

New Path Foundation Annual Report 2009/10

Leading and Inspiring Change: Develop and manage philanthropic investment and mobilize community support to meet the mental health needs of children, youth, and families.

This year has been one of growth for New Path Foundation with a number of significant activities. With the consulting expertise of Aperio, New Path Foundation has developed a core set of eight values and principles along with strategic priorities aimed at Program Activities, Stakeholder Engagement, Operational Capacity, and Financial Growth. The latter priority is grounded in further development of earned income strategies that will see a revenue increase of \$1 million by year five. After careful consideration, the Board of Directors has established funding support to develop an Annual Campaign that will become the donor base for future initiatives such as planned giving.

The three year business plan process includes annual plans developed, implemented and monitored to ensure alignment with the strategic priorities. This approach provides a more disciplined, business approach to our work. The strategic plan for New Path Foundation was developed jointly with New Path Services resulting in consistency and complimentary between the two organizations. We also currently have two dedicated board member positions that sit on both boards.

New Path Ventures is the home of the Foundation's current and future earned income activities. The Common Roof projects are the most ambitious work area with the Barrie site up and running for almost three years and a new site scheduled for occupancy in Orillia by March 2011. Collingwood remains a strong possibility in the coming year. A successful maintenance company is also managed by Ventures, providing quality cleaning and maintenance services for our offices. The Common Roof model developed here at the Foundation has been proven successful and there is increasing interest from elsewhere in the province and the U.S. Workshops and conference presentations have been conducted across Ontario and most recently in San Francisco at the SEAlliance World Summit. We know that real estate investment is rock solid over the long run and this social enterprise venture has enormous potential. A leadership group of senior staff and board members have participated in both the Social Enterprise Alliance and the Non Profit Centers Network in the United States.

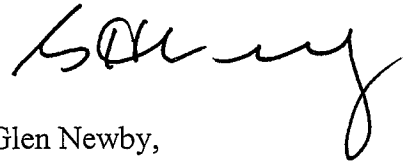
The annual signature event, "Not Just Jazz", was very successful again this past year, raising in excess of \$25,000 to help children and youth. The individual and corporate sponsors, and the Organizing Committee, really stepped up to make this event so enjoyable.

In addition to various general grants, the Foundation now has four specified funds, the TwineBridge Fund, the Newby Youth Engagement Fund, the Hope Fund and the Coalition Fund that supports the Children Youth and Family Services Coalition of Simcoe County. New Path Foundation has also been given the responsibility of serving as the Trustee for the Simcoe County Coalition's staffing and financial affairs.

We all get so caught up in the day to day work that it takes a year of reflection to fully appreciate all the accomplishments that the Foundation has been able to make this past year. None of this could have happened without the leadership and guidance of the board of directors, and their generosity of time. None of this could happen without commitment and passion of New Path Foundation staff. None of this could happen without the skill, expertise and finesse of those leadership staff positions at New Path that volunteer their time. Probably most importantly, the Foundation's accomplishments could not have happened without the many stakeholders, individuals and businesses, who have made substantial donations this past year. All of these people understand that the most important investment we can make is in the mental health of our children, youth, and families.



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