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Battlefords Boys & Girls Club

2014 Annual Report

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BATC Community Development Corporation

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Message from Executive Director

Reviewing our journey through 2014 takes some thought. As consistent and steady as this organization is, our progress and impact is deceptively fast paced. We have spent our first full year in our beautiful building, continued to grow and change with the demands of our community and built an even stronger foundation for our programs.

Our mission “to provide a safe, supportive place where children and youth can experience new opportunities, overcome barriers, build positive relationships and develop confidence and skills for life.” has been the motto of this club. Our progress, programs and all endeavors have been based on our mission constantly, but has not always been easy.

2014 has been a whirlwind of staffing, programs, events and changes. Yet our vision has stayed true...” All children and youth discover and achieve their dreams and grow up to be healthy, successful and active participants in society.”

We have seen past participants move into volunteer roles, continue high school and even begin university. Even some of our staff members have moved on, yet it is because of the Boys and Girls Club they have the experience and confidence to explore new opportunities and strive towards their dreams.

This past year has again been a struggle financially, but with the support of our Board of Directors, the foundation of a great community and the help of various foundations and grantors we were able to again provide services to children and their families for all of 2014. 2015 has begun as a strong, sound year and we hope to continue to grow our social enterprise of after school services, our free to play programs and our partnerships for special programming.

As we enter the new fiscal year, we know my time as Executive Director is coming to an end. It is with great confidence in this organization, our Board of Directors and our Staff Administration team I am handing over the reins. As we have proven, we are strong in our operating standards, transparent in our financials and optimistic in our goals and strategic plan. I prepare to leave this career with certainty our mission and vision will continue to serve the Battlefords and the children and families who need us.

Thanks for reading,

Sheri Woolridge

Executive Director



Core Values

Belonging | Respect | Encouragement
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VOLUNTEERS

Thank you to all the volunteers that donated countless hours of time and their service to the club. Without their help, commitment and energy we would not have the success we have today. Once Again we would like to take the opportunity to thank all of our Volunteers who have helped us in our 2014 year.

Krista Crockett
Colleen Gabruch
Kim Kramer
Brendon Kramer
Jay Crockett
Laird Brittin
Bernie Woolridge
Karen Power
Shandon Reichert
Jenn Schmidt
Taylor Cave
Laurie Timmerman
Ashley Booker
Laurie Carrier
Tyson Blum
Sandra Rewerts
Hannah Mctaggart
Jaylene Tait
Kelly Villeneuve
Jade Kozlowski
Linda Tollefson
Drew Tady
Jackie Etcheverry

Ron Link
Jan Turuk
Samantha Woolridge
Jack Mattila
Jordan Kist
Randy Foulston
Leanne O'Brien
Christie Doyle
Darcy Woolfitt
Darin Manegre
Andy Metlewsky
Heath Gabruch
Maggie Wilkinson
Samantha Gabruch
Jennifer Cave
Sherri Manegre
Austin Haryung
Brooklyn Tollefson
Bernie Etcheverry
Irene Link
Ryan Smith
Derek Schmidt

OUR SUPPORTERS

Anderson Pump House
Battleford Furniture
Battleford Liquor Store
Battleford's Flooring
Bee-J's Office Plus
Bill & Don's Men's Wear & Shoes
Blue Rentals
Boston Pizza
BTC Indian Health Services
Calgary Calaway Park
Canadian Tire North Battleford
Co-op Aquatic Centre
Culligan Water Conditioning
Dekker Centre
Discovery Co-op
Do-All Holdings
Freedom RV
Frontier Mall
Full Throttle Pump Repair
Smitty's
KFC
Extreme Pita
Dairy Queen

Oil Can Charlie's
Rainbow Toyota
RCM Battleford Social Fund
River City Plumbing and Heating
Rongve Gabruch Schell & Weikle
Wealth Management
Sasktel
Scholl Masonry
Scott Campbell Dodge
Second 2 None Catering
Sobeys
Sound City AVU
Taco Time
The Blend Restaurant
Tim Horton's
Warne Photography
West Edmonton Mall
Full Throttle Pump Repair
McDonalds
B & D Meats
Battlefords District Food and
Resource Centre

G & C Asphalt Services Ltd
Gold Eagle Casino & Gold Ridge
Centre
Home Hardware
Innovation Credit Union
Inspiration Boutique
Kal Tire
Kitchen Zone
Kramer Auctions
Lifetime Fitness
LOL Kanine Spa
Manitou Springs Resort
Meota Golf Course
Milbanke Flowers
Norsask
North Battleford Dairy Queen
North Battleford Golf & Country
Club
North Battleford Subway
North Battleford Kinsmen Club
Nutec Embroidery
Subway
City of North Battleford
NoFrills

OUR VISION

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Special Programming

Summer Adventure Day Camp

Our Summer Adventure Day Camps are a great opportunity for children to be outdoors while getting to know young individuals from different schools in our community. Thanks to the help of great summer staff children learn to communicate with peers and learn leadership skills.



Kids in the Kitchen

Kids in the Kitchen teaches children basic cooking skills in a controlled and supervised setting. Teaching children about nutrition and introducing them to the Canadian Food Guide. During this 8 week program children incorporate all food groups into their meals each time, learning the benefits of healthy eating.



Battlefords Outdoor Hockey League

Battlefords Outdoor Hockey League gives children in our community the opportunity to test out their skills in a new sport. It is a 12 week program that we offer throughout the winter. Thanks to JumpStart and the City of North Battleford we are able to offer this program at no cost and provide the children with all the equipment they will need.



Strong Girls

Strong Girls gives young girls the opportunity to get together and learn from different experiences. It is designed to give girls the skills and tools they need to cope with different situations they may encounter as they grow older.



Check out our website www.battlefordsboysandgirlsclub.ca!

Partnership Highlights

Midwest Food Resources

Kids were able to get into the kitchen at our main site to learn about the basics of cooking through our program *Kids in the Kitchen*. Midwest Food Resources made this program possible and continues to support the Boys and Girls Club.



Canadian Tire Jumpstart

There can be many barriers that can limit children from participating in sports. Thanks to Canadian Tire Jumpstart they made it possible for the Boys and Girls Club to provide a FREE hockey program to the kids!



City of North Battleford

The Boys and Girls Club was able to provide the kids with a swimming program they got to participate in once a week thanks to the City of North Battleford.

2014 Board of Directors

President Hannah McTaggart

Vice President Laird Brittin

Secretary Sandra Favel Rewerts

Treasurer Jennifer Schmidt

Treasurer Jordan Kist

Past President Molly Pederson

Director Aaron Friedman

Director Bernie Etcheverry

Director Jack Mattila

Director Darcy Woolfitt

Director Christie Doyle

Director Jaylene Tait

Presidents Report

When I look back on 2014, what comes to mind is that there were a number of “Firsts” for the Battlefords Boys and Girls Club:

- It was the first **full** year in our beautiful new building;
- We hired our first dedicated accountant on a contract basis as Jaki Esquirol joined the ranks in this capacity;
- We had our first ever Peer Review. This is similar to a “certification” process where we are reviewed against certain criteria to ensure our processes, policies and procedures are up to standard. And we were very pleased as our peers gave us exceptionally good ratings;
- We got to put on a Bull Riding event... now that’s something not a lot of NGO’s get a chance to do. This was in August as we partnered with the organizers of the first ever PBR event in the Battlefords.

In addition, we made great strides with technology getting our website updated and improved, and getting a Facebook and Twitter presence.

And this is all in addition to what we do every day for children in the Battlefords, providing them with a place to belong where they are respected, encouraged, supported and engaged by a dedicated and hard-working staff.

And of course our two big fundraising events, the Soapbox Derby and Gala/Silent Auction were again very successful.

The Boys and Girls Club is supported year after year in so many ways. The Battlefords business community steps up to provide much needed financial support. Battlefords citizens from all walks of life assist us by volunteering on our board, for special events and for on-going programs. And corporate sponsorship from a variety of funders provides much needed capital.

We are in for a big change this year as Sheri Woolridge, our Executive Director for over 5 years, will be leaving us to move with her husband to Yorkton. I would have to extend my report by another full page to talk about the accomplishments that Sheri has achieved during this time. Needless to say, we are going to miss her greatly. At the same time, we are excited to have Nicole Combres take over the ED reigns and look forward to working with her in the future.

So a big thank you to our all the members of our board and to Sheri and the entire staff for another successful year.

Respectfully submitted,

Laird Brittin – Vice-President and Acting Board Chair

SoapBox Derby

SoapBox Derby has been one of our major fundraisers over the past 24 years. All the schools in the Battlefords get involved. Children who want to be involved get pledge sheets that they take home and raise money. Prizes are awarded based on the individual’s total amount raised.



Our Major Fundraisers



PBR

Newly introduced to the Battlefords, the Professional Bull Riding Rodeo was a huge success. This fundraiser was a partnership with the PBR committee and the Boys and Girls Club.

Annual Fundraising Dinner and Silent Auction

The community gets together for an evening of socializing and a great meal. With both our silent auction and live auctions the community is able to make donation that go towards the Battlefords Boys & Girls Club. It is our first event of the Christmas season which starts the true season of giving!



Great futures



start here.



2014
Our Club Year



5 Locations



3052
Evenings &
Weekend Visits



17,142
Children & Youth



12,201
Visits
Afterschool



1889
Special
Programming
Participants

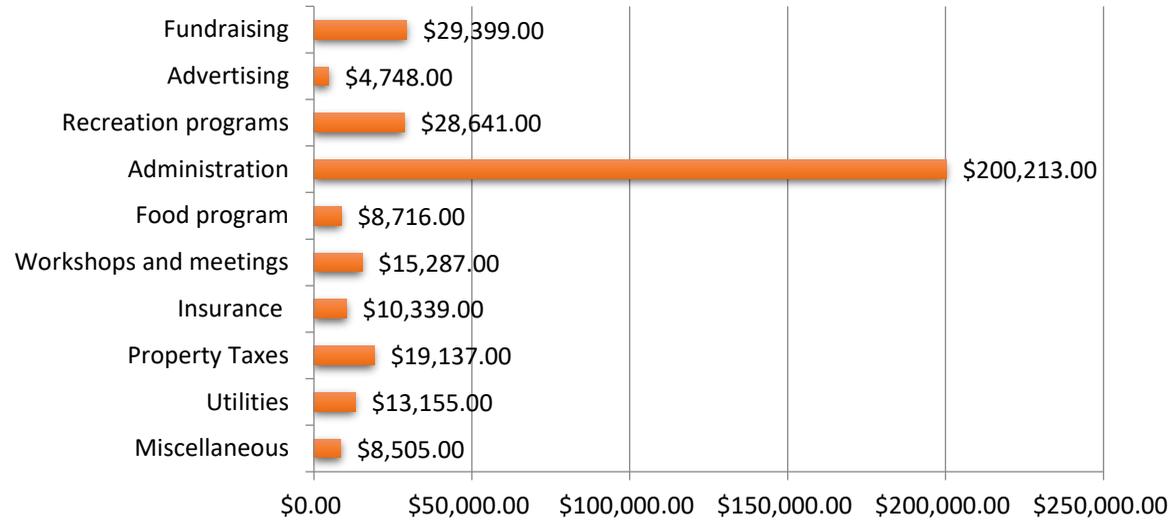


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Food Portions Served

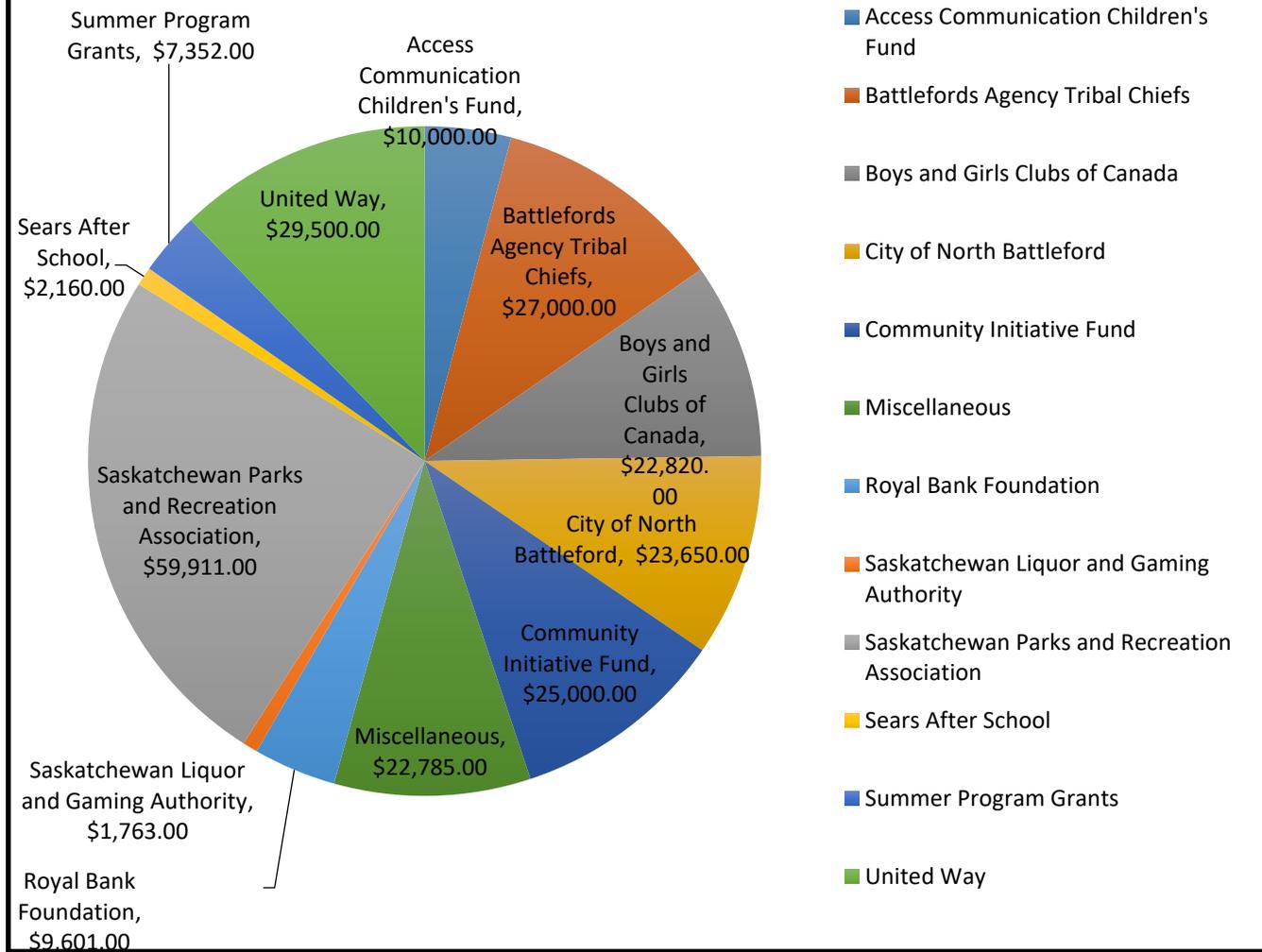


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2014 Expenses



2014 Grant Revenue



2014 Revenue

