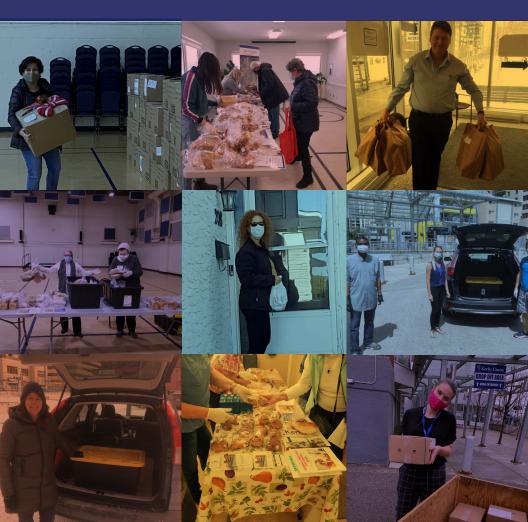
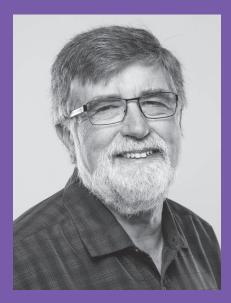


**KERBY CENTRE ANNUAL REPORT** 

# 2020



# **Presidents Message**



2020 was the most challenging year Kerby Centre has ever faced. The COVID-19 pandemic forced us to close the Centre twice for extended periods, the first from March to July and again from November into 2021.

However, closing the doors did not stop us. Instead, we were spurred into action to find innovative and creative ways to provide services and activities for older adults. Our team of staff and volunteers quickly identified the programs that would have the most impact and reimagined them both using technology (Zoom) and by taking services out to people's homes- including delivering over 12,000 frozen meals to "locked down" seniors.

In our annual report you will find inspiring stories and photos of Kerby Centre's work in the community. Years from now, we will look back on this time and know that our staff, volunteers and supporters can be very proud of the work they did in their community during this crisis.

On behalf of the Board, I thank our staff and volunteers for their tireless efforts during the pandemic. We want to express heartfelt gratitude and appreciation for the over 200 new volunteers who stepped forward to help with programs, like our meal deliveries, and the way many of our existing volunteers took on new roles such phoning isolated seniors, who tell us they really appreciated hearing a friendly voice from Kerby. Now more than ever, Kerby Centre is seen as an incredibly important resource and a means of connection among older adults, especially in a time of crisis.

Closing the Kerby Centre not only meant we could not provide in-person services, but it also impacted our revenues. Our teams were also quick to react in this regard and had great success accessing new revenue sources. We received assistance

from Government programs at The City, Provincial and Federal levels. We also had exceptional support from our personal and corporate donors, both existing and new. This meant we did not need to access our reserve funds and were still able to end the year with a positive surplus.

As we move forward, we are hopeful of continued support from the many donors who helped us in 2020 and plan to attract new donors through upcoming activities, such as a Golf tournament.

Another significant event in 2020 was the arrival of Larry Mathieson as our new Chief Executive Officer. Larry joined us in January having previously been in leadership roles with both Ronald McDonald House and Easter Seals. We are very pleased to have Larry in our organisation and particularly appreciated his guidance and leadership during the past 12 very challenging months.

As we move forward from the pandemic, we see new opportunities ahead. Many of the programs and innovations we introduced in the past year will continue and will grow. We also can't wait to reopen the Centre and welcome both old and new friends and supporters. We continue looking for opportunities

to improve our services such as the new food security programs and our revitalization of the Kerby Café.

We recently completed a review of our Strategic Plan. In so doing we adopted a new vision statement envisioning Kerby Centre as "A community of engaged older adults." This community takes many forms including those who come into the building, participate in Zoom programs, volunteer their time, and donate funds to support us.

Our community is also expanding. In early 2021 we were asked to take over the operations of two seniors' facilities in Medicine Hat. While we will not be taking over the physical facilities until later in the year, we are already welcoming older adults from Medicine Hat to our Zoom programs.

Thank you to everyone who has helped us through the last year. As staff, volunteers and supporters you have all helped Kerby Centre overcome many challenges. As we move into 2021 we know you will continue to help us ensure that Kerby Centre continues as a dynamic and forward looking organisation.

Richard Parker, President

# **CEO Message**



January 6, 2020 I arrived at Kerby Centre for my first day of work. I had all sorts of ideas about what my priorities would be as the new CEO for my first 90 days on the job. In less than two months everything I thought would be important had become irrelevant.

The day the pandemic was declared, our team was meeting to plan how we would meet the needs of Calgary's seniors. When we closed our doors a few days later, we had already begun the work that would change our organization forever.

For nearly 50 years, Kerby Centre has been a place where seniors made friends, built community, learned, exercised, and sought resources. An organization built around

programs in one building shifted to outreach and online programs.

In the 111 days we were fully closed, we delivered 7,000 meals to isolated seniors, filed more than 1,000 tax forms by phone, and made more than 700 grocery deliveries to homebound seniors. In addition, our staff made an astounding 17,000 phone calls to members, volunteers, and clients to reduce social isolation.

The time the Centre was closed pushed us to find new ways to connect with Calgary's seniors. Through phone outreach, food delivery, and programming on Zoom, we have connected with thousands of isolated seniors. To ensure that seniors who are still self-isolating are supported, these programs will continue.

There was been incredible support from the community throughout 2020. From government funding to individuals donating \$20 on our website, every dollar helped us support seniors during this crisis. In addition to financial support, hundreds of Calgarians connected with us to volunteer, to share our stories, and even hold their own fundraisers.

2020 was also a year of unconventional partnerships. Along with wonderful organizations like Kids Up Front and Calgary Reads, we have created new intergenerational programs,

reducing social isolation not only for older adults, but for children as well.

With funding from the Calgary
Foundation, we launched a brand new
website for Kerby News (kerbynews.
ca) and completely revamped kerbycentre.com. This fresh new look
and improved design helped us stay
up-to-date with rapidly-changing
program and service information. As
well as expanding the content we can
share online, the Kerby News site
also adds value to our advertisers.

In a way, you could say that every way that we communicate with seniors or build community has changed. been enhanced or improved in some fashion. This year for Kerby Centre has been a year of incredible challenge but even more, it has been a year of incredible innovation. I could not be more proud of the way our staff and our volunteers found new and creative ways to connect with seniors during a year where they needed us to most. I think 2020 was the year when we found out Kerby Centre wasn't really a place after all. I suppose Kerby Centre was always really about the people and the relationships much more than it is a building.

Larry Mathieson, CEO

## **Kerby Centre Board**

Richard Parker, President

Stephanie Sterling, Vice President

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Kenneth Lin, Treasurer

Tara Weber, Secretary

Russ Altman, Director

**Deborah Durda**, *Director* 

Peter Molzan, Director

Jacquelyn Poetker, Director

# **Adult Day Program**

445

One-on-one Zoom sessions to support our clients



# **Education and Recreation**

Within three days of our closure, we had our first Zoom class up and running and by the end of the year:

394

5,500

Zoom Classes ran in 2020

**Participants** 

The courses consisted of our most popular in person classes, classes we were able to adapt to small home spaces and used supplies/equipment in one's home, classes that took into account a diverse clientele, educational/community classes, and classes that placed an emphasis on social contact and intergenerational connections.

## **Zoom programs include:**

Fitness with Dan, Tai Chi, Gentle Seated Yoga, Zumba, Expressive Art; Feldenkrais, Muscle Strength & Core Balance, Ski Fit, Yoga for You, ESL, Men's Shed, LGBTeaQ2S+, Storytelling, Spanish Conversation, Indigenous Studies, Media Literacy, and Zoom Pals.

## **Events**

30

Online presentations (March-December)

3,900

**Online Registrants** 

"I was happy for the 'company' I live alone and it felt like being with people. I learned things or confirmed things I already knew.

I'm planning my life around online sessions these days because the television isn't hooked up.
Thanks for offering these sessions online!"



"I feel like crying because you were so kind and took the time to send us all of these links. You don't know how much this information eases our worries and fears. I believe we will now be able to find help and good care for my mom in Saskatchewan because of the information you've sent."



# **Information**

30%

more clients served in 2020 as older adults and their families sought information and resources related to the pandemic.

# **Kerby Shelter**

99%

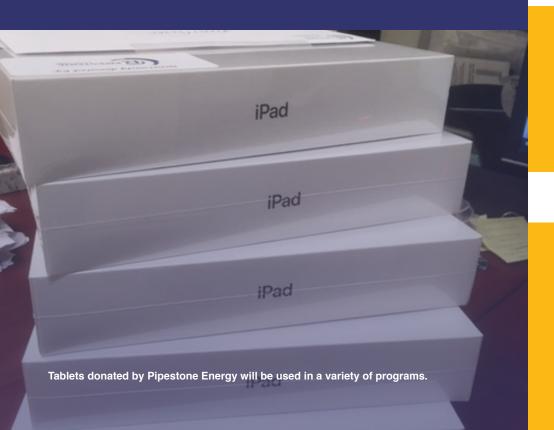
Total occupancy for the year

370

Older adults could not be served at the shelter due to capacity

10

Tablets were donated by the public to help residents at the shelter stay connected to family and supports





# **Food Rescue**

1,083

People came to our free bread markets

Launched in September to address food insecurity among older adults.

# **Food Services**

11,910

Frozen meals delivered to vulnerable older adults

Frozen meals created awareness, donations/ funding, and volunteer interest in Kerby Centre Food Services.

# **Volunteers**

"Initially I volunteered for the home meal delivery program. Kerby recognized elderly community members were finding it challenging, unsafe and expensive to get groceries. I was worried for these folks too. As a new retiree with a car, I knew this was where I could provide value during a very difficult time.

...The clients are wonderful. I get the biggest pleasure visiting and talking with them. The staff are a joy. Everyone is positive, kind, organized and considerate. My fellow volunteers are also good, caring people. It's like a second family."

28,428

**Volunteer hours** 

1 in 4

Volunteers in 2020 were volunteering for Kerby Centre for the first time





**Thrive** 

1,858

**Grocery deliveries** 

220%

Increase in deliveries from 2019

# **Quick Stats**

92,500+

Masks received to be distributed to seniors.

7,582+

People screened for COVID-19 symptoms at our front doors upon entry, in 2020.

189 L

of hand sanitizer has been donated for use. Visitors can fill up their hand sanitizer bottles here for free.

77

**Tablets donated** 



# **Financials**

		2020		2019	
Assets					
Current					
Cash	\$	1,478,977	\$	523,575	
Short-term investments (Note 3)		2,357,073		2,683,245	
Accounts receivable (Note 5)		65,544		251,075	
Inventory		7,713		7,493	
Prepaid expenses		49,047		59,827	
Remainder trust (Note 6)		105,000		225,000	
		4,063,354		3,750,215	
Capital Assets (Note 7)					
		1,532,008		1,539,63	
	\$	5,595,362	\$	5,289,85	
Liabilities					
Current					
Current Accounts payable and accrued liabilities (Note 8)	\$	206,002	\$	293,26	
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	2020	2	2019	
Revenues				
Government grants	\$ 2,350,686	\$	1,766,076	
Donations	1,037,262		318,987	
Services	 840,880		1,522,862	
nvestment revenue (loss) (Note 4)	 (24,789)		304,910	
	 4,204,039		3,912,835	
Expenses				
Salaries and wages	2,396,348		2,584,501	
Administration	575,434		654,337	
Services	 482,992		645,769	
Investment expense	 34,044		36,742	
Amortization	 90,871		95,710	
	 3,579,689		4,017,059	
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenses	\$ 624,350	\$	(104,224)	



# **Fund Development**

The big hearted team at TELUS stepped up to deliver more than 200 ready-made meals to vulnerable seniors in May. TELUS volunteers also delivered meals courtesy of the ATCO Blue Flame Kitchen to isolated seniors from August — October. The delicious meals and the volunteers' friendly faces were greatly appreciated by all!





Lil Heming and Shelly Halsted, representing the dynamic ladies of Elevate, a charter group of the Canadian Progress Club, stopped by Kerby Centre with a lovely surprise.

Long-time supporters of Kerby Centre, Lil and Shelly delivered "Wish List" Christmas gifts for the Kerby Shelter and a presented CEO Larry Mathieson with a generous donation to help make it a very Merry Christmas.

# **Donations and Funding**

## **CORPORATE**

Agriteam

**ARC Financial Corporation** 

CN Railroaders in the Community

**Grant Program** 

**Doodle Dogs** 

**Ecclesiastical Insurance: Western Region** 

**Enmax Corporation** 

First Calgary

**Oxford Properties** 

Richmond Holdings Ltd.

Sanofi

Servus Credit Union

Storm Resources Ltd.

Swordfern Management Ltd.

**TD Bank** 

**TELUS** 

**Westend Pharmacy** 

Westman Village, The Journey Club

### **FOUNDATIONS**

**Aqueduct Foundation** 

**Calgary Foundation** 

**Calgary Foundation Funds:** 

**Anonymous Family Legacy Fund** 

Hicks Memorial Fund (Scholarships & Other)

Colin and Margaret

MacDonald Family Fund

Graydon and Dorothy Morrison Flow Through Fund

**Gandhi Foundation of Edmonton** 

Maunders McNeil Foundation Inc.

**RBC Foundation** 

The Rosebridge Fund

## **GROUPS**

Alberta Union of Provincial Employees Local 095

**Associated Canadian Travelers Calgary Club** 

**Calgary Filipino Lions Club** 

**Chinatown Seniors Association** 

German Ladies Choir of Calgary

**Rotary Club of Calgary Chinook** 

**Rotary District 5360 Fund** 

Samaritan Club of Calgary

**Spiders Hockey Club** 

**United Nurses of Alberta** 

# NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS

Alberta Council of Women's Shelters

Canada Helps

HelpAge Canada

Strathcona-Tweedsmuir School

**United Way of Calgary & Area** 

## **MAJOR DONORS**

**Anonymous Donors** 

**Ron Abernethy** 

Susan Allen

**Barbara Beaton** 

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Lucinda (Lou) E E. Broadbent

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Don Cook

Malcolm P. Cullen

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Stephanie Sterling

**Diana Tierney** 

**Phill Vincent** 

Patricia Watson

William Watson

**Shirley Weir** 

Mark Whiteman

June Wilson

Roy & Emma Wilson

Lillian Wong

## **ESTATE**

**Estate of Murray Leon Lipsey** 

**Charles Wallace Drew Trust** 

**Estate of Frank Marx** 

Braden Parkinson /Estate of

Jane Marian Parkinson

Estate of Noel Watson

#### **IN KIND**

**Guy Audet** 

Calgary Fasteners & Tools Ltd.

Isabella Doyle

Pipestone Energy Corporation

Shauna Wilson-Wipond

## **GOVERNMENT FUNDERS**

**Alberta Community and Social Services** 

Alberta Health Services

Alberta Senior and Housing

Alberta office of Public Guardian

FCSS

Canadian Heritage Grant

Canada Women's Shelter

Government of Canada- Wage subsidy



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