ST. ALBAN’S
BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB
2018 ANNUAL REPORT

ST. ALBAN’S BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB FAMILY OF CLUBS:
JANE AND FINCH BOYS AND GIRLS CLUBS
BOYS AND GIRLS CLUBS OF WESTON-MOUNT DENNIS
BOYS AND GIRLS CLUBS OF LAWRENCE HEIGHTS
This is the 70th year since the St. Alban’s Boys Sports Club was founded by Toronto Police Inspector Bill Bolton. His vision in 1949 was to provide a safe environment for youth through recreation. The Club began with 25 boys in the basement of St. Alban’s Parish Hall and has developed into the large, diverse, vibrant organization we know today. Our mission continues to be “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”.

The Club provides programming in various locations in downtown Toronto, Jane and Finch, Weston-Mount Dennis and Lawrence Heights. In addition, we have now purchased a campground in the Haliburton Highlands.

In the last year, the Board completed an evaluation of the options for building additional program space at our Palmerston location. It was decided that the cost and potential impact on the neighbourhood did not merit advancing with an expansion at this time.

A major event late last year was the purchase of our Camp. A long time dream of the St. Alban’s leadership team, staff and members we bought a beautiful campground on Howland Lake in the township of Minden Hills. We have a long way to go to get the site, which has not been used for years, ready for campers, but we have been busy with our contractor removing old structures, re-roofing the large dining/recreational hall, improving the road and connecting power. We plan to take small groups of campers tenting this year and will expand programs as the site develops. We are fundraising to build new cabins and acquire all the toys for outdoor activities.

In fall 2018, the Board held a weekend planning session to establish objectives for the organization’s next three years. Four key areas have been identified and task groups have been established: to review and recommend how to improve community engagement in the area of Governance in our satellite communities;
review the Clubs communications to ensure our stories and impacts are current and available in all our communities; to advance the business and development plans for the Camp; and to implement a plan for fundraising for the Camp.

The Club reported positive financials for the last year again recording a surplus. We continue to be well supported by the City of Toronto, the Ontario Trillium Foundation, United Way, and others. Our financials show revenues and expenses of around $4 million for the last fiscal year and in the most recent quarter a small surplus. This indicates that a deficient budget approved for 2018 has been managed despite the lack of anticipated funding being made available from Government to offset the increase in Ontario minimum wages. There is financial risk in potential changes in funding programs particularly made by the Provincial Government. The Board and Management will continue to monitor any changes and make operational adjustments as appropriate. Thanks to those involved in the financial planning for the Club, and again, especially to David Nemirovsky, our treasurer.

As always it is my pleasure to congratulate the staff and volunteers for a job well done. Our staff is very committed and provides the enthusiastic support to build an outstanding organization. I would like to thank all the longer term and new Board Members for their interest and enthusiasm. As I have done for what is now many years, I would again in 2019 emphasize the outstanding job of Chris Foster for his leadership and commitment to the Club.

Don Stewart, President, 17 June 2019
OUR MISSION

To provide safe, supportive places where children and youth can experience new opportunities, overcome barriers, build positive relationships, and develop confidence and skills for life.

OUR VISION

All children and youth discover and achieve their dreams and grow up to be healthy, successful, and active participants in society.
OUR
VALUES

BELONGING
We welcome everyone in a safe, accepting environment based on belonging and positive relationships

RESPECT
We ensure that everyone—children, youth, families, volunteers, staff—is heard, valued, and treated fairly

ENCOURAGEMENT AND SUPPORT
We encourage and support every child and youth to play, learn, and grow to achieve their dreams

WORKING TOGETHER
We work together with young people, families, volunteers, our communities, and government

SPEAKING OUT
We speak out for children, youth, and families so that we can make our world better
WHO WE SERVE

- **65%** 6-12 year olds
- **14%** 0-5 year olds
- **12%** 13-21 year olds
- **9%** Over 21

We all have a Wonder Woman inside of us.
30 Service Locations

308 Staff Members

33334 Members Served
REVENUE BY SOURCE

- Program Fees: 53%
- Ontario: 12%
- Toronto: 10%
- United Way: 10%
- Canada: 5%
- Fundraising: 4%
- Foundations: 4%
- BGCC: 3%
SOCcer Goals Scored

1 Campground Purchased

260 Tracks Recorded in the Sound Studio

Expenses by Location

- St. Alban’s: 60%
- Weston-Mount Dennis/Lawrence Heights: 15%
- Jane and Finch: 11%
- Camp Howland Lake: 2%
- Administration: 13%
750 successful climbs to the top of the rock climbing wall

13,796 preschool photos sent to parents

7,500 sit ups completed by sole sisters participants

1,152 cupcakes baked for fundraisers

1,411,984 dishes washed for lunch & snacks

1824 raise the grade volunteer mentor hours
BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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For their outstanding commitment to changing young lives.

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