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# **REPORT**

2016 - 2017







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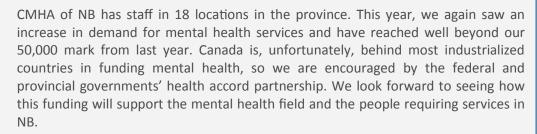
#### DR. RICE FULLER, PRESIDENT &

#### CHRISTA BALDWIN, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



The Canadian Mental Health Association of New Brunswick continued to "Get Loud for Mental Health" this past year. "Getting Loud" means stating it boldly: unaddressed mental health issues and underfunded mental health services are our greatest social challenge. The whole of society needs to hear and understand that there is no health without mental health.

As the provincial leader and champion for mental health in New Brunswick, the staff of CMHA help people access the community resources they need to build resilience and support recovery from mental health concerns. We are a grassroots organization that provides services in New Brunswick through presentations, programs, support groups, workshops, employment counselling, peer support, awareness events and advocacy for children, youth, adults and seniors in search of mental wellness. Through education and awareness we work towards the elimination of stigma and discrimination.

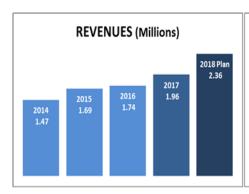


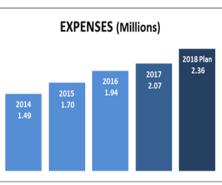


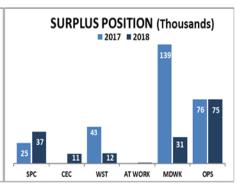
CMHA commissioned a Nanos poll to explore what people thought of mental health in Canada. We learned that 94% of us believe mental health conditions should receive the same or higher funding priority compared to physical health conditions. Canadians need better access to quality mental health programs and services. Workplaces need to be transformed into psychologically safer places.

We work better together than alone. The great work at CMHA of NB would not be possible without the strong and dedicated staff, volunteers, board members, sponsors, donors and the people in our community using their voices and stories about their mental health journey. Together, we are making a difference for mental health in NB.

# **Message from our Treasurer**







The consolidated 2016/2017 results finished with a net loss of \$115K against a break-even budget. While overall expenses ended on plan, revenues were down 6% (\$117K), largely driven by the CEC and SPC programs. For expenses, while the CEC program saw an underspend of \$105K (salaries, benefits, travel) and SPC by \$35K, both serving to more than offset their revenue decreases, the operating fund saw an overage of \$135K, driven by salaries and benefits.

2017 represented a \$78K net income increase over 2016, with revenues up \$215K or 12% partially offset by expenses up \$138 or 7% (largest changes in At Work and Operations). For the second consecutive year, revenue growth outpaced expense growth.

Overall, Canadian Mental Health Association of New Brunswick remains financially strong, with cash on hand to meet our obligations and serve our communities as we move forward.

This has been another exciting year full of growth, increased visibility, and strengthening community relationships. Looking forward to 2018, I am eager to see what the new year will bring with many new partnerships, programs, fund development and awareness activities planned.

Respectfully submitted,

Angela Hickey CPA, CGA Treasurer



#### **Director of Communications – Lori Wheeler**

#### CMHA OF NB - FREDERICTON PROVINCIAL OFFICE

Here are some highlights of community building relations:

- Women in Business networking monthly
- Chamber of Commerce networking twice/month
- Dillon Consulting National / local partnerships NB donation \$5000
- Partnering for Impact workshops— Greater Fredericton Social Innovation/Volunteer Greater
   Fredericton
- Engaging Families in Recovery
- Mindscapes UNB/SUB partnership
- Community relationship with HubCap Promotions for their "A Very Dysfunctional Family Christmas" Comedy tour. CMHA was on site at 8 shows throughout the province doing 50/50 draws and bringing awareness to CMHA of NB. \$4000+ was raised!
- Chalmers Hospital Foundation Gift Wrapping- team building/community give back. CMHA (Fredericton) staff
- "Listen" It Only Takes a Moment movie screening (Nov 2, 1<sup>st</sup> screening) partnership with Chimo and Chalmers Hospital Foundation
- CMHA management volunteered at the State of the Province and wore "No More Stigma" and "How's Your Mental Health Today" buttons, in partnership with the Fredericton Chamber of Commerce.
- Continue to build community partnerships with local business and other non-profits to work and
  collaborate on awareness and fundraising projects. A great example is "The Quest" in partnership
  with Escape Logic Games. A mindful Amazing Race style game, which raised \$2500 for CMHA of
  NB. The money was used to help fund Mindscapes, and the owners of ELG were invited to
  Mindscapes and given recognition and thanks!
- Develop community relationship with provincial libraries (presentation space, Mindscapes 2017)
- Co-op Direct (Fredericton) \$5000 community grant was awarded.
- Laughter is the Best Medicine Comedy Tour with Mike MacDonald. Raised \$2000

# A Message from the Provincial Peer Support Consultant, Lori Young

In May 2016, CMHA of NB, in partnership with the Department of Health, welcomed Lori Young as our Provincial Peer Support Consultant. Lori successfully participated in the *Formation Québécoise Spécialisé en Intervention par les Pairs* in Québec, and has since provided Specialized Peer Intervention Training in New Brunswick. We have celebrated two special graduations for one group of English students and one group in French totaling thirteen Certified Peer Supports for the province to date. It is hoped that there will be up to ten more peer supports trained by the end of the year. Training and education has also been provided to over 150 professionals in Fredericton, Bathurst, Campbellton and Moncton to help introduce the peer support program to Mental Health Services. Trainings will be ongoing, and the process of evaluating the contributions of Certified Peer Supports to Community Mental Health F.A.C.T. Teams will begin this Fall. It is anticipated that CMHA's Peer Support Program will grow and become a significant part of mental health services in New Brunswick.



#### **Canadian Mental Health Association of New Brunswick - Saint John Office**



We promote mental wellness in our schools, businesses and the community at large by means of wellness fairs, community presentations, education programs and events within the greater Saint John area. Special events such as *A Day in Her Shoes, Tee Off for Mental Health* and *Curl for Mental Health* could not have been possible without strong community partnerships which are integral to the ongoing success of these events.

#### **Saint John Education Programs:**

- Understanding Anxiety & Panic Disorder
- Building Self-Confidence
- Building Assertiveness Skills
- Depression: Help Can Make A Difference
- Mindfulness
- Hope & Healing: Coping with the Suicide of a Loved One
- Living Life to the Full

#### Mental Health Week and A Day in Her Shoes

On May 4<sup>th</sup>, we welcomed special guest Kayley Reed and more than 300 people to enjoy spring fashions, a silent auction, hors d'oeuvres and wine from the shops and restaurants of Market Square.

#### Tee Off for Mental Health

On September 30<sup>th</sup> members of the community had the opportunity to take part and support Canadian Mental Health Association of New Brunswick and the SJPF Wellness Committee.





#### The Jim Sullivan Curling Classic

We continue to be a key partner in the *Jim Sullivan Curling Classic*. During, this annual event which is held during the first weekend of December we accept donations for the Sullivan Wristband and raise awareness for those affected by mental illness.

#### **Curl for Mental Health**

Thistle St. Andrews Curling Club generously hosted the **27**<sup>th</sup> **Curl for Mental Health** a key fundraiser of the Saint John Office. Together, we are raising awareness of mental health, and providing funds necessary to continue our mandate.

We sincerely thank our sponsors, donors, volunteers and community partners. As the Canadian Mental Health Association of New Brunswick continues to grow your dedication and support is needed to continue to make positive impacts in the coming year.

# MESSAGE FROM CMHA OF NB, MONCTON OFFICE

We have so much to be excited about in the Moncton / Riverview / Dieppe region when it comes to mental health and our community! The 2016-2017 fiscal year has flown by with exciting initiatives, expansion and service development. We started off our year preparing for a jam-packed Mental Health Week 2016 including partnering with local businesses such as 91.9 The Bend who brought Kindness Day to life in their very own way. In June our office moved locations, staying within the same building but moving up a floor for more floor space, including an improved layout for client traffic and additional staff offices. This move paved the way to further expand the range of services we offer to the region, with the addition of an Employment Counsellor through the AtWork program in October 2016. We began a partnership with the Department of Social Development to offer programming to their Experiential Learning and Employment Continuum program in December of 2016 which finished in March with future sessions planning in the works. In February, we saw the much-anticipated return of our flagship fundraising and awareness event, Women & Wellness. We also built new partnerships in the community including with the City of Moncton's Inclusion Plan, and with BreeLove Services (a private counselling practice). Starting in January the Moncton office was able to host a Masters in Counselling Psychology student to complete practicum hours offering both group and individual therapeutic services through our office, and supervised clinically through BreeLove Services. As part of a provincial CMHA of NB initiative, the Moncton office also built a strong and beneficial partnership with the NBCC Moncton campus during this fiscal year, staffing an office there one afternoon a week and in return being given access to facilities and services. We have also continued to enjoy a close partnership with the Correctional Service of Canada, building capacity through staff training exchanges and support services. In an effort to increase capacity in a fiscally sustainable way, we have also benefited from several student placements and Youth Employment Fund positions.

The Moncton office continues to engage in offering direct programming and services to clients and community partners alike free of charge. This reduces (or eliminates) barriers to service access and creates a collaborative and inclusive environment we are proud of. Without continued community stakeholder support we would be unable to meet the needs of our region, and we would be amiss to go without recognizing the partnerships and funders who allow us to support our community.

Primary funders for our programs and services this year include; *Three Mountain Relay, Horizon Health Network, United Way of Greater Moncton and Southeast New Brunswick, City of Moncton, Town of Riverview, New Horizons for Seniors*, as well as numerous other public and private donations. The incredible impact you are able to make on individual's lives through your fantastic work and support of our agency is ultimately immeasurable – every life impacted creates a ripple effect that strengthens community bonds, resiliency, social support and quality of life. To our valued community stakeholders, partners, invaluable program facilitators, passionate volunteers and community members alike, we credit our abilities and strengths to you!



#### **CHANGE, RECOVERY AND EMPOWERMENT - ADULT PROGRAMS**

In an effort to continue to align our services in a recovery, person centred approach the Moncton Office has worked diligently to expand program offerings and available services. Clients are the drivers of their own experience, determining which programs and services best suit their needs at any given time. This fiscal year we piloted new programs including *Mindfulness*, *Overcoming Distress Intolerance*, Senior's Programs (*Living Life to the Full* and *Mind Over Mood* and development of an Emotional Regulation program (to be piloted in Spring 2017).

#### <u>Adult Programs:</u>

Adults with ADHD Anxiety & Depression Art of Friendship Art Therapy Bipolar Grief & Loss Recovery
Kids Have Stress Too!
Living Life to the Full
Living Life to the Full (50+)
Overcoming Distress Intolerances
Parenting Children with ADHD
Strengthening Families Together

Trauma
Your Recovery Journey
Mindfulness
Mind Over Mood (50+)
Family and Friends
Wellness

### MESSAGE FROM CMHA OF NB, MONCTON OFFICE

#### **RESILIENCY, INCLUSION AND HOPE - YOUTH PROGRAMS**

We continue to offer programming to support schools, community groups and community partners alike in increasing the resiliency of youth. The *Learning to Cope* program, originally designed for youth between 15-19 years of age, has been adapted to younger audiences including middle school and elementary school level students on an individual school needs basis (This year's adaptations included *Northrup Frye School* [middle school] and *Lou McNarin School* [elementary]) Adaptation was also graciously undertaken by a facilitator for our *Grief and Loss Recovery* program for *Tantramar Regional High School* after it was found a traditional group structure did not meet the needs of the school and loss suffered by the school community.

CMHA of NB is also immeasurably proud of our growing partnership with regional school districts and community stakeholders to produce Youth Mental Health Summits and the Mental Health Symposium. Students are provided with skills, information, and inspiration and then are challenged to return to their schools and create initiatives or projects to support and improve mental health literacy within their own school communities. This style of event ensures a positive, far-reaching impact driven by students, for students.

The CMHA of NB Moncton office has had a vibrantly dynamic year of progress and continued change. We remain excited by the possibilities and opportunities to create an inclusive, supportive and recovery-oriented environment and community presence. With new initiatives and activities already beginning, the upcoming fiscal year of 2017-2018 looks to be equally as diverse and expansive. We are proud to continue to get loud about mental health, stigma reduction, and build on the innovative collaborations that allow us to continue providing unique, flexible recovery-based services for our community!

#### **Youth Programs:**

Learning to Cope Grief & Loss Recovery Self-Empowerment Youth Mental Health Summits







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Programs	<b>Programs Offered</b>	Participants Completed	Notes
Adult	22	166	169 New Adult Intakes
Youth	5	170	140 attendees to modified program
Individual Counselling	Clients Served		
Adult & Youth	21		

Events	Number of Events	Participants / Reach
Presentations, workshops, special events, kiosks	68	17,268 + Media/ Social Media Coverage

Total Community Impact:	17,828 + Media / Social Media Coverage
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Goal for participation:	4,500
# of Presentations	259
English Presentations	139
Self-Esteem	6
Work-Life Balance	6
Positive Attitude	10
Suicide Awareness	20
Stress Management	14
Overview of Mental Health	49
Anxiety	12
Depression	7
Seniors and Aging	6
Overview of Mental Illness	8
French Presentations	120
Estime de soi	22
La conciliation travail- vie	2
personnelle Attitude positive	29
Sensibilisation au suicide	9
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La gestion du stress	12
Aperçu de la santé mentale	32
L'anxiété	3
Depression	3
Le vieillissement et le stress	3
Aperçu de la maladie mentale	5
English Participants	3,150
French Participants	1,879
Total Participants	5,029



# Community Education Coordinator (CEC) Program

The Community Education Coordinators (CEC) Program has grown tremendously in the reach and impact of programs and services over the last few years. This year, across New Brunswick, the CEC's reached **35,700** individuals. Programs and services delivered through the 2016-2017 fiscal year include: core presentations/workshops, presentations to staff of nursing/special care homes, program delivery (*Changing Minds, Kids Have Stress Too, safeTALK, ASIST, Living Life to the Full)*, committee participation, public awareness, offering of education and self-help groups, development of special events, as well as information sharing, advocacy, and referral.

Over the past year, the Community Education Coordinators across New Brunswick delivered core presentations on a variety of topics related to mental health and mental illness. The CEC program facilitated 259 presentations to a total 5,029 participations in NB. Of these presentations, 139 were presented in English, and 120 were presented in French.

Some of the most frequently requested speaking topics included: Overview of Mental Health, Positive Attitude, Suicide Awareness, and Self-Esteem. Staff have also collaborated with other agencies to provide presentations on other topics including: Bullying/Intimidation, Healthy Relationships, The Empowerment Project, Positive Communication, and Resilience, among other subjects.



#### **Presentations to Staff of Nursing & Special Care Homes**

Goal for participation:	555
# of Presentations	15
English Presentations	11
Seniors & Depression	2
Addressing Challenging Behaviours	1
Mental Health / Mental Illness	8
French Presentations	20
Le vieillissement et depression	16
Comprendre les comportements défficiles qui accompagnent la démence	0
Santé mentale/ maladie mentale	4
English Participants	207
French Participants	148
Total Participants	355

Through a valuable partnership with the Department of Health, Social Development, and the New Brunswick Association of Nursing Homes, the CEC's of CMHA of NB have delivered presentations to 355 staff members of nursing or special care homes throughout NB.

Over the past year, it has been noted that although we have specific presentations geared towards professionals who work with seniors, the requests that the CEC's have been receiving have been for more general information on mental health/mental illness or some topics within our core presentation workshops.

The CEC's have found these presentations to be an area of challenge through their work, as they have connected with many of the homes in previous years, offering presentations. As a result, there has been less of a demand for these types of presentations, however the CEC's will continue to promote and create awareness of this service in order to enhance participation rates over the coming years.

#### **Public Awareness**

Number of Direct Public Awareness initiatives	30
Number of kiosks hosted	62
Number of General Public Awareness Initiatives	83
Total reach of CEC Public Awareness	15,003

The CEC Program provides public awareness to communities in New Brunswick through media advertisements, initiatives, awareness campaigns, hosting kiosks, creating educational material, among other projects. This year, through public awareness initiatives, the Community Education Coordinators directly reached a total of 15,003 individuals

through 62 kiosks and 113 awareness or media initiatives. Though a significant reach, we know the impact is far greater, as 83 of the 113 initiatives were awareness created to the general public through means of radio, television, newspapers, magazines, etc... an impact we are unable to estimate the reach for.

#### **Special Events**

Special events are an important component of the CEC program. Special events feature awareness/education components, guest speakers, testimonials, sharing of personal experiences and activities. Special events hosted by CEC's focus on many different demographics including: youth, adult, senior, those who experience mental illness, family and friends of those who experience mental illness, First Nations' communities, Newcomers to Canada, etc. Events hosted range from educational conferences, retreats, suppers, walks, art exhibits, networking, or initiatives as part of special awareness campaigns (Mental Health Week, Mental Illness Awareness Week, etc...)

Goal for # of Special Events	62	Total Number of Special Events	78
Participation Goal: Special Events	7,600	Total Participation	11,372

#### **Self-Help & Educational Group Programs**

Over the past couple years, CMHA of NB CEC's have been putting more focus into the provision of educational and self-help based programming. These groups offer a psycho-educational, skill building, and peer relationship building platform for individuals to enhance resiliency and develop strategies to cope with or prevent mental health concerns. This year group programs were facilitated on many different topics including: Anxiety, Depression, Learning to Cope, Self-Esteem, Anger Management, Mindfulness, Caregivers and Family Support, Emotions Anonymous, Stress, Recovery, Grief, among others.

Goal for Participation in Educational and Self-Help Group Programming	500
Total Participation in Educational and Self-Help Group Programming	789

Changing Minds			
Goal for Program Participation	TBD		
Program Groups Offered	9		
Program Groups	7		
T4T Groups	2		
English Participants	182		
French Participants	24		
Total Participants	206		
Kids Have Stress Too!			
Goal for Program Participation	125		
Program Groups Offered	9		
Total Participants	93		
Living Life to the Full			
Goal for Program Participation	125		
Program Groups Offered	8		
Youth Programs Delivered	6		
Adult Programs Delivered	1		
Senior Programs Delivered	1		
English Participants	108		
French Participants	31		
Total Participants	139		
ASIST			
Goal for Program Participation	120		
Program Groups Offered	11		
English Groups Offered	4		
French Groups Offered	7		
English Participants	86		
French Participants	121		
Total Participants	207		
safeTALK			
Goal for Program Participation	120		
Program Groups Offered	18		
English Groups Offered	7		
French Groups Offered	11		
English Participants	123		
French Participants	144		
Total Participants	267		

The CEC's have delivered programs to 438 individuals over the last year. *Changing Minds* is a 2 day workshop training, which is aimed at reducing stigma, as well as educating participants on mental health/illness and how to support someone who is experiencing a mental health concern. *Kids Have Stress Too* is a program that works with parents, or professionals who work with children to understand the stress that children experience and how to assist children in addressing, reducing, or preventing stress. *Living Life to the Full* is an 8 week psycho-educational group program which helps participants through the development of skills and knowledge to address/overcome symptoms of depression, anxiety, or feelings of overwhelming stress.

#### **Suicide Prevention**

The CMHA of NB CEC team offers programming and initiatives with a focus of suicide prevention and awareness, through the delivery of ASIST (Assistive Suicide Intervention Skills Training), safeTALK, awareness presentations, as well as special events and initiatives. Special events and awareness initiatives are celebrated throughout the year, honouring various dates/times such as: February (Suicide Prevention Month), World Suicide Prevention Day, Day in Yellow, International Survivors of Suicide Loss Day, etc. This year, during Suicide Prevention Month, staff also focused on awareness/prevention initiatives on groups such as doctors and healthcare professionals, as well as first responders.





#### Information, Referral, and Advocacy

Goal for individuals served through information, referrals, and advocacy.	2,100
Information Requests	1,829
Referrals Provided	363
Individual Advocacy	118
Total Participants	2,310

#### Looking to the future

As we look to what lays ahead, we are excited to be working on many new initiatives. The CEC's will be involved in a new anti-stigma campaign including public workshops/trainings (*Changing Minds & Working Minds Together*), workplace toolkits, and a social media campaign. Furthermore, our team will be learning and offering new programs such as Emotional *Regulation, Art of Recovery, Art of Friendship*, as well as *Engaging Families in Recovery*. As we continue to grow both as a program and an organization, CMHA of NB recognizes the importance of building capacity through innovative approaches.

#### Conclusion

CEC Program Reach 2016-2017		
Core Presentations	5,029	
Presentations to Staff of Nursing & Special Care Homes	355	
Changing Minds	206	
Kids Have Stress Too!	93	
Living Life to the Full	139	
ASIST	207	
safeTALK	267	
Public Awareness	15,003	
Special Events	11,372	
Education & Self-Help Groups	789	
Information, Referral, Advocacy	2,310	
Total Participants	35,770	

CMHA of NB would like to thank the Department of Health for its on-going support of the Community Education Coordinator Program. Our team has continued to achieve new goals and impact the lives of many across the province. Two years ago, the CEC program reached 32,901 individuals, while this year the CEC's reached 35,770 New Brunswickers. CMHA of NB and the CEC team will continue to promote mental health for all, and strive to reach the vision of mentally healthy people living in a healthy society.



# **Employment Programs**

**Employment Coordinator: Cheryl Edwards (Fredericton) Employment Counsellor: Becky Arseneault (Fredericton)** 

**Employment Counsellor: Jennifer Lewis (Moncton)** 

The *At Work* program provides supported employment related services to individuals who have complex service needs related to a mental health illness and who want to find competitive employment in their local area.

**Our Mission:** The *At Work* program is aligned with the values of the Canadian Human Rights Commission and supports the right of individuals to choose and access competitive employment.

The At Work program is unique in that clients will not be excluded for:

Not taking medication
Limited or no connection to primary care
Limited or no history of service engagement
Continued use of substances
Chronic illness
Absence of a formal mental illness diagnosis
Involvement in the Criminal Justice System

#### **Funding:**

We have been very successful in using subsidy funding for the benefit of our clients. The *At Work* program has used approximately \$7,000 toward education. This has allowed some of our clients to find long term employment and satisfying careers.

The *At Work* program has also utilized approximately \$32,104.08 in wage subsidy funding. This funding has allowed us to employ 16 clients in part-time work and 8 clients with full-time work.



# **Program Information**

The *At Work* program currently has 76 open and active participants. Out of the 76 clients, 25 are closed employed, and 3 are currently engaged in educational programs.

We have had several requests from other employment agencies for access to our program for their clients. We have received referrals from *Addictions and Mental Health*, *Department of Social Development*, *Department of Post-Secondary Education and Training*, *John Howard Society*, *Neil Squires Society* and *Anglophone West School District*.

# **Working: Stronger Together**



Jennifer Price, Employment Counsellor – St. Stephen Michelle Gayton, Employment Counsellor – St. George

Working: Stronger Together program provides employment related services, at no cost, for qualifying individuals in Charlotte County having difficulty finding meaningful and sustainable employment.

#### **Highlights:**

Michelle and Jennifer have worked tirelessly to ensure that the annual goals are met in partnership with the *Department of Post-Secondary Training and Labour*. Collectively, Michelle and Jennifer sit on a number of boards and councils. They are actively involved in all Canadian Mental Health Association of New Brunswick's activities. Michelle and Jennifer plan many activities and participate in training around mental health including; job fairs, seniors painting party, mental fitness fairs, employer lunch and learn, helped create a mental health awareness video, offering courses for their clients (First Aid, Flaggers, Safety Start), Wellness Committee, EAS Best Practices, IPS Course, SPC Committee, Charlotte County Adult Learning Inc., and the Employment Networking Committee.









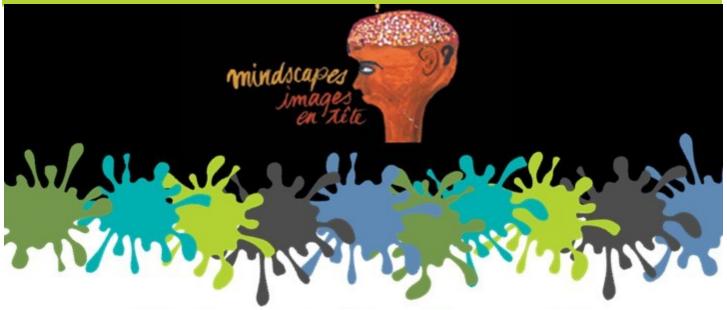
#### **MINDSCAPES NEW BRUNSWICK 2016**

CMHA of NB's annual provincial art exhibit, celebrates the talents of persons with lived experience of mental illness. The works of art can offer insight into life's small moments and victories. They can reflect the importance of expressing life's challenges and finding peace in the face of adversity. The exhibit can be seen as a road map through mental health. The talent is amazing.

Mindscapes NB 2016 was held at the Student Union Building at UNB for the month of October. The venue was chosen based on already existing foot traffic with thousands of students walking through the building on a daily basis. It was an opportunity to reach teens and young adults at a stage in their life when mental health conditions often afflict people.

The exhibit was once again very successful with 50 artists with lived experience of mental illness taking part. There were 65 inspiring pieces of art displayed!

Mindscapes New Brunswick is a well-deserved celebration of abilities and talents. It is about making connections and helping to rid society of the myths and stigma surrounding mental illness. Annually, attendance has grown and it is easy to see the increased level of self-confidence and pride that the artists demonstrate.



#### Women & Wellness



The annual CMHA of NB's Fundraiser event *Women & Wellness* was held on February 18th 2017. This year we brought W&W back to its roots in Moncton. The evening targets women, and is designed to embrace mental health while dispelling the myths that prevent those affected from reaching out for help. This evening is also a fun night out with refreshments, appetizers and prizes. The guest speaker, *Alice Foley-Keats* (YFC Runway Run) and MC MLA/Minister of Finance *Cathy Rogers* were very inspirational to the Women & Wellness evening. Close to 250 women attended the event and a net profit of \$10,500 was raised to help CMHA of NB deliver programs and services in the Moncton area.

#### Living Life to the Full





CMHA of NB received a \$30,000 (in 2015) grant from *Medavie Health Foundation* for delivering the program *Living Life to the Full* (LLTTF), an eight-week course building mental resiliency in New Brunswick youth. LLTTF helps bridge the gap for youth waiting to receive publicly funded mental health services.

Living Life to the Full will alleviate the strain on many tapped-out resources in our communities. Our collaboration with Medavie Health Foundation will allow us to reach those in need of mental health services, directly affecting the lives of New Brunswick youth. In 2016 CMHA of NB applied for another grant from Medavie, and was once again successful, receiving an additional \$15,000 to further offer LLTTF to youth throughout the province.

#### The Runway Run



CMHA of NB's partnership with the YFC Fredericton International Airport and the Capital City Road Runners Club resulted in raising \$36,000+ during the Runway Run on May 28, 2016. The 5k run was sold out months before the actual event with 300 runners. Some 600 people came out to enjoy the run and the Family Fun Expo.

A LOT of media attention was given to the YFC Runway Run...in large part due to *Alice Foley-Keats* and *Team TKO*, who, together raised over \$16,000 (this money almost doubled what was raised at the 2015 YFC Runway Run).





### **Mental Health Week 2016**

#### **ANBL Store Campaign**

ANBL did a Prompt-at-Cash Aug 4-6, 2016 (postponed from Mental Health Week due to Fort McMurry fires) throughout all 43 stores in the province. ANBL staff wore CMHA "No More Stigma" buttons. Over \$38,000 was raised during those three days. Building on this community relationship with ANBL, CMHA continues to invite ANBL to special events planned by CMHA and offer seats in programs offered by CMHA of NB























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#### **Staff Recognition**

The employees of CMHA of New Brunswick are leaders in their fields and are highly professional. Each employee is valued for the role they play in serving New Brunswickers. We work in a climate of trust, respect and communicate openly. Our management style is team-based, providing us with opportunities to facilitate change within the organization. The leadership is strengthened by the participation of employees, at all levels and the volunteers who form the Board of Directors. We have the authority, responsibility and support needed to do our jobs well. We value team success, while recognizing individual contributions.

CMHA of New Brunswick has a staff recognition program thanking staff at 5, 10, 15, 20, and 25 years of service with the association. This year we would like to publicly recognize the following:

- Josée Martin
- Gwen McKnight



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