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2022-2023 was another challenging year. We hit some key milestones including rehousing over 200 individuals during the pandemic, and transitioning to a new Executive Director, Wayne Paddick. We also said goodbye to Anne Tinker this year who, we can all agree, had an enormous impact during her time here.

Some highlights from our activity this year include:

- The establishment of the regional program at the Preston Kinsman for those with COVID and complex medical issues.
- The launch of IN Our Backyard, a social enterprise helping to rebuild lives and generate positive community through lawn and snow maintenance.
- Our social media is changing the conversation.
- An extended housing program that now includes more supports after rehousing to help individuals build community.

As always, we must extend our gratitude to the many companies that donate both volunteer time and resources, and to our donors both big and small that invest in our Mission. Our social enterprise is very grateful to Justin Chan and his Community Company for his guidance and support.

Volunteers are our best kept secret and provide helping hands in the kitchen, and for our board of directors, and our fundraising events, so sincere thanks to them, they are an integral part of our success.

Our success is also directly linked to the hard work of our team. We have made extraordinary progress this year, and we would like to personally thank every team member for their energy, commitment, and consistency in driving our mission forward.

Sincerely,

Sharon Livingstone and Bob Howison, Co-chairs