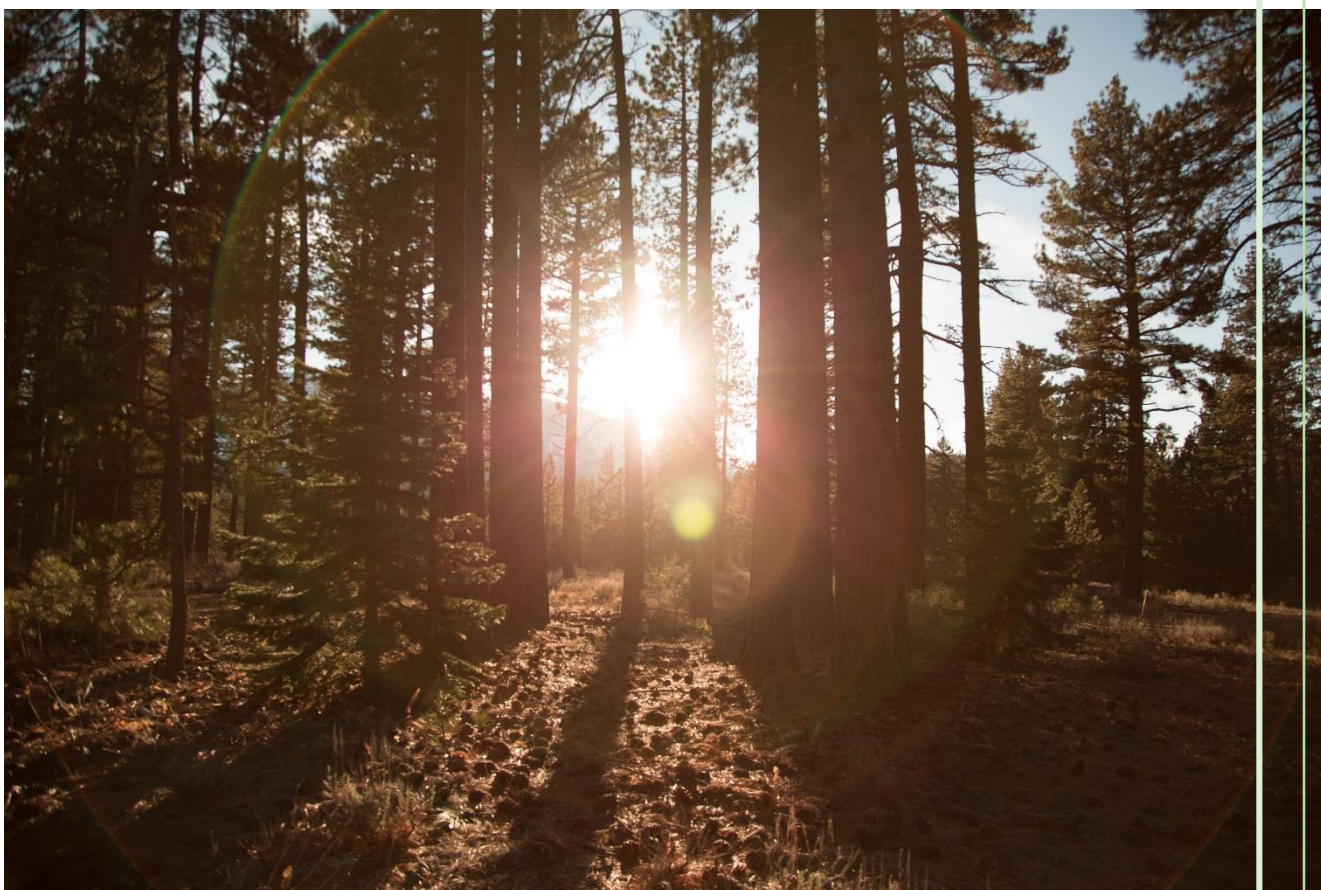


ANNUAL REPORT 2015–2016



Southern Alberta Brain Injury Society



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A MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Many thanks you to all of our supporters over the past year. We have had so much success with being approved for grants, and receiving many donations. The Calgary Foundation gave us \$30,000 to start a new program for children whose parents or loved ones have a brain injury. This program will allow children to get supports and increase their understanding of what it may be like to live with a person with a brain injury. We thank the Calgary Foundation for their support in making this program successful.

In the fall, the staff at SABIS decided to start the Elf Yourself program for all of SABIS clients who may be in need during the holiday time. This new program was a huge hit. We had many individuals and families who accessed this service, and we are very excited to run it again this fall. Thank you to all of the generous donors who supported this program.

There have been many changes with the government contracts in the past year. A feeling of anxiousness I think would best describe how I felt as we were waiting to see if we would be receiving any funding. The process of applying for the contract provided the government with a better idea of what services are needed within the community. I am pleased to say that SABIS has received a new government contract. We are very excited that the government believes our services address a substantial need within the community.

A very big thank you to all of the staff and board members. Our work has brought so many individuals awareness of brain injury in Calgary and surrounding areas. I am so pleased with the services that we offer, and very excited to see how many people we support and to help them access the services available to them.

Thank you again to everyone for your continued support. Let's make 2016 a year to remember.

Natasha Bodei, Executive Director

THANK YOU TO THE CALGARY FOUNDATION



A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

I would like to commence by saying congratulations to SABIS (Southern Alberta Brain Injury Society) as we start our 4th decade of providing outstanding service and support to the adults with acquired Brain Injury. This past year has been a challenging economic year for Alberta, however, unfortunately the need to provide support and services for the brain injured community continues to grow. SABIS continues to provide active support and help to its clients and to provide assistance to family caregivers. The aim is to provide services so that the brain injured survivor can live as independently as possible.

The Provincial Government does continue to provide a significant portion of the funding for the ongoing programs of SABIS and this will be ongoing for the 2016/17 year. This funding, however, does not cover the full amount required to maintain the programs at SABIS. I would therefore like to thank all of our many donors and volunteers that have contributed so much to ensuring the ongoing operations at SABIS. This is particular true for this past year when fund raising has proved challenging for all community groups. I hope that SABIS continues to receive the ongoing support from agencies, donors and volunteers to ensure that SABIS can provide support and assistance for so many people.

SABIS provides the support for those with an acquired brain injury through our dedicated Service Coordinators, our Support Services including support groups, courses for family care givers, peer mentorship programs and through our Educational Services. All of these programs have been strengthened this year and I would like to acknowledge the professionalism of our leadership and staff in their ongoing dedication to their roles and responsibilities.

This will be my last Annual Report as President and I appreciate all of the support and help that has been provided to me in my role over the many years. I wish SABIS all of the best and look forward to supporting them as they continue to provide outstanding service to the brain injured community. Thank you.

Alan Glover, President

PROGRAMS AND SERVICES

During the last year SABIS has continued to promote lifelong supports and services for adults with acquired brain injury and their families. Service Coordination actively provides assistance to individual survivors and families in accessing supports and services, provide information on brain injury and community resources, advocate for inclusion in community services and facilitate weekly support groups.

SABIS offers a variety of weekly support groups. These groups encourage connections and peer support for brain injury survivors, as well as a chance to be social and access information and resources. Our decision to start having a Women's and Men's group proved to be a big success. They both seem to be in demand, so we are offering them again. Once again the Men's group is now being facilitated by a survivor. Last summer we offered 3 summer groups: CHAT (Calgarians Helping Aphasics Talk) Money Management and a Drop-in. It was a pleasure to meet the facilitators from the SRAC (Stroke Recovery Association of Calgary) and Momentum. This year we are again offering the following summer groups; **Healthy Relationships** facilitated by the Calgary Sexual Health Centre, **Education Group** which will feature a presentation from a different guest facilitator each week and a Drop – in.

We have also started a new Community Education Group: This group consists of survivors of brain injury. Each survivor received their injuries very differently. One of the focuses will be to educate youth in regards to the risks involved with high risk activity. We will focus on trying to reach out to those children who are also being bullied or are feeling depressed. In their presentation they will include resources as to where these youth can seek support.

Our new project this last year has been working on the research and development phase of a program for children and adolescents we are launching this year. We are offering support groups and activities for youth whose parents or family caregivers have acquired brain injuries. To provide education re: brain injury outcomes and how to face the challenges with brain injury.

Each spring and fall, SABIS continues to offer our Companions Support Group. When an individual experiences a brain injury or stroke, his or her friends and family members suddenly find themselves on a journey they had never expected to take. It is not unusual to feel frightened, overwhelmed and uncertain about the future. With so much attention and concern suddenly focused on the person with the injury, caregivers often find themselves unable to ask for support or feel guilty for even admitting that they might need help. Sometimes it is really important for caregivers to simply be able to share their concerns with others who are facing similar challenges.

SABIS is proud to support the Vulnerable Person's Self Registry, launched by the Calgary Police Service in Calgary on October 8, 2015. The Calgary Police Service (CPS) has a new tool available to help officers deal with an emergency involving vulnerable/disabled persons. The Vulnerable Persons Self Registry allows people to voluntarily submit information about their vulnerability

and/or disability that may require special attention during an emergency. The VPR database can then be accessed by first responders in the event of an emergency.

SABIS continues to maintain contact and is a regular member of a group of community agencies and AHS programs that meet frequently to share resources and developments throughout the network of local brain injury services. We are often asked to speak to various community services as to the impact of brain injury on the individual and family. Community presentations are an important part of what SABIS does to help ensure that community services are informed in their endeavors to serve survivors and their families. In the last year we have presented at: Alpha House, Calgary Emergency Women's Shelter, Central CAR – Sheldon Chumir, Addiction and Mental Health, P.A.R.T.Y Program together with Brain Day at Elementary Schools.

In closing, the success of SABIS and how we grow as a society depends upon the commitment and empathy of the group of people who work for us. The SABIS team will continue in our efforts to provide assistance to our clients and families and look forward to serving all of you another year.

Cheryl Sayward, Program Manager

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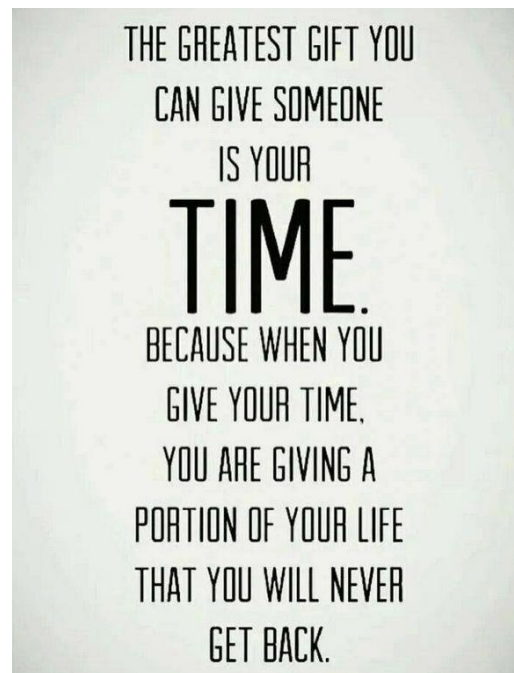
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REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES

SOUTHERN ALBERTA BRAIN INJURY SOCIETY
STATEMENT OF REVENUES and EXPENSES and
CHANGES in NET ASSETS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED MARCH 31 , 2016

| | 2016 | 2015 |
|--|------------------|------------------|
| REVENUES | | |
| Alberta Minister of Human Services (Note 5) | \$ 352,721 | \$ 351,190 |
| Donations and fundraising | 121,501 | 70,173 |
| Casino funds | 73,110 | 76,331 |
| Grants (Note 7) | 52,141 | 9,410 |
| | 599,473 | 507,104 |
| EXPENSES | | |
| Direct program costs (Note 8) | 290,284 | 255,488 |
| Office and administrative (Note 8) | 146,128 | 120,243 |
| Fundraising (Note 8) | 63,272 | 77,487 |
| Retiring allowance (Note 9) | - | 60,000 |
| Rent (Note 10) | 56,962 | 54,345 |
| Amortization | 10,525 | 7,740 |
| | 567,171 | 575,303 |
| EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES OVER EXPENSES | 32,302 | (68,199) |
| NET ASSETS, beginning of year | 46,353 | 114,552 |
| NET ASSETS, end of year | \$ 78,655 | \$ 46,353 |

BALANCE SHEET

SOUTHERN ALBERTA BRAIN INJURY SOCIETY
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
AS AT MARCH 31, 2016

| | 2016 | 2015 |
|---|------------|------------|
| ASSETS | | |
| CURRENT | | |
| Cash | \$ 64,064 | \$ 100,597 |
| Employee advances | 106 | - |
| Goods and services tax recoverable | 7,769 | 4,186 |
| Prepaid expenses and deposits (Note 3) | 28,573 | 7,336 |
| | 100,512 | 112,119 |
| CAPITAL ASSETS (Note 4) | 28,455 | 36,969 |
| | \$ 128,967 | \$ 149,088 |
| LIABILITIES | | |
| CURRENT | | |
| Accounts payable and accrued liabilities | \$ 10,305 | \$ 20,936 |
| Government remittances payable | 959 | 27,160 |
| Advances from the Alberta Minister of Human Services (Note 5) | 26,548 | 54,639 |
| Deferred revenue (Notes 6 and 7) | 12,500 | - |
| | 50,312 | 102,735 |
| NET ASSETS | | |
| UNRESTRICTED | 78,655 | 46,353 |
| | \$ 128,967 | \$ 149,088 |

APPROVED ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD:

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HORIZON GROUP

Mission

- SABIS offers lifelong support and services for adults with acquired brain injury and their families.

Vision

- SABIS promotes open and inclusive communities for all persons, regardless of the severity of their brain injury.

Values

- Respect
- Support
- Inclusion
- Learning
- Encouragement

Travel along the road to recovery can be challenging. Your donation will make a difference in the lives of brain injury survivors and their families.

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