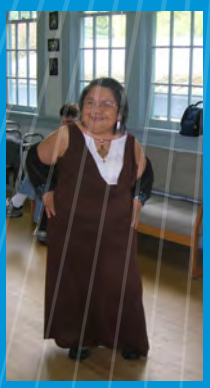

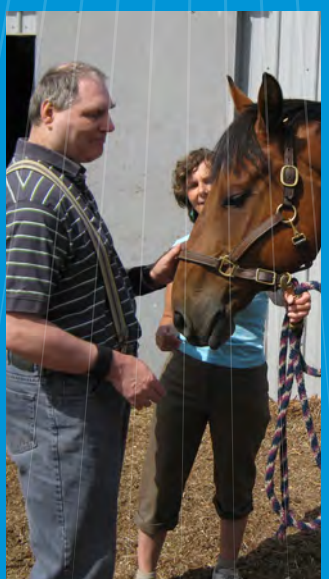

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Message from the President & Executive Director

Community Living Victoria (CLV) has experienced significant growth this year in some of our newer areas of service. Guided by our philosophy and values, we continue to work toward an inclusive community for all.

Our Host Agency program is expanding. Currently, we host supports for 23 individuals. The program works in partnership with individuals and their families who receive individualized funding. This enables people to create the support arrangements they require, without the administrative responsibilities. Individuals and families report they like the flexibility the program has to offer, and the control they have over their support systems.

In January 2009, CLV became a qualified home share service provider. Each home sharing arrangement varies depending on the unique needs and lifestyle preferences of the individual, and offers alternatives to traditional residential models. We presently support 6 individuals in home share arrangements, and are actively working with many others to help find living arrangements that best suit their lifestyle choices and disability-related needs. We are pleased to be one of the first home share service providers in Victoria.

VOCYL (Victoria Opportunities for Community Youth Leadership) has had an exciting year. In addition to receiving new funding which enabled us to run the program for the 2008/09 school year, in August 2008, VOCYL embarked on a new phase of the program by partnering with CanAssist at the University of Victoria. Made up of youth from diverse backgrounds and with different abilities, VOCYL's philosophy is that everyone has a right to belong – regardless of their race, gender, age, religion, sexual orientation or ability. As teens both with and without disabilities, these youth have the desire to share their knowledge and

CARLENE THOMPSON, PRESIDENT

MISSION

Community Living Victoria supports people with developmental disabilities together with their families and support networks by promoting their full citizenship and inclusion in the community.

advocate for change in their local high schools and communities. VOCYL members participated in over 23 social, educational and community events throughout the year.

Teen Community Connections (TCC) operates in partnership with Recreation Integration Victoria. Now in its third year, the program enables youth with developmental disabilities to participate in activities throughout the community.

In the 2008/09 school year, this program provided after-school care to 24 youth from 12 different middle schools and high schools. Enrollment increased to 30 youth by June 2009. Throughout the year, the program accessed numerous recreation facilities and churches, providing the group with space to cook, dance and play sports. Lifetime Networks Victoria provided craft and art time. Power To Be Adventure Therapy Society delivered partnered recreational programming during professional development days and early dismissals. Due to the high visibility and enthusiasm of TCC, 10 youth volunteers were recruited who remained committed to the program for the entire school year.

During the summer, Teen Community Connections offered a 10-week day time camp at 2 recreation centres for 35 youth. Participants came from a diversity of backgrounds and locations – from Sidney to Langford – and we look forward to expanding our reach in the future.

Funded by the Queen Alexandra Centre for Children's Health, Teen Community Connections has been a wonderful program addition at Community Living Victoria. Prior to this program, youth with developmental disabilities were often isolated because their needs were not met or they just did not feel invited to attend other after-school activities. Now, the youth feel as though they are an integral part of their community, and they have developed positive connections with their community members and surroundings.

CLV's strategic plan provides direction in key areas. We have supported many people for years in our homes. While we have continued to make modifications to ensure people can age in place, it is challenging to successfully adapt the physical environment and services as people age with limited dedicated resources. We are also working toward individualizing our day services, and increasing choices and employment opportunities for the people we support. Affordable housing is a priority and this year we were pleased to become a partner in a BC Housing project. This 28-unit apartment building on Queen's Avenue is operated by Pacifica Housing partnering with the Intercultural Association, the Refuge and Immigrant Society and CLV. There are 6 units designated to CLV and currently 2 people we support now have attained affordable housing.

Our building committee continues to work toward a new building at Cedar Cross Road that will meet our current and future needs. With the downturn in the economy, we are in the process of giving a much-needed facelift to the existing structure. It is our intention to develop a portion of the property

in order to fund a new building. We continue to explore some innovative ideas to meet this goal.

We are in the final year of our second 3 -year accreditation cycle with CARF. We are preparing for another survey in June 2010. Keeping up the processes and systems for accreditation requires ongoing focus and resources. Our Outcomes Management Results 2008 report was completed and distributed in June 2009 and is available on our website. The results guide our work and ensure that we are an evidence based organization.

We completed our annual satisfaction survey results in the summer and they have also been distributed to key stakeholders giving us valuable feedback from the people we support, the families and our staff.

We continue to take a role in individual and systemic advocacy efforts. There were contributions made by our members and CLV in the 5 priority areas identified by our provincial association for community living, BCACL: supports to children and families, inclusive education, employment, income security and disability supports.

CLV took an active role in BCACL's *End Waitlists Now* campaign which brought public attention to the issue of children, youth and adults on waitlists. This and other advocacy efforts contributed to the announcement by government to invest $73 million in new funding to Community Living BC over the next 3 years and a further $38 million for children and youth with special needs.

ELLEN TARSHIS, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

A highlight this year was co-hosting the BCACL AGM & Conference in June 2009. We welcomed 600 people from across BC who were challenged and inspired by attending workshops, listening to keynote speakers, and participating in healthy debate at the AGM. In addition to our staff and community volunteers, numerous people involved in our self advocate group had key roles as workshop presenters, volunteers and participants.

This year also marked the formation of the BC CEO Network whose purpose is to ensure the sustainability of social services agencies and to facilitate a collective voice so we can continue to deliver quality services. In order to achieve this, the Network has the following objectives: to promote effective relationships between social profit agencies and funders; to promote the development and implementation of

effective business practices; and, to promote leadership development and mutual support.

Over the past year, our foundation has made strides forward in a number of significant ways. Highlights include two successful signature events, the development of a patron's group and the addition of new donors who gave generously. This fall, the foundation is embarking on an aggressive campaign that will include TV, print and radio to raise awareness about Community Living Victoria and more importantly people with developmental disabilities and their desire to live a good life in the community.

The year ahead will be challenging. With the expiry of our collective agreement in March 2010, along with those of other public sector unions and the tightening of all government funding, the bargaining process may be difficult. We are confident that solutions that balance the interests of our organization, our employees and government will be found.

Our thanks go to the board of directors for their vision and leadership. Sue Isles left the board this year and we appreciate her significant contribution. We would also like to thank the management team and staff who guided by our values and vision work tirelessly to ensure quality services. We couldn't do what we do without their dedication and commitment. It is our privilege to work with such a talented group of individuals who contribute to making Community Living Victoria the wonderful organization it is.

CARLENE THOMPSON
PRESIDENT

ELLEN TARSHIS
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

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Program & Service Highlights

Community Living Victoria (CLV) works to ensure that people with developmental disabilities and their families are included and valued in all aspects of community life. The key benchmarks of our goals for the people we support include:

1. The community sees diversity as a good thing.
2. People with developmental disabilities and their families have equal rights and are not discriminated against.
3. People with developmental disabilities and their families have choices within each person's abilities regarding:
   - education
   - housing
   - jobs
   - leisure
   - relationships
   - health and healthcare

1. THE COMMUNITY SEES DIVERSITY AS A GOOD THING

This benchmark reflects the degree of involvement that people with developmental disabilities have in the community, and the extent to which the community responds positively to their involvement and recognizes their contributions.

VOLUNTEERISM Through the efforts of 60 day program participants, we continue to contribute significant volunteer hours, over 4900 hours per year to the Victoria community:

Meals On Wheels	654 hours
Community Newsletters & Mailings	448 hours
Visiting Library Service	173 hours
James Bay kids lunch program/school grounds clean-up	410 hours
Community Centres (toy cleaning, toddler program, baking)	718 hours
Non-profit Thrift Stores	335 hours
Thrifty's Sendial program	102 hours

Helping in elementary schools (reading, library help)	270 hours
Wishing Well coin sorting for Queen Alexandra Centre	450 hours
Priory Seniors Home/Mt. St. Mary's	1323 hours

2008-09 HIGHLIGHTS

» self-advocates and family members from the Family Support (FS) program donated over 750 hours of volunteer office work to the FS program this year

» continue to assist a number of people to apply and secure the $100/month volunteer incentive money from the Ministry for Employment and Income Assistance

» our Teen Community Connections program provided after school care to 24 youth from 12 different middle schools and high schools, increasing to 30 youth by June 2009; we accessed local recreation facilities and participated in numerous community activities

» through the generosity of a private donor and Santa's Anonymous, our teen program received a much needed van for transportation; the YMCA-YWCA also donated their dance studio to our group, so we could offer free dance movement classes to our youth; these donations illustrate our connection and importance within the greater community

- 50 people that CLV supports were invited to a gala event to honor their volunteer contributions to the Greater Victoria community
- the Supported Apartment Living program is located in a multi-cultural building demonstrating an acceptance of diversity in our community
- an individual supported through our host agency program attended a university theatre class and produced, directed and performed in a live presentation
- Victoria Opportunities for Community Youth Leadership (VOCYL) received additional funding from CanAssist, enabling us to fully run the program for the 2008/09 school year
- continued our partnership with CanAssist (operated out of UVIC) to provide opportunities for people we support to access and be more involved with the campus
- recognized a person who is "Making a Difference" to the lives of people with disabilities through CLV's annual award
- our Self Advocates group continued to be active in pursuing advocacy initiatives and being present in community that included: hosting a fundraising dance, writing letters to BC Ferries about person centered language and presenting and attending the BCACL conference
- our Brock home initiated story-telling events, inviting peers and engaging paid performers who quickly adapted to their new audience, and all participants were pleased at what they accomplished
- through having regular newspaper routes, a number of people we support, have become integral parts of the neighborhoods in which they deliver the papers
- taking advantage of all opportunities that present themselves when two youth are out in the community – i.e. at neighborhood parks; if situations come up that other kids don't understand, staff explain and usually the kids are great once they understand what a youth with a disability wants or needs

2. PEOPLE WITH DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES AND THEIR FAMILIES HAVE EQUAL RIGHTS AND ARE NOT DISCRIMINATED AGAINST

This benchmark compels us to ensure that people with developmental disabilities have access to the same range of options that are available to the general population.

2008-09 HIGHLIGHTS

» through Host Agency we are now supporting 23 individuals to guide their respite, one to one supports, and home sharing arrangements

» in January 2009, CLV also became a qualified home share service provider and we currently have 6 people being supported in this model

» hosted numerous workshops and information sessions for families

» through our Supported Independent Living program, Family Support, Supported Employment and Parent Support, assisted a number of people to become eligible for support through CLBC or access funding through PWD Benefits

» provision of resources, conflict resolution and mediation to more than 500 families per year; worked with the Community Response Network in 3 serious crisis situations to support stabilization for individuals and their families

» partnered with other agencies to create and distribute learning tools for staff including a DVD called: Community Living Principles and Values that outlines the rights of individuals and provides guidance around valuing support approaches.

» a parent in the Parent Support program (PCP) spoke to a UVIC social work class on the topic of parenting with a developmental disability; she brought her two youngest girls with her and the class seemed to enjoy this real life perspective

» a parent and support staff were featured in an article in the Vancouver Sun regarding the supports available for families headed by parents with developmental disabilities

» a generous donation from a community member to a family with 5 children assisted with transportation needs so that the children could get to school on time and access emergency health care when required

» a workshop for 5 women was presented by the Women's Sexual Assault Center called "Project Respect" on preventing sexualized violence and practical advice of what to do if assaulted

» led a successful appeal to dismiss a student loan debt that had followed a very ill mother on disability

» continued partnering with other community agencies including many of the Victoria area neighborhood houses and their in-house programs (Best Babies,

mom & tot drop ins etc), schools, community counselors, public health nurses, daycare facilities, Arbutus Society, CLBC, MCFD, food banks, etc.

» continued to present information to consumers in a format that is understandable to them by utilizing resources such as a DVD on individual rights, our consumer handbook and the outcomes results summary

» CLV family support workers have supported 10 families to write the required CLBC Plans in order to receive support for their family members and worked with 4 families to write addendums to their previously submitted plans

» supported a number of Supported Independent Living participants through their involvements with ICBC, Ministry of Employment and Income Assistance, financial reviews and dealings with medical professionals

» supporting members of the Self Advocacy group to participate on the CLV Board, the Community Council and run for election in the BCACL Self Advocacy Caucus

» continued to conduct our annual consumer satisfaction surveys to enhance our ability to learn from self advocates, with their feedback on issues

» as part of a leadership course, a supervisor is doing a project with the Women's Sexual Assault centre regarding resources for women with developmental disabilities who may become victims of sexual assault

» ongoing advocacy work with families to secure funding for their family member

» a staff member was appointed to the Community Council and Family Sub-Committee; recruited a new community council member to directly support self advocacy involvement on the community council

3. PEOPLE WITH DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES AND THEIR FAMILIES HAVE CHOICES WITHIN EACH PERSON'S ABILITIES

2008-09 HIGHLIGHTS

EDUCATION

Promoting and supporting the inclusion of children with disabilities in their neighborhood schools.

» participated in Special Student Assistant annual training provided to approximately 50 teaching assistants

» facilitated and participated in numerous MAPS, PATHs, Individual Education Plans (IEPs) and transition meetings this year

» continued to provide space for the Victoria Society for Children with Autism's resource library and equipment available for loan, making it more accessible to families and community educators

» attended tri-district meetings giving input to the expanded role expected of the school district from Ministry for Children and Family Development

» facilitated parent-to-parent matches; the most valuable source of support and information for parents is another parent with similar experiences who has already gone through what they are facing

» the Parent Support program (PSP) participated in a series of interdisciplinary meetings between MCFD, (Child Protection), Quadra Elementary school counselors, school district behavioral specialists and the PSP, to examine how best to support the short and long term needs of a mother and her 5 children

» attended transition information sessions and forums; provided input into provincial work being done on transition protocols between MCFD, Education and CLBC

» co-hosted (along with CLBC, the Community Council, Integra Services and Garth Homer Society) the annual Transition Workshop for teens moving to adult services. 40 agencies were represented with 100 families and individuals attending

» VOCYL developed and delivered 22 inclusion awareness presentations to 8 high schools and reached approximately 486 youth with our message

» through our Teen Community Connections program we support youth from 12 schools throughout the Greater Victoria region; we have an open dialogue with many teachers, support staff and education assistants from every school; we are strong advocates for the youth in the classroom, and we follow-up whenever we believe a teen is experiencing difficulty or discrimination during school hours

HOUSING

People we support have access to a range of housing options that are affordable, appropriate and timely.

» provided direct home and personal support to 107 individuals: 64 people who live in CLV homes; 30 who live on their own and receive regular or as needed support through the Supported Independent Living (SIL) program; and 10 people in our Supported Apartment Living (SAL) program and 3 people in outreach who live in other buildings

» successfully partnered with other affordable housing providers to operate a BC Housing complex that will provide subsidized apartments for 6 people we support – 2 individuals from CLV have already moved into their new apartments

» ongoing management of 30 subsidized housing units for BC Housing; and transferred 4 subsidies in the Supported Independent Living program to improve housing for those individuals

» continued to develop strong relationships and connections to affordable housing partners such as BCHMC, Capital Regional Housing Secretariat and other service providers

» Burnside home's accessibility was improved through a major bathroom renovation made possible by a generous donation

- worked with BC Housing to improve/update homes in order for people to age safely in place; this year, renovations were completed at the Mariposa home including an upgraded kitchen, wheelchair accessible bathrooms, and wheelchair doors to patio; Helgesen home also had two bathrooms made accessible with the inclusion of a roll-in shower
- facilitated a person centered planning session with accompanying goals for each person who receives residential support from CLV
- continued to advocate for support options for families (i.e. direct funding, individualized funding, home ownership); assisted many families with written proposals for specific supports
- played a supportive role in a variety of independent living situations that involved debt management, avoidance of eviction, and conflict resolution for landlord/tenant disputes
- reduced the McKenzie home, our largest home, from 7 to 6 occupants

JOBS

Employment is an important option for many people with disabilities. It allows them to contribute, participate and earn additional money to fund their lifestyle choices and to be seen as equals in the work force. In addition to increased income, having a job brings increased self esteem, social value and social networks.

- attended employment workshops such as: the Learning Tour on Employment, Customized Employment, The Facts, Income Supports and Employment and Successful Transitions
- there are 50 people currently being supported in paid employment positions – all of these people earn minimum wage or better
- 8 people lost their jobs in the past year: 5 quit, 1 is on an LOA, 2 were laid off
- secured a grant from the Victoria Foundation to help fully fund our employment program
- we supported 15 new placements this year
- 4 people became independent in their jobs and no longer required our support
- arranged for retraining and job duty changes to accommodate 2 people who were then able to keep their employment
- part of a consortium of supported employment agencies worked with CanAssist to create opportunities for employment for people at UVIC and to submit a joint proposal for teen employment
- each year, CLV recognizes an employer as "Employer of the Year"; this year's recipient was Thrifty Foods, Saanich Centre

» participated in a resource fair to provide individuals and families with more information about supported employment

» a person we support in the Supported Employment Program (SEP) has been chosen as one of 12 employees from across Canada representing Canada Safeway to be in the Olympic Torch Relay

» we are part of a team of employment specialists from various agencies that meet monthly to better coordinate employment supports for people with disabilities; we also have a representative on the Camosun College Advisory Committee

LEISURE

The opportunity to play and pursue individual interests within one's community is paramount in the development of healthy, well-rounded and involved citizens. Access includes knowing what leisure opportunities exist and having the funds to take advantage of these opportunities.

» The Community Access Program purchased a Wii for our consumers who are more sedentary to encourage them to be more physically active

» students from Camosun College volunteered to work with our consumers to build a functional sport court for the program

» during the summer, our Teen Community Connections programs offered a ten-week daytime camp at two recreation centers; thirty-five participants who accessed the program or five to eight weeks; the summer was a an active and cultural experience as we visited local and island spots such as lakes, parks, restaurants and participated in many community activities; during our basketball games at the Fernwood NRG, some 13-year-old skateboarders asked if they could join us; they thought our program was so much fun, they joined us every week.

- with Power To Be Adventure Therapy Society, many of the youth tried kayaking and rock-climbing
- continued to assist over 200 individuals in our homes, independent living programs and day services to access a wide variety of recreation options ranging from organized activities (i.e. Special Olympics, Operation Trackshoes), to use of generic community services (recreation centers, churches, summer camps, daycares) and special events (i.e. Music in the Park, movies, concerts, community festivals)
- distributed over 140 free tickets each year to the people we support for a variety of community events including 20 concert tickets to the Luisa Marshall fundraiser
- used donation money (winter/summer campaigns) and 50/50 employee payroll lottery funds to finance leisure opportunities for people we support: December 2008 – over $6500 was distributed to 121 individuals and families; summer 2009 - over $9245 was distributed to 146 people
- the SAL program provides ongoing leisure activities that are chosen by the group themselves; the activities include community based and program based activities such as: festivals, movie nights, pub nights etc.
- VOCYL members participated in over 23 social, educational and community events throughout the year including: kayaking and camping trips with Power To Be, Halloween and Christmas parties, youth driven VOCYL Talent Show, leadership day retreats and workshops with Beatboard and Project Respect, BBQs, picnic's, community outreach event with Streetlink and participation in student/ teacher conferences and CLV and VOCYL fundraisers
- our teen summer program received a donation from an individual to purchase

a van that would allow summer community access and then will assist in transportation for the after school program

» assisted many people we support to plan, to save money and be supported to realize their traveling goals – examples include trips to Disneyland, Hollywood, Las Vegas, dude ranches, PEI, an Alaskan cruise and in one case, England

» the Supported Independent Living (SIL) ladies group made their way to Vancouver to take in a musical and shopping

» continued to assist families and individuals to obtain "Life" coupons and access passes which qualify them for reduced rates at local recreation centers and movie theatres

» annual gatherings and celebrations such as the Community Living Dance, BCACL's Hoe Down Dance, CAP's Halloween bonfire, Christmas parties, summer BBQs, etc.

» participated in updating the annual booklet for 2009 outlining summer options for children and families

» received camp sponsorship grants which enabled 15 children who live with disabilities to attend summer camp alongside their school friends and siblings

RELATIONSHIPS

People with disabilities are often lonely and lack friends in their lives. The ability to make friends and expand their social connections is essential to their safety, well-being and self-esteem.

» identified and set goals in this area through the Person Centered Planning (PCP) process for consumers who receive service from CLV

» supported 6 staff and 2 self-advocates to attend a Building Personal Support Networks workshop; staff also attended a two-day course on friendship building; CLV also hosted the workshop "You've Gotta Have Friends" for our staff and other agencies

» one of our new Measurable Outcomes goals includes increasing the number of non paid people in a person's life

» Supported Apartment Living (SAL) provides group counseling support throughout the year to discuss relationship topics such as: conflict resolution strategies, communication skills, personal boundaries and women's health topics

» open door policy in our homes and programs for families and friends (Consumer Rights policy) welcoming their involvement in people's lives

- ongoing facilitation of friendships between the people who live in our homes and who attend our day services through visits, barbeques, parties and other special events
- supported, advocated and assisted in the arranging of support that meets families' needs and is based on relationships through Host Agency
- regular social get-togethers for the people in the SAL program with rotating hosts including: survivor night, family parties, popcorn and video nights, community kitchen night, crafts night, puzzle making etc. and group sessions on subjects such as getting along and communication skills. SAL has made efforts to invite individuals on our waitlist to join our social groups and support friendship building among the participants
- continued a social ladies' and men's group through the Supported Independent Living program and provided some funds through donation money for special events (i.e. a concert or a dinner outing)
- supported 4 individuals from the Community Access Program to create their own email or Facebook accounts so they can better connect with families and friends.
- utilizing students at our homes and programs provides an opportunity for relationship building with the people we support
- Host Agency participants choose their own support people – this has enabled people to spend time with people who share similar interests

HEALTH AND HEALTH CARE

People with disabilities must have access to appropriate health care, in a timely manner and close to home. People must not denied health care based on IQ or disability.

- continued to maintain and update health care plans for the people we support residentially who have complex health needs
- ensured appropriate supports were in place for individuals who are highly anxious about medical procedures to enable them to get the necessary medical treatment
- secured specialized equipment so that individuals could remain at home
- ongoing review of all risk assessments for people we support who have challenging behaviours
- advocated for alternative ways to fund medical/dental care when it exceeds a person's ability to pay i.e. applied for and received funding from the BC Lion's Society so that a 9 year old child could receive weekly speech therapy for 5 months
- continued to access generic community services (physicians, dentists, etc.) and/or specialized resources such as Developmental Disabilities Mental Health Support Team, Health Services for Community Living (nursing support, physical and occupational therapy, nutritionist, dental hygienist), behavioral support services, counselors, as required for the people we support in our homes and Community Services programs
- obtained extra dietary allowance due to a health issue of an individual living independently
- supported 41 staff to attend a Lifts and Transfers in-service
- supported families through psychological assessments of their children
- purchased a total of 20 emergency kits in the last 24 months to distribute to people in the Supported Independent Living program who live independently; monthly group discussion for SAL participants covering topics such as: personal safety, first aid, what to do in an emergency etc.
- continued our participation with several other agencies in a project to develop training DVDs for front-line staff on basic job requirements including: medication administration, lifting and transferring, personal care, epilepsy, values and ethics
- a workshops for 6 moms was facilitated by the Island Sexual Health Society
- held two workshops for Community Access Program consumers about personal hygiene

Message from the Foundation

The past year has been exciting for our foundation board. Our activities have been diverse, fun and profitable. We have added new faces to our board of directors and have really enjoyed working with both boards on our two main focuses of fundraising and community awareness this past year. The support and enthusiasm from our board continues to inspire me.

A big thank you goes to our outgoing board member Rob Taggart, and his wife Brenda who have brought many great ideas, enthusiasm and effort to the table. The Taggarts' continued involvement with the foundation is a tribute to volunteerism and to the spirit of community living.

We enjoy working with our newest board members: John Martin, Tony Fedun, David Jones and John Devlin.

This fall we will embark on an aggressive marketing program to increase awareness of CLV and the people we support. Our plan is to purchase advertising with major media to showcase who we are and promote the two big projects this fall.

In September 2008, Victoria was treated to a performance by the Canadian Snowbirds as part of British Columbia's 150th anniversary celebrations. The Spirit in the Sky event, put on by the Victoria Spirit of BC Committee and Community Living Victoria, attracted thousands. This was an opportunity for us to raise the

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profile of CLV. We were grateful for the support received from the Times Colonist and CHEK TV as well as the financial support from our primary sponsor FedEx.

Last year we also held a successful fundraising concert with Luisa Marshall and Johnny Vallis at the McPherson Playhouse. Coast Capital was the title sponsor and I appreciate their consistent leadership and support for our events throughout the years.

During 2008/09, the foundation was instrumental in raising over $180,000 and hope to exceed that in the coming year.

Our Ken Lavigne concert in November 2009 should be great fun and raise significant dollars for Community Living Victoria. Again, Coast Capital is the title sponsor.

We are delighted to be hosting the Canadian and US Women's Olympic hockey teams to an exhibition game in October 2009 with proceeds going to CLV. This event will generate tremendous awareness for community living and raise money toward our fundraising goal for 2009/10. We are pleased that FedEx is the gold sponsor for this signature event.

We continue to work with a number of loyal sponsors and key individuals who are being invited to be "Patrons of Community Living Victoria" to assist us with fundraising and planned giving initiatives.

Like other organizations, the foundation has been influenced by the global recession. Falling investments could have significantly impacted the market value of our portfolio. However, the board did not sell any of its holdings and therefore no actual losses were realized. We plan to stay the course and fully expect continued growth of our investments as the economy improves.

As this is my last year as president after many years, I would like to thank everyone at CLV for the rewarding experience. Thank you for all your support!

The board looks forward to working with stakeholders, volunteers and donors in the coming year to enhance the lives of the people we support.

FRANK BOURREE
FOUNDATION PRESIDENT

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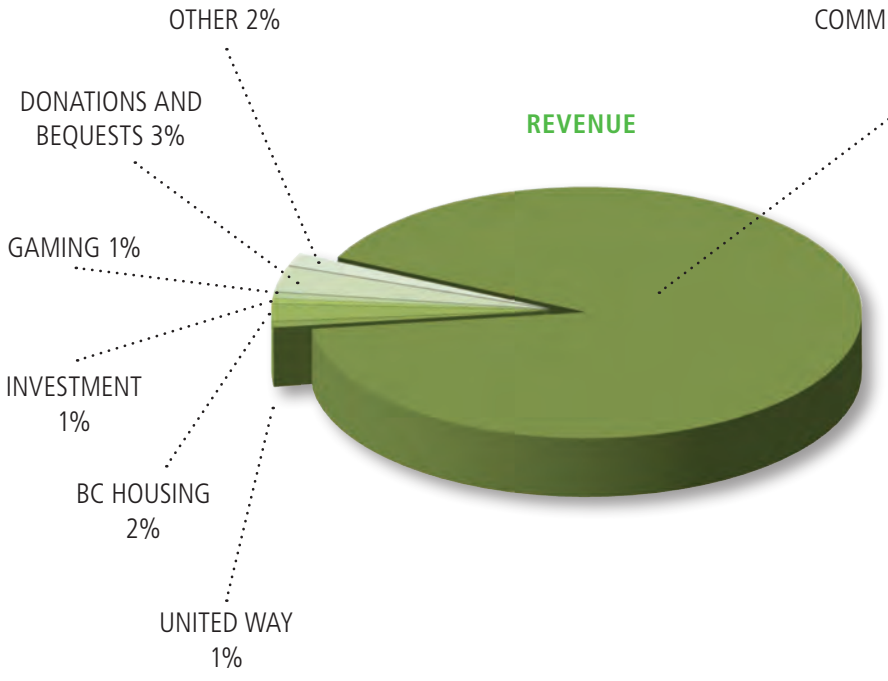

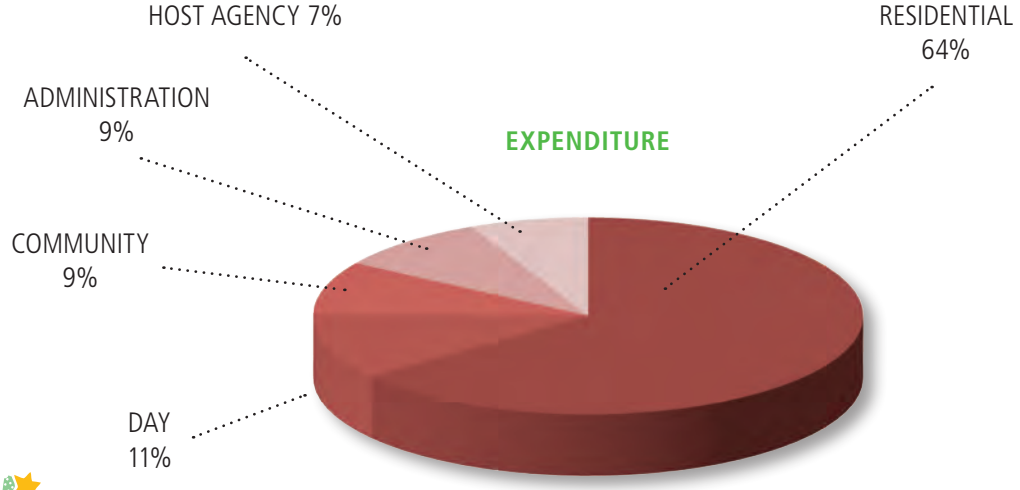

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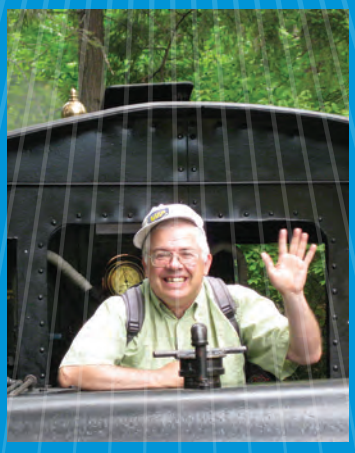

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