

# 2019-2020 Annual Report



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# Message from our Board President and Executive Director

Our current strategic plan was designed to take us into 2020 and we knew at the close of our 2019 Annual General Meeting that the development of a new strategic plan needed to be addressed.



A strategic plan provides a course that guides the organization into the future, and we will introduce the new 2020-2025 plan at our  $49^{th}$  Annual General

Meeting. This was a long and detailed process and we greatly appreciate the input of our funders, key stakeholders, and Agency staff members – together they helped shape and clarify our future strategies.

Our programs are on solid ground and we are committed to bringing to the forefront issues that need to be addressed at a global level; and our Human Trafficking and Trauma Conference reflected that commitment.



During the 2019/20 fiscal year, we continued to address the service gaps in Peel Region, and modified and modernized our programs to respond to these needs. We also responded to issues that were not bound by geographical borders; violence against men who experienced early childhood abuse and violence against women and children are but two examples.

Our employment programs worked with youth and individuals who were underemployed, unemployed or seeking other opportunities for employment. Our counselling programs worked diligently with individuals from all walks of life who were seeking support in dealing with issues that often become overwhelming.

Our team of dedicated professionals ensured that the support needed for individuals in our developmental services programs were delivered in a respectful, caring manner to enable our clients to continue to reach their goals and maintain their independence.

The partnerships that we developed with other like-minded organizations enhanced all the programs we offer and most importantly, provided our clients with a full range of options to access the supports they need.

We couldn't have completed another successful year without the continued support of our funders, community partners, volunteers, dedicated employees, and most importantly, those who trusted us to join them on their transformative journey.

William C. Cathers, Board President

Chuck MacLean, Executive Director

# Our Strategic Directions

"Access the support you need to change your life."



Responsiveness to the Community

Leadership, Collaboration, Advocacy

**Accountability** 

#### Responsiveness

Ran an employment services infomercial on 1060AM radio, Voces Latinas segment.

Conducted an interview on 960AM radio, Sauga News Peel Matters segment.

Human Trafficking & Trauma event (Feb. 2020) and our keynote speaker were featured on a CTV News segment.

Conducted client health & wellness telephone checks and delivered online workshops.

At quarterly meetings, Agency staff and students learned about BCMS Services, Elder Abuse Prevention Ontario, Hoarding, SWOT analysis, and various programs.

#### Leadership

Provided Trauma Screening training to various Ontario organizations, and trauma-informed training to the Board of Directors.

Held a therapeutic support group for women who have experienced abuse.

Hosted and participated in community career fairs.

Chair of Region of Peel Income Security & Economic Development Implementation Committee.

Provided training to CAS and VAW staff on how to engage men.

#### **Accountability**

In compliance with Ontario Regulation 299/10 of Quality Assurance Measures applicable to MCCSS-funded services/ supports for adults with developmental disabilities.

In compliance with AODA standards and requirements.

Met and exceeded employment services' targets.

Formed a Strategic Planning Committee to research and develop our 2020 to 2025 strategic plan.

Ensured that there is a protocol in place for managing cybersecurity risk.

Overall low administrative cost.

#### **Our Work**

"Through leadership, collaboration and innovation, we support families and individuals in Peel to transform their lives."



"It was difficult to walk in and see Intake. It took several months before I did. The Intake person was great and understanding. I felt like the weight was lifted off my shoulders."

**Counselling Program Client** 

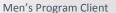
# HIGHLIGHTS OF OUR 2019/20 FISCAL YEAR Programs



"You worked behind the scenes to get me the job. The way you supported me right from day one when my self-esteem was so low; encouraged me to attend all the workshops, seminars and job fairs, and prepared my résumé... that was just incredible!

**Employment Ontario Client** 

"...Angry at my parents, my abuser and most importantly myself. I beat myself up because I felt I did nothing to stop my abuser. Thankfully, I found a strong support system through the Men's group and individual counselling. I now understand that I could not stop something I didn't know needed to be stopped."





#### Counselling

- 5,079 people accessed services
- 1,019 clients served in our Walk-in Counselling Service
- 96 clients received services offsite
- 152 people utilized our free counselling service during Mental Health Awareness Month (May)

#### **Developmental Disabilities**

- 222 clients served
- **8,769** hours of support
- 9% increase in the clients we serve (Supported Independent Living Program)
- 35 attendees at Supported Independent Living picnic (July 11, 2019)
- 34 participants at Supported Independent Living holiday lunch (December 13, 2019)

#### **Education**

- **3** F&ST cycles
- 27 families served
- 84 children, adults, and seniors participated in F&ST
- 48 students in Co-op and Internship Programs, who contributed over 6,900 hours
- Academic relationship with 14 colleges/universities and schools

"[Our FSP Facilitator] was very efficient, effective and always dealt with my brother with the greatest respect and kindness. She goes way beyond the job description, and we truly appreciate all her efforts."

Supported Independent Living Client



#### **Employment**

- 2,954 clients served
- Over **15,000** hours of service
- **312** clients employed
- **56** clients returned to school
- Hosted over 245 workshops (EO Program)
- Customer satisfaction rate:
  - √ 98% in Employment
    Ontario Program
  - √ 90% in Youth

    Opportunities Program

#### **Trauma Intervention**

- 1,718 men, women and children accessed services
- Over 8,000 hours of counselling support
- 221 group sessions
- 243 partners contacted (PAR Program)
- Due to an increase in courtmandated cases, we ran an additional PAR Program group to offset the waitlist.

#### **HIGHLIGHTS OF OUR 2019/20 FISCAL YEAR Research and Development / Milestones**

#### April 2019

•3-year Collective Agreement successfully ratified



#### May

 Free workshops provided in recognition of Mental Health Awareness Month



#### June

 Hosted a Global Conference on **Human Trafficking** & Trauma: A **Public Health** Response



#### June

 Received approval for 6 students in the Canada **Summer Jobs** Program

#### October

 Selected as Lead Agency for the Peel Elder Abuse Prevention Network (PEAPN)



#### February 2020

·Selected as one of the United Way **Greater Toronto Anchor Agencies** in Peel Region



#### **February**

 Hosted a Human Trafficking & Trauma: Social Awareness & Enrichment event



#### March

 Adjusted service delivery to be in compliance with COVID-19 health guidelines



- •CCS
- •CFSPD
- •CLM
- •CNCS
- Coalition for Persons with Disabilities
- •EO Employers
- HEAL Trafficking
- •Men's Program
- Mississauga **Furniture Bank**
- Paths2Support
- PCCN
- PEAPN
- Peel CAS
- Polvcultural Immigrant C.S.
- Salvation Army
- SAVIS of Halton
- Spectra Helpline
- YOP Employers



#### Caledon Mayor/ **Presentations** Town Council (10year Plan on Strategic Poverty Reduction)

- CMHA Crisis **Bootcamp**
- •Conference on Maternal Health at York University (Poster Presentation on Trauma)
- **•OCHA RNAO** Conference (Trauma Screening for HT)
- Social Innovation Event at UTM (To Raise Awareness of HT)



#### Anti-oppression & Anti-racism Framework

- Capturing Life's **Moments** Program (3 Cs)
- Developmental Services HT **Awareness**
- Peer-to-Peer **Support Toolkit** for HT Survivors
- Syrian **Newcomers** Multiculturalism Project
- Trauma Screening and Assessment Training Model



#### Human Trafficking & Trauma Conference Report

- Human Sex **Trafficking Needs** Assessment
- Human **Trafficking Rates** Alarmingly High in Peel Region (Agency featured in inBrampton article)
- PIVP Quarterly **Newsletters**
- Study Reveals Human **Trafficking Rates** Alarmingly High in Mississauga (Agency featured in inSauga article)

# HIGHLIGHTS OF OUR 2019/20 FISCAL YEAR Community Engagement and Special Recognition



#### **Board of Directors**

•William C. Cathers, President | Christine Staley, Vice President | Harjit Brar, Secretary/Treasurer | Scott Armstrong | Katie Fong | Hannah Kazman | Kirat Klair | Hamza Minhas | Stuart Johnson, Honorary Member | Maria Kotsopoulos, Honorary Member

#### **Our Funders**

 Ministry of Children, Community and Social Services | Ministry of the Attorney General | Ministry of Training, Colleges and Universities | Mississauga Halton Local Health Integration Network | Region of Peel | Service Canada | The Ontario Trillium Foundation | United Way Greater Toronto

#### **Our Donors**

- •We wish to thank our donors for their valuable contributions.
- •Thank you to Subaru of Mississauga and The Frank Fowler Foundation for their ongoing generous donations.



#### Highlights

- In 2019/20, 88 people accessed our free Community Income Tax Clinic sessions.
- In 2019, Legal Aid Ontario was unable to continue to provide family law counsel due to funding cuts.
   Mississauga Law Chambers graciously accepted this volunteer opportunity and provided services to 236 clients.
- F&ST cycles were run at 3 schools.
   Unfortunately further cycles were put on hold due to school board issues.
- In November, Maria Kotsopoulos' status changed from Board of Director to Honorary Board Member!
- In December, the Agency sponsored 4 families through Vita Centre. Staff purchased much-needed items on the families' wish lists.
- During the fiscal year, Family Services of Peel shared its meeting rooms/offices with the following organizations:
  - ✓ Catholic Crosscultural Services (met with clients)
  - ✓ Huntington Society Peel Chapter (held support group meetings)
  - ✓ Rapport Youth & Family Services (met with clients)
  - ✓ Toastmasters Club (delivered an adult educational program)
  - ✓ United Food and Commercial Workers (held members' meetings)

# **HIGHLIGHTS OF OUR 2019/20 FISCAL YEAR** Financial Overview

### Family Services of Peel Statement of operations

Year ended March 31,	2020	2019
Revenue		
Government Funding Ministry of Community and Social Services (Note 7) Employment Ontario Service Canada Ministry of the Attorney General (Note 8) Ministry of Community and Social	\$ 2,041,418 625,552 599,612 487,992	\$ 1,899,734 689,353 464,727 515,407
Services – Human trafficking department Region of Peel Other Trillium Foundation Non-government funding United Way (Note 9) Fees-for-service Catholic Family Services of Peel-Dufferin Brampton Caledon Miscellaneous Interest	157,560 89,151 86,418 71,353	71,320 5,091 65,269 85,597
	462,957 162,024 124,733 99,340 100,089 12,154 5,120,353	462,957 171,214 121,745 100,340 85,125 6,019 4,743,898
Expenditures (Note 10) Supporting adults with developmental disabilities Supporting individuals regarding abuse Employment support services Counselling Administration Human trafficking Poverty reduction Education	1,569,374 1,361,353 1,244,248 460,014 178,538 158,132 99,840 71,160 5,142,661	1,398,514 1,396,028 1,154,400 394,528 145,814 72,427 98,013 92,090 4,751,814
Deficiency of revenue over expenditures	\$(22,308)	\$ (7,916)

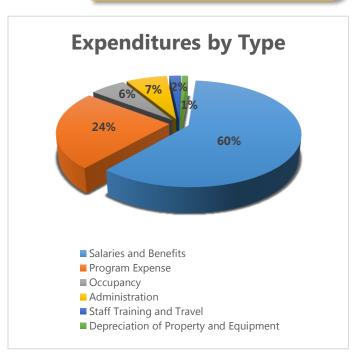


"It was a great experience working with FSP. Thank you so much for guiding and supporting me all through these 2 semesters. You helped me a lot by teaching and guiding me during my practice. I will be completing the last semester of my program next week and the entire FSP team supported me a lot in achieving this success."

Student Practicum Program

Family Services of Peel's financial statements for fiscal year ending March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2020, were audited by Grant Thornton LLP. (The full financial statements are available on request.)

# Expenditures by Program 3% 2% 3% 24% 27% Supporting Adults w/Devel. Disabilities Supporting Individuals Regarding Abuse Employment Support Services Counselling Administration Human Trafficking Poverty Reduction Education





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