

**We** are pleased to present the membership of Kindle Communities Inc. with our Annual Report for 2016-2017.

Kindle has continued to explore their role in the potential for a hub in the Brant Avenue community. Over the past year, while the Guelph Community Health Centre has stepped forward to apply for funding through the Ministry of Health and Long Term Care, Kindle has been updated regularly. This could mean a changed role in the hub development, including but not limited to, no role, a shared role, or at the extreme, stepping into the major development role should health funding not be secured. We continue to discuss the various options and are communicating regularly with the Guelph Community Health Centre about the progress of their funding application.

As conversations in the community regarding a Brant Hub have taken place over the past year, Kindle Communities has been involved in meetings with the community about our potential role in the project. These conversations have raised questions from the community about the Kindle organization. As a result, we decided to move forward with a simple website to ensure those looking for information about our organization can find it. The website was completed in the spring of 2017 and can be found at [www.kindlecommunities.com](http://www.kindlecommunities.com)

The Shelldale Centre has seen a number of upgrades this year including exterior landscaping and brick work to resolve water pooling issues at the main entrance and the completion of work to upgrade and improve the gymnasium. In addition, the Kindle Board approved funding for all of the washrooms to be renovated in the centre. A reserve fund study was commissioned with results and recommendations expected in the 2017-2018 fiscal year.

Another successful Shelldale picnic, sponsored by Kindle, occurred in August and once again, a fantastic turnout resulted in a great day for everyone in attendance. The picnic is a testament to the spirit of community that the Shelldale Centre has

helped to nurture. Neighbours, families, politicians, police, service providers and scores of children were on hand for the many activities, face painting, music, fun and food that is offered to the community free of charge. Each year, including this year, many comments are made by those in attendance about how wonderful it is to see the community coming together to celebrate.

The construction of a basement apartment at Flanders has begun with completion expected in 2017-2018. Family & Children's Services staff are contemplating the best use of this apartment including the programming that will be offered in conjunction with the program offered in the upstairs of the home.

Kindle continues to explore opportunities to support children and families in this community and this year had conversations about opportunities to further support our vision – "A community where social benefit organizations that serve vulnerable children, youth and families work together with community members to provide programs and services in safe and accessible properties." With the current Strategic Plan for Kindle coming to an end in 2017, we recognize the opportunity to have more fulsome discussions about new directions or opportunities. Planning is beginning regarding the approach and timing for a new strategic plan. This will be a focus for the coming year as Kindle continues to explore its opportunities to support children and families in Guelph and Wellington County.

*Mike Hallett, President, Board of Directors and Sheila Markle, CEO*



# 2016-2017 Financial Report

## Statement of Operations

<b>REVENUE</b>	\$ 402,783
<b>EXPENSES</b>	
Repairs and maintenance	(203,869)
Utilities, property management, insurance, property taxes	(108,081)
Amortization	(67,830)
Office and administrative, advertising and promotion	(50,230)
Community development	(45,100)
Professional fees	(11,645)
Interest and bank charges	(10,328)
<b>(Deficiency) of revenues over expenditures</b>	<b>\$ (94,300)</b>

## Statement of Financial Position

<b>ASSETS</b>	
Cash, investments, accounts receivable and prepaids	\$ 771,285
Capital Assets	<u>1,590,558</u>
<b>Total Capital Assets</b>	<b>\$ <u>2,361,843</u></b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>	
Accounts payable, accrued liabilities, deferred revenue	\$ 85,279
Mortgages payable	257,424
<b>NET ASSETS</b>	
Internally restricted reserves	665,500
Invested in capital assets	1,333,134
Unrestricted net assets	<u>20,506</u>
<b>Total Liabilities and Net Assets</b>	<b>\$ <u>2,361,843</u></b>

### BOARD OF DIRECTORS (as at March 31, 2017)

Mike Hallett, Chair; Susan Mellor, Secretary Treasurer; Raechelle Devereaux, Don Fisher; Sheila Markle, CEO; Ann Marie Simpson, ex-officio

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