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## 150 Profiles: Daniel H. Lanteigne

*As we mark the 150th anniversary of confederation, The Philanthropist is profiling Canadians from across the non-profit sector and putting a face to 150 individuals who work or volunteer in Canada's social sector.*

**Name:** Daniel H. Lanteigne

**Current role in the sector:** Executive Director, REA Foundation

**Years working and/or volunteering in the non-profit sector:** I have been working for nonprofits since 2015, however, I have been involved in the sector for more than 20 years.

**What was your first job in the sector or your defining moment?**

When I was a child, I lost a part of my right leg and was enrolled in the CHAMP (Child Amputee) Program of The War Amps. Who could have guessed that many years later this would lead to a professional career dedicated to people with physical disabilities! After seven years working in the corporate sector, I joined The War Amps staff, before having the amazing opportunity to manage a new foundation: the REA Foundation. REA is the result of a merger of three foundations in physical rehabilitation in Quebec.

**Describe your desk/workspace.**

Well, actually, my desk is the cleanest one you'll find! I hate mess and that's the same with my email inbox—I am determined to keep it empty!

**What are you reading or following that has expanded your understanding of the non-profit sector?**

There are just so many, and I wish I could allow more time for keeping track of what is going on in the sector. The Philanthropist is of course a great source of information, as is the Association of Fundraising Professional's [Advancing Philanthropy](#). I log into LinkedIn daily to see updates from from [Imagine Canada](#), [KCI](#), and [The Sponsorship Collective](#).

**What do you think our sector needs to be thinking about?**

REA Foundation is the result of a merger of three similar organizations, and that isn't the first merger in its history. I think that organizations will need to look at opportunities for cooperating and yes, sometimes, merging, for the benefit of their donors, but especially for their community.

*Do you know someone we should profile as part of this series? Email us at [philanthropistprofiles@gmail.com](mailto:philanthropistprofiles@gmail.com)*

