrip.com.

4. How do I sign up to participate?

We are set up so each supporter (that would be you) orders his/her own cards. They are shipped to your own address by mail. Our arrangement is called "Supporter Ordering".

First you must set yourself up on Fundscrip as a member of the Richmond Hill Lawn Bowling group. Visit the FundScrip website at www.fundscrip.com and click on the "Support Your Group" button located on the top right-hand corner and fill in the required information.

Our group's "Invitation Code" is RU5LWE

5. How do I buy gift cards?

Whenever you want to order and pay for cards, you may order a maximum of 4 gift cards and a maximum value of \$500 per purchase, given postage costs of \$1.02. This option is called the "direct shipping" option. Cards arrive within approximately a week of ordering. Example: I can purchase two cards with a value of \$250 on each of them. In a separate transaction, I can also purchase four cards with a total value of \$500 on them. In this scenario, I will pay two times \$1.02 postage.

Use one or more of these ways to pay:

1. Pay by electronic funds transfer (EFT) – the most popular. Fill in the EFT Application at www.fundscrip.com. You will provide a void cheque. Complete and attach the EFT Payment Service Agreement. Send the documents by fax, email or regular mail.

2. Order and pay for your cards online using your credit card. Please note that Club earnings are reduced by 1.99% for each card purchased. This payment method is therefore not advised.
3. Set up Fundscrip as a payee if you do online banking. There is a 3-business day delay as Fundscrip must wait to receive the funds from the bank.
4. Buy e-gift cards. If you purchase an e-card, you will receive proof of purchase within the hour of purchasing it. Then you can retrieve it if you google Fundscrip EGiftCards. Cineplex is an example. You can print/use the eGiftCard the next business day.

Some, but not all, of the cards are “reloadable” – all you need to do is reload your existing cards and you do not need to pay the postage costs again after the first order. The card is reloaded the next business day.