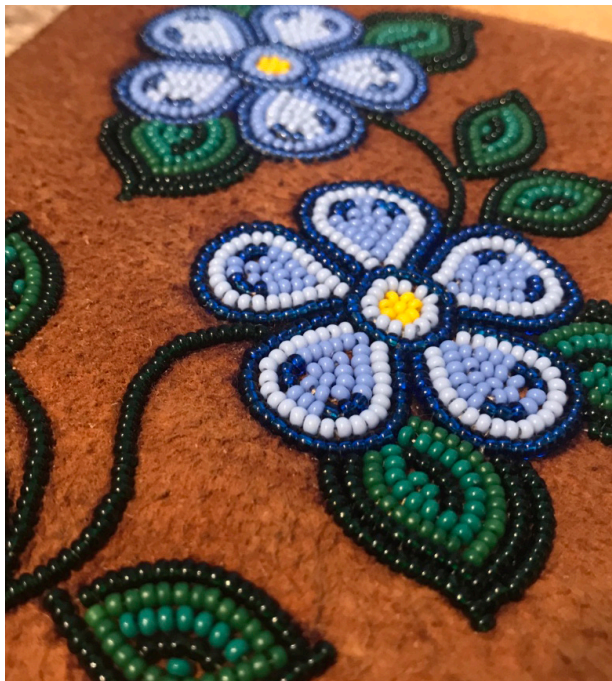


2017-2018

*Legacy of Hope Foundation*  
Annual Report





# Our Story

In 2000, the Legacy of Hope Foundation (LHF) was created as the national charitable arm of the Aboriginal Healing Foundation (AHF) with a mission to continue to educate and create awareness and understanding about the impacts of Residential Schools on First Nations, Inuit, and Métis Survivors and their descendants. LHF works collaboratively with Survivors and their families to ensure all of its initiatives and resources take into account their authentic experiences and support healing including addressing the intergenerational effects of Residential Schools. It is our hope that by educating people about the disturbing facts and horrific treatment Indigenous children faced in these schools, and the harms caused to generations of families, we can build empathy and understanding for Indigenous Peoples' plight while recognizing racism and discrimination must end to achieve Reconciliation. Over the next few years, the Foundation will develop several projects which will assist Indigenous Peoples to work at overcoming the devastating effects of Residential Schools and the Sixties Scoop and to educate the public about this untold part of Canadian history. These projects include working with Indigenous communities to collect and preserve the stories of Residential School Survivors, including Intergenerational Survivors, and Sixties Scoop Survivors, developing more resources and tools that can help to educate Canadians so as to end discrimination and to build respectful, and just relationships with Indigenous Peoples in Canada today.

## History

- In 1991, the Government of Canada created the Royal Commission on Aboriginal Peoples (RCAP) in response to the recent events of the Oka Crisis and the Meech Lake Accord.
- By 1996, a five-volume 4000-page report was completed and, as a follow up to the RCAP report, the Government of Canada then released, *Gathering Strength; An Aboriginal Action Plan* in 1997.
- In 1998, as part of the *Gathering Strength* Action Plan, the AHF was formed. This foundation became pivotal in addressing the impacts of Residential Schools and creating strategies for healing Residential School Survivors.
- The first LHF exhibition, *Where are the Children? Healing the Legacy of Residential Schools* was launched at Library and Archives Canada by the Governor General, Her Excellency the Right Honourable Adrienne Clarkson in 2002.
- The Residential Settlement Agreement (IRSSA) was approved by the Government of Canada in 2006. In 2007, the agreement was implemented with five components. The first component was Common Experience Payments for all eligible former students; the second being an Independent Assessment process to process claims of sexual/severe abuse. The third component was to create the Indian Residential School Resolution Health Support Program and to make a \$125-million-dollar endowment to the AHF. Component four ensured that commemorative activities took place in relation to the Residential School experience. Lastly, the Truth and Reconciliation Commission (TRC) was established for a fixed period of 7 years.
- LHF gathered over 600 testimonials from Residential School Survivors prior to the Indian Residential School Settlement Agreement and was tasked with preserving the Oral Testimonies of Survivors in a project called *Our Stories...Our Strength*. LHF remains the custodian of these truths and uses these first-person accounts to educate Canadians about this sad chapter in our history and the ongoing impacts on Indigenous Peoples today.
- In June 2008, *Where are the Children?* was shown on Parliament Hill during the official *Apology to Residential School Survivors* made by our then Prime Minister, Stephen Harper on behalf of the Federal Government.
- The TRC mandate began June 2, 2008, and ended December 18, 2015, when the *94 Calls to Action* were released. These *Calls to Action* were crucial in spearheading Reconciliation dialogues and initiatives across the country. In that same year, the TRC was given a directive to establish a National Center for Truth and Reconciliation (NCTR), which is currently located at the University of Manitoba. LHF exhibitions were presented at every national event held by the TRC.

## About Us

The Legacy of Hope Foundation (LHF) is a national Indigenous-led charitable organization whose purposes are to educate, to raise awareness and understanding about the intergenerational impacts of Residential Schools on First Nations, Inuit, and Métis. This includes supporting the ongoing healing process of Residential School Survivors and addressing racism in Canada. Fulfilling this mandate contributes to Reconciliation among generations of Indigenous Peoples, and non-Indigenous people in Canada.

This mandate is achieved by:

- Working in partnership with First Nations, Inuit, and Métis schools and educators, private businesses, policing agencies and unions, communities, governments, and organizations across Canada;
- Undertaking communications, research and policy initiatives that support the development and implementation of our culturally appropriate educational programming; and
- Maintaining current partnerships while continuing to create new alliances in the public and private sector with other stakeholders.

All of these activities are informed by the experiences and stories of Residential Schools Survivors, their families, Sixties Scoop Survivors and Indigenous communities and organizations. Our work within Indigenous communities and with Survivors is guided by ethical guidelines and principles that 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 and 3) that our works will benefit Survivors, their families and people in Canada.

Our fundamental guiding principle is that the work of the LHF must contribute to the health, safety, well-being, and healing of Survivors, their families and communities, and towards addressing racism and injustices promoting Reconciliation in Canada.

In addition to working with Residential Schools Survivors, their families, Sixties Scoop Survivors and Indigenous communities, the LHF continues to be the sole national producer and presenter of the most comprehensive collection of exhibitions and commemorative projects on the Residential School experience and Sixties Scoop in the world. We do not charge for the use of Exhibitions, and host venues pay only shipping costs, educating members, Indigenous organizations.

2017 has been a very successful year in partnering with Indigenous Survivors, community, School Boards and educators, including Universities, Federal and Provincial Governments, business unions, law enforcement, and many other Canadians. We continue to expand awareness and increase access to the rich legacy and contributions of Indigenous Peoples in Canada, in addition to promoting education about the true history of injustices. This encourages our partners and all Canadians to honour and acknowledge our past and present,, and to build empathy and understanding, and inspire action to make change for the betterment of all. As a result, we can live as equals in a mutually beneficial, caring, dignified, and just relationship of Reconciliation.



# 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 an administrator and manager of the health committee, at Kitcisakik First Nation.

In addition, he was the Chief of Abitibiwinni First Nation and Grand Chief of the Algonquin Council of Quebec for two terms. Mr. Kistabish has been published in the 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.

Mr. Kistabish spoke at the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO). Mr. Kistabish was the Vice-Chair of the Aboriginal Healing Foundation and is currently the President of Legacy of Hope Foundation. He has served the Legacy of Hope Foundation's Board of Directors since 2002.

## Elizbeth Hourie Palfrey, Vice President & Treasurer

Ms. Palfrey is a Métis grandmother born in British Columbia and resides in Manitoba. For three decades, Ms. Palfrey lived and worked in Nunavut. With a long history of community development initiatives in both the public and private sector, she has 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 to increase health accessibility in various communities.

Ms. Palfrey was a member of the NWT Health Care Association, board member for the Churchill Hospital Board and the Winnipeg Regional Health Board. She has contributed as a volunteer to many other local and regional community groups. She served as the Director of the Business Loan Fund and as a member of the Minister's Advisory Council on Business and Economic Issues. In addition, she was President of the Tourism Industry Association for several years. During her time in the tourism industry, she worked to increase 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 particular interest and focus on Aboriginal youth initiatives. She has served on the Board of Directors of the Legacy of Hope Foundation since 2002.

## Cindy Swanson, Secretary

Cindy Swanson is a Cree Métis woman from Edmonton, Alberta, who is currently a Ph.D. candidate at the Centre for Research for Teacher Education and Development, at the University of Alberta. Her doctoral studies focus on the experiences of Indigenous children and their families as they first enter school landscapes. She inquires into how their familial curriculum-making world is shaped within, by, and in-between, their experiences in the school curriculum-making world. Since 2000, she has worked with the Edmonton Public School Board. She has also served on the Board of Directors with the Aboriginal Healing Foundation since 1998 and has served on the LHF Board since 2005.

## Dr. Marlyn Cook

Dr. Cook is a member of the Misiwastik Cree Nation in Manitoba. As a University of Manitoba (M.D) graduate, she currently practices Family Medicine in her home community of Misiwastik. In 2012, Dr. Cook left the James Bay area where she was Chief of Staff and Director of the Traditional Healing Program. She has also worked in Pikangikum and Muskrat Dam 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, Consultant to the First Nations and Inuit Health Branch in Winnipeg, 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 in Winnipeg.

Dr. Cook has been 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 Peoples National Steering Committee.

She has also served as the Chair of the Facility Planning Committee and as a Board Member at the Sioux Lookout Mino-Ya-Win Health Centre. Dr. Cook was a board member of the Ontario College of Family Physicians, currently co-chairs the First Nations and Inuit Health Branch Drug Therapeutic Advisory Committee, and sat on the Advisory Council of the Nuclear Waste Management Organization. Dr. Cook has served on the Legacy of Hope Foundation's Board of Directors since 2005 and also the Aboriginal Healing Foundation since 2003 until the doors closed in 2014.

## **Nina Segalowitz**

Nina has been a community service worker for the past 25 years. She is a Cultural Consultant for the Canadian Armed Forces, the City of Montreal Police Department, in addition to universities and schools. She also facilitates the KAI-ROS Blanket Exercise, which include sharing her experiences as a Sixties Scoop Survivor.

Presently, Nina holds a B.A. in Applied Human Relations and is studying to attain her Massage Therapist certificate with hopes to work in a palliative care unit with cancer patients.

## **Adam North Peigan**

Adam North Peigan is from the Piikani First Nation in Treaty 7 and currently resides in Edmonton. During his career, Adam has advocated for Aboriginal Programs and Services in Health, Child and Family, Employment and Training, Education, Housing, Justice and Reconciliation. He has numerous years of experience in governance as a member of Boards and Committees in the Indigenous communities in BC and in Alberta. Adam showed leadership in his community of Piikani, by serving on Chief and Council. He also held Public Office by being appointed by the Minister of Health in British Columbia in 1998 as a Governor to one of the largest Health Authorities in BC, the South Fraser Health Region.

Adam has held positions of leadership as the Senior Administrator for the Tsawwassen First Nation in BC, the Chief Executive Officer for the Wesley First Nation in Morley, and the Chief Executive Officer for the Canadian Native Friendship Center in Edmonton.

As an Indigenous man, Adam's culture and tradition enriche his life to the fullest. Adam is a Pow Wow dancer in the Men's Traditional dance category and he has travelled all across Canada and the US participating in Pow Wow celebrations.

Currently, Adam is the President of the *Sixties Scoop Indigenous Society of Alberta*. Under Adam's leadership, the Society works closely with the Government of Alberta and the Government of Canada to foster Reconciliation efforts for all *Sixties Scoop Survivors* in the Alberta region and across Canada. Adam was appointed to the Legacy of Hope Foundation Board in January 2018.

## **Jonathon K. Swanson**

Jonathon Swanson is First Nations from Northern Ontario. He studied International Relations in Canada, New Zealand, and Russia. Previously, Jonathon taught and lectured in Political Science, Media, and International Relations at the University of Auckland, the Diplomatic Academy of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation, and the Auckland University of Technology.

Since 2005, Jonathon has worked in senior and executive management with a variety of First Nations communities and non-profit organizations in BC and across Canada in the areas of Governance, Health, and Capacity Development. Jonathon has two daughters and currently resides in Ottawa.

# A Message from the President –

## Richard Kistabish

As we move into our 19th year of existence, the Legacy of Hope Foundation continues to fulfill our core mandate of working to educate Canadians about the Residential School System and its impacts on First Nations, Inuit, and Métis Peoples. This year has been a year of steady growth at the Foundation with one of our proudest achievements being the creation of a new exhibition, *Bi-Giwen: Coming Home – Truth-Telling from the Sixties Scoop*. This exhibition tells the dark story of the *Sixties Scoop* through images and Survivor’s courageous testimonies. This exploration of yet another facet of Canada’s Colonial past demonstrates that as a country, we have come a very long way, but there is still much work to do.

This past year has been a year of expansion at the Foundation. We have welcomed three new Board Members, who bring much experience and knowledge to our organization, as well as reflecting the diversity of the Indigenous Peoples of this land. Our many new staff members bring with them diverse skill-sets and fresh perspectives which have helped to build capacity at the Legacy of Hope Foundation. We have added two new activity guides, one to complement the new *Bi-Giwen* exhibition and one to enrich the experience of the existing *100 Years of Loss* exhibition. We have also expanded our exhibition offerings extensively, updating and producing more portable versions so that they may easily travel across the country bringing our message to all Canadians. We are, as the name of our organization suggests, ever hopeful for the future. In that spirit, this year we have sought to reach out to the policing and law enforcement community, Federal and Provincial Governments and several Universities to forge new relationships. It is our hope that by providing resources and education that we can nurture understanding and foster a supportive public environment.

We know that education is a vital element in healing the effects of the Residential Schools and if we can promote awareness, then we can create an environment that is supportive of positive change. Our curriculum resources and exhibitions were the first to explore the Residential School System in Canada and, we continue to build upon those foundations.

We hope you share our belief that as Canadians come to understand the history and the connection between the Residential School System and the social, cultural, health, and economic inequities between Canada’s Indigenous and non-Indigenous Peoples. We will, as a Nation, commit to the healing and Reconciliation movement and build a future of hope and healing.



**Kitchi Miigwetch – Thank you**

**Richard Kistabish, President**



# A Message from the Executive Director and In-House Legal Counsel – Teresa Edwards

It has been an exceptionally busy year with an unprecedented amount of fund-raising and subsequent investments in our educational resources and exhibitions. As well, we've been optimistic about Canada's support of the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples and the subsequent apologies to Survivors by Governments across Canada, such as the Newfoundland and Labrador Apology. I am honoured to have been entrusted with the role as Executive Director and In-House Legal Counsel for the Legacy of Hope Foundation (LHF) and pleased to provide this brief report on the year's activities.

The LHF has recently come out of years of financial challenges due to limited Federal Government and other funding. However, over the past year, I have made a series of adjustments to address high costs for the LHF which resulted in significantly increasing our Operating Budget. This was done through reducing expenses, identifying cost-savings to all budget areas, while simultaneously increasing efforts on raising our own revenue from LHF's educational resources and workshops, and by securing new funding. We have grown from three employees to ten and are continuing to grow as people become more familiar with LHF's products and exhibitions.

Our priority continues to be with the Sixties Scoop and Residential School Survivors and their families. Our mission, mandate, and policies here at the LHF remain firmly rooted in meeting their vision and needs. The LHF continues to press all levels of government to do their part in implementing the Truth and Reconciliation Commission's *94 Calls to Action*. Only together, can we make these goals a reality.

We remain active in ensuring the rights and interests of Indigenous (First Nations, Métis and Inuit) Survivors and their families are fully respected. LHF and our many partners, such as the First Nations Child & Family Caring Society, the Ontario Ministry of Education, the University of Carleton, the Ontario Provincial Police and other policing agencies, the Alberta Government, National Indigenous Education and Reconciliation Network, KAIROS, the National Centre for Truth and Reconciliation Canada, several churches and many others who have worked to organize events, realize new exhibitions, create new teaching tools all aimed at fostering Reconciliation. We will continue to work towards developing new partnerships, and with our current partners on projects that implement the goals in our Strategic Plan.

All of this work only happens as a result of the dedicated and professional staff that we have at the LHF. Regardless of the financial pressures or unexpected challenges that any organization faces, I can always count on the unwavering dedication and effort of our staff. They are a fantastic and highly-qualified team. I am fortunate to have the opportunity to work with them, and I appreciate them greatly. Finally, I would like to thank our LHF President Richard Kistabish and the entire Board for their ongoing support and service. Their work as volunteers is significant and they are a dynamic and diverse group whose support to LHF has been unwavering.

LHF will remain committed to working with conviction, courage, and love to inspire and educate people so they are united in expressing their sincere belief that Reconciliation must happen for us to create a better Canada. I wish you all the best for a successful new year!



**Wela'liq – Thank you**

**Teresa Edwards, Executive Director & In-House Legal Counsel**





# Continuing our Journey...

## A New Way Forward – Strategic Plan 2016-2020

During the 2017-2018 fiscal year, the Legacy of Hope Foundation continued to fulfill the strategic goals and objectives as defined in *A New Way Forward*, our Strategic Plan for 2016 – 2020. Our new Vision and Mission statements are our guiding foundational tenets.

### **The VISION of the Legacy of Hope Foundation is of...**

Informed, capable, and respectful persons who live as equals in Canada in a mutually beneficial, caring, dignified and just relationship of Reconciliation, for the better future of all Peoples and the Land.

### **The MISSION of the Legacy of Hope Foundation is...**

To remember our past, share knowledge, develop a mutual understanding and support actions for a just and equal relationship of Reconciliation and Healing for all Canadians.



## Commemoration & Exhibitions

2017-18 was a year of transformative change for the Legacy of Hope Foundation's Exhibition and Curatorial Projects Department. In the beginning of this year, the LHF had a total of eight exhibitions and by the end of the fiscal year we finished with 17 exhibitions, with plans and funding for an 18<sup>th</sup> exhibition already underway.

In February 2018, the LHF welcomed a new Manager of Exhibitions and Curatorial Projects, Irene Goodwin, who has proceeded to lead Junior Policy Analyst, Migwuhn Twenish, along with other student placements. In the short time-frame between February and March, many accomplishments and improvements were made by the team, including the reorganization of the entire Exhibition and Curatorial Projects Department. A new exhibition schedule, exhibition calendar, shipping tracker, and host checklist were developed. In addition, the LHF Loan Agreement, Host Package and legal documents were updated and our former storage and shipping solutions were re-examined for cost-savings, resulting in a new, more efficient bidding process which is now our preferred method to reduce shipping and handling costs for borrowers of our exhibitions.

During the first part of the fiscal year, a new Survivor-centric exhibition was created to honour Survivors of the Sixties Scoop, entitled *Bi-Giwen: Coming Home: Truth-Telling from the Sixties Scoop*. An expansion for the *100 Years of Loss* exhibition was developed, which has now transformed into its own exhibition, called the *Youth on Reconciliation* and an exhibition honouring a great ally, *Peter Henderson Bryce: A Man of Conscience*, were all completed during this same period. Funding was also secured for a new exhibition to be fabricated in the 2018-2019 fiscal year, entitled *Remembering, Honouring, and the Way Forward: 10 Years After the Residential School Apology* and planning for the project began before the year end in order to fulfill the tight deadlines in preparation for June 11, 2018.

In early 2018, we held meetings with the Ontario Ministry of Education to reaffirm their desired schedule for the upcoming *100 Years of Loss: The Residential School System in Canada* exhibition tour. This concluded in a successful plan for the exhibition to travel across Northern Ontario in conjunction with French language teacher workshops.

In total, ten exhibitions were shipped to hosts across Canada, with six occurring in the first part of the fiscal year and the remaining four scheduled between February and March 2018. During this time period, another 22 hosts were scheduled to receive one or more exhibitions, as well as advanced bookings were made for 2019.

The LHF believes that students and adults learn most effectively when they gain an understanding of disturbing subject matter in a way that is relatable and meaningful to them on a personal level. Diverse media, such as testimony, exhibitions, art experience and art-making, offer learners alternate pathways to processing difficult and emotional material.

We are excited to continue our work from within our newly restructured Exhibition and Curatorial Projects Department and look forward to circulating our many new exhibitions and the future opportunities they will bring.



# Updates and Expansions

## *Remembering, Honouring, and the Way Forward: 10 years after the Residential School Apology*

This 10th year commemorative exhibition was created in memory of the day a dark chapter in Canada's history was finally acknowledged. On June 11, 2008, then Prime Minister of Canada, the Right Honourable Stephen Harper, made a Statement of Apology to former students of Indian Residential Schools. This apology was on behalf of the Government of Canada for the emotional, physical, sexual, spiritual, cultural and mental abuse experienced by Survivors while in care at the schools. Through remembering the Survivors and honouring their experiences, viewers are encouraged to reflect on what Reconciliation means for them, what actions they can take to build respectful relationships between Canadians and Indigenous Peoples and what they envision for the journey ahead. This project was funded through Canadian Heritage and through the Department of Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs.

Canadians are invited to share their message of hope, peace, and Reconciliation online at [legacyofhope.ca](http://legacyofhope.ca). Messages will be gathered together to form a collection, which we hope to make into a commemorative book as another educational resource.

## *Bi-Giwen: Truth-Telling from the Sixties Scoop*

The first of its kind, this innovative and challenging exhibition features the first-person testimonies of twelve courageous Indigenous Survivors of the Sixties Scoop and reflects upon their enduring strength and resilience as they tell their story. Developed in partnership with the National Indigenous Survivors of Child Welfare Network, *Bi-Giwen: Coming Home: Truth-Telling from the Sixties Scoop* introduces viewers to the histories of the Sixties Scoop which began in the 1960s and lasted into the late 1980s. Indigenous children were taken from their families in record numbers, often forcibly, to be fostered and/or adopted out to non-Indigenous homes away from their communities, including some across the globe. To support the viewers' experience, a Workshop Guide with several activities was created to be included with the exhibition. This project was funded by the Museum Assistance Program of the Department of Canadian Heritage.



*Remembering, Honouring, and the Way Forward Exhibition*



*Bi-Giwen Exhibition*

## Youth on Reconciliation

This exhibition explores the concept of Reconciliation and what it means, through artistic expression made by youth in Canada. It consists of ten banners that feature artworks and poems created by winners of the first *Imagine a Canada* campaign, an annual national art and essay competition sponsored by the National Centre for Truth and Reconciliation in collaboration with Rideau Hall. This competition inspired young Canadians to imagine what the future of Canada can look like through the lens of hope, respect and Reconciliation. A new Workshop Guide as well updates to the *100 Years of Loss* exhibition timeline have been created. This project was made possible with the generous funding from the Museum Assistance Program of the Department of Canadian Heritage.



*Pictured here, are 5 of the 10 banners that are part of an expansion of the 100 Years of Loss exhibition.*



## ***Peter Henderson Bryce: A Man of Conscience***

Developed by the Legacy of Hope Foundation in partnership with St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church and the First Nations Child and Family Caring Society, this exhibition explores the life and work of Dr. Peter Henderson Bryce, an early ally and advocate. In 1907, Dr. Bryce was commissioned to write a report on the health of children attending Canada's Residential Schools. He did not attempt to disguise the horrors of what he found, and his unfavorable report was suppressed. Although Dr. Bryce made many recommendations to the Canadian government and tried to raise awareness of the tragedies that were occurring to the general public, it was ignored. He was later relieved of his post while efforts were taken to undermine his credibility. In 1922, after he retired from the civil service, Dr. Bryce, bravely self-published the report's recommendations for all to view, in a volume entitled "The Story of a National Crime." His story of heroic action, reveals little has changed in the 111 years since investigative reports were written and encourages viewers to not only honour Dr. Bryce's courage but to also reflect on issues still needing attention today.



***Peter Henderson Bryce: A Man of Conscience.***

***Four out of five banners are pictured.***

## **Exhibition Redesign and Development**

With funding provided by the Department of Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs, the following exhibitions were redesigned into lighter, more portable versions while remaining true to their original, larger forms. By introducing lighter versions, borrowers now have more options to choose from when ordering from our exhibition catalogue, creating even greater opportunities for our exhibitions to be displayed to the public.

Between February 2 and March 31, 2018, the following exhibitions were redesigned and fabricated into lighter, more portable versions:

1. *Where are the Children? Healing the Legacy of the Residential Schools* (v2.1);
2. *We Were So Far Away: The Inuit Residential School Experience* (v3.1);
3. *Killing the Indian in the Child: Generations Lost* (v1.1);
4. *Forgotten: The Métis Experience of Residential Schools* (v2.1);
5. *A National Crime* (v2.1);
6. *Peter Henderson Bryce: A Man of Conscience* (v1.2); and
7. *Bi-Giwen: Coming Home- Truth-Telling from the Sixties Scoop* (v2.1).

### ***Where Are the Children? Healing the Legacy of the Residential Schools***

This exhibition was originally designed to be a “hung exhibition” as you might see in an art gallery, containing many framed photographs as well as text banners. It requires 300 running feet of space and has a total shipping weight of 1688 lbs.

The newly redesigned version is condensed and now has the gallery items in a single lightweight unit that is displayed on a curved wall structure with all of the images on a monitor for display. It requires a space of only 16’ wide x 4’ deep x 8’ long with a total shipping weight of 150 lbs. Two units may be displayed together.

### ***We Were So Far Away: The Inuit Experience of Residential Schools***

There are now three versions of this exhibition available for loan: The first, original version has 22 banners with a total weight of 250 lbs. The second version consists of three banners with a total shipping weight of 75 lbs. The third is a redesigned version of the original 22 banners into a travelling exhibition consisting of six, double-sided wall banners, with two monitors to display educational slideshows and videos. It requires a floor space of 25’ wide x 35’ long and has a total shipping weight of 280 lbs.

### ***Generations Lost: The Residential School System in Canada***

This exhibition is an alternate, condensed version of the *100 Years of Loss: The Residential School System in Canada* exhibition and has been renamed, *Generations Lost: The Residential School System in Canada*. The original version consists of a 30-foot wavy wall and eight pillars with a total shipping weight of 950 lbs. The required floor space is 30’ wide x 20’ long.

The redesigned version has been created to be lighter and easier to assemble, while keeping the same wavy wall timeline as the original. Requiring the same floor space, the eight pillars have now been shortened to four, reducing total shipping weight to 250 lbs.

### ***Forgotten: The Métis Residential School Experience***

Both the original and redesigned version of this exhibition consists of three wall structures with graphics and text on both the front and back surfaces. The original version requires a floor space of 20’ wide x 20’ long and has a total shipping weight of 450 lbs. The redesigned version is in the same style and requires the same floor space as the original version, but total shipping weight has been reduced to 150 lbs.

### ***A National Crime: The Residential School System in Canada***

The original version of this exhibition consists of 10 hanging graphic panels and requires a wall space of 30 to 40 feet with a total shipping weight of 200 lbs.

The redesigned version is condensed into 5 double-sided, pull-up banners with a required floor space of 15 to 20 feet and a total shipping weight of 130 lbs.

### ***Peter Henderson Bryce: A Man of Conscience***

This exhibition consists of five, double-sided, pull-up banners with a required floor space of 15 to 20 feet and a total shipping weight of 115 lbs. An additional exhibition was manufactured in the same style as the original, thereby doubling the number of venues that the exhibition can support.

### ***Bi-Giwen: Coming Home – Truth-Telling from the Sixties Scoop***

The first version of this exhibition consists of three configurations of five large graphics and text frames. It requires a minimum floor space of 30 x 30 feet and has a total shipping weight of 3,500 pounds.

The redesigned version retained the original look and feel but was made into a lighter, more portable exhibition, reducing the shipping weight to 1,200 lbs. and instead requiring a space of 20 x 20 feet.



***Exhibition at St. Paul's High School in Ottawa in March 2018.***

## 2017-2018 Touring Exhibitions

The Legacy of Hope Foundation circulates its exhibitions to venues in all parts of the country on an almost continuous basis. Below are samples of some of the venues and locations where exhibitions were shown.

### **April 11 to April 15, 2017 – Orillia, ON.**

*100 Years of Loss: The Residential School System in Canada (Version 1)* – Ontario Ministry of Education hosted this exhibition at the YMCA Geneva Park Convention Facility in Orillia, ON.

### **May 2016 to May, 2017 – Whistler, B.C.**

*Where are the Children? Healing the Legacy of the Residential Schools* – a long-term loan agreement was made between the LHF and the Squamish Lil'wat Cultural Centre in Whistler, British Columbia.

### **April 3 to May 12, 2017 – Miramichi region, N.B.**

*100 Years of Loss: The Residential School System in Canada* – the Anglophone North School District organized an extensive program of tours and workshops, borrowing heavily on LHF resources. This exhibition went on a tour through four schools in the Miramichi region of New Brunswick and was seen by 500 to 600 students, educators, and community members.

### **June 20, 2017 – Ottawa, ON.**

*A National Crime: The Residential School Experience in Canada* – on display during National Aboriginal Day in Ottawa, Ontario.

### **July 2017 – Calgary, AB.**

*100 Years of Loss: The Residential School System in Canada (Version 1)* – on display at The Genesis Centre of Community Wellness, Calgary, Alberta. This exhibition was seen by 12,000 – 15,000 visitors including International visitors, in the main Mezzanine area during major conference events.

### **July 1, 2017 – Ottawa, ON.**

*Peter Henderson Bryce: A Man of Conscience* – on display at St. Andrews Presbyterian Church in Ottawa, Ontario.

### **September 28, 2017 – Ottawa, ON.**

*Bi-Giwen: Coming Home- Truth-Telling from the Sixties Scoop* – launched at University of Ottawa and was on display in the Tabaret Hall in Ottawa, Ontario and seen by hundreds of viewers

### **February 26 to March 9, 2018 – Ottawa, ON.**

*Bi-Giwen: Coming Home- Truth-Telling from the Sixties Scoop* – on display at St Paul's High school in Ottawa, Ontario where the exhibition was seen by over 1000 students, educators, and School Board Members.

### **March 19, 2018 – Thompson, MB.**

*100 Years of Loss: The Residential School System in Canada (Version 2)* – on display at University College of the North, Thompson Campus in Thompson, Manitoba. Exhibition viewed by 600 to 700 students, educators, and members of the community.

### **March 20 to March 21, 2018 – Ottawa, ON.**

*Peter Henderson Bryce: A Man of Conscience* – National Association of Friendship Centres, Labour Market Advisory Committee at Westin Hotel, Ottawa, Ontario. Exhibition viewed by 225 participants from across Canada.



**March 26 to March 27, 2018 – Ottawa, ON.**

*Peter Henderson Bryce: A Man of Conscience* - National Association of Friendship Centres, Indigenous Languages Conference in Ottawa, Ontario. Exhibition viewed by 300 attendees.

## Education and Outreach

Throughout the past year, the Education Department has continued to work on the development of multiple curriculum projects which support our mission in remembering our past, sharing our knowledge and building just and equal relationships of Reconciliation and Healing for all Canadians. Educational content has been focused on the true histories of First Nation, Inuit, and Métis Peoples, the Residential School System and the Sixties Scoop. This continues awareness efforts through our generation and for the next, on the devastating effects these impacts have had on the Indigenous Peoples of Canada. The key projects were:

- *Pehonan Project: Our Stories...Our Strength Continues*;
- Alberta Education's *Digital Curriculum Resource Project*; and
- Activity Guides

In addition to these projects, Indigenous Curriculum Developer, Andrew Bomberry, has been enlisted to update our curriculum *The 100 Years of Loss: The Residential School System in Canada* for release in a new digital format, as well as create an interpretive guide for how to work with Indigenous Oral Testimonies. Outreach activities have remained another essential tool in continuing to educate the public and LHF is proud to have been able to reach so many students and educators.

### The Pehonan Project: Our Stories...Our Strength Continues

One of the Legacy of Hope Foundation's largest and most important projects to date has been *Our Stories...Our Strength*, a national commemoration and education project that collected the stories of over 670 Residential School Survivors, and others affected by Residential Schools. Between 2005 and 2008, the LHF worked with 22 Indigenous communities and organizations from across Canada to organize gatherings where Residential School Survivors and their families came together to share their experience with others, learn about counselling services and healing programs available to them, obtain information about related issues, and most importantly, to have their Residential School experiences recorded and preserved. Hundreds of First Nations, Inuit, and Métis experiences were videoed and audio recorded through one-on-one interviews and group discussions using Indigenous methodologies. These methodologies included sharing and talking circles, from coast to coast, resulting in the largest collection of its kind in Canada to date.

We made a promise to the people who shared their experiences that their testimonies would be used to educate all Canadians about the Residential School System. To honour that promise, the LHF partnered with Multipel Inc. to develop the *Pehonan* resource, with funding provided by the National Indian Brotherhood Trust Fund. Based on the recordings from *The Our Stories...Our Strength* project, the *Pehonan* resource became a publicly available digital memory work application that educates all Canadians on the effects of the Residential School system through the lens of the Residential School Survivors themselves.

Also derived from the *Our Stories... Our Strength* project, three descendants of those who originally gave testimonies were identified by Métis filmmaker Jamie Bourque as candidates to be recorded to highlight the intergenerational effects of the Residential School system. Their video testimonies were filmed in Edmonton, Alberta, with the resulting stories joining the *Our Stories...Our Strength* collection.

A third part of the *Pehonan Project* involved reaching out to each Survivor from the original Survivor cohort and their respective families to reaffirm their permission to use their testimonies for continuing educational purposes. Through contact information from the time of the original interviews, LHF successfully reached many individuals by email, mail, and telephone in order to proceed with our project.

## **Alberta Education Digital Curriculum Resource Project**

After several years of planning and discussion, the Legacy of Hope Foundation began working with Alberta Education on the *Digital Curriculum Resource Project*. LHF will be travelling across Alberta to gather and record First Nations, Inuit, and Métis cultural knowledge, stories, philosophies, worldviews, practices and traditional activities to promote a greater understanding of First Nations, Inuit, and Métis Peoples. Participants will only be asked to share information with which they are comfortable, and that which they feel is critical to understanding their perspectives, history, and culture. These recordings will then become part of a new, authentically derived, digital curriculum resource for use by Kindergarten to Grade 12 students and educators in Alberta's education system.

### **Activity Guides**

Two activity guides were produced this past year, one as an accompaniment to the *Bi-Giwen: Coming Home – Truth-Telling from the Sixties Scoop* exhibition and one as a complement to the *100 Years of Loss: The Residential School System in Canada* exhibition. Each guidebook provides activities which can be delivered in the exhibition space or in the classroom.

## Outreach Activities

- LHF presented an overview of the Residential School System to employees at Employment and Social Development Canada.
- LHF presented at the Summer Solstice Indigenous Festival in Ottawa on National Indigenous Day and during the Education Day, we reached over 2000 students and provided materials to their teachers for the classroom.
- LHF partnered with the National Film Board (NFB) KAIROS, and others to screen *Birth of a Family*, a film about a family reunited after being taken from their mother and placed into foster and adoptive homes during the Sixties Scoop. Betty Ann, a Sixties Scoop Survivor featured in the film, called in from Calgary via Skype to introduce the movie.
- LHF presented on why it is critical to teach about the Residential School System at the Ontario History and Social Science Teacher Association annual conference.
- LHF provided input to the Canadian Geographic Indigenous Mapping Project with other partners from across Canada which produced the giant floor map and associated activities.
- LHF held workshops and presented resource materials to teachers at the Catholic District School Board of Eastern Ontario, reaching dozens of students and teachers.
- The Executive Director & In-House Legal Counsel, Teresa Edwards, and Director of Education, Jane Hubbard, partnered to the Ontario Provincial Police and the Provincial Liaison Team at their annual conference. Also in attendance were the RCMP, Ottawa Police Service, a former Aboriginal Liaison for CBSA and representatives from 16 other Police Services from across the Country.
- The Executive Director & In-House Legal Counsel, Teresa Edwards, along with Jane Hubbard, Director of Education, held several meetings from January to March 31, 2018 to build a partnership between the LHF and the Ontario Ministry of Education. As a result, more than 500 Francophone teachers were trained by LHF on the history of the Residential School System and the Sixties Scoop. During this time, arrangements were made for the *100 Years of Loss* exhibition to tour six locations in Northern Ontario in the next fiscal year.

## Resource Distribution

The Legacy of Hope Foundation continues to provide educational resources to the public as well as publications by the Aboriginal Healing Foundation (AHF), of which we became stewards in 2014 when AHF closed. Thousands of publications and DVDs have been distributed nationally in addition to thousands of file downloads from our website. The following list is a small sample of some of the places that received books and other resources, such as First Nations, Inuit, and Métis communities, schools and organizations, as well as non-Indigenous organizations, policing agencies, libraries, schools, among many others. Below is a sample of some of the places.

Please visit [www.legacyofhope.ca](http://www.legacyofhope.ca) to see a current list of our available publications and to request hard or electronic copies.

Organization	Location	[1 set = 20 books]
Ottawa Public Library and Surrounding areas	34 locations total	34 sets
Odawa Pow Wow, Summer Solstice & other pow wows	Ottawa, ON + surrounding areas	85 sets
Sugarloaf High School	Campbelton, NB	30 sets
Listuguj Education Building	Listuguj, QC	2 sets
Child and Family Services	Listuguj, QC	2 sets
Mi'gmawei Mawiomi Secretariat	Listuguj, QC	4 sets
Max Aitken Academy	Miramichi, NB	4 sets
Eleanor W. Graham Middle School	Rexton, NB	6 sets
Dalhousie Regional High School	Dalhousie, NS	6 sets
Eel River Bar First Nations Band Office	Eel River Bar, NB	2 sets
Eel Ground First Nations Band Office	Miramichi, NB	2 sets
Gesgapegiag First Nations Band Office	Gesgapegiag, NB	2 sets
Listuguj RCMP detachment	Listuguj, QC	6 sets
Campbellton RCMP detachment	Campbellton, NB	6 sets
Kedgwick RCMP detachment	Kedgwick, NB	6 sets



**Below is a list of some of the places where LHF had a booth and where we gave out resources to promote the organization:**

▶ **Mohawk Winter Games**

**Date:** February 9–11, 2018  
**Location:** Akwesasne and Cornwall, Ontario  
**Approx. attendance:** 200  
**No. of books distributed:** 150 (34 boxes)

▶ **Assembly of First Nations Education Conference**

**Date:** February 20–22, 2018  
**Location:** Casino du Lac-Leamy, Gatineau, Quebec  
**Approx. attendance:** 150  
**No. of books distributed:** 1307 (52 Boxes)

▶ **Conestoga Pow wow**

**Date:** February 24, 2018  
**Location:** Conestoga College, Kitchener, Ontario  
**Approx. attendance:** 1000 people per day  
**No. of books distributed:** 523 (21 boxes)

▶ **Family Well-Being Conference**

**Date:** February 27, 2018  
**Location:** Westin Harbour Front Castle, Toronto, Ontario  
**Approx. attendance:** 250 - 270  
**No. of books distributed:** 523 (21 boxes)

▶ **Awazibi Pow wow – University of Ottawa**

**Date:** March 10, 2018  
**Location:** Shaw Centre, Ottawa, Ontario  
**Approx. attendance:** 400+  
**No. of books distributed:** 370 (17 boxes)

▶ **National Association of Friendship Centres Gathering**

**Date:** March 15, 2018  
**Approx. attendance:** 25-30  
**No. of books distributed:** 90 (30 bags)

# General Operations

Throughout the year, the LHF continued to liaise and network with many organizations and individuals who are striving for similar goals of Reconciliation and Healing. New business relationships have been formed, as well as the old ones maintained. Our staff participated and presented at a diverse range of regional and national events and conferences to stay up to date on Indigenous issues. We aspire to show our readiness to give back to the community, as well as educate the Canadian population to strive towards Reconciliation. The various resources and books that LHF inherited from the AHF are consistently distributed at events and conferences. We also have materials online available to download in order to get the information about the impacts of racism and Residential Schools out to the public so we can work toward changing attitudes and behaviours.

During the past year, our team has grown considerably, almost tripling the amount of staff that had previously worked for our organization. A Research and Policy Analyst was hired in August of 2017 and subsequently, a Manager of Exhibitions and Curatorial Projects was hired in October of 2017. Our previously established relationship with Kagita Mikam and St. Lawrence College brought our team four student placements for 24 weeks in November 2017. Since then, we have acquired two more placements which succeeded the first ones. The placements have thrived with almost all advancing to be hired as full-time employees and one being promoted to Junior Policy Analyst and Researcher. We have also secured several volunteers from the University of Ottawa who were able to help us apply for funding and develop new communications products.

We continue to look for ways to be self-sustaining and have created a menu of options to choose from for Governments, organizations, and companies to purchase *It's Time* Workshops that educate about Residential Schools and the Sixties Scoop. We also have multiple educational resources for sale and continue to raise funds from granting permissions for the use of our materials in schools across Canada.

## Funding Proposals

The LHF has submitted several letters of intent to the Public Health Agency, the Department of Crown and Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs (CIRNA) and Health Canada, along with Canadian Heritage to expand its reach with services for Survivors. We are also in the midst of submitting proposals to other funders with the purpose of creating installations and other curatorial projects that honour and recognize Survivors from both Residential Schools and the Sixties Scoop.

## Upcoming Priorities

The 2017-18 year marked the 10th anniversary since a dark chapter in Canada's history was finally acknowledged. On June 11, 2008, the Prime Minister of Canada, the Right Honourable Stephen Harper, made a Statement of Apology to former students of Indian Residential Schools. The Apology was on behalf of the Government of Canada for the emotional, physical, sexual, spiritual, cultural and mental abuse they experienced while in care at the schools.

More than seven generations of Indigenous children attended Residential Schools across Canada. The effects of attending these schools were detrimental to many Survivors and their families, having severely impeded many of these children's ability to develop life skills and/or to thrive as adults or as parents. Intergenerational effects on families were also felt through their loss of language, culture, traditions, identity, and poor mental and physical health factors, disruption of family and community relationships, poverty, amongst much more. These deep traumas, along with all forms of racism that still exist; have significantly contributed to the social and economic conditions of Indigenous Peoples in Canada today. Through education and awareness efforts, more Canadians are beginning to learn, understand and empathize with this largely untold story of Indigenous Peoples.

Although various initiatives have begun across the country with intentions to help restore what was lost, there is still a long journey ahead of us in establishing Reconciliation. Our organization has made considerable advancement this past year, as we have already signed a Memorandum of Understanding with several Universities, and agreements with Governments across Canada continue to be made. While many projects are being worked on, new and creative ways of educating Canadians about the true histories of First Nations, Inuit, and Métis, the Residential School System and the Sixties Scoop are being developed. To expand our connection with the public, we are working with a communications company to enhance our use of the social media platforms. We look forward to this additional opportunity to

educate an even broader audience, along with the prospective partnerships that we anticipate will follow.

With our Strategic Plan in progress and guidance from our Mission and Mandate, the Legacy of Hope Foundation will continue to work on its own and with its many partners, in contributing to the health, safety, well-being and healing of Survivors, their families and communities, and most importantly, towards promoting Reconciliation in Canada. We are confident that we will have yet another successful year of working together to create a country that we can be proud to share based on honour, justice and mutual respect. We look forward to continue building new and respectful relationships which will expand awareness and access to the history of Residential Schools in Canada.

Wela'liq – We thank you!



*Richard Kistabish sharing with students at National Aboriginal Day, June 21st against backdrop of LHF exhibition, a National Crime.*

Financial Statements of

# **LEGACY OF HOPE FOUNDATION**

Year ended: March 31, 2018



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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, 2018, 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.

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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, 2018, 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.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'KPMG LLP'. The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style. Below the signature is a long, horizontal, slightly curved line that underlines the text.

Chartered Professional Accountants, Licensed Public Accountants Ottawa, Canada  
September 8, 2018



**Statement of Financial Position**

March 31, 2018, with comparative information for 2017

	2018	2017
<b>Assets</b>		
	\$ 596,761	\$ 1,007,058
Accounts receivable	442,135	81,213
Prepaid expenses	10,309	6,586
	1,049,205	1,094,857
Capital assets (note 3)	19,710	4,776
Investments (note 4)	233,688	231,603
	\$ 1,302,603	\$ 1,331,236
<b>Liabilities and Net Assets</b>		
Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities (note 5)	\$ 134,510	\$ 50,198
Net assets:		
Invested in capital assets	19,710	4,776
Unrestricted	1,148,383	1,276,262
	1,168,093	1,281,038

Contingencies (note 7)

	\$1,302,603	\$1,331,236
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See accompanying notes to financial statements. On behalf of the

Board:

\_\_\_\_\_ Chairman

\_\_\_\_\_ Treasurer



Statement of Operations

Year ended March 31, 2018, with comparative information for 2017

2018                      2017

Revenue:

Contributions and grants:  
Crown Indigenous Relations and Northern

Affairs (CIRNA)	\$ 373,750	\$ -
Museum Assistance Program (MAP)	49,000	261,346
Alberta Education	90,000	-
National Indian Brotherhood (NIB) Trust Fund	71,000	-
Hope & Healing	-	10,000
Donations	21,791	30,314
Interest	11,331	11,365
Miscellaneous	221,682	1,114,127
Shipping Recovery Revenue	15,552	46,713
	854,106	1,473,865

Project expenses:

Crown Indigenous Relations and Northern

Affairs (CIRNA)	368,994	-
Museum Assistance Program (MAP)	57,647	246,050
Alberta Education	90,000	-
National Indian Brotherhood (NIB) Trust Fund	71,000	-
Hope & Healing	-	12,605
Administration expenses (note 8)	379,410	370,243
	967,051	628,898
Excess (deficiency) of revenue over expenses	\$ (112,945)	\$ 844,967
See accompanying notes to financial statements.		

Statement of Changes in Net Assets

Year ended March 31, 2018, with comparative information for 2017

	Invested in capital assets	Unrestrict- ed	2018 Total	
Balance, beginning of year	\$ 4,776	\$ 1,276,262	\$ 1,281,038	\$ 436,071
Excess (deficiency) of revenue over expenses	-	(112,945)	(112,945)	844,967
Additions to capital assets	17,035	(17,035)	-	-
Amortization of capital assets	(2,101)	2,101	-	-
Balance, end of year	\$ 19,710	\$ 1,148,383	\$ 1,168,093	\$ 1,281,038

See accompanying notes to financial statements.



Statement of Cash Flows		
Year ended March 31, 2018, with comparative information for 2017		
	2018	2017
Cash provided by (used for):		
Operations:		
Excess (deficiency) of revenue over expenses	\$ (112,945)	\$ 844,967
Amortization of capital assets, which does not involve cash	2,101	911
Change in non-cash operating working capital:		
Decrease (increase) in accounts receivable	(360,922)	13,544
Increase in prepaid expenses	(3,723)	(3,681)
Increase (decrease) in accounts payable and accrued liabilities	84,312	(37,960)
Decrease in deferred revenue	-	(1,200,000)
	(391,177)	(382,219)
Investments:		
Purchase of investments	(2,085)	(972)
Purchase of capital assets	(17,035)	(1,009)
	(19,120)	(1,981)
Decrease in cash	(410,297)	(384,200)
Cash, beginning of year	1,007,058	1,391,258
Cash, end of year	\$ 596,761	\$ 1,007,058
See accompanying notes to financial statements.		

Notes to Financial Statements Year ended March 31, 2018 **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 impacts of the Residential School System.

**1.**

**Significant accounting policies:**

- (a) 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:

Basis of presentation:

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

Capital assets:

Capital assets are recorded at cost. Amortization is provided on a straight-line basis over the following terms.

Asset	Term
Computer hardware	5 years
Display panels – exhibit	10 years
Furniture and equipment	7 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.

2.

(d) Significant accounting policies (**continued**):

Expenses:

- (e) 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 8.

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.

- (f) 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 Foundation 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.

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:**

	2018	2017						
Accumulated value			Net book value	Net book value	Cost	amortization		
Computer hardware	\$	12,500	\$	4,649	\$	7,851	\$	908
Display panels - exhibit		4,550		1,137		3,413		3,868
Furniture and equipment		9,096		650		8,446		–
\$		26,146	\$	6,436	\$	19,710	\$	4,776

Cost and accumulated amortization at March 31, 2017 amounted to \$9,111 and \$4,335, respectively.

**4.**

**Investments:**

Investments consist of a guaranteed investment certificate with an interest rate of 1.60% and maturity date of September 21, 2018.

**5.**

**Accounts payable and accrued liabilities:**

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

**6.**

**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, 2017.

7.

**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.



**8.****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:

	2018	2017
Salaries and benefits	\$ 451,026	\$ 368,078
Office	467,784	280,209
Rent	62,213	21,660
Professional fees	13,295	17,291
	994,318	687,238
Allocated to project expenses:		
Crown Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs (CIRNA)	(368,994)	-
Museum Assistance Program (MAP)	(57,647)	(246,049)
Alberta Education	(90,000)	-
National Indian Brotherhood (NIB)	(71,000)	-
Hope & Healing	-	(12,605)
HST recovery	(11,715)	(11,629)
Recovery of expenses	(15,552)	(46,712)
	\$ 379,410	\$ 370,243

**9. 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.

The 2017-2018 fiscal years were one of transformative change for the LHF. During the past year, our team has grown considerably, and we have gained more resources to foster our mandate. We look forward to collaborating with future partners and working to further educate Canadians about the Residential School Systems.

## **2017/18 HIGHLIGHTS**

### **Operational**

- We reorganized the entire Exhibition and Curatorial Projects Department.
- A new exhibition Schedule, Exhibition Calendar, Shipping Tracker, and Host Checklist was developed.
- The LHF Loan Agreement, Host Package and legal documents were updated.
- Exhibition construction, shipping and storage costs were re-examined and reduced.
- The planning and fabrication of seven exhibitions were completed with an eighth in process.
- Every expense was examined and attempts were made to reduce all cost to LHF

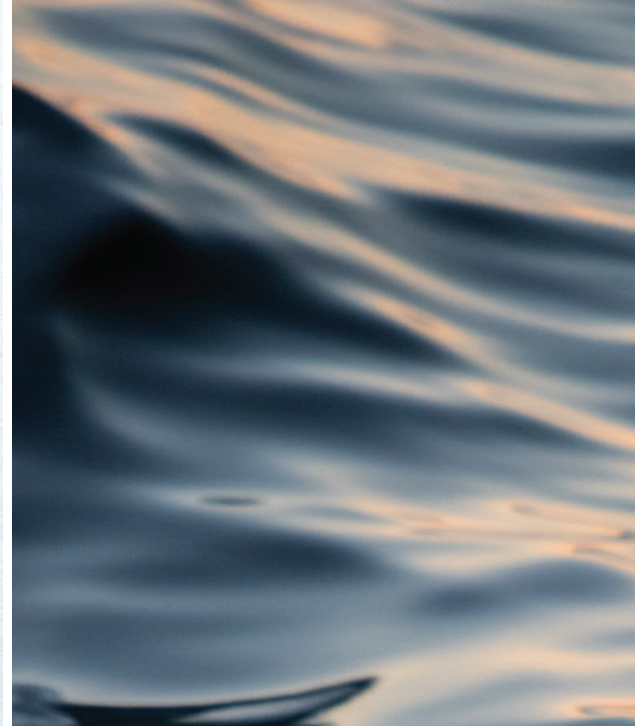
### **Exhibitions**

- A new Survivor-centric exhibition was created to honour Survivors of the “Sixties Scoop,” entitled Bi-Giwen: Truth-Telling from the Sixties Scoop.
- There was an expansion for the *100 Years of Loss* exhibition which transformed into its own exhibition, called the *Youth on Reconciliation*.
- Funding was secured for a new exhibition to be fabricated in the 2018-19 fiscal year.
- Ten exhibitions were shipped to hosts across Canada with another 22 hosts scheduled to receive one or more exhibitions.

### **Some of our Partners:**

- Government of Canada
- First Nations Child & Family Caring Society
- Carleton University
- Ottawa University
- Kagita Mikam
- Odawa Native Friendship
- Assembly of First Nations
- Ontario Secondary Schools Teachers’ Federation
- Ottawa Catholic District School Board
- Ontario Ministry of Education
- Ontario Provincial Police and other policing agencies
- Alberta Education, Alberta Government
- National Indigenous Education and Reconciliation Network





We work in collaboration with all of our partners to: organize events that raise awareness and build respectful relationships between Indigenous Peoples and Non-Indigenous; display educational exhibitions and create new teaching tools and resources for all Canadians, which help to foster Reconciliation

## HOW YOU CAN HELP

The Legacy of Hope Foundation believes that awareness and education are the best ways to encourage long-term Reconciliation. We produce and distribute our resources at reduced costs and some products are free of charge. Please make a donation to the LHF today to help ensure that others will have access to these important resources. Contact us about making a donation, or visit <http://www.legacyofhope.ca/> to give online. Donations of any amount are appreciated and donors who donate over \$10.00 will receive a tax receipt.

The Legacy of Hope Foundation's charitable registration number is **863471520RR0001**. We thank you!

