



Annual Report

2023-2024

ACWS
Alberta Council of
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We Are All Treaty People



ACWS acknowledges the traditional lands upon which we live, work, and play. We recognize that all Albertans are Treaty people and have a responsibility to understand our history so that we can learn from the past, be aware of the present, and create a just and caring future. ACWS celebrates and values the resiliency, successes, and teachings that Indigenous people have shown us, as well as the unique contributions of every Albertan.

The ACWS office is located on Treaty 6 land in Amiskwacîwâskahikan, which is the traditional territory of the Plains Cree and an ancient gathering place of many Indigenous peoples for thousands of years. These lands have also been home to, and a central trading place of, the Blackfoot, Nakota, Assiniboine, Dene, the Métis people of western Canada, and the home of one of the largest communities of Inuit south of the 60th parallel.

We honour the courage and strength of Indigenous women. We honour them as life givers and care givers as we honour and learn from their continuing achievements, their consistent strength, and their remarkable endurance.

Our members serve all nations and all peoples. They are located on Treaty 6, 7, and 8 lands across this province which include the five Métis territories of Alberta.



ACWS Board

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ACWS Staff

ACWS Staff Members 2023-24

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Mel Willerth, Program Development & Training Coordinator
Nicole Orji, Coordinator - Member Supports and Special Projects
Talia Dixon, Training and Administrative Support



Message From The Board President and Executive Director


This year, ACWS celebrated our 40th anniversary. ACWS began in 1983 with a box of files and nine founding shelters who recognized the power in combining their strengths, passion and dedication. 40 years later, we are 41 members strong and Alberta's leading body of action against domestic abuse and gender-based violence. We have come a long way in creating awareness and understanding of the impacts of domestic violence on families and communities, yet we know we still have a long way to go. Shelters continue to struggle with a lack of stable funding and resources, further complicated by the continued impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic, climate change and inflationary pressures, with more survivors reaching out for help and often with more severe and complex cases of abuse. ACWS is committed to continuing our efforts to advocate for our members and the survivors they support, to raise awareness, and to chart a bold course to end domestic abuse.

ACWS was able to provide ongoing member support and training throughout



the year, including offering Leading Change training programs virtually and in-person. We rolled out the menstrual equity project, enabling shelters to provide a variety of high-quality menstrual products and additional products to support clients during their menstrual cycle. This year, we gave almost \$400,000 back to our members through honoraria, donations, project participation, and supplies.

As we marked our 40th anniversary, we




also celebrated the publication of *We Need to Do This: A History of the Women's Shelter Movement in Alberta and the Alberta Council of Women's Shelters*. Written by journalist Alexandra Zabjek, this book tells the stories of the women who fought for safe places and supports for survivors of domestic violence across the province, women whose stories deserve to be told. We were called to create this book to ensure that the history of Alberta's women's shelters and ACWS is not lost as the women that started this movement pass the torch to new voices. We hope that their stories inspire the next generation of shelter workers, advocates, and community members as we continue to work towards a world free from domestic abuse and gender-based violence. The book has been nominated for two Alberta awards.

Research and advocacy remain central to our work, and this year has seen significant contributions in these areas, including the publication of the COVID-19 Impact Report. This report, *When Other Doors Were Closed, Ours Were Open*, gathered quantitative and qualitative data that illustrates the long-term impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic on survivors, shelters, and staff. The increase in survivors needing support and corresponding increase in severe and complex types of abuse, along with stagnant government funding and decreased donations during and

following the pandemic, has resulted in significant challenges for shelters. We are seeing an increase in shelter staff turnover, with many staff reporting high levels of stress and burnout. We know that the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic continue to place increasing strain on the domestic and gender-based violence sector, and we continue to advocate for increased sustainable funding and resources for shelters to ensure they can retain staff and increase service capacity.

We revised the MOSAIC tool, an assessment tool that works with information routinely collected by shelters to quantify and speak to the complexity of client's needs from a gender-based-violence perspective, to be intersectional, less hetero-normative and more reflective of the clients accessing services from members across the province.

Our learning opportunities for the public expanded last May when we launched a new course on our online training platform, *Leading Change at Work*. The course helps employees and employers better understand how workplaces are a key part of responding to and preventing domestic abuse. Our previously published online course, *The Healing Brain*, was completed over 230 times, building knowledge across sectors about better supporting children exposed to domestic abuse.



It was also a big year for gender-based violence prevention programming through Leading Change. We continued growing the Domestic Violence and Your Workplace in Smaller Centres project, training members from 8 organizations to deliver introductory curriculum to organizations across Alberta. ACWS held the second Leading Change Summit in May 2023, bringing together members and community leaders to participate in bold conversations about emerging practices in visioning, fostering, and sustaining more ethical spaces in gender-based violence prevention. We also co-launched the Immigrant Youth Leading Change project with the Maskan Family Association. This project, funded by WAGE, is developing new gender-based violence prevention workshops for immigrant youth from various backgrounds, addressing an important need for culturally specific domestic violence prevention programming.

We continued raising visibility about gender-based violence through partnerships with sports organizations, such as the Calgary Stampeders. ACWS hosted two With The Guys events this year, with special guests from the Edmonton Elks and Calgary Stampeders, to engage men and boys in violence prevention efforts. We renewed our partnership with the Alberta Junior Hockey League, and

formed a new partnership with Alberta Soccer, to provide Leading Change workshops to their players.

We have persistently advocated for changes within the legal system to better support survivors and enhance services. ACWS provided Danger Assessment training to over 400 legal professionals and training focused on improving the Justice System's responses to family violence to 200 legal professionals. The aim of these training sessions is to foster greater understanding of the dynamics of domestic violence and encourage greater collaboration between legal professionals and domestic abuse shelter staff to ensure survivors of domestic abuse and violence have the support they need while navigating the justice system. For our work with family law professionals as well as our Leading Change work with sports teams, ACWS received a LEAF Edmonton Recognition Award for an Organization through the Women's Legal Education and Action Fund. We also worked with Hot Shots Films to produce the documentary Survivors Speak, which had a successful premiere in early May 2024 attended by 243 community members, shelter workers, survivors, and law professionals, including Justice Minister Mickey Amery who announced expanding the Provincial Court




Amendment Act to require provincial court judge applicants to complete training on gender-based violence, including intimate partner violence, in addition to sexual assault law and social context issues education. This film centers the stories of survivors across Alberta to better understand the experience of navigating the legal system in cases of domestic violence and abuse, sharing what these survivors wish judges, lawyers, and the public knew about domestic abuse. We know that the legal system is one of the most significant barriers for survivors, and we hope that this film along with ACWS' continued advocacy will spark change in the legal system.

ACWS has many changes ahead, with both of us stepping down from our current roles, Gaye as Board President and Jan as Executive Director. We are so grateful to the ACWS staff, Board of Directors, and our members for inspiring us every day and working alongside us to end violence and abuse. We are proud to have been a part of this organization and its mission, and we will continue to support ACWS and the vital work our staff and members do. We are confident that ACWS will continue to grow as a leading body of action against gender-based violence, and we cannot wait to see what the future holds for this organization.

Yours sincerely,

Gaye Warthe
President

Jan Reimer
Executive Director



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Social, Legal and Ethics Committee Report

The SLE Committee advanced our work in several key areas, meeting bi-monthly over the course of the year. Throughout the year, we reviewed our Terms of Reference and policies, building on the previous year's work of incorporating inclusivity into the terms of reference and policies of each board committee.

This year, the SLE Committee continued to advise ACWS staff on the development of training programs for legal professionals. Last year, ACWS secured a grant from Justice Canada to train legal professionals on the use of the Danger Assessment (DA) and to increase collaboration between legal professionals and domestic violence shelter staff to better support domestic violence and abuse survivors. As of March 2024, ACWS staff have hosted 20 DA training sessions attended by over 400 lawyers from across the province. ACWS has also hosted 2 training sessions on improving the justice system response to family violence attended by 200 lawyers. The SLE Committee worked, along with ACWS staff, to plan and encourage attendance from key members of the legal community at these sessions and the premiere of our

documentary, *Survivors Speak*, a film made in collaboration with Hot Shots Films that centers domestic abuse survivors' experiences navigating the legal system and aims to spark change in the legal system. This premiere occurred in early May 2024 and was attended by 243 community members, shelter workers, survivors, and law professionals. The Government of Alberta's Minister of Justice Mickey Amery also attended the premiere and announced expanding the Provincial Court Amendment Act to include training for gender-based violence and its many intersections, including intimate partner violence in addition to education on sexual assault law and social context issues. We will continue to monitor the government's progress on these changes and advocate for training programs to be facilitated by gender-based violence organizations.

Additional advocacy work regarding the legal system occurred as the committee addressed the weaponization of parental alienation against survivors of domestic violence, which led to further discussion on the importance of preventing future language from being



weaponized against survivors and women, as well as the importance of the legal community understanding the dynamics of domestic violence.

The SLE committee discussed issues related to media coverage of domestic homicides, such as the perpetuation of domestic violence myths by the media when reporting on cases of domestic violence and homicide. ACWS continues to discuss ways we can engage and educate the media on best practices for reporting on domestic violence and domestic homicides.

The SLE committee reviewed ACWS' position statement on just salaries for shelter workers from 2004, finding that very few updates were required. This demonstrates the importance of stable funding for shelters so shelter workers can be paid justly, and shelters can improve staff retention. We developed a position statement for consideration of all political parties as part of the lead up to the provincial election. As a result, we were included in all party platforms. Following the election, we also wrote letters to elected MLAs advocating about the significant need for increased and stable funding to shelters and the need to front load the \$10M committed by the UCP.

We crafted a position statement in response to the Government of Alberta's

proposed policies impacting trans, Two-spirit, non-binary, and genderqueer people. In this statement, we highlighted how these policies would limit the ability of ACWS and our members to have important conversations about consent and the dynamics that create the foundations for gender-based violence in schools, and that these proposed policies stand to compound the abuse children served by shelters experienced at home by subjecting them to further abuse in schools and communities based on their gender identity.

We also supported The RESOLVE Network's call on provinces to declare domestic violence as an epidemic and to act immediately to mitigate its devastating consequences.

The SLE committee continually monitored the progress on the National Action Plan to End Gender-Based Violence in Alberta. The SLE committee chair, vice president, and an ACWS staff member met with Minister of Arts, Culture, and Status of Women Tanya Fir and participated in the Government of Alberta's consultations. We encouraged our members and their staff, volunteers, and communities to thoughtfully participate in the Government of Alberta's Gender-based Violence Engagement survey, emphasizing the need for stable government funding to domestic violence shelters.



In closing, I would like to thank the members of our committee over the last fiscal year: Jessica Chapman, Janice Willier, Sadaf Raja, Rosa Bruno, and Leslie Allen for their dedication to this work.

Submitted by:



Sandy Vander Ziel
Chair, Social, Legal and Ethics
Committee





Board Governance Committee Report

We have reached that time of year again when we look back at the year that's been to assess our progress and to report back to you, our member partners, on the progress we've made.

In last year's annual report, we had indicated that we would be integrating the principles of equity, diversity and inclusion and decolonization in a review of our bylaws. This remains our goal, however, finding a consultant who is qualified to lead us in this work has proven difficult. We are continuing the search and hope to report progress on the review in the next year.


Much of the committee's work this season has been focused on the changes we will be facing in the leadership of the organization both at the administrative and the board levels. Jan's plan to exit the organization led the committee to review all the policies and procedures related to the executive director's position including a review of the position description with an EDI lens.

A transition plan was developed to guide the recruitment of the new

executive director and as well as terms of reference for the hiring committee, all of which were presented to the board for approval. All of this work, has led me to reflect at a personal level on the amazing experience it has been to work with Jan over the last 6 years; it truly has been the honor of my life to work with her and she will be greatly missed by all, I'm sure.

This season also brings us to the time of year when recruitment for the board is at the forefront. Gaye Warth, our president of the board over the last 5 years, has decided to leave the board and so plans have been developed to ensure the ongoing smooth functioning of the organization. As well, we have a few long-time members of the board who have completed their 3 2-year terms. With these changes in mind, recruitment that ensures the continuing capacity of the board and reflects our commitment to the principles of EDI is top of mind as we continue to search for new leaders.

The amount of change that the organization is facing in the near future has the potential to feel overwhelming.



However, the organization is built on firm foundations including solid bylaws, policies and procedures, amazing staff and a gifted board. The future is bright with potential.

As I close this report, I want to acknowledge the wonderful support of Jan and her staff, as well as the work of the members of the governance committee, Jessica Chapman, Becky Wells, Angela Rooks-Trotzok and Beba Sagar.

Submitted by:



Jeannette Sandstra
Chair, Board Governance Committee





Treasurer's Report

The Finance, Audit and Risk Management (FARM) Committee worked to fulfill its duties as a committee of the ACWS Board of Directors, adhering to the committee mandate, ensuring that the board was kept up to date on the financial position of the organization and reviewing policies due for review that relate to our financial governance, oversight, and risk management responsibilities.

In the 2024 fiscal year, the committee reviewed the annual budget, the interim and annual financial statements, the investments, and the board policies relating to our financial and risk management responsibilities. We also monitored progress on contracting vendors who further our goals of diversity, equity, and inclusion. More than three quarters of our preferred vendors reinforce these goals. The committee reviewed a poll which was circulated to the board to help advance our goals of approachability, accessibility, and meaningful participation in ACWS finances, audit and risk management processes. Furthermore, we reviewed the timelines for the auditor selection process, which we will revisit in the 2025 fiscal year.

Financially, a few of our large grants have ended and we will need to replace this funding in future years. These grants have been essential in funding our high-impact projects such as *Survivors Speak* and the Annual Data Release. *Survivors Speak* is a documentary about the experiences of domestic abuse survivors navigating the legal system, which saw a successful premiere in May 2024 attended by 243 community members, shelter workers, survivors, and law professionals. Our income has also been supplemented further with continuing beneficial interest rates for our short-term investments and our fee-for-service training activities are picking up even further in our prevention areas.

ACWS undertook the Leading Change Summit which resulted in increased revenues and expenses and saw 180 people participate in the Summit over 3 days. Additionally, we rolled out the menstrual equity project funded by the Shoppers Foundation and distributed \$55,505 in menstrual and menstrual management products to participating shelters.

We moved offices, secured by a 5-year



lease, which required some leasehold improvement costs, but we did not need to use the moving reserve fund given the surplus. Overall, we have continued to see a surplus for the 2023-2024 fiscal year.




We reallocated our surplus to continue our journey of having a stabilization reserve that can cover our costs should we face a major shortfall of funding/government grants and to support program stabilization and expansion. We have 5 months of operating costs in our Stabilization Fund to meet future funding challenges.

Our fundraising initiatives have increased compared to the previous year and are near the 2020-2021 pandemic year in which ACWS saw our highest donations at almost twice the donations prior to the pandemic.

We again reviewed our membership fee structure and – given the challenges of the pandemic, complicated by the economic downturn – fees were not increased. Membership fees have not increased since 2018. We continue to extend memberships at no cost for on-reserve shelters.

Our Totals at Year-End Are As Follows:	
Stabilization Fund	\$1,379,693
Conference Legacy Fund	\$103,193
Equipment Reserve	\$40,000
Moving/Renovation Reserve	\$35,000
Social Enterprise Fund	\$334,377

The Committee continued to see a surplus for the 2023-24 fiscal year. We ended the year with a surplus of \$160,838, which was fully allocated to our reserves.




The 2023-2024 annual audit by Metrix LLP was completed as scheduled. In June 2024, the committee met to review the audited financial statements with the auditor. The financial statements were subsequently approved by the Board of Directors on July 5, 2024.

In closing, I would like to give a big thank you to the committee members for their contributions – Jerri Taylor, Michele Taylor, Pamela Wicks, and Wilda Listener – and ACWS staff who assisted in the preparation of the annual report. Their invaluable support helps the committee, and the board, make effective decisions.

Submitted by:



Keaton Harris
Board Treasurer, Chair, Finance, Audit and
Risk Committee



Update on our Statement of Principles, Values, and Commitments to Action for Indigenous Women, Girls, and their Families

Journey to Reconciliation

One of ACWS' commitments in our Statement of Principles, Values, and Commitment to Actions for Indigenous Women, Girls, and their Families developed in consultation with on reserve members and the Alberta Native Friendship Centres Association several years ago is to annually report on our progress.

In 2023-24 we took the following steps:

- Following a conversation with the Metis Nation of Alberta, we updated our acknowledgements to reflect their change in the Metis governance structure.
- As part of our rebranding process, ACWS consulted with a variety of partners, members, and thought leaders to ensure we decolonize our brand to align with our actions and intentions.
- Experiences of Indigenous women are a key part of our book, We Need to Do This.
- The Menstrual Equity project currently under way highlights the barriers specific to Indigenous women and girls related to menstrual poverty. On-reserve shelters have been invited to participate.
- ACWS staff are working through the Stepping into the Circle modules and during this reporting period completed Module 7: Contemporary Indigenous Women's Leadership. This resource supports personal and professional growth by fostering understanding of Indigenous history, culture, and knowledge. It is intended to enhance the learning and growth of ourselves and the communities we serve. Stepping into the circle is also available to the public, with 56 users accessing it during this reporting period.

- ACWS hosted the second Leading Change Summit at the River Cree Resort & Casino, on Enoch Cree Nation. The Summit itself featured Indigenous keynote speakers, the support and guidance of two Elders, representation on panels, and featured workshops.
- The Summit also included a presentation on the Centring Relationships to End Violence project (funded primarily by WAGE), which is a partnership between the Alberta Native Friendship Centres Association (ANFCA), the Association of Alberta Sexual Assault Centres (AASAS) and ACWS.
 - ACWS provided a bursary (one per member of each association) to support their participation in the Centering Relationship consultation at the Leading Change Summit. The bursary included 100% of the Summit registration fee and travel expenses. The bursary was available to all agencies that belong to ACWS, AASAS, or ANFCA and served to reduce barriers to attend, particularly for organizations in remote areas of the province. This was to encourage member engagement in the project and share knowledge on how to bring reconciliation efforts into communities across the province.
- Centring Relationships project (funded primarily by WAGE): We met with ANFCA and AASAS 41 times during this reporting period. The Project's goal is to improve domestic and sexual violence services for Indigenous women and girls

through the development of authentic relationships at both the community and provincial levels. Working with local representatives from each provincial association, we hope to identify the barriers for Indigenous women and girls accessing services, while also strengthening new and existing relationships to transform the service delivery model.

- In March, 2024, 24 shelter staff attended the Knowledge Exchange hosted by ANFCA.
- Provincial Association Leaders (PALs) of the Centring Relationships developed a guide, "Wise Practices for Building Authentic Relationships" to codify and share the lessons learned from this experience.
- The Centring Relationships project launched regional communities of practice (CoPs) in May 2023 to bring together members from the 3 associations to foster relationship-building. The CoPs meet quarterly, and members of the CoPs discuss challenges they are facing with serving Indigenous survivors in their communities and across the region. These challenges are then elevated to the PALs to develop strategies to support regional and local needs.
- Together we launched the Centring Relationships website.
- ACWS distributed \$13,060 to 40 members to support Indigenous Awareness. Shelters used these funds for observing Indigenous Awareness Month, ceremony and staff education.

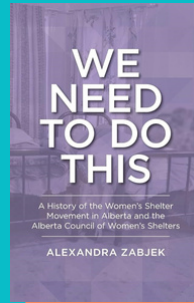
Actions that continue:

- The ACWS Board of Directors recognizes that diversity is essential to the health of a board, and the board continues working towards holding space for diverse identities in its composition and decision-making process.
- We continue to ensure that we have a minimum of three Indigenous representatives on our board, currently Wilda Listener, Janice Willier and Christine Moore.
- The board has a standing item on their Agenda and shares resources to further diversity and inclusion posted for all members on the ACWS Members Hub.
- The board continues to test and utilize our policy review framework to address racism and colonialism that creeps into all policies and requires all board committees to review the terms of reference with this lens.
- We no longer charge a membership fee to on-reserve shelter members.
- We continue to invite Elders to share their knowledge by opening our events and providing them with culturally appropriate protocol.
- ACWS continues to acknowledge the traditional territories and treaties at all our meetings, at both the board level and the staff level, as well as at the start of our shelter directors networking meetings. We also do land acknowledgements in our external meetings with third parties, workshops, and public-facing events.
- At the start of each staff meeting, a staff member shares a brief learning with their land acknowledgement. This rotates amongst all staff so they each have an opportunity to engage in and share a meaningful learning about Indigenous culture and the impacts of colonialism.
- ACWS recognizes the National Day of Truth and Reconciliation as a general holiday for staff reflection, even though it is not yet a provincially recognized holiday. We share resources on Truth and Reconciliation with our members and staff. ACWS updated internal documents so that the names of our general holidays did not honour symbols of colonialism and patriarchy and shared them with our members.



Highlights of the Year

40 Celebrated Years Together

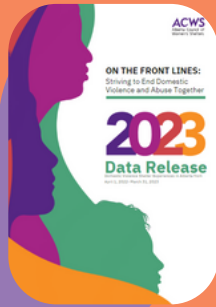


We Need To Do This

On September 15, the University of Calgary Press published *We Need to Do This* by journalist Alexandra Zabjek. Based on dozens of in-depth interviews, this book tells the story of the women's shelter movement in Alberta and ACWS.

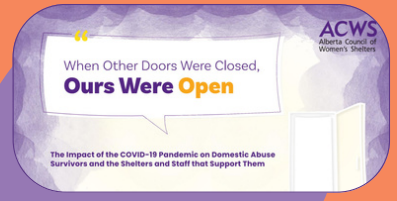
2023 Data Release

We published our 2023 data release, which revealed ten year highs for multiple domestic violence indicators in Alberta.



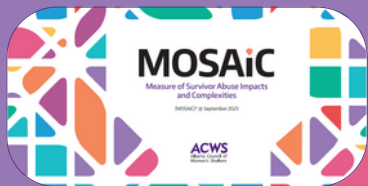
Centring Relationships to End Violence

Together with AASAS and ANFCA, we developed & shared wise practices for authentic relationship building and launched our shared website.



COVID-19 Impact Report

ACWS released our COVID-19 Impact Report on the effects of the pandemic on survivors and the shelters that serve them.



MOSAIC

ACWS revised and updated the MOSAIC tool to ensure that it is reflective of the experiences of diverse communities.

LEAF Edmonton Recognition Award



We received this year's LEAF Edmonton Recognition Award for an Organization.



Guide for Gaps

We launched a self-assessment tool to promote better inclusion of the 2SLGBTQ+ community

Menstrual Equity



We rolled out the menstrual equity project, enabling shelters to provide high quality menstrual and menstrual cycle support products.

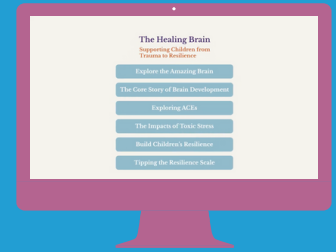


We gave almost \$400,000 back to our members through honoraria, donations, project participation, and supplies.

Highlights of the Year



We hosted the Leading Change Summit in May 2023, which brought together members and community leaders to immerse themselves in bold conversations about emerging practices in visioning, fostering, and sustaining more ethical spaces in gender-based violence prevention.

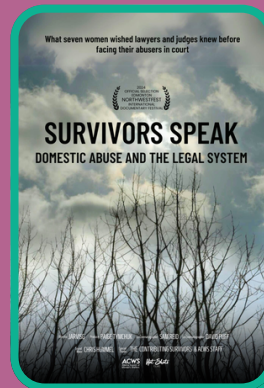


The Healing Brain

232 completions of our Healing Brain modules



ACWS partnered with AJHL and Alberta Soccer to provide Leading Change training.



Survivors Speak

We worked with Hot Shots Films to produce a documentary highlighting survivors' experiences navigating the justice system with the aim to spark change.

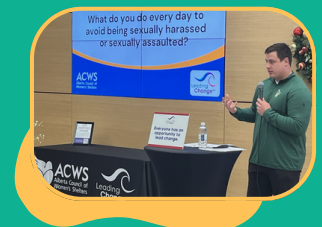
IRIS Platform



We launched the IRIS platform, an online platform for members & partners to securely manage client information & data.



We hosted two With the Guys events, with special guests from the Elks in Edmonton and Stampeders in Calgary, to engage men and boys in violence prevention efforts.



Leading Change™ at Work

We launched Leading Change™ at Work on the learning management system.



ACWS co-launched the WAGE-funded Immigrant Youth Leading Change project with Maskan Family Association.

Impacts on ACWS Members

Nearly **\$400,000**

given back to our members through honoraria, donations, project participation, and supplies.

43

training sessions for shelter directors, staff, and board members. 311 total individuals attended.

34

meetings with 37 total members.

14

networking opportunities and initiatives provided to members.

17

initiatives were leveraged for members.



"Working alongside ACWS has proven to be immensely beneficial as it has expanded our reach to a wider audience allowing us to foster a more inclusive and diverse community. Their dedication and expertise in combating gender-based violence field have provided invaluable insights, resources, and support that have not only amplified our impact but also enriched our approach. "

-Shelter Director

Community Impacts



2,400

people reached through Leading Change programs, events, and non-programmatic activities.

43

programs, events, and non-programmatic activities

276

completions of our online courses, The Healing Brain and Leading Change at Work.

34

people trained in 5 train-the-trainer sessions

7

community facilitators engaged, including 4 sports leaders.



“Over the years working with different groups on a regular basis it’s inspiring to see violence prevention become an ongoing conversation, the teams we work with, or With The Guys, you just know so many more people are going to get the support they need”

-Anthony Parker, former Calgary Stampeders

Financial Statements

For the year ended March 31, 2024



INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Members of Alberta Council of Women's Shelters

Qualified Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Alberta Council of Women's Shelters (the Organization), which comprise the statement of financial position as at March 31, 2024, and the statements of revenues and expenses, changes in net assets and cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

In our opinion, except for the possible effects of the matter described in the *Basis for Qualified Opinion* section of our report, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Organization as at March 31, 2024, and the results of its operations and cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations (ASNPO).

Basis for Qualified Opinion

In common with many not-for-profit organizations, the Organization derives revenue from fundraising activities the completeness of which is not susceptible to satisfactory audit verification.¹ Accordingly, verification of these revenues was limited to the amounts recorded in the records of the Organization. Therefore, we were not able to determine whether any adjustments might be necessary to fundraising revenue, excess of revenues over expenses, and cash flows from operations for the year ended March 31, 2024, current assets and net assets as at March 31, 2024. Our audit opinion on the financial statements for the year ended March 31, 2024 was modified accordingly because of the possible effects of this limitation of scope.

We conducted our audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements* section of our report. We are independent of the Organization in accordance with ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in Canada, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our qualified audit opinion.

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Responsibilities of Management and Those Charged with Governance for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with ASNPO, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the Organization's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the Organization or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Independent Auditor's Report to the Members of Alberta Council of Women's Shelters (continued)

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the Organization's financial reporting process.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Organization's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Organization's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Organization to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

METRIX GROUP LLP

Chartered Professional Accountants

Edmonton, Alberta
July 8, 2024

ALBERTA COUNCIL OF WOMEN'S SHELTERS
Statement of Financial Position
As at March 31, 2024

	2024	2023
ASSETS		
CURRENT		
Cash (Note 2)	\$ 4,123,547	\$ 4,005,247
Casino restricted cash (Note 3)	128,662	36,314
Accounts receivable	99,668	56,006
Goods and services tax recoverable	7,060	7,903
Prepaid expenses	22,552	130,490
	<u>4,381,489</u>	<u>4,235,960</u>
CAPITAL ASSETS (Note 4)	<u>84,863</u>	<u>97,011</u>
	<u>\$ 4,466,352</u>	<u>\$ 4,332,971</u>
LIABILITIES		
CURRENT		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ 170,679	\$ 123,435
Accrued vacation payable	41,904	29,767
Deferred contributions - operating (Note 5)	1,274,018	1,268,750
Deferred revenue (Note 7)	3,635	73,575
	<u>1,490,236</u>	<u>1,495,527</u>
DEFERRED CAPITAL CONTRIBUTIONS (Note 8)	<u>69,720</u>	<u>91,886</u>
	<u>1,559,956</u>	<u>1,587,413</u>
NET ASSETS		
Unrestricted fund	998,989	1,008,969
Internally restricted (Note 9)	1,892,263	1,731,463
Invested in tangible capital asset	15,144	5,126
	<u>2,906,396</u>	<u>2,745,558</u>
	<u>\$ 4,466,352</u>	<u>\$ 4,332,971</u>

ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD

Diane Wilson - Director
Keaton Harris Director

ALBERTA COUNCIL OF WOMEN'S SHELTERS
Statement of Revenues and Expenses
For The Year Ended March 31, 2024

	2024	2023
REVENUES		
Grants (<i>Schedule 1</i>)	\$ 2,455,157	\$ 1,781,786
Donations	303,440	271,632
Interest and other	251,885	158,557
Event registration	104,419	11,976
Membership fees	76,415	73,100
Sponsorships	54,000	22,000
Amortization - deferred capital contributions (<i>Note 8</i>)	39,777	41,657
Training	29,330	37,115
Casino	8,567	8,958
	<u>3,322,990</u>	<u>2,406,781</u>
EXPENSES		
Program expenses	1,412,285	799,698
Salaries, wages and benefits	1,369,126	1,194,750
Gifts and honorariums	193,596	11,948
Amortization	45,328	43,441
Recruitment and training	40,405	14,578
Office	29,679	33,781
Professional fees	21,843	18,336
Telephone and website	17,320	17,334
Interest and bank charges	9,242	6,900
Insurance	8,033	4,676
Annual general meeting	6,688	5,981
Occupancy costs	4,804	10,118
Minor office equipment	2,477	6,088
	<u>3,160,826</u>	<u>2,167,629</u>
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER EXPENSES FROM OPERATIONS	<u>162,164</u>	<u>239,152</u>
OTHER INCOME		
Government subsidy	-	17,505
Loss on disposal of tangible capital assets	(1,326)	(2,209)
	<u>(1,326)</u>	<u>15,296</u>
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER EXPENSES	<u>\$ 160,838</u>	<u>\$ 254,448</u>

ALBERTA COUNCIL OF WOMEN'S SHELTERS
Statement of Changes in Net Assets
For the Year Ended March 31, 2024

	Unrestricted Fund	Internally Restricted	Invested in Tangible Capital Asset	2024	2023
NET ASSETS - BEGINNING OF YEAR	\$ 1,008,969	\$ 1,731,463	\$ 5,126	\$ 2,745,558	\$ 2,491,110
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER EXPENSES	160,838	-	-	160,838	254,448
Internal reserve transfers (Note 9)	(160,800)	160,800	-	-	-
Purchases of tangible capital assets	(34,506)	-	34,506	-	-
Loss on disposal of tangible capital assets	1,326	-	(1,326)	-	-
Amortization of tangible capital assets	45,328	-	(45,328)	-	-
Funding provided for tangible capital assets	17,611	-	(17,611)	-	-
Amortization of deferred capital contribution (Note 8)	(39,777)	-	39,777	-	-
NET ASSETS - END OF YEAR	\$ 998,989	\$ 1,892,263	\$ 15,144	\$ 2,906,396	\$ 2,745,558

ALBERTA COUNCIL OF WOMEN'S SHELTERS
Statement of Cash Flows
For the Year Ended March 31, 2024

	2024	2023
OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Excess of revenues over expenses	\$ 160,838	\$ 254,448
Items not affecting cash:		
Amortization	45,328	43,441
Amortization - deferred capital contributions	(39,777)	(41,657)
Loss on disposal of tangible capital assets	1,326	2,209
	<u>167,715</u>	<u>258,441</u>
Changes in non-cash working capital:		
Accounts receivable	(43,662)	70,419
GST receivable	843	7,274
Prepaid expenses	107,938	(123,775)
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	47,244	40,680
Accrued vacation payable	12,137	7,171
Deferred contributions - operating	5,268	(129,644)
Deferred revenue	(69,940)	36,800
	<u>59,828</u>	<u>(91,075)</u>
	<u>227,543</u>	<u>167,366</u>
INVESTING ACTIVITY		
Purchase of tangible capital assets	<u>(34,506)</u>	<u>(15,262)</u>
FINANCING ACTIVITY		
Deferred capital contribution	<u>17,611</u>	<u>13,253</u>
INCREASE IN CASH FLOW	210,648	165,357
Cash - beginning of year	<u>4,041,561</u>	<u>3,876,204</u>
CASH - END OF YEAR	\$ 4,252,209	\$ 4,041,561
CASH CONSISTS OF:		
Cash	\$ 4,123,547	\$ 4,005,247
Casino restricted cash	<u>128,662</u>	<u>36,314</u>
	\$ 4,252,209	\$ 4,041,561

ALBERTA COUNCIL OF WOMEN'S SHELTERS

Notes to Financial Statements

Year Ended March 31, 2024

PURPOSE OF THE ORGANIZATION

Alberta Council of Women's Shelters (the "Organization") is a not-for-profit organization incorporated provincially under the Societies Act of Alberta on April 11, 1983. As a registered charity the Organization is exempt from the payment of income tax under Section 149(1) of the Income Tax Act.

The Organization works to:

- Develop a coordinated, collaborative response to family violence;
 - Coordinate funding and improve services in order to better meet the needs of abused women, their children and abused seniors;
 - Educate the public and professionals about prevention of, and responses to, spousal and senior abuse;
 - Initiate, conduct and/or participate in research relating to the causes, impacts, prevention of family violence, and elimination of violence against women, children and seniors.
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1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of presentation

The financial statements were prepared in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations (ASNPO).

Revenue recognition

The Organization follows the deferral method of accounting for contributions, which include donations and government grants.

Restricted contributions are recognized as revenue in the year in which the related expenses are incurred. Unrestricted contributions are recognized as revenue when received or receivable if the amount to be received can be reasonably estimated and collection is reasonably assured.

Restricted contributions for the purchase of tangible capital assets are deferred and amortized into revenue at a rate corresponding with the amortization rate for the related tangible capital assets.

Membership fees and interest income is recognized as revenue as earned.

Contributed services

The operations of the Organization depend on both the contribution of time by volunteers and donated materials and services from various sources. The fair value of donated materials and services cannot be reasonably determined and are therefore not reflected in these financial statements.

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ALBERTA COUNCIL OF WOMEN'S SHELTERS
Notes to Financial Statements
Year Ended March 31, 2024

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES *(continued)*

Tangible capital assets

Tangible capital assets are stated at cost or deemed cost less accumulated amortization and are amortized over their estimated useful lives on a straight-line basis at the following rates and methods:

Office equipment	20%	straight-line method
Computer equipment and software	33 1/2%	straight-line method
Leasehold improvements	20%	straight-line method
Website	20%	straight-line method

The Organization regularly reviews its tangible capital assets to eliminate obsolete items.

Tangible capital assets acquired during the year but not placed into use are not amortized until they are placed into use.

Financial instruments

Measurement of financial instruments

The Organization initially measures its financial assets and financial liabilities at fair value adjusted by, in the case of a financial instrument that will not be measured subsequently at fair value, the amount of transaction costs directly attributable to the instruments.

The Organization subsequently measures all its financial assets and financial liabilities at amortized cost, except for investments in equity instruments that are quoted in an active market, which are measured at fair value. Changes in fair value are recognized in net income.

Financial assets measured at amortized cost include cash and cash equivalents and accounts receivable.

Financial liabilities measured at amortized cost include accounts payable and accrued liabilities.

The Organization has no financial assets measured at fair value.

Impairment

Financial assets measured at cost are tested for impairment when there are indicators of impairment. The amount of the write-down is recognized in net income. The previously recognized impairment loss may be reversed to the extent of the improvement, directly or by adjusting the allowance account, provided it is no greater than the amount that would have been reported at the date of the reversal had the impairment not been recognized previously. The amount of the reversal is recognized in net income.

Transaction costs

The Organization recognizes its transaction costs in net income in the period incurred. However, the carrying amount of the financial instruments that will not be subsequently measured at fair value is reflected in the transaction costs that are directly attributable to their organization, issuance or assumption.

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ALBERTA COUNCIL OF WOMEN'S SHELTERS
Notes to Financial Statements
Year Ended March 31, 2024

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES *(continued)*

Measurement uncertainty

The preparation of financial statements in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the recorded amounts of assets and liabilities, the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Significant areas requiring the use of management's estimates include the useful lives of tangible capital assets and the corresponding rates of amortization, recoverability of accounts receivable and the amount of accrued liabilities. All estimates are reviewed periodically and adjustments are made to the statement of operations as appropriate in the year they become known.

2. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

Cash and cash equivalents comprise of the following:

	2024	2023
Operating cash	\$ 4,077,864	\$ 3,960,053
Money market funds	45,683	45,194
	\$ 4,123,547	\$ 4,005,247

3. CASINO RESTRICTED CASH

Funds gained from a Casino event are placed in a separate bank account. These funds, which total \$128,661 (2023 - \$36,314) at year end, are restricted in that they may only be used for expenses related to operating the charitable gaming event as well as for the purposes stated in the charity's gaming license application. The current license indicated that the funds would be used for occupational and administrative costs, the production of newsletters, program related equipment, hosting conference/seminars/training for volunteers as well as website development and maintenance.

4. TANGIBLE CAPITAL ASSETS

	Cost	Accumulated amortization	2024 Net book value	2023 Net book value
Computer equipment and software	\$ 58,157	\$ 53,629	\$ 4,528	\$ 8,337
Leasehold improvements	12,994	2,599	10,395	-
Website	187,908	132,686	55,222	74,507
Office equipment	57,773	43,055	14,718	14,167
	\$ 316,832	\$ 231,969	\$ 84,863	\$ 97,011

ALBERTA COUNCIL OF WOMEN'S SHELTERS
Notes to Financial Statements
Year Ended March 31, 2024

5. DEFERRED CONTRIBUTIONS - OPERATING

	2023	Funds received	Revenue recognized	2024
Projects				
ACWS Member Contribution				
Training Fund	140,930	\$ 4,060	\$ -	\$ 144,990
Calgary Fund grant	-	20,000	-	20,000
Canada Alberta Summer Jobs	-	1,175	(1,175)	-
COE- Precarious Immigration				
Status fund	126,837	-	(126,837)	-
CWF- COVID-19	4,284	-	(4,284)	-
CDR CRCS No survivor turned away	-	132,339	(32,298)	100,041
DIF Grant	-	15,000	-	15,000
Edmonton Police Foundation - School Resource Officer	22,178	-	(22,178)	-
Family Business Connect - DV and its impact	185,624	-	-	185,624
GOA, CSS	-	995,420	(995,420)	-
GOA, Centering Relationships to End Violence	-	100,000	-	100,000
GOA, ACSW CIP	-	40,000	(40,000)	-
GOA, Labour - DV and your WP, supporting smaller centres	85,689	-	(25,241)	60,448
GOA, Build Capacity to Support Survivors of Sexual Assault and Gender Based Violence	-	100,000	(13,276)	86,724
GOA, NAP- Innovations conference	-	50,000	-	50,000
GOA, NAP - Mentoring and Coaching	-	129,255	-	129,255
GOA, NAP - Transportation	-	165,000	-	165,000
GOC, WaGE Gender Based Violence - enhancing women- centered practice	34,709	135,817	(170,526)	-
GOC, WaGE Gender Based Violence - address organizational capacity needs	63,349	120,106	(183,455)	-
GOC Justice & AG - Training Alberta Lawyers	-	112,246	(112,246)	-
GOC, WaGE- Centering relationships	97,711	256,959	(354,670)	-
GOC, Justice - VCAW	-	7,500	(7,500)	-
IODE- Children's Curriculum	26,764	-	(3,075)	23,689
Rogers- Building the capacity of the Violence Against Womens sector	189,325	-	(189,325)	-
Servus ACWS Partnership	27,519	-	-	27,519
Shoppers Drug Mart- Love You Fund	100,000	-	(62,998)	37,002

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ALBERTA COUNCIL OF WOMEN'S SHELTERS

Notes to Financial Statements

Year Ended March 31, 2024

5. DEFERRED CONTRIBUTIONS - OPERATING *(continued)*

	2023	Funds received	Revenue recognized	2024
WSC- Response and Recovery Funds grant	128,266	-	(128,266)	-
<u>Casino funds</u>				
Casino restricted funds	35,565	101,725	(8,567)	128,723
Total project deferred contribution	\$ 1,268,750	\$ 2,486,602	\$ (2,481,337)	\$ 1,274,015

Please see note 6 for definition of acronyms used above.

6. DEFERRED CONTRIBUTIONS - OPERATING ACRONYMS

ACWS - Alberta Council of Women's Shelters
 AFL- Alberta Federation of Labour
 COE- City of Edmonton
 CWF- Canadian Women's Foundation
 CSS - Community and Social Services
 DV - Domestic Violence
 DIF - Difinity Insurance Foundation
 GOA - Government of Alberta
 GOC - Government of Canada
 IODE- Imperial Order Daughters of the Empire
 WaGE - Women and Gender Equality
 WSC- Women's Shelters Canada

7. DEFERRED REVENUE

	2023	Funds received	Revenue recognized	2024
<u>Unearned revenue</u>				
Prepaid membership fees	\$ 11,000	\$ 3,000	\$ (11,000)	\$ 3,000
Training fees and event sponsorships/donations received in advance	62,725	-	(62,090)	635
	\$ 73,725	\$ 3,000	\$ (73,090)	\$ 3,635

8. DEFERRED CAPITAL CONTRIBUTIONS

Deferred capital contributions represent restricted contributions with which some of the Organization's tangible capital assets were purchased. The changes in these contributions are as follows:

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ALBERTA COUNCIL OF WOMEN'S SHELTERS
Notes to Financial Statements
Year Ended March 31, 2024

8. DEFERRED CAPITAL CONTRIBUTIONS *(continued)*

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Balance, Beginning of Year	\$ 91,886	\$ 120,289
Add:		
Contributions received	17,611	13,254
Less:		
Amortization of deferred capital contributions	<u>(39,777)</u>	<u>(41,657)</u>
Balance, End of Year	<u>\$ 69,720</u>	<u>\$ 91,886</u>

9. INTERNAL RESTRICTIONS


The Board of Directors of the Organization has allocated funds for specifically identified purposes. The Organization may not use these internally restricted funds for any other purpose without the approval of the Board of Directors.

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Stabilization reserve The Organization has established a stabilization reserve to hold four months of operating expenses.	\$ 1,379,693	\$ 1,244,393
Conference Legacy fund The Organization has established a reserve to be used for dissemination and follow-up activities related to ACWS hosted conferences.	103,193	103,193
Equipment reserve The Organization has established a reserve for future capital equipment purchases.	40,000	40,000
Moving/Renovation reserve The Organization has established a reserve for moving and renovation expenditures.	35,000	35,000
Social Enterprise fund The Organization has established a fund to ensure program stabilization and expansion.	<u>334,377</u>	<u>308,877</u>
	<u>\$ 1,892,263</u>	<u>\$ 1,731,463</u>

10. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

The Organization is exposed to various risks through its financial instruments and has a comprehensive risk management framework to monitor, evaluate and manage these risks. The following analysis provides information about the Organization's risk exposure and concentration as of March 31, 2024.

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ALBERTA COUNCIL OF WOMEN'S SHELTERS
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Year Ended March 31, 2024

10. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS *(continued)*

(a) Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that an entity will encounter difficulty in meeting obligations associated with financial liabilities. The Organization is exposed to this risk mainly in respect of its receipt of funds from its sponsors, donors and funding agencies to meet their financial liabilities. The Organization mitigates this risk by ensuring operational and capital costs are appropriately budgeted for on an ongoing basis.

Unless otherwise noted, it is management's opinion that the Organization is not exposed to significant other price risks arising from these financial instruments.

11. COMPARATIVE FIGURES

Certain comparative figures have been reclassified to conform with the current year's presentation.

ALBERTA COUNCIL OF WOMEN'S SHELTERS
Grants Schedule (Recognized Revenue)
For the Year Ended March 31, 2024

(Schedule 1)

	2024	2023
AFL Justice Fund	\$ -	\$ 16,061
Canada Alberta Job Grant	1,175	1,923
Canada Summer Job Grant	-	-
Canadian Red Cross Society	32,298	-
Canadian Women's Foundation		
Covid Relief	4,284	33,716
Centring Relationships	-	73,292
Summit Bursary	-	4,110
AJHL training	-	15,000
Recovery Grant	-	20,000
COE- Precarious Immigration Status	126,837	23,163
Edmonton Community Foundation	-	500
Edmonton Community Foundation- Vital Signs	-	8,933
Edmonton Police foundation	22,178	-
Fortis Member Fund	-	1,390
GOA- AGLC	8,567	20,234
GOA - Community & Social Services		
Operating Grant	995,420	995,420
GOA- ACWS SA	13,276	-
GOA- ACWS CIP	40,000	5,807
GOC- Justice & AG	112,246	91,188
GOC- Jobs, Economy, & Innovation	25,241	6,810
GOC- Justice VCAW	7,500	-
GOC - Women & Gender Equality		
Building Collective Capacity	183,455	117,596
Centring Relationships	354,670	134,243
Enhancing Women's Safety	170,526	152,047
IODE- Child. Curr	3,075	6,445
Member Contribution Fund	-	1,076
Muttart Foundation	-	-
Rogers Foundation via WSC	189,325	6,854
Servus	-	22,481
Shoppers Love You Fund	62,998	-
Women's Shelter Canada- Response and Recovery	128,266	46,734
	<u>2,481,337</u>	<u>1,805,023</u>
	-	-
Grant funding utilized for capital purchases (Note 8)	(17,611)	(13,253)
Interest Income and Raffle Pull Tickets	(8,567)	(9,984)
	<u>\$ 2,455,159</u>	<u>\$ 1,781,786</u>

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