

# CRESCENT VALLEY RESOURCE CENTRE

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The year 2019 was very busy with many changes. Highlights include the Grand Opening of "The Growing Place", hiring a Bike Technician who was able to get many more bikes refurbished and distributed, and a new Community Engagement Coordinator to help with our Newcomer population. We also received the Peter Daniels Award from the NB Children's Foundation - recognizing our ongoing commitment to bettering the lives of children and youth in the community and the Dr. Marilyn Trenholme Counsel Literacy Award - recognizing our work in community literacy.

I am extremely appreciative of our dedicated staff- our Executive Director, Anne Driscoll, who provides outstanding leadership to the committed work of our core staff: Joy Comeau, who welcomes everyone as they enter our Centre, listens to their concerns, helps them on their journeys, and continues to share her expertise on Nutrition and Food Security, Justin Shepard, who has grown our iteracy initiatives and engages the children and their families, Olivia Clancy, who is coordinating our Growing Place project, Wayne King, our Bike Technician and Maryam Naser who helps Newcomers and all residents with their concerns.

I thank our committed sponsors who believe in our vision and work. Without their support we could not provide the much needed programs and services.

Thank you to the CVRC Board, staff, partners, volunteers, and residents. It is a privilege to know and work with you and to volunteer in this community.

Ann Barrett CVRC President 2019

I'm a mom of 3 young children living in the Crescent Valley community. The CVRC and the staff working there are such a tremendous addition to our community! I personally use as many services as I can, and **th**en some. The staff are more then just staff, they're members of our community and help us all feel a little safer, and together. The CV neighbourhood wouldn't be the same without the amazing groups and support we can get from the CVRC. So thank you, for everything. - **Jessica** 

What would we do without you guys? You're angels. - Judy

Why aren't you folks running the country LOL. Growing food without poison, getting communities to work together no matter what race religion background, recycling materials instead of having them thrown out. Keep up the great work guys. - Cheryl Bernard Clark

# EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

It's hard to believe the Crescent Valley Resource Centre is entering its second decade. Reflecting on the first ten years has been eye-opening, inspiring and humbling. I am always in awe of the partnerships we have developed, the commitment from the broader community tocreate an outstanding neighbourhood and the resilience and skill the residents of the neighbourhood bring to the table as they proudly build on past achievements.

In 2019 we were excited to open the Growing Place Community Garden. This project is an example of a collaborative effort that addresses food security needs in the area. The Growing Place is a jewel in the neighbourhood and the grand opening was one of the community's "show-off" moments. The CVRC was instrumental in developing FoodSecure SJ - a network of partners working to improve food security in the Saint John region and helping give greater Saint John a more formal presence throughout the province around food security issues.

In 2019 we received two impressive awards. We were the recipient of the Dr. Marilyn Trenholme Counsell Literacy Award for Community Literacy Programs. We're proud of our literacy programs and activities, and happy we can offer residents - of all ages and literacy levels - opportunities to increase their skills and abilities, thereby enhancing their chances at a successful future. Additionally, we were the recipient of the inaugural Peter Daniels Award presented by the New Brunswick Children's Foundation. This award recognizes a group that demonstrates an ongoing commitment to bettering the lives of children and youth in the community. What a very proud moment for us.

Of course, the CVRC would not be what it is without the dedication, commitment and hard work of the staff members. I am fortunate to work with a team that continually strives to engage residents and work collaboratively to build successful programs and initiatives that are valued - and even copied by others, and have a lasting, positive impact on the community. In 2019 we said good-bye to our co-worker Nadhim Mansoor who had been with us since 2016. We welcomed Maryam Naser to carry on the work with newcomers. Many new faces we see in Crescent Valley are arriving from Africa; Crescent Valley's diversity just keeps growing. We welcomed Wayne King as our bike technician for the Saint John Bike Share Program - a successful and expanding project that brings bring active transportation to families and individuals throughout the city.

Many thanks to the volunteers, committee members and community partners for support and guidance; to the Board of Directors for their leadership, especially Ann Barrett whose outstanding commitment to this neighbourhood is second-to-none.

2020 will bring may exciting new opportunities for the CVRC and for the residents of the neighbourhood. I am looking forward to discovering new adventures and successes for Crescent Valley.

Anne Driscoll
Executive Director



# **Board of Directors - 2019**

Ann Barrett - President / Interim Treasurer Erin Kelly - Vice President Troy Saunders - Secretary Pat Kiely Juanita Black Roberta Clarke Emilie Chiasson Mary Doiron Kathy Hanna Janet Towers - resigned in March 2019 Mark Wilson

# Staff - 2019

Anne Driscoll - Executive Director
Joy Comeau - Community Liaison
Olivia Clancy - Food Security Coordinator
Nadhim Mansoor - Community Engagement
Coordinator
Justin Shepard - Community Engagement
Coordinator
Maryam Maser - Community Engagement
Coordinator
Wayne King - SJ Bike Share
Program Technician

# **Summer Staff**

Alyssa Calder Kayla Freeze Chloe Dallon Brad Bordage Carrie McLeod 3500 lunches/snacks provided to Summer Squad participants









# Unaudited Balance Sheet As of Dec 31st, 2019

### **Assets**

Current Assets	\$205,807.63
Fixed Assets	\$557.98
Total Assets	\$206,365.61
Liabilities& Equity	
Current Liabilities	\$1,950.55
Equity (Note 1)	\$204,415.06
<b>Total Liabilities &amp; Equity</b>	\$206,365.61

**Note 1:** Most are Restricted Funds for Playpark , Friars Money, and Programs.

# The Crescent Valley Resource Centre, Inc. Unaudited Income Statement For the Year Ended December 31, 2019

## Income

Programs Other (Includes Community Navigator Funds)	\$44,672.82
Programs	
	\$111,432.35
General Operations	\$164,079.98

# **Expenses**

Net Income	\$3,398.48
Total expense	\$316,786.67
Other	\$2,206.46
Programs	\$45,128.83
General Operations ( Includes all salaries)	\$269,451.38