BRUCE HOUSE

ANNUAL REPORT 2016-2017

Hope, Challenges, & Transitions

Without a doubt, this has been a very difficult year for Bruce House. Although this is not the first time we have faced challenges, this has been one of the worst. Despite the difficulties and challenges we have faced, there have been a remarkable number of achievements made since the last AGM. As always, these were accomplished by an amazing and dedicated group of staff, volunteers, and our community, who all helped Bruce House survive this very difficult year. Everyone should be very proud of their part in ensuring that Bruce House emerges into a strong and sustainable organization that continues to support the needs of the Ottawa community.

This past year saw the inauguration of the **Rehabilitation and Episodic Supportive Transition (REST) Program.** Although it started as a pilot project, it quickly proved itself to be a hugely successful, and much needed, support program among community members who were facing moments of crises and instability in their lives. The REST program, along with the new position of Client Health Management Coordinator, brought fundamental changes to the way Bruce House supports clients by providing a "continuum of care" approach which was announced at the last AGM. The REST program expands the role of Bruce House by providing access to our services to those clients we do not house, but who may be at increased risk of homelessness.

In conjunction with the start of the REST program, Bruce House hosted the Envision Forum 2017 at The Arts Court this past spring. This Forum was highly acclaimed and brought together service providers, clients, guest speakers, and the community, to participate in discussions and presentations that brought context to issues facing individuals impacted by HIV. Feedback from attendees was overwhelmingly positive and speaks to the need for future Forums. Also, the Forum served as a good reminder of the wealth of expertise Bruce House has on housing, health, and HIV.

Bruce House continued this community engagement by joining the *Undetectable = Uninfectious* (U=U) campaign. Over 425 organizations from more than 60 countries have now joined this campaign to end stigma and ignorance, and unambiguously state that the science is clear: HIV-positive individuals with an undetectable viral load and who are participating in treatment cannot transmit HIV.

This year Bruce House was again honoured by the generous support from our community. Over $14,000 was raised from our July appeal letter. And again, several annual events bring us incredible support each year: the National Capital Pride Run, the Drag & Balls softball tournament, and the Rideau Speedeaus Swim-eau-Thon. The Ottawa Knights, T's Pub, Drake Jensen, and the Gilmour Inn also contributed generously, and we are touched by the support of many individuals and businesses who fundraise for us. **A Taste for Life,** in partnership with *The Snowy Owl AIDS Foundation*, was again a success engaging wonderful restaurants and our community in an evening of fine dining and giving. To everyone who donated, to everyone who organized these events, to everyone who contributed their time and energy and heart, Bruce House graciously thanks you all. Undoubtedly, we are still here today because of what you could give.

With our audit in the spring it became clear that Bruce House was in a much more precarious financial position than had been expected. Quite simply, the bills had outgrown our income. With funding flat for several years, we struggled more and more to pay for programs via grants and fundraising efforts. Several years of deficits depleted our reserves, and a difficult decision had to be made. The iconic and much-loved Transition House in Westboro was closed on September 1st. No one was happy to take this step. It was a painful and emotional decision, but the math was simple: this program consumed almost a third of the annual budget, received little sustained funding, and only supported up to seven individuals at a time. Although the Transition House

NOTE: While this annual report would normally include only the fiscal year ending March 31, 2017, we have chosen to include information to October in order to provide a more comprehensive update.

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had a long history of providing valuable resources to those in need, it had become a poor use of limited funds and it was felt that clients in the Transition House program could be equally served through other programs at Bruce House. The four individuals residing at the Transition House at the time were found other living accommodations and continue to receive Bruce House support. Perhaps more difficult than the closing of the Transition House was the layoff of the House staff. Some of these staff had been with Bruce House for decades; their work and dedication will be recognised at this AGM.

To further help with cost-cutting measures, the position of Executive Director has been left temporarily vacant until Bruce House can again reach financial stability. The fundraiser position was also closed. A Management Team was formed by existing staff in order to share the duties and responsibilities of the Executive Director. Staff and volunteers have stepped up to help raise funds by writing and submitting grant applications. Twenty applications, large and small, have been or will be submitted this year.

Despite these hardships and difficult times, the Bruce House staff, management, and Board are united: we will overcome these challenges and move forward. We believe in the charge given to Bruce House twenty-nine years ago by the community: *Take care of our friends, family, and loved ones with HIV.*

We are exploring every option for funding, have cut costs in every way imaginable, and are discussing options for a new facility for a renewed housing program. We are striving to become a more fiscally prudent and sustainable organization that continues to provide the same level of care to those with HIV.

With your continued help and support Bruce House will emerge from this time stronger than ever, and better equipped to meet the ever-changing needs of our clients.

Programs At-a-glance

Bruce House has revitalized its service and supports for people living with and impacted by HIV in the Ottawa region. Three major programs work collaboratively to ensure a continuum of care for each client's needs and current challenges.

The **Supported Independent Living Program** provides access to secure, safe, affordable and stable housing for families, singles, and couples, in up to 40 subsidized apartments. Bruce House supports these residents in activities of daily living and counselling, as well as access to other agencies and services in the community; wellness checks, referrals, and innovative programming in such as the Community kitchen and Buddy Program.

This program has a proven track record of providing long-term stability for our clients, many of whom have been stably housed for years or decades.

The **Rehabilitation and Supportive Transition (REST) Program** is a bridge to a safe and healthy transition when moving to independent living or when faced with episodic illness that impacts daily living activities. It provides the opportunity for clients to receive support during episodic crisis, the development of short and long-term goals to manage health, and the opportunity for respite for friends and/or family members who are providing care.

31 clients were enrolled in the REST Program in 2016-17; this program also served clients enrolled in other programs as needed.

The **Volunteer Program** is a crucial part of Bruce House; it provides essential services and support to both client and staff in our programs. These services include: administration, health and wellness, buddy and caregivers, fundraising, special events, etc. Volunteers have always beem integral to program development and delivery at Bruce House.

Heroes of 2017

THANK YOU TO OUR JULY APPEAL DONORS:

Alan Spencer
Andrew Brown
Anton Lovink
Audrey Kenny
Catherine Boucher
Charles Seems
Chrisann Risser
Deborah Barton
Denis LeBlanc
Dino Blasioli
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John Hucker
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Kate Headley
Maryann Kerr
Maxxine Rattner
The Ottawa Knights
Pat O'Brien
Patrick Orr
Paula Creighan
Pauli Thurner
Peter Lockwood
Peter Wilkinson
Sharon Roy
Valerie Croft
...and the many individuals who preferred not to be named.

Bruce House would not be here today without your generous support.

Guest Speakers

WE ARE GRATEFUL TO THE FOLLOWING FOR CONTRIBUTING THEIR TIME AND EXPERTISE AT OUR CLIENT SOCIAL/INFO EVENINGS.

Eno Akan-Essien (ACO)
Caleb Chepesiuk (ACO)
Philip MacAdam (MacAdam Law)
Jennifer Ongtone (Massine's YIG)
Ryan Peck (HALCO)
Carole Trepanier (Mind Ideal)

Thank you to Volunteers

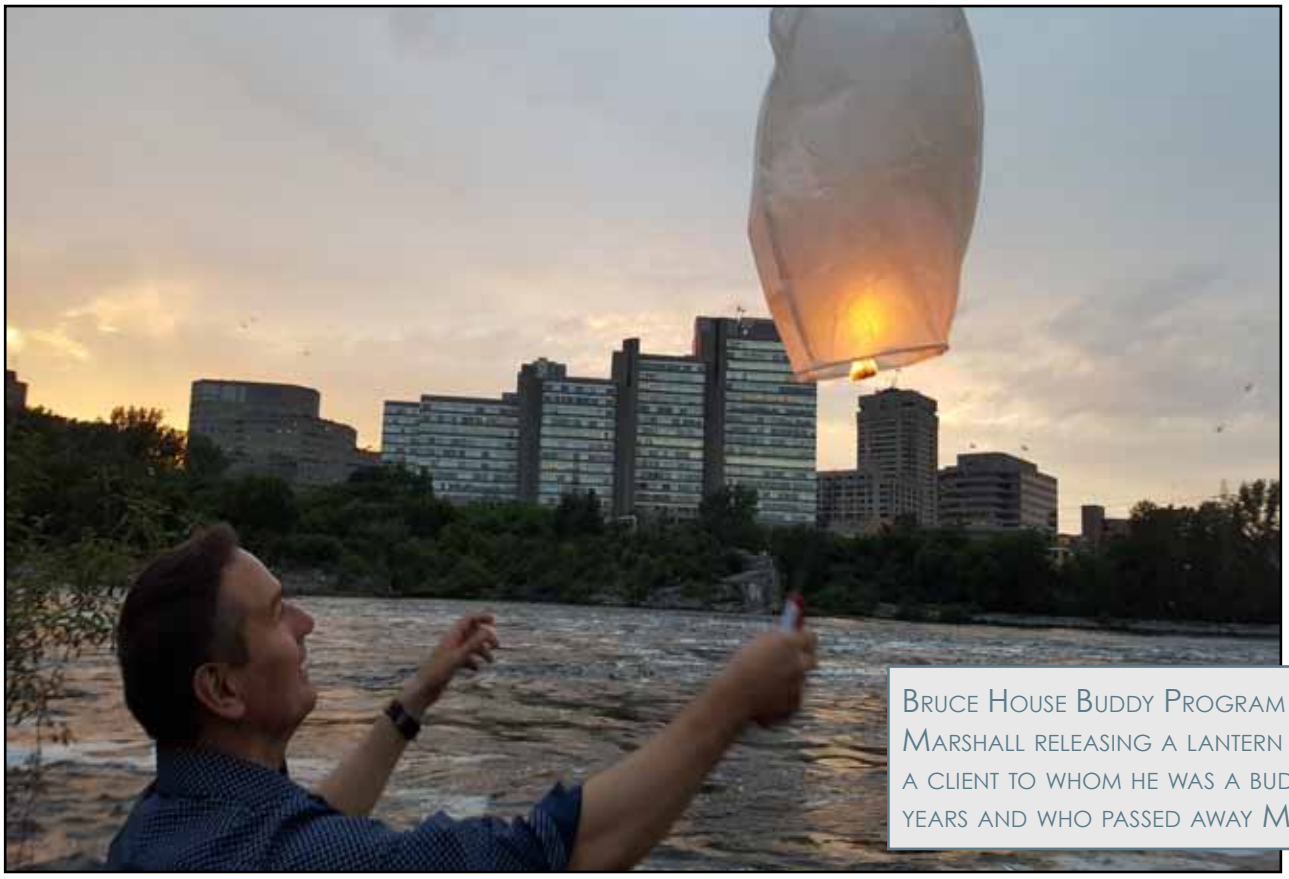
This fiscal year our devoted volunteers gave over 9000 hours of their time to Bruce House! That is the equivalent of five full-time staff, which would cost Bruce House $144,000 per year in salaries (excluding benefits) at the hourly entry level compensation.

Our volunteers are invaluable to Bruce House. Without them of the programs and services offered to our clients could not exist. Our **Volunteer Program** includes a very important component that supports our clients who are marginalized; through our Buddy Program a client is paired up with a volunteer who will provide support around psycho-social needs to reduce social isolation. Other vital programs include: the Health and Wellness program (Reiki), our refurbished Bike Program, the Caregiver Buddy Program, the Transition House volunteer program, and our administration volunteers, who create a warm and friendly environment and support to our office daily.

The success of our fundraisers and events depends on the support of our volunteers. In particular **A Taste for Life**, where we have over 60 volunteers making the event a success! All our volunteers bring compassion, dedication, creativity, laughter and much more to the Bruce House Family.

We strive to increase our volunteer capacity for the greater involvement of people living with HIV/AIDS (GIPA) and meaningful involvement of people living with HIV/AIDS (MIPA) by creating opportunities for personal development, employment opportunities, and increased self-esteem.

> *"I learned a great deal and grew so much as a person with each of the people I worked with through the Bruce House program. I am honoured to have contributed to improving their quality of life for a short period of time. But I can't compare that to the difference they made in me, because that's something that I'm always going to have with me."*
>
> Jessie – Buddy and Caregiver Buddy Program



Bruce House Buddy Program Volunteer Marshall releasing a lantern in memory of a client to whom he was a buddy to for 3 years and who passed away May 2017

Fundraising and Community Involvement

Bruce House would not be here if it were not the generous support we have received from funders and donors. The contributions received help us ensure we continue to evolve to meet the changing needs of our community. We will continue to make today better than yesterday, and to create hope for tomorrow. This can only be achieved through our generous and vibrant community involvement.

Bruce House receives core funding from two funding sources, the *Ontario Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care* and the *Community Homelessness Prevention Initiative*. Bruce House has also been fortunate to receive funding from the *Public Health Agency of Canada,* which ends this year.

The MAC AIDS Foundation, the Ottawa Community Foundation, the Canyon Foundation, and the James Robin Findlay Fund have been very generous in providing program funding.

We also receive tremendous support from local restaurants who are the core of making **A Taste for Life** possible—our largest fundraising event which directly supports our programs and services.

The annual and dynamic fundraisers *Drag & Balls*, *National Capital Pride Run*, *Rideau Speedeaus Swim-eau-thon*, and the *Gilmour Inn* all support Bruce House during Pride. These events are organized and staffed by community members, who generously give of their time and talents.

Bruce House is also privileged to have the ongoing support of many local groups and businesses, including *T's Pub*, *Massine's Your Independent Grocer*, *Bell Pharmacy*, and *The Ottawa Knights* to name but a few.

The staff, volunteers, management, Board, and clients of Bruce House thank you for all your support, and are grateful to be part of this community.

Next year will mark a new chapter in the history of Bruce House, we will be celebrating 30 years of working for our community, one struggle at a time, and with continued support we will overcome any struggles put on our path.

Drag & Balls 2017 - the annual softball tournament with style!
Photo courtesy of Bruce Wheeler

Funders

Bruce House received 2016-17 funding from:

Ontario Ministry of Health and Longterm Care

Community Homelessness Prevention Initiative (CHIPPI)

The Public Health Agency of Canada

MAC AIDS Foundation

The Ottawa Community Foundation

Canyon Foundation

James Robin Findlay Fund

Events

Bruce House is grateful for the tremendous generosity of the organizers and participants of:

Bon Appetit Ottawa
Country Cares
Drag & Balls
National Capital Leather Pride
National Capital Pride Run
Rideau Speedeaus' Swim-eau-thon

Our Heartfelt Thanks to the restaurants, sponsors, volunteers, and diners who participate in **A Taste For Life**; and to event sponsor *TD* our partner *The Snowy Owl AIDS Foundation.*

Country Cares for Bruce House
With Drake Jensen and special guests the Ottawa Gay Men's Chorus

Bruce House Champions

The following individuals, groups, and businesses have generously contributed to Bruce House fundraising:

The Atomic Rooster
Penny Bertrand
Blake Photography - Pat Blake
Beau's Brewey
Bell Pharmacy
Black Swan Events - André Proulx
BMO Capital Centre
Bon Appetit Ottawa
Borden Ladner Gervais LLP
Bridgehead Coffee
Byward Market Chiropractic
Carleton University students
Catholic Centre for Immigrants
Church of St. John the Evangelist
Ciena Cares
Corvidae Photos
Drake Jensen
Gary P. Leger and Steven Obendorf
The Gilmour Inn
Gowling WLG
Jeff Morrison
Karen Dacey
Kiki Coe
Kirk Law Office
Koko Domenique Shennel
Kraig-Paul Proulx
MAC Angels
Massine's Your Independent Grocer
Matar Meet Shop
ODDS and SODDS Shoppe
The Ottawa Gay Men's Chorus
The Ottawa Knights
Ottawa Stilt Union
The Ottawa Wolves
Parkview Movers - Lisa Ann Robinson
PODS - Peter Hauderowicz
Queer Mafia
RE/MAX Hallmark Realty Group - Foundation for Giving
REALTORS (R) Care Foundation
Rideau Speedeaus
Saffron & Chives Catering
Salon Jolie Dame
Soeurs de L'institut Jeanne D'arc
St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church
St. Basil's Church
Starbucks
Steve Pageau & Dave Sabourin
Stonewall Wilde's
Stroked Ego
SweetLegs – Orleans
Swizzles – Sebastien Cleroux
TD Bank Financial Group
Trinity Outreach Committee
T's Pub
The Urban Element
Wicked Wanda's
Yvonne Gil

This support is instrumental in supporting the delivery of programs and services, and demonstrates that Bruce House truely is part of a wonderfully caring community.

The evidence is in:
If you are HIV+, take treatment and maintain an undetectable viral load, you can have sex knowing that you won't pass HIV to your sex partner.
In short, when HIV is undetectable, it's untransmittable.

How can I make this work for me?

You can make this HIV prevention strategy work for you by taking your HIV treatment as prescribed and seeing your healthcare provider regularly. Your ongoing healthcare should include blood tests to check your viral load and ensure that it remains undetectable.

Wait until you have had at least two consecutive undetectable viral load test results before depending on this strategy.

To make this strategy keep working for you, adherence is key. If you have trouble taking your HIV medications every day, don't be afraid to ask for help from your doctor, pharmacist and/or peer counsellor.

If your viral load does not become undetectable or if it becomes detectable again, this can increase the risk of transmission. In that case, you may need to use other prevention strategies, such as condoms, until your viral load becomes undetectable.

What about other STIs?

Maintaining an undetectable viral load can prevent HIV transmission but it does not prevent the transmission of other sexually transmitted infections (STIs), such as chlamydia, gonorrhea and syphilis. However, condoms can reduce the risk of many STIs, so you might want to use HIV treatment *and* condoms.

What is an undetectable viral load?

Viral load refers to the amount of HIV in the blood of a person living with HIV. HIV treatment can reduce the amount of HIV in the blood to a level too low to be measured by a viral load test. At that point, a person's viral load is said to be undetectable. For most people, this occurs after taking HIV treatment for three to six months.

Having an undetectable viral load does not mean you are cured of HIV. The virus is still in the body. If you stop taking HIV treatment or miss too many doses, HIV will start replicating again and the viral load will once again become detectable.

What are the benefits of having an undetectable viral load?

We now know that it's good for your health: Starting treatment as soon as possible after becoming HIV positive decreases a person's risk of developing serious illnesses and allows people to live long, healthy lives. Having an undetectable viral load can also prevent HIV transmission.

How do I know if I'm undetectable?

The only way to know is to have regular viral load tests. If your viral load becomes detectable again, there may be a risk of HIV transmission. An ongoing detectable viral load may also indicate that your HIV treatment is no longer working properly. If your viral load becomes detectable, talk to your doctor.

How can I *know* that maintaining an undetectable viral load prevents the sexual transmission of HIV?

A significant body of research has been accumulating over the years. In 2016, the final findings from two large

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***All of us here at CATIE**, and indeed around the world, are celebrating the most significant development in the HIV world since the advent of effective combination therapy 20 years ago. The "fabulousness" of this news cannot be overstated. With or without a condom, if you're undetectable you won't pass along HIV! This is an absolute game-changer and those who live with HIV can proudly share this information.*

—Laurie Edmiston, Executive Director of CATIE

international studies—PARTNER and HPTN 052—were published. These studies showed that *not a single HIV transmission occurred* between serodiscordant sex partners when the partner living with HIV was on treatment and had an undetectable viral load.

As Dr. Myron Cohen, the principal investigator of HPTN 052, stated: "We now have 10,000 person years (of follow-up) with zero transmissions from people who are suppressed."

As a result, we can confidently say that when a person taking antiretroviral treatment maintains an undetectable viral load, they do not transmit HIV to their sex partners.

The Prevention Access Campaign—an international coalition of HIV advocates, activists and researchers who are spreading the word that undetectable HIV is untransmittable—has turned this scientific evidence into a simple message: U=U. Researchers from all the major treatment as prevention studies have endorsed it. (To read the endorsements, go to *preventionaccess.org/consensus*.) ✚

WHAT DOES U=U MEAN TO YOU?

I spent 21 years stigmatizing myself while trying to provide a positive front in my work with people living with HIV. I feel somewhat hypocritical because while fighting against stigma and discrimination, I perceived HIV as making me damaged goods, dirty and less than. *I lived in fear of transmitting HIV and built walls to keep others out.*

U=U has impacted me to my very soul. I am now aware that I am much more than a virus. I can look forward to meaningful relationships with others and opening my heart.

—Tom, Bonny River, NB

I am an HIV-positive woman. I have known for a long time, through consultations with HIV specialists, that I was not able to transmit the virus. This has given me a sense of relief when having condomless sex. The scientific proof makes me feel optimistic about stigma changing. It is an enormous move forward in normalizing people living with HIV, as we will no longer be marginalized. Through education, the public will respond to HIV in a more supportive manner and the quality of life for me and the HIV community will improve.

—Anonymous, Montreal

It took us too long to disseminate the findings of the PARTNER study. We were not simply cautious in our messaging regarding this transformative research, we were silent. Why did it take people with HIV and the organizations that represent us so long to get the U=U message out? Some thoughts: deep-rooted stigma against people with HIV; paternalism in our organizations and the alignment of ASOs with an under-informed government agenda, held in place through diminishing funding; and a disengaged, less scientifically literate national PHA movement that seems prepared to settle for the status quo in HIV.

—Darien, Toronto

This research is wonderful but many people are not aware that U=U. We need more education and we need to deal with the social stigma of HIV before the positive impacts of U=U can be widely felt. Despite all the research, the stigma is still there—not just in serodiscordant relationships but also in society.

I am in a long-term relationship and I've been undetectable for three years, but many women with HIV are fearful of being criminalized for not disclosing their HIV status. We still have lots of work to do before we can fully enjoy the benefits of U=U.

—Madhuri, Calgary

[Ed's note: U=U has not yet had an impact on HIV laws in Canada. A person living with HIV in Canada still has a legal duty to disclose their HIV status to a sex partner before: (1) sex (vaginal or anal) without a condom; and (2) sex (vaginal or anal) with a condom unless you have a low viral load (less than 1,500 copies/ml). It is not clear how the law applies to oral sex.]

As an activist and as a person living with HIV who is privileged to have access to life-saving treatments and good healthcare, U=U is something I embrace and celebrate. U=U has presented people with HIV with even more reason to demand universal access to treatment and healthcare. As part of the North American U=U Steering Committee, I have connected with peers and activists across the globe to advance this important message locally and globally. As a member of the Canadian Positive People Network, it is my hope that our network can further explore how we can spread awareness of U=U—among poz folks, within the HIV sector, and with public health, government and the general public.

—Christian Hui, Toronto

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Financial Summary

Update April - Sept. 2017

Please Note: As the position of Treasurer on the Board of Directors is currently vacant, a financial summary was created in lieu of the Treasurer's Report. The intent of this Summary is to present some key details of the current financial situation faced by Bruce House.

During the past six months the gravity of Bruce House's financial situation has become apparent to the Board, and drastic steps have been required in order to bring Bruce House towards a more financially sustainable future. For several years Bruce House has been operating under increasing budgetary deficits that were readily absorbed by various financial resources, such as a healthy contingency fund and generous donations. Although the causes of the deficits are multiple, they certainly include increasing expenses and raising costs combined with decreasing grant and fundraising revenues.

In light of the financial crisis facing Bruce House, several steps were taken to mitigate this situation by significantly reducing costs:

1. The Executive Director (ED) position was not filled, but instead the function was temporarily replaced by establishing a Management Team. Similarly, the position of Fundraiser was eliminated. Combined, this reduces salary expenses by approximately $105,000/year.

2. It was decided to close the Transition House in September as it had a capacity of only seven clients but consumed one third of the Bruce House annual budget. Although this significantly reduced the expenses associated with maintaining and operating the House, it also meant laying off several dedicated and long-term staff members. With the closure of the Transition House, the annual expenses will be reduced by approximately $300,000, with a reduction of $120,000 in expenses for the 2017-18 fiscal year.

In response to the financial crisis, Bruce House staff and volunteers have also put in heroic efforts to increase revenues through fundraising activities and submission of several grant applications:

1. In the past six months, Bruce House has raised approximately $28,000 just through community involvement alone. This represents a significant increase from the same period last year and is a clear indication of the continuing support for Bruce House in the Ottawa region.

2. Twenty grant applications have been written and submitted since April, with an additional three planned for submission during the remainder of this fiscal year. At the time of writing this summary, four were declined and two small grants approved. The majority of the granting agencies will announce their funding decisions between mid-October and early December.

3. A tenant has been found for part of the office that was underutilized. This tenant contributes $1250/month.

Despite these measures, Bruce House continues to face an uncertain financial future over the next several months as it recovers from the current debt situation. In order to ensure this situation is not encountered again, strategic plans are being implemented to move the organization towards a financially sustainable model through changes to management, budgeting, and accounting practices.

2016-17 Board of Directors

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Lee Callan

Vice-Chair
Jacquie Bushell

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vacant

Secretary
Richard Isbrucker

Directors
Melanie Bejzyk, Henry Maxwell, Jeff Morrison, John Murray, Dale Pelletier, Joey Ward

Ex-Officio, Interim Executive Director
Robert Alexander

The following pages contain excerpts from the Audited Financial Statements. The full Statements are available on request →

2016-17 Staff

Interim Executive Director
Robert Alexander

Fund Development and Community Relations Manager
Jill Woodley

Manager of Finance & Administration
Lorraine Kelly

Manager of Volunteer Services & Community Engagement
Linda Truglia

Manager of Client Programs & Services
Doug Cooper

Office & Communications Coordinator
Patrick James Morley

Supportive Independent Living Program Coordinator
Lana Duss

Client Health Management Coordinator
Ayan Jama

Rehabilitation & Episodic Supportive Transition Program Coordinator
Kimberley Sanders

Transition House Program Coordinator
Clive Carter

Transition House Caseworkers
Mariah Bryant, Linda Carr, Bruce Miller, Sam Taylor

Transition House Casual Relief Caseworkers
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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Board of Directors,
BRUCE HOUSE

Report on the Financial Statements
We have audited the accompanying financial statements of **BRUCE HOUSE**, which comprise the Statement of Financial Position as at March 31, 2017, and the Statements of Changes in Net Assets, Operations, and Cash Flows for the year then ended, and a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements
Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditors' Responsibility
Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that we comply with ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement. An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the organization's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the organization's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our qualified audit opinion.

Basis for Qualified Opinion
In common with similar not-for-profit organizations, **BRUCE HOUSE** derives revenue from donations, fundraising and rental income, the completeness of which is not susceptible to satisfactory audit verification. Accordingly, our verification of these revenues was limited to amounts recorded in the records of the organization and we were not able to determine whether any adjustments might be necessary to donations, rental income from residents and fund-raising revenues, deficiency of revenue over expenditure, assets and net assets.

Qualified Opinion
In our opinion, except for the effects of the matter described in the Basis for Qualified Opinion paragraph, the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of **BRUCE HOUSE** as at March 31, 2017, and its financial performance and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations.

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BRUCE HOUSE
STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2017

	2017	2016
NET ASSETS INVESTED IN CAPITAL ASSETS		
Balance, beginning of year	$ 27,602	$ 33,536
Purchases of capital assets	622	1,579
Amortization of capital assets	(47,768)	(60,176)
Amortization of deferred contributions related to capital assets	45,447	52,663
Balance, end of year	$ 25,903	$ 27,602
INTERNALLY RESTRICTED FOR CONTINGENCIES		
Balance, beginning of year and end of year	$ 150,000	$ 297,000
Transfer (to) from unrestricted	(150,000)	(147,000)
Balance, end of year	$ -	$ 150,000
INTERNALLY RESTRICTED FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS		
Balance, beginning year	$ -	$ 29,908
Transfer (to) from unrestricted	-	(29,908)
Balance, end of year	$ -	$ -
UNRESTRICTED		
Balance, beginning of year	$ 28,613	$ 6,072
Deficiency of revenue over expenditure for the year	(272,490)	(160,301)
Transfer from internally restricted for contingencies	150,000	147,000
Transfer from (to) internally restricted for capital improvements	-	29,908
Purchases of capital assets	(622)	(1,579)
Amortization of capital assets	47,768	60,176
Amortization of deferred contributions related to capital assets	(45,447)	(52,663)
Balance, end of year (Note 11)	$ (92,178)	$ 28,613

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements. 3

BRUCE HOUSE
STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2017

	2017	2016
REVENUE		
Donations	$ 51,045	$ 62,215
Grants -		
Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care (core operations) (page 12)	223,642	223,642
City of Ottawa per diem support	61,480	55,123
City of Ottawa supportive daily living	141,677	151,099
Somerset West Community Health Centre	28,932	38,576
Public Health Agency of Canada (ACAP) (page 13)	82,025	82,025
REST program	20,412	-
Other grants	40,145	33,965
Rental income from residents - House	38,082	39,225
Rental income - Apartments	170,926	158,106
Other fundraising	97,501	80,956
Amortization of deferred contributions related to capital assets	45,447	52,663
Interest and investment income	467	4,116
Other	7,022	7,341
	1,008,803	989,052
EXPENDITURE		
Salaries and benefits	722,130	684,237
Fundraising costs - AIDS Walk of Ottawa	-	78
Other fundraising costs	45,553	36,169
Apartment operations	174,247	166,471
House operations	76,442	72,572
Volunteers	29,623	36,975
Rent and maintenance	34,310	29,094
Office	19,240	15,960
Staff education and travel	23,799	14,733
Memberships	4,646	3,930
Insurance	12,262	11,794
Professional fees	9,612	14,872
Amortization	47,768	60,176
CHIWOS Women Studies	-	2,292
REST other program expenses	2,958	-
	1,202,590	1,149,353
DEFICIENCY OF REVENUE OVER EXPENDITURE BEFORE OTHER ITEM	(193,787)	(160,301)
OTHER ITEM		
Expenses relating to legal matters - net (Note 7)	78,703	-
DEFICIENCY OF REVENUE OVER EXPENDITURE FOR THE YEAR (Note 11)	$ (272,490)	$ (160,301)

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements. 4

Envision Forum 2017

A forum on HIV, rehabilitation and episodic illness

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