## Focusing on "Farm to Table"

In 2013 The Good Food Box Program met both social and economic goals and contributed to social economy throughout the Niagara Region.

The project is continuing to strive for sustainability and become a long-term social entrepreneur business with a focus on:

Creating meaningful employment

- The Good Food Box Program has provided P/T employment to 5 consumers
- 42 volunteers have benefited from employment training, which has created over 972 hours in volunteerism annually
- At \$11 hour this has created a savings of over \$10,692 annually
- The GFB working group designed, produced and sold calendars that created \$2000 in funding for the program

#### Promoting social inclusion and social responsibility

Community Living Welland, Brain Injury, Oak Centre, Hope House, Start me Up, and Ontario Works all have consumers who
contribute their time to the experience of the Good Food Box

#### Increasing communities' sustainable economic capacity

- 1309 boxes were delivered to families in need in 2013
- Partnering agencies like Aboriginal Head Start and Community Care provided subsidy for consumers which allowed for even better access

#### Developing leadership and a stronger sense of community

Training presentations provided by consumers, for consumers in sales and marketing

#### Creating solutions to social issues and poverty

- 22 host sites in Niagara allows for easy access to food deserts in the Region
- Monthly newsletter provides information on living well yet frugally
- Our accessible web site allows for up to date information on the Good Food Box

The unique social benefits of the Good Food Box model of social entrepreneurship naturally support community economic development strategies promoting positive, concrete changes in our communities by creating employment, reducing poverty, stabilizing local economies and increasing the control Gateway Consumers have over their own economies and well-being.

This year we will be opening doors to more affordable housing in Niagara, our 178 King Street location is being renovated to accommodate three more units of affordable housing. We need your help in raising the funds to move forward.

In July of 2015 we will be holding our Annual Bill Grundy Memorial Golf Tournament and Dinner Auction. Each year these funds are directed to the housing we build in Niagara. Consider being our guest in 2015 and enjoy a great day of golf and fun all while supporting this great cause



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# Annual Report



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**BOARD OF DIRECTORS** 



THANK YOU FOR ATTENDING GATEWAY RESIDENTIAL AND COMMUNITY SUPPORT SERVICES OF NIAGARA'S ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING. IT IS AN HONOUR AND A PLEASURE TO PRESENT THIS REPROT TO SUCH AN OUTSTANDING GROUP OF INDIVIDUALS.

We are a multifaceted agency, described in many ways by our effective programs, our talented and dedicated staff and Board, our long history of serving the Niagara Region, and the communities in

which we work. But, at the core of who we are and what we do is how we accomplish our Mission. This is what defines us.

Gateway Residential and Community Support
Services uses a unique strength based approach
that forms the bedrock of each of our programs and
unites the many facets of the agency. Our programs
are built on the assets of the people and families
who turn to us for assistance and infuses every
aspect of our work, how we provide services, interact
with both clients and colleagues, and collaborate
with external stakeholders.

In any scenario, we look for what is going right and hold ourselves accountable for building upon it. Our program framework inspires us to leverage the

inherent strengths and capacities in the individual, family and community, creating meaningful partnerships that enable each of our clients and ourselves to achieve success.

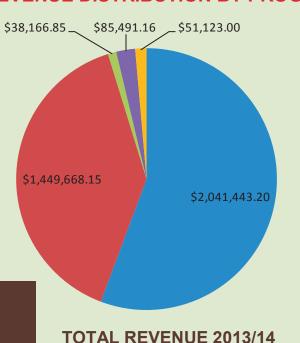
Gateway Residential and Community Support Services greatest strength is experience, expertise, and readiness to respond to unique challenges facing individuals in under-resourced communities. As an organization we are always looking ahead: growing our programs and services, responding to the needs of the communities in which we work, innovating new approaches in programs and practice, and continually evaluating our work. This AGM meeting captures our accomplishments.

Its our goal through strategic planning to continue to grow, respond, innovate and evaluate in order to provide our clients with the highest quality programs and service.

We remain deeply grateful to Our Board of Directors, fantastic Executive Director; John Osczypko, amazing staff, number one volunteers, students and donors who share in our accomplishments and enrich our work with Gateway. Last, but not least, I would like to thank our clients for allowing us to be a part of your lives.

Thank you for another outstanding year. Patty Berard - President

### REVENUE DISTRIBUTION BY PROGRAM



\$ 3,650,644.99



- Supportive Housing
- Case Management
- Haven of Hope Commercial
- Fundraising
- Good Food Box



# **FUNDERS** Ontario Canada Niagara Region Trillium de l'Ontario NIAGARA

### GATEWAY'S STAFF: People you can count on

**GATEWAY COULDN'T OPERATE WITHOUT OUR** DEDICATED STAFF.

FOR DEDICATING YOUR **CAREERS TO OUR** CONSUMERS.



"The best way to find yourself is to lose yourself in the service of others.

MAHATMA GANDHI

#### **ADMINISTRATION**

Dee Tyler

Clinical Supervisor

Danielle Gdanski

John Osczypko Executive Director

THANK YOU TO EACH OF YOU



#### **CASE MANAGERS**

Linda Bartoshewski Vanessa Batcules Melyssa Belaire Russell Boutilier

Finance Manager Barb DeRuiter Pam Kartasinski

Property Manager Shelly Mousseau

Resource & Development Manager **Devon Noxel** Shelly Carl

Property Management Assistants

#### **GOOD FOOD BOX**

Cheryl Booth Jennifer Culp Tim Willick

Ariella Aburto Martha Carpentier - Gibson Frank Fasano Linda Fossey Natalie Goubrial Ed Klassen

Sandra Maletta - Todd Larry Minaker Jessica Minkoff

Dan Murdoch Natalie Paquin Anthony Ricciuti

Jennifer Kuhn

Monica Lauzon

Brian Stoner Tony Sforza

#### **CANADA SUMMER JOBS**

Casey Wach Marcy Moorman Rachel Dehaan

#### **MAINTENANCE & CUSTODIAL**

Tom Fish Terry McKenney Peter Methot Dave Ullman Adam Wyonch



**PROPERTY MANAGEMENT** 

PROVIDED TO GATEWAY PARTNERS

**PER UNIT** 

44

40

### WE LISTEN. WE ACT. WE CARE.

#### THE FACES AND VOICES **OF GATEWAY...**

If you spend a day with us at Gateway you will quickly learn that Volunteers are the heart of our agency. When you call our office, or when you first walk in our doors you will be greeted by one of our valuable volunteers.

Our front reception volunteers are a dedicated group of individuals who have been supporting us for many years. They are the voice or the face that first greets you.

We would like to thank each of these wonderful people who take the time to make a difference in their community. Thank you Beverly, Ryan M, Will, Dave and Ryan B for all you do.



EACH YEAR WE TAKE A MOMENT TO RECOGNIZE INDIVIDUALS WHO HAVE MADE A SIGNIFICANT **CONTRIBUTION TOWARDS THEMSELVES** OR THE AGENCY.

THIS YEAR WE WOULD LIKE TO CONGRATULATE:

#### Bill Grundy Memorial Award SEAN BEAUCOCK

Recognition for Outstanding Individual Contributions

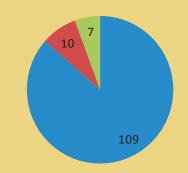
Dr. Peter Grant Memorial Award WILL NEWMAN

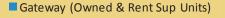
Recognition for Outstanding Personal Growth .....

Community Partner Award WEST MAIN PHARMACY - LISA BIELECKY

Recognition for Valuable Contributions to the Agency

#### **GATEWAY OWNED & RENT** SUPPLEMENT UNITS





- Gateway Transitional Housing (Housing First)
- Gateway Residential







Community Addiction Services of Niagara

Oak Centre

■ Canal View Homes

57

March of Dimes (Head Lease)

Community Living (Head Lease)

25

Canadian Mental Health Association

