



Legacy of Hope Foundation

Annual Report 2015-2016



LHF Annual Report
1 April 2015 – 31 March 2016

About the LHF

The Legacy of Hope Foundation (LHF) is a national Indigenous-led charitable organization whose purposes are to educate, to raise awareness and understanding of the legacy of residential schools, including the effects and intergenerational impacts on First Nations, Inuit, and Métis peoples, and to support the ongoing healing process of Residential School Survivors. Fulfilling this mandate contributes to reconciliation among generations of Indigenous peoples, and between Indigenous and non-Indigenous people in Canada.

The LHF fulfills this mandate by: working in partnership with First Nations, Inuit, and Métis peoples, and with communities, governments, and organizations across Canada; and by undertaking communications, research and policy initiatives that support the development and implementation of our educational programming. All of these activities are informed by the experiences and stories of Residential Schools Survivors, their families, and communities.

Our work is guided by ethical guidelines and principles for working with Survivors and Indigenous communities. These ethical guidelines are based on: 1) a deep concern and compassion for, and honouring of, Survivors, their families and communities; and 2) a clear understanding of the need for and importance of the oral tradition of Indigenous peoples. We take as our fundamental guiding principle that the work of the LHF must contribute to the health, safety, well being and healing of Survivors, their families and communities, and towards promoting reconciliation in Canada.

Fiscal year 2015-2016 was a year of change and of forward momentum for the Legacy of Hope Foundation. The term for the Executive Director, who was engaged to start work at the beginning of FY 2015-2016, concluded at the end of this year. As a result, the Director of Operations assumed the lead position in the organization. It is anticipated that a new Executive Director will be hired during the next fiscal year.

Board of Directors

Richard Kistabish, President

Mr. Kistabish is an Algonquin from the Abitibiwinni First Nation, Quebec, who speaks English, French and Algonquin fluently. He is the former president of Social Services Minokin and has been involved in the field of health and social services at the regional and provincial levels for many years. He served as administrator and manager of the health committee, at Kitcisakik First Nation. He was Chief of Abitibiwinni First Nation, and Grand Chief of the Algonquin Council of Quebec for two terms. His publications

include Mental Health and Aboriginal People of Quebec, the Green Book Position Paper of the Algonquin Nation on Environmental Issues, and the National Inquiry into First Nation Child Care. He is the Vice-Chair of the Aboriginal Healing Foundation and the President of Legacy of Hope Foundation. Mr. Kistabish has served on the Board of Directors of the Legacy of Hope Foundation since 2002.

Elizebeth Hourie Palfrey, Secretary/Treasurer

Ms. Palfrey is a Métis grandmother born in BC and currently residing in Manitoba. For three decades she lived and worked in Nunavut. With a long history of community development initiatives in both the public and private sector, she has had extensive experience as a Managing Partner and board member of several privately owned businesses. Ms. Palfrey served as Chair of the Keewatin Regional Health Board for eight years, working diligently with other board members to foster increased health accessibility for residents of their communities. She was a member of the NWT Health Care Association and a board member of the Churchill Hospital Board and the Winnipeg Regional Health Board. She has contributed to many other local and regional community groups and boards as a volunteer. She served as Director of the Business Loan Fund and as a member of the Minister's Advisory Council on Business and Economic Issues. She was President of the Tourism Industry Association for several years and was an active participant in fostering increased business development and employment opportunities as a board member with the regional Chamber of Commerce. Ms. Palfrey continues as a community service volunteer with a special interest and focus on Aboriginal youth initiatives.

Ms. Palfrey has served on the Board of Directors of the Legacy of Hope Foundation since 2002.

Dr Marlyn Cook

Dr. Cook is a member of the Grand Rapids First Nation in Manitoba. A graduate of the University of Manitoba (M.D.), she currently practices Family Medicine in her home community of Grand Rapids as well as in Sagkeeng First Nation. She left the James Bay area where she was Chief of Staff and Director of the Traditional Healing Program in 2012. She has also worked in Pikangikum in the Sioux Lookout zone, and in Akwesasne in the past. Among her previous positions are Co-Chair, First Nations Task Force on Child and Family Services (in Winnipeg, MB), Consultant to the First Nations and Inuit Health Branch (Winnipeg, MB), Province of Manitoba Medical Examiner, University of Manitoba Faculty of Medicine's Traditional Teachings Program – Debriefing Tutorials, and Assistant Director, Clinical Operations, at the First Nations and Inuit Health Branch of Health Canada (Winnipeg, MB). Marlyn Cook has sat on numerous Committees and Boards including the Swampy Cree AIDS Steering Committee, the Manitoba Chapter of the College of Family Physicians of Canada Board, the Mino-Ayaawin Advisory Committee of the Native Women's Transition Centre, the Thompson General Hospital Perinatal Mortality Committee, and the Balancing Choices and Opportunities in Sciences and Technology for Aboriginal People National Steering Committee. She was also the Chair of the Facility Planning Committee and a Board Member at the Sioux Lookout

Mino-Ya-Win Health Centre. Dr. Cook was a Member of the Ontario College of Family Physicians, co-chairs the First Nations and Inuit Health Branch Drug Therapeutic Advisory Committee, and sits on the advisory Council of the Nuclear Waste Management Organization.

Dr. Cook has served on the Board of Directors of the Legacy of Hope Foundation since 2005 and the Aboriginal Healing Foundation since 2003.

Cindy Swanson

Cindy Swanson is a Cree Métis woman from Edmonton, Alberta, who is currently a PhD student in the Centre for Research for Teacher Education and Development in the Faculty of Elementary Education at the University of Alberta. Her doctoral studies will focus on the experiences of Indigenous children and their families as they first enter into school spaces. She will narratively inquire into how their familial curriculum-making world is shaped within, by, and in-between, their experiences in the school curriculum-making world. Prior to entering the PhD program she taught elementary children for twelve years with the Edmonton Public School Board. She has also served on the Board of Directors with the Aboriginal Healing Foundation since 1998. She has served on the LHF Board since 2005.

Program Accomplishments

1. Exhibition Installations:

The LHF circulates its exhibitions to venues in all parts of the country on an almost continuous basis. The venues are listed according to exhibition:

100 Years of Loss (both versions):

- The Reach Gallery and Museum, Abbotsford, B.C., 12 December 2014 – 31 May 2015
- Lakefield District Secondary School, Lakefield, ON, 4 – 27 May 2015
- TRC Closing Ceremonies Education Day, Ottawa, ON, 31 May 2015
- City Hall, Hamilton, ON, 3 June – 10 July 2015
- Mohawk Council, Kanésatake, QC, 23 June – 15 July 2015
- Red River College, Winnipeg, MB, 12 – 19 November 2015
- City of Edmonton, AB, 20 November – 11 December 2015
- National Arts Centre, Ottawa, ON, 12 January – 2 February 2016
- Langley Secondary School, Langley, BC, 3 February – 4 March 2016
- Lieutenant Governor of Ontario, Toronto, ON, 1 – 31 March 2016

Where Are The Children:

- Squamish Lil'Wat Cultural Centre in Whistler, B.C., 11 January 2016 – Spring 2017

We Were So Far Away:

- TRC Closing Ceremonies Education Day, Ottawa, ON, 31 May 2015

- United Way, Winnipeg, MB, 26 October – 11 December 2015
- Memorial University, St. John's, NL, 8 March – 15 April 2016

Forgotten: The Métis Experience of Residential Schools

- Canadian Museum for Human Rights, Winnipeg, MB, 16-18 November 2015
- Red River College, Winnipeg, MB, 26 November – 6 December 2015

In addition to these venues, we negotiated requests from other venues that did not develop into a formal loan agreement even though, in many cases, the conversations were extensive. Lack of funding to cover shipping costs was the reason given most often by the venues for the cancellation of the request.

We currently have six active loan files for exhibitions scheduled to open between September 2016 and March 2017.

2. Asset Enhancements:

LHF staff strives to keep our assets current and pertinent for all users. In addition, our assets – the exhibitions in particular – periodically need refurbishment or repair. During FY 2015-2016, the following was accomplished:

- A new exhibition agreement was drafted, reviewed by the Foundation's lawyer, and will be implemented as of 1 September 2016.
- Work has continued throughout the fiscal year on the development of new content for the 100 Years of Loss exhibition timeline, the addition of youth banners, and the development of a new participatory workshop guide.
- A Museum Assistance Program (Department of Canadian Heritage) grant was developed and approved for the creation of an entirely new exhibition, this one focussing on the experiences of Adoptees in the Sixties Scoop.
- The Anglican Healing Fund provided monies to develop two workshops to accompany *We Were So Far Away: The Inuit Experience of Residential Schools*. The workshops have been developed, the guide printed, and it is now available for distribution in both hard copy and digital formats.
- The LHF website was entirely re-designed, the content refreshed, and it was launched in May 2016.

3. In-Service Sessions and Student Workshops –

- May 6, 2015 – Met with staff of the Rotiwennakehte School and the Mohawk Council, Kanasatake to plan for workshops to be held in the fall of 2015.

- May 29, 2015 – Catholic District School Board of Eastern Ontario, Kemptville – conducted two in-service sessions for approximately 100 teachers.
- May 31, 2015 - Truth and Reconciliation Commission Education Day, EY Centre, Ottawa, ON
Both exhibitions, 100 Years of Loss + We Were So Far Away were installed at EY Centre for TRC Closing Event Education Day and a number of workshops were delivered in the exhibition space. Over eight scavenger hunt activities and four workshops, one of which was a new workshop for WWSFA, were delivered to over 300 students by LHF staff, supported by the President of the LHF board, Richard Kistabish.
- November 18, 2015 - President of the LHF board, Richard Kistabish and staff visited students at Lord Selkirk Regional Comprehensive Secondary School in Selkirk, MB
- January- March, 2016 – Staff delivered five workshops to teachers and students at five Ottawa Carleton District School Board locations.
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4. Distribution of 100 Years of Loss Edu-Kits and teacher bundles:

Item	English	French
Edu kit	11	2
Teacher's Bundles	215	16

5. Book launch – With the dissolution of the Aboriginal Healing Foundation (AHF), the LHF became the copyright holder and steward for all of the AHF publications. The very last book published by the AHF called *Reconciliation and the Way Forward*, had never been formally launched so the LHF decided to take the opportunity to introduce the book at the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada's final event. Held on June 1, 2015, in the Frontenac Room at the Marriott Hotel in Ottawa, the event was hosted by CBC personality Shelagh Rogers, was well-attended, and saw the distribution of well over 300 copies of the publication.

Outreach

Item	English	French
Hope and Healing	1921	312
Tebatchimowin	241	29
Trilingual LHF DVDs	2077	
AHF Publications	1287	

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Year ended March 31, 2016



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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Directors of the Legacy of Hope Foundation

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the Legacy of Hope Foundation, which comprise the statement of financial position as at March 31, 2016, the statements of operations, changes in net assets and cash flows for the year then ended, and notes, comprising 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 our 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, we consider internal control relevant to the entity'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 entity'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 audit opinion.



Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Legacy of Hope Foundation as at March 31, 2016, and its results of operations, changes in net assets and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations.

KPMG LLP

Chartered Professional Accountants, Licensed Public Accountants

August 7, 2016

Ottawa, Canada

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Statement of Financial Position

March 31, 2016, with comparative information for 2015

	2016	2015
Assets		
Current assets:		
Cash	\$ 1,391,258	\$ –
Accounts receivable	94,757	190,018
Prepaid expenses	2,905	19,776
	<u>1,488,920</u>	<u>209,794</u>
Capital assets (note 3)	4,678	1,066
Investments (note 4)	230,631	440,000
	<u>\$ 1,724,229</u>	<u>\$ 650,860</u>
Liabilities and Net Assets		
Current liabilities:		
Bank indebtedness	\$ –	\$ 18,726
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities (note 5)	88,158	111,062
Deferred revenue (note 6)	1,200,000	–
	<u>1,288,158</u>	<u>129,788</u>
Net assets:		
Invested in capital assets	4,678	1,066
Unrestricted	431,393	520,006
	<u>436,071</u>	<u>521,072</u>
Contingencies (note 8)		
	<u>\$ 1,724,229</u>	<u>\$ 650,860</u>

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

On behalf of the Board:

_____ Chairman

_____ Treasurer

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Statement of Operations

Year ended March 31, 2016, with comparative information for 2015

	2016	2015
Revenue:		
Contributions and grants:		
Indigenous and Northern Affairs Canada (INAC)	\$ 250,000	\$ –
Museum Assistance Program (MAP)	81,244	–
Anglican Church	13,000	–
National Resolution Framework (APIP)	–	76,779
Education Kits	–	1,800
Donations	80,744	612,218
Interest	7,372	2,006
Miscellaneous	26,497	–
	<u>458,857</u>	<u>692,803</u>
Project expenses:		
Indigenous and Northern Affairs Canada (INAC)	250,020	–
Museum Assistance Program (MAP)	103,906	–
Anglican Church	13,000	–
National Resolution Framework (APIP)	–	86,895
Administration expenses (note 9)	176,932	433,055
	<u>543,858</u>	<u>519,950</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenue over expenses	<u>\$ (85,001)</u>	<u>\$ 172,853</u>

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

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Statement of Changes in Net Assets

Year ended March 31, 2016, with comparative information for 2015

	Invested in capital assets	Unrestricted	2016 Total	2015 Total
Balance, beginning of year	\$ 1,066	\$ 520,006	\$ 521,072	\$ 348,219
Excess (deficiency) of revenue over expenses	–	(85,001)	(85,001)	172,853
Additions to capital assets	4,550	(4,550)	–	–
Amortization of capital assets	(938)	938	–	–
Balance, end of year	\$ 4,678	\$ 431,393	\$ 436,071	\$ 521,072

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Statement of Cash Flows

Year ended March 31, 2016, with comparative information for 2015

	2016	2015
Cash provided by (used for):		
Operations:		
Excess (deficiency) of revenue over expenses	\$ (85,001)	\$ 172,853
Amortization of capital assets, which does not involve cash	938	710
Change in non-cash operating working capital:		
Decrease in accounts receivable	95,261	226,614
Decrease (increase) in prepaid expenses	16,871	(13,977)
Decrease in accounts payable and accrued liabilities	(22,904)	(383,202)
Increase in deferred revenue	1,200,000	—
	<u>1,205,165</u>	<u>2,998</u>
Investments:		
Withdrawals (purchase) of investments	209,369	(440,000)
Purchase of capital assets	(4,550)	—
	<u>204,819</u>	<u>(440,000)</u>
Increase (decrease) in cash	<u>1,409,984</u>	<u>(437,002)</u>
Cash (bank indebtedness), beginning of year	(18,726)	418,276
Cash (bank indebtedness), end of year	<u>\$ 1,391,258</u>	<u>\$ (18,726)</u>

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Notes to Financial Statements

Year ended March 31, 2016

1. Description:

Legacy of Hope Foundation (the "Foundation") was incorporated without share capital on July 17, 2000 under Part II of the Canada Corporations Act and received its registered charity status on May 7, 2001. Effective October 1, 2014 the Foundation continued its articles of incorporation under the Canada Not-for-Profit Corporations Act. The Foundation is exempt from income tax under paragraph 149 1 (f) of the Income Tax Act (Canada).

The Foundation was established for the purpose of encouraging and supporting Aboriginal communities in building the capacity to sustain healing processes that address the broader Intergenerational Legacy of the Residential School System.

2. Significant accounting policies:

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations in Part III of the CPA Canada Handbook – Accounting and include the following significant accounting policies:

(a) Basis of presentation:

The Foundation follows the deferral method of accounting for contributions for not-for-profit organizations.

(b) Capital assets:

Capital assets consist of computer equipment and are recorded at cost. Amortization is provided on a straight-line basis over five years.

(c) Revenue recognition:

Unrestricted contributions, grants and donations are recognized as revenue when received or receivable. Externally restricted contributions, grants and donations are deferred and recognized as revenue in the period in which the related expenses are incurred.

In-kind donations are recorded at their fair market value at the time of receipt.

(d) Expenses:

In the statement of operations, the Foundation presents its expenses by function. Expenses are recognized in the year incurred and are recorded in the function to which they are directly related. Subsequent to initial recognition, the Foundation allocates expenses from administration expenses to the other functions in accordance with the related funding agreements. The administrative allocation to each function is presented in note 5.

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2. Significant accounting policies (continued):

(e) Financial instruments:

Financial instruments are recorded at fair value on initial recognition. Financial instruments are subsequently recorded at cost or amortized cost, unless management has elected to carry the instruments at fair value. The Foundation has not elected to carry any such financial instruments at fair value.

Financial instruments are adjusted by transaction costs incurred on acquisition and financing costs, which are amortized using the straight-line method.

Financial assets are assessed for impairment on an annual basis at the end of the fiscal year if there are indicators of impairment. If there is an indicator of impairment, the Foundation determines if there is a significant adverse change in the expected amount or timing of future cash flows from the financial asset. If there is a significant adverse change in the expected cash flows, the carrying value of the financial asset is reduced to the highest of the present value of the expected cash flows, the amount that could be realized from selling the financial asset or the amount the Association expects to realize by exercising its right to any collateral. If events and circumstances reverse in a future period, an impairment loss will be reversed to the extent of the improvement, not exceeding the initial carrying value.

(f) Use of estimates:

The preparation of financial statements requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenue and expenses during the period. Actual results could differ from these estimates. These estimates are reviewed annually and as adjustments become necessary, they are recorded in the financial statements in the period in which they become known.

3. Capital assets:

			2016	2015
	Cost	Accumulated amortization	Net book value	Net book value
Computer hardware	\$ 3,552	\$ 3,197	\$ 355	\$ 1,066
Display panels - exhibit	4,550	227	4,323	–
	\$ 8,102	\$ 3,424	\$ 4,678	\$ 1,066

Cost and accumulated amortization at March 31, 2015 amounted to \$3,552 and \$2,486, respectively.

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4. Investments:

Investments consist of a guaranteed investment certificate with an interest rate of 0.85% and maturity date of July 11, 2016.

5. Accounts payable and accrued liabilities:

At year-end, the Foundation had no amounts payable for government remittances.

6. Deferred revenue

The Legacy of Hope Foundation (LHF) was named as the beneficiary to the Aboriginal Healing Foundation (AHF) which ceased operations as of September 30, 2014. At the time of dissolution, the AHF was owed money by the Catholic Entities, under the Indian Residential School Settlement Agreement (IRSSA). The exact amount was in dispute and was resolved during the year and as a result LHF received a cheque for \$1.2 million on January 8, 2016. As the LHF has not yet received a legal opinion on whether or not it is bound by the IRSSA agreement to spend the money in the manner as prescribed to the AHF, the LHF has decided to treat the money as deferred revenue until the restrictions, if any, are fully understood.

7. Capital disclosures:

The Foundation considers its capital to consist of its net assets. The objective of the Foundation with respect to net assets is to fund future operations and its capital assets.

The Foundation is not subject to externally imposed capital requirements and its overall strategy with respect to capital remains unchanged from the year ended March 31, 2015.

8. Contingencies:

The terms of contribution agreements allow the funding agencies to conduct audits to verify that project expenditures are in accordance with the terms and conditions of the funding agreement. Ineligible expenditures, if any, may result in the Foundation reimbursing a portion of the funding. Management believes that the Foundation has not incurred material ineligible expenditures, and therefore, has not recorded any liability for reimbursement. Adjustments to the financial statements as a result of these audits will be recorded in the period in which they become known.

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9. Administration expenses:

The Foundation claims salaries and benefits, rent, professional fees and office expenses as eligible expenses under certain contribution agreements. These expenses are included in project expenses on the statement of operations. Total administration expenses are as follows:

	2016	2015
Salaries and benefits	\$ 272,222	\$ 239,260
Office	142,065	137,781
Rent	36,140	45,399
Professional fees	14,835	26,504
	<hr/> 465,262	<hr/> 448,944
Allocated to project expenses:		
INAC	(181,973)	—
MAP	(64,445)	—
Anglican Church	(4,500)	—
HST recovery	(7,591)	(6,431)
Recovery of expenses	(29,821)	(9,458)
	<hr/> \$ 176,932	<hr/> \$ 433,055

10. Financial risks and concentration of credit risk:

The Foundation believes that it is not exposed to significant interest rate, currency, or credit risks arising from its financial instruments.