
Kindle Communities has been busy this year implementing the 2019 Strategic Plan following our values of collaboration, listening to community voice, stewardship and social responsibility.

Strategic Plan Pathways

- ***Provide and manage affordable, inclusive and accessible space***
- ***Create the conditions for successful tenancy at Kindle properties***
- ***Generate revenue to: re-invest in new and existing assets and address unmet community needs***

On April 1st we welcomed Family Counselling and Support Services to the Shelldale Centre. Full occupancy in addition to securing long term lease agreements has allowed Kindle to begin significant renovations to meet the needs of our community and partners to ensure that the centre remains a warm and welcoming place for programs and services to be delivered. The project, which began in February, will be complete by early 2021 and includes many upgrades, a new reception expansion, more common space and accessibility features to greet the hundreds of visitors to the centre each day.

Our fiscal year ended with the substantial impact of COVID-19 on our community and the ability of partners to provide services and supports at the centre. All partners were able to find ways to pivot programming and ensure that, to the best of their ability, services or supports continue. It also offered opportunities for Kindle and Shelldale partner organizations to support other community organizations such as the SEED and the Onward Willow Neighbourhood Group to use space at the centre to prepare meals and pack food boxes to be distributed in the community to lessen the impact of COVID-19. Although services have and, in some cases, will

be resuming this fall, COVID continues to impact the Centre and the community.

We have continued to explore our role as a potential proponent of supportive housing through participation on the Mayor’s Task Force on Homelessness as well as other tables to discuss solutions to the housing crisis in our community. This has revealed potential avenues for Kindle to contribute and we are actively pursuing being a proponent of a supportive housing development to contribute to everyone in our community having a place to call home!

To accomplish a key action identified in the Strategic Plan to explore the costs and benefits of Kindle obtaining charitable status, we began discussions with the Family & Children’s Services Fund Development Committee to explore areas where the two organizations could partner more closely together. This work resulted in obtaining a legal consultation regarding charitable status and the Kindle board has recommended moving forward with this process. Obtaining charitable status will allow Kindle Communities to have more options in applying for grants and funding as well as other benefits moving forward including providing charitable tax receipts for donations.

Following our Strategic Plan, the work being undertaken at Shelldale and the possibility of Kindle helping to play a role in assisting with the housing crisis, we continue to be very excited for Kindle’s future and its opportunity to contribute to our vision of **“A healthy and caring community where everyone has a sense of belonging.”**

Jan Lord, President, Board of Directors and Sheila Markle, CEO



2019-2020 Financial Report

Statement of Operations

REVENUE	\$ 326,330
EXPENSES	
Utilities, property management, insurance, property taxes	(112,722)
Repairs and maintenance	(110,217)
Amortization	(82,621)
Office and administrative, advertising and promotion	(57,670)
Professional fees	(4,678)
Bank charges	(463)
(Deficiency) of Revenues over Expenditures	\$ (42,041)

Statement of Financial Position

ASSETS	
Cash, accounts receivable, prepaid expenses	\$ 26,772
Capital	<u>1,954,866</u>
Total Assets	\$ <u>1,981,638</u>
LIABILITIES	
Accounts payable, accrued liabilities, deferred contributions	\$ 80,548
NET ASSETS	
Internally restricted	169,902
Unrestricted net assets	<u>1,731,188</u>
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	\$ <u>1,981,638</u>

BOARD OF DIRECTORS (as of March 31st, 2020)

Jan Lord, Chair; Mike Hallett; David Estill, Secretary Treasurer; Al Potma;
Delbert Williams ; Sheila Markle, CEO; Bethany Comeau (ex-officio)

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