



Edmonton Federation of
Community Leagues

Annual Report



"Motley Crew"

**EFCL Board Of Directors Provides Entertainment At
Community League Showcase Event**

(L-R) Shaffeeq Ali, District L Director, Ron Favell, District B Director, Lindsay Smith, VP
External, Rob Agostinis, District H Director
Hidden From View: Trevor Elliott, District D Director, Masood Makarechian, President

2015

Presented at

Annual General Meeting
May 25, 2016

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**WHERE NEIGHBOURS MEET
and GREAT THINGS HAPPEN**
EDMONTON FEDERATION of COMMUNITY LEAGUES

OUR VISION

Edmonton Is a place where community is understood and valued, and where Leagues are seen as the mechanism for citizens to build great neighbourhoods and advocate for the city they want.

OUR MISSION

We connect, represent and enable Leagues to preserved and promote the Community League way of life.

2015 TEAM

Board of Directors

President	Masood Makarechian	District K
Vice President Internal	Shafeek Ali	District L
Vice President External	Lindsay Smith	District I
Treasurer	Trevor Elliott	District D
Director	Jesse Watson	District A
Director	Ron Favell	District B
Director	Jamie Post	District E
Director	Rob Agostinis	District H
Director	Gavin Martinson	District J
Director	Vacant	District C
Director	Vacant	District F
Director	Vacant	District G

Committees

Planning and Development Committee	Jesse Watson	Chair
100th Anniversary Steering Committee	Lindsay Smith	Chair
100th Anniversary Story Committee	Ron Kuban	Chair
100th Anniversary Fundraising Committee	Rob Agostinis	Co-Chair
100th Anniversary Fundraising Committee	Nora Begoray	Co-Chair
Partnership Agreement Committee	Masood Makarechian	Chair
K-Days Committee	Nora Begoray	Chair
Communications Committee	Barb Martowski	Chair

2015 TEAM

Administration Staff

Nora Begoray
Allan Bolstad
Joanne Booth
Linda Crosby
Habib Fatmi
Leslie Holmes
Barb Martowski
Nancy Rempel
Loie Unwin
Bev Zubot

Business Development Director
Executive Director
Asst. Director/Membership Services
Financial Officer
Community Development Officer
100th Anniversary Project Historical Researcher
Communications Director
Office Assistant
Board Development Director
Community Planning Advisor



Nora Begoray



Allan Bolstad



Joanne Booth



Linda Crosby



Habib Fatmi



Leslie Holmes



Barb Martowski



Nancy Rempel



Loie Unwin



Bev Zubot



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2015 District Representatives

District A
Jesse Watson

District B
Ron Favell

District C
Currently vacant

District D
Trevor Elliott
Treasurer

District E
Mark Nicoll
Retired
May 2015

District E
Jamie Post
Elected
May 2015

District F
Bill
Moore-Kilgannon
Retired May 2015

District G
Currently Vacant

District H
Rob Agostinis

District I
Lindsay Smith
VP External

District J
Gavin Martinson

District K
Masood Makarechian
President

District L
ShafEEK Ali
VP Internal

DISTRICT REPORTS

Londonderry—District B **Ron Favell, Director**



This was a year of ups and downs. Most of the communities in my area had great successes in their operations and programs.

Lago Lindo Community League is up and running with the construction of its new community hall.

I have been working with Rosslyn Community League and the City on the parking lot, regarding configuration issues which may result in a public hearing.

Due to differences of opinion, Glengarry Community League has opted out of Area Council 2 and has served notice.

Our biggest project was to get Londonderry Community League up and running with the enormous help of the EFCL staff and volunteers. We were able to get a meeting where a board was elected. This is a positive start. More work is still needed, but the horizon looks good. Best of luck, Londonderry.



EFCL staff, board members and other league volunteers from across the city came together to do a membership blitz in a successful effort to save the Londonderry Community League.

DISTRICT REPORTS

Jasper Place—District E **Jamie Post, Director**



May means spring, possibly one last snowfall, a long weekend and the anniversary date of my first year on the EFCL Board. District E was previously represented by Mark Nicol of the Glenora Community League and by former EFCL and Meadowlark Community League president, David Gibbens. Those are significant shoes to fill, but I'm proud to say that I was able to know and learn from both prior to volunteering to serve in this role.

District E, or "Jasper Place" for those reading this report who aren't familiar with our boundaries, is comprised of mature communities in the inner west-end: Britannia-Youngstown, Canora, Crestwood, Elmwood, Glenora, Glenwood (my league!), Grovenor, High Park, Jasper Park, Laurier Heights, Lynnwood, Mayfield, McQueen, Meadowlark Park, North Glenora, Parkview, West Jasper, Sherwood, and West Meadowlark.

Being an area of mature communities, infill development continues to be the most talked about issue that I'm hearing. The Laurier Heights Community League is working to organize a meeting on the topic in September. A group of leagues, organized by volunteers in Glenora, also met to discuss infill in a meeting at the Royal Alberta Museum last year. The EFCL's Planning and Development Committee continues to take a focused and detailed review of city policy and bylaw amendments related to infill redevelopment. This work will only continue to grow as redevelopment pressures intensify and as the city proposes policy and bylaw amendments as part of the Infill Action Plan and Mature Neighbourhood Overlay review. The group is well supported by Bev Zubot, the EFCL's Planning Advisor. If you haven't subscribed to the [EFCL E-News](#), I strongly suggest doing so. It regularly includes planning news and requests for feedback.

This year, the EFCL Board approved a change to the membership of the Planning Committee, allowing each district to have two representatives. Representatives are elected by their Districts at one of the Federation's general meetings. Please [send me an email](#) if you're interested in volunteering for our District on the committee.

In September, several of us from the EFCL Board, along with Executive Director Allan Bolstad, met with the Hon. David Eggen, a member of Cabinet and the MLA for Edmonton-Calder. To help facilitate the meeting, each attendee focused on a specific area, mine being municipal campaign finance reform. Early in its legislative agenda, our current government moved to ban corporate and union donations in provincial campaigns. The EFCL is asking that this be extended to municipal campaign finances as well.

September also marked "Community League Day" in Edmonton. Leagues in District E were active on that Saturday and the weeks immediately before and after.

(Pictured Below: Meeting Councillor Andrew Knack and members of the West Meadowlark Exec, fireworks in High Park, the Glenora community hall, outdoors in North Glenora, and Glenwood's "Party in the Park.")



As community leagues, we are all about the connections we make. How we do that as league volunteers in the west-end is something we should discuss. Leagues in many parts of the city are part of area councils, such as the Millwoods President's Council, Central Area Council of Community Leagues and the Terwilliger Riverbend Advisory Council. It's been several years since leagues in District E were part of a similar body. I'd like to know if there's an interest among league executives in forming a west-end community league council. Please give it some thought and [email me](#) with your feedback.

In the interim, we can arrange a meeting of west-end community leagues outside of a formal structure, and I'll be in contact with you individually about organizing a gathering later this year. Digital tools are free, needing only the investment of our time. The EFCL has been offering training on the use of social media. There is also a Facebook admin group used by west-end leagues to share news, events and other info. If you're not already a member, you can [click here and request to be added.](#)

Thanks for reading this far through my report, and please stay in touch regarding the events, issues and happenings in your community.

DISTRICT REPORTS

Greater Strathcona—District I **Lindsay Smith, VP External/Director**



As with any of the 12 EFCL Districts in the city, so much has happened within each of our leagues, there isn't room in this report to detail all of what has happened with each of the leagues this year, so here are just a few of the highlights.



We had great participation on Community League Day from a number of our leagues, notably Ritchie who held an awesome car show again this year and Hazeldean held the grand opening of its new playground. Both of these events were attended by Premier Rachel Notley and several extensive rebuild of its hall, and we look forward to the grand opening very soon. Last fall, the EFCL held a contest to see which community league could get its rink going first. Our Grandview Heights Community League won the contest and its residents were treated to a wonderful skating party in 2016 hosted by the EFCL staff.

Marie is all set to enjoy an outdoor movie at Argyll CL's 2015 Community League Day party.

Our District is fortunate in that we have an active area council that incorporates almost exactly the same community leagues as District I. The leagues that make up District I or Greater Strathcona as we prefer to call it are: Allendale, Argyll, Belgravia, Empire Park, Garneau, Grandview Heights, Hazeldean, Lendrum, McKernan, Parkallen, Pleasantview, Queen Alexandra, Ritchie, Strathcona Centre, and Windsor Park. The Central Area Council of Community Leagues (CACCL) meets monthly and is a great opportunity for representatives from our leagues to get together and exchange ideas and receive information.

The Rollie Miles District Park, where the EFCL office is located, lies within Greater Strathcona, and is going to be rebuilt soon. Our communities have been giving input as to what we would like to see incorporated into the rebuild of the park and we look forward to seeing the plan for it.

Most recently, the first annual Great Neighbour Race was held in Hawrelak Park, raising money toward the EFCL 100th Anniversary Project that will see a Community League Plaza built near where the race started and finished. At last we will have a “place” that honours our community leagues and all of the thousands of volunteers that have given their time and talents to their leagues for almost a century now.

As I am approaching the end of my sixth year as an EFCL Director (which is the maximum time that one can serve as a Director,) I must say that I am very thankful to have had this opportunity and experience. Even though I have served on my own Community League’s Board for almost 20 years, it was not until I became an EFCL Director that I realized and came to appreciate what an amazing asset Edmonton’s community leagues are and all of the work that the EFCL does to support all of those Leagues. I would also like to thank and pass on best wishes from all of the leagues in Greater Strathcona to our Executive Director, Allan Bolstad, who is retiring at the end of this month. The growth and impact of the EFCL as an organization under his direction has been remarkable. It has truly been an honour and a pleasure for me to work with Allan and all of the EFCL staff for the past six years.



Who is having more fun at the rink party — EFCL executive director, Allan Bolstad or the Grandview kids?

DISTRICT REPORTS

Mill Woods/Meadows—District L **Shaffeek Ali, Director**

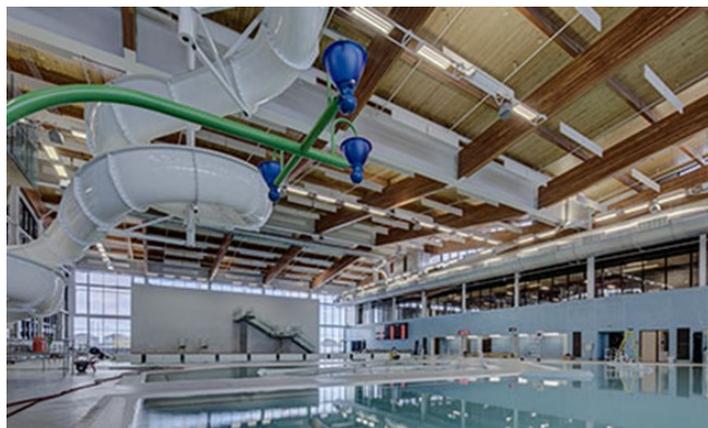


District L is located in South East Edmonton and can be described as covering Mill Woods and the Meadows. The District includes 13 community leagues of which nine are located in Mill Woods, Ellerslie Community League, Summerside Community League, The Meadows Community League and the most recently formed community league (in 2012), Fulton Meadows.

District L continues to grow, as evidenced by the increase in new housing starts and new business development. This growth, however, is not only limited to physical expansion but also to the growth in need for social and recreational programs to meet the increasing population of the District.

The Mill Woods Presidents' Council (MWPC) serves as the umbrella organization for all the community leagues of the District. The Council is made up of all the presidents (or a representative) of the community leagues, sports groups and community partners. The Council meets monthly and provides a forum for information exchange, addressing issues common to the District and where new or emerging community leagues can get assistance or guidance as they undertake their community projects. Even the established leagues have the opportunity to address emerging issues like LRT and rezoning.

It has been a very active 2015/2016 year for the District. Various community leagues undertook projects like hall renovations, playground rebuilding or upgrades and offered many social and recreational programs.



The recently opened Meadows Community Recreation Centre is serving the District very well. In spite of some startup issues, the facilities at the Centre are very well used and to some degree exceeded expectations. The Meadows Community League continues to operate out of the Centre and is serving its needs very well.

Most of the community leagues in the District had successful Community League Day activities. Each community league took their own approach in celebrating the day. Activities included a pancake breakfast, a flea market, big bin cleanup, sports activities and the celebration of the completion of a playground. Most of the activities were complemented by hotdogs or hamburgers.

Canada Day celebrations in Mill Woods continue to be one of the major activities of the District. It brings together all the leagues through financial contributions and volunteer participation to put on the event. It is a full day of children and adult activities, music and cultural performances and culminating with a spectacular fireworks at 11:00 PM. Attendance has been estimated at 40,000 to 50,000 people from all over the Capital Region. This annual event has received excellent reviews.

It was a pleasure representing District L on the EFCL Board and I look forward to the coming year.

YEAR IN REVIEW

Allan Bolstad

Annual Report – 2015



The EFCL can look back at 2015 with pride for a host of reasons.



Celebrating league volunteers at the Showcase 2015 was one of the highlights of the year for both the EFCL staff and the board.

Beginning with the fun stuff, we once again managed to host a variety of **successful events**. For example, in 2015 we brought back our Community League Showcase, where we acknowledged the work of dozens of leagues and hundreds of league volunteers in what proved to be a very enjoyable evening at the Santa Maria Goretti Centre. We also raised over \$5,000 that night in donations for our 100th Anniversary Project.

Our Community League Day promotion went well again in 2015, as the pool party packs were a big hit and close to 100 leagues held events on what turned out to be a beautiful day.

We also had an excellent display at Heritage Days, where we connected with many new Edmonton families. This was followed by a most enjoyable and well-attended volunteer recognition barbeque in Hawrelak Park, where everyone felt good about the progress our organization has been making.

Rounding out the year, were three successful general meetings, where a growing number of leagues are taking advantage of the opportunity to gain and share information.

A Number of Firsts

We also broke through on a number of fronts this year, which was nice to see. For example, this was the first year we managed to obtain information on the financial condition of our leagues. We were pleased to discover that most leagues are operating in the black and have a fair bit of money in the bank to cover infrastructure improvements or deal with emergencies.

We also helped about 100 leagues design and order wind flags, which is the first time we have had a common advertising tool to raise the profile of our membership.

The year 2015 will also go down as the first time the EFCL decided to hold a rink opening competition, to see which league could be the first to get its ice down and in use. For the record, Grandview Heights won the competition when it had its rink going on November 20. The EFCL hosted a skating party for the league in recognition of its efforts.



And last fall we were among the first organizations to formally welcome Syrian refugees to our community, at a nice ceremony in City Hall.

100th Anniversary Project Take Shape

The EFCL also made good progress on its 100th Anniversary Project, which many people have described as the most ambitious project our group has ever undertaken. Conceptual planning was completed in 2015 and with the addition of a \$500,000 grant from the Government of Alberta, over two thirds of the \$3 million budget has been secured.



Designed to recognize the contributions of community league volunteers, the project will feature a number of displays in a community league plaza and pathway system next to a stream in Hawrelak Park. Plans call for construction to begin in late 2016 and to be largely complete by the fall of 2017.

Online Membership Sales Soar

The decision by the EFCL to sell community league memberships online has proven to be fortuitous as well, as thousands of Edmontonians are now taking advantage of this service. In fact, by the end of 2015, we estimated that nearly one in four community league memberships sold in Edmonton happened on the EFCL's website.

We also believe that this has helped generate new members for the leagues, as the ease of purchasing a membership through a computer or smart phone has been very attractive, particularly among young people and those new to the community league movement.

While on the subject of electronic communications, the federation is pleased to report that at the end of 2015, roughly 95% of all community leagues had a website and 80% used at least one form of social media to connect with their members and the community. Meanwhile, both the EFCL and the Downtown Edmonton Community League were named one of Edmonton's top 200 Social Media Influencers for 2015 by Jay Palter Social Advisory (in fact we both made the top 100 on the list and #1 was the City of Edmonton).

Good Progress on the Planning Front

Responding to the city's focus on infill housing, the EFCL and the leagues initiated a number of projects to address its negative impacts and promote positive change.

For example, we formed an EFCL Construction Issues Committee and wrote a major report which documented construction problems and proposed solutions, many of which have been acted on by Council and City Administration. This work continues into 2016.

The EFCL Planning Committee and other league volunteers also worked together to support City Administration in the creation of regulations which incent the preservation of mature trees and require the planting of trees and shrubs when low density housing is developed. We also supported the bylaw which moves corner row housing further away from the neighbouring property, giving the neighbour more privacy and sun, while providing back yard space for row housing residents. We also initiated the creation of additional privacy regulations in all residential areas.

In addition, we held a couple of well-attended workshops for leagues to help them prepare for the City's upcoming Mature Neighbourhood Overlay (MNO) review, and to set the agenda for the review. This Overlay regulates redevelopments in mature neighbourhoods, thus any changes to these regulations will have a major impact on the neighbourhoods of approximately 90 leagues.



The EFCL planning committee and league volunteers worked together this year on a number of issues facing our communities.

The focus for 2016 will be on the city's MNO Review and the City's creation of the long range green network strategy for all of Edmonton.

Preparing for the Future

The EFCL also took a major step forward in 2015 with the completion of its Growth Strategy. Building on the 2014-2019 strategic plan, the growth strategy sets out some key targets for the organization and puts into perspective the steps that need to be taken for us to get there.

Key to our future steps, according to the strategy, will be the development and implementation of a comprehensive membership sales initiative, where we hope to see a significant increase in the number of Edmontonians belonging to their local community league.

In order to reach this goal, the federation will need the support of all of its 157 leagues as well as the City of Edmonton.

Finally, completion of the growth strategy has helped the EFCL better understand its current situation and plan for the future in a much more comprehensive way. This will serve us well in the development of multi-year budgets, which will be another first for our organization!



Audited Financial Statements

YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2015

**Prepared By
Hawkings Epp Dumont, LLP
Chartered Accountants**

**EDMONTON FEDERATION OF
COMMUNITY LEAGUES**
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2015

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Members of Edmonton Federation of Community Leagues
Edmonton, Alberta

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the Edmonton Federation of Community Leagues, which comprise the statement of financial position as at December 31, 2015, and the statements of operations, changes in net assets and cash flows for the year then ended, and a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

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

Auditor's 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 whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

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

Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Edmonton Federation of Community Leagues as at December 31, 2015, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations.

Edmonton, Alberta
April 14, 2016



HAWKINGS EPP DUMONT LLP
Chartered Accountants

EDMONTON FEDERATION OF COMMUNITY LEAGUES

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

AS AT DECEMBER 31, 2015

	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>
<u>ASSETS</u>		
Current Assets		
Cash (Note 3)	\$ 1,152,430	\$ 579,197
Accounts receivable	59,378	35,916
Goods and Services Tax receivable	9,089	9,609
Prepaid expenses	<u>1,202</u>	<u>5,142</u>
	1,222,099	629,864
Tangible Capital Assets (Note 4)	<u>177,351</u>	<u>193,071</u>
	<u>\$ 1,399,450</u>	<u>\$ 822,935</u>
<u>LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS</u>		
Current Liabilities		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ 52,949	\$ 106,965
Wages and vacation payable	23,534	18,474
Employee deductions payable	<u>15,264</u>	<u>6,414</u>
	91,747	131,853
Deferred Contributions - Operating (Note 5)	869,879	248,118
Deferred Contributions - Tangible Capital Assets (Note 6)	<u>22,325</u>	<u>29,196</u>
	<u>983,951</u>	<u>409,167</u>
Net Assets		
Invested in tangible capital assets	155,026	163,875
Internally restricted (Note 7)	200,892	201,892
Unrestricted	<u>59,581</u>	<u>48,001</u>
	<u>415,499</u>	<u>413,768</u>
	<u>\$ 1,399,450</u>	<u>\$ 822,935</u>

APPROVED ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD:

_____ Director

_____ Director

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

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EDMONTON FEDERATION OF COMMUNITY LEAGUES

STATEMENT OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2015

	<u>2015</u> Budget	<u>2015</u> Actual	<u>2014</u> Actual
Revenue			
Grants	\$ 581,335	\$ 674,491	\$ 656,927
Membership dues	96,500	94,620	93,547
Londonderry hall	-	60,351	-
Recoveries	25,000	50,946	22,277
Sponsorships	37,000	37,479	30,250
Casino	40,000	21,442	41,177
Other	17,000	19,770	7,110
Interest	<u>8,000</u>	<u>6,761</u>	<u>8,443</u>
	<u>804,835</u>	<u>965,860</u>	<u>859,731</u>
Expenses			
Salaries and benefits	527,500	530,426	551,044
Community League services	105,500	116,298	90,587
100th anniversary project	-	81,283	61,821
Office and building operations	67,800	61,461	69,016
One-time expenditures	39,000	59,767	79,486
Londonderry hall	-	55,781	-
Amortization	25,000	31,664	27,805
Governance	21,000	17,339	22,952
Professional fees	<u>9,000</u>	<u>10,110</u>	<u>10,397</u>
	<u>794,800</u>	<u>964,129</u>	<u>913,108</u>
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenue over Expenses	<u>\$ 10,035</u>	<u>\$ 1,731</u>	<u>\$ (53,377)</u>

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EDMONTON FEDERATION OF COMMUNITY LEAGUES

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2015

	Invested in Tangible Capital Assets	Internally Restricted	Unrestricted	<u>2015</u> Total	<u>2014</u> Total
Balance, Beginning of Year	\$ 163,875	\$ 201,892	\$ 48,001	\$ 413,768	\$ 467,145
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenue over Expenses	(24,793)	(1,000)	27,524	1,731	(53,377)
Tangible Capital Asset Purchases	<u>15,944</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(15,944)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Balance, End of Year	<u>\$ 155,026</u>	<u>\$ 200,892</u>	<u>\$ 59,581</u>	<u>\$ 415,499</u>	<u>\$ 413,768</u>

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EDMONTON FEDERATION OF COMMUNITY LEAGUES

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2015

	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>
Operating Activities		
Excess (deficiency) of revenue over expenses	\$ 1,731	\$ (53,377)
Items not affecting cash:		
Amortization of tangible capital assets	31,664	27,805
Amortization of deferred contributions related to tangible capital assets	<u>(6,871)</u>	<u>(6,909)</u>
	26,524	(32,481)
Change in non-cash working capital:		
Accounts receivable	(23,462)	(9,596)
Goods and Services Tax receivable	520	(1,578)
Prepaid expenses	3,940	(78)
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	(54,016)	14,809
Wages and vacation payable	5,060	1,279
Employee deductions payable	8,850	(7,896)
Deferred contributions - operating	<u>621,761</u>	<u>(5,854)</u>
	589,177	(41,395)
Investing Activities		
Purchase of tangible capital assets	<u>(15,944)</u>	<u>(94,226)</u>
Change in Cash During the Year	573,233	(135,621)
Cash, Beginning of Year	<u>579,197</u>	<u>714,818</u>
Cash, End of Year	<u>\$ 1,152,430</u>	<u>\$ 579,197</u>

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EDMONTON FEDERATION OF COMMUNITY LEAGUES

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

DECEMBER 31, 2015

1. NATURE OF ORGANIZATION

The Edmonton Federation of Community Leagues (the "Federation") was established in 1921 and, as a non-profit organization, is exempt from income taxes. The Federation exists to continually improve the efficiency and effectiveness of member organizations in their effort to deliver community programs, by providing leadership as well as operational and administrative support.

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of Presentation

The financial statements were prepared in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations.

Cash

Cash includes chequing and savings accounts and petty cash amounts that are readily converted into known amounts of cash and are subject to an insignificant change in value.

Tangible Capital Assets

Tangible capital assets are recorded at cost. Amortization is provided over the estimated useful lives of the assets at the following methods and rates:

Office equipment	20%	Declining balance method
Computer equipment	30%	Declining balance method
Computer software	100%	Declining balance method
Leasehold improvements	10 years	Straight-line method
Website	10 years	Straight-line method

Revenue Recognition

The Federation follows the deferral method of accounting for contributions, which include donations, casino funds and government grants. Restricted contributions are recognized as revenue during the year in which the related expenses are incurred. Unrestricted contributions are recognized as revenue when received or receivable if the amount to be received can be reasonably estimated and collection is reasonably assured.

Restricted investment income is recognized as revenue in the year in which the related expenses are incurred. Unrestricted investment income is recognized as revenue when earned.

Membership dues are recognized as revenue in the year to which they relate.

Investment income is recognized as revenue when earned.

Contributed Services

The Federation is dependent on the voluntary services of many individuals. The value of these donated services is not recognized in the financial statements due to the difficulty of determining their fair value.

Measurement Uncertainty

The preparation of financial statements in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the recorded amounts of assets and liabilities, the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Significant areas requiring the use of management's estimates include the useful lives of tangible capital assets and the corresponding rates of amortization and the amount of accrued liabilities. All estimates are reviewed periodically and adjustments are made to the statement of revenues and expenditures as appropriate in the year they become known.

EDMONTON FEDERATION OF COMMUNITY LEAGUES

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

DECEMBER 31, 2015

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Financial Instruments

Measurement of financial instruments

The Federation initially measures its financial assets and financial liabilities at fair value and subsequently measures all financial assets and financial liabilities at amortized cost.

Financial assets measured at amortized cost include cash and accounts receivable.

Financial liabilities measured at amortized cost include accounts payable and accrued liabilities.

Impairment

Financial assets measured at cost are tested for impairment when there are indicators of impairment. The amount of the write-down is recognized in the statement of revenues and expenditures. The previously recognized impairment loss may be reversed to the extent of the improvement, directly or by adjusting the allowance account, provided it is no greater than the amount that would have been reported at the date of the reversal had the impairment not been recognized previously. The amount of the reversal is recognized in the statement of revenues and expenditures.

3. CASH

Cash received from casino, government grant funding and members totalling \$869,879 (2014 - \$248,118) are restricted for use in accordance with the terms of the related agreements.

4. TANGIBLE CAPITAL ASSETS

	<u>Cost</u>	<u>Accumulated Amortization</u>	<u>Net Book Value</u>	
			<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>
Office equipment	\$ 122,451	\$ 111,766	\$ 10,685	\$ 13,356
Computer equipment	55,788	48,607	7,181	5,683
Computer software	32,022	32,021	1	1,013
Leasehold improvements	216,645	146,160	70,485	80,095
Website	<u>167,090</u>	<u>78,091</u>	<u>88,999</u>	<u>92,924</u>
	<u>\$ 593,996</u>	<u>\$ 416,645</u>	<u>\$ 177,351</u>	<u>\$ 193,071</u>

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5. DEFERRED CONTRIBUTIONS - OPERATING

Deferred contributions represent restricted operating funding received or receivable in the current year for which the corresponding expenses have not yet been incurred. Changes in the deferred contributions balance are as follows:

	<u>2014</u>	Contributions received <u>during year</u>	Amounts recognized as <u>revenue</u>	<u>2015</u>
100th Anniversary Program	\$ 99,475	\$ 638,340	\$ 81,283	\$ 656,532
Casino	13,190	85,246	21,442	76,994
Rink Roof Program	72,673	-	-	72,673
Membership dues	<u>62,780</u>	<u>95,520</u>	<u>94,620</u>	<u>63,680</u>
	<u>\$ 248,118</u>	<u>\$ 819,106</u>	<u>\$ 197,345</u>	<u>\$ 869,879</u>

6. DEFERRED CONTRIBUTIONS - TANGIBLE CAPITAL ASSETS

Deferred contributions related to tangible capital assets represent contributions received from the City of Edmonton and the Government of Alberta to fund renovations to the Federation's premises.

	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>
Balance, beginning of year	\$ 29,196	\$ 36,105
Amounts amortized	<u>(6,871)</u>	<u>(6,909)</u>
Balance, end of year	<u>\$ 22,325</u>	<u>\$ 29,196</u>

7. INTERNALLY RESTRICTED NET ASSETS

	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>
Financial stabilization reserve fund	\$ 200,000	\$ 200,000
Performing arts prize fund	<u>892</u>	<u>1,892</u>
	<u>\$ 200,892</u>	<u>\$ 201,892</u>

The performing arts prize fund was established to provide prizes to performers in the annual talent show.

The financial stabilization reserve fund was established to provide for emergent, unforeseen expenses such as lawsuits, delays in grant funding, computer system breakdowns or forced office relocation.

8. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

It is management's opinion that the Federation is not exposed to significant credit, liquidity, market, currency, interest rate or other price risk through its financial instruments which include cash, accounts receivable and accounts payable and accrued liabilities.

9. COMPARATIVE FIGURES

The comparative figures have been reclassified to conform with current year presentation.