

Fostering
youth vision...

Activating
youth voice

social planning council of winnipeg

annual report 2001

OUR vision mission

A just, caring, inclusive, and responsive society.

The Social Planning Council of Winnipeg plays a unique role in the community by:

- Identifying and defining social planning issues, needs, capacities, and necessary resources in the community;
- Developing and promoting policy and program options to policy-makers;
- Supporting community groups and the voluntary human service sector;
- Raising community awareness of and providing voice to social issues and human service needs, social policy options, and service delivery alternatives; and,
- Facilitating communication and collaboration among government, business, labour, the voluntary sector and grassroots communities.



SOCIAL PLANNING COUNCIL
OF WINNIPEG

president's report

It is truly a joy to act as the President of the Board of Directors of the Social Planning Council of Winnipeg. The Executive Committee and Board members are informed, active, and take their responsibility for the stewardship of the organization very seriously. The staff is skilled, energetic, and committed. There are literally hundreds of talented volunteers involved in a range of committees and programs. The organization is strong and growing stronger.

This year we have had the opportunity to undergo a strategic planning exercise and have renewed our commitment to furthering the vision of “a just, caring, inclusive, and responsive society.” But what has the Council done to implement this vision; what does this mean for our communities?

Our commitment to a just society means a commitment to decreasing inequity in the distribution of opportunity and resources, which leads to marginalization and discrimination. We express this commitment through advocating for redistributive public policy, by helping to organize the action of community organizations, inform the public, and promote the involvement of government – too often viewed as separate from society – as a positive instrument to support social progress.

Our commitment to a caring society is expressed through community capacity building activities, a means of helping local communities to maximize their assets in achieving their visions. It is also expressed in our support of the Manitoba Voluntary Sector Initiative, a collaboration focused on strengthening and sustaining the voluntary sector as a key support to community capacity.



Our commitment to an inclusive society is expressed through a focus on anti-racism, anti-sexism, and affirmative action policies and education.

Our commitment to a responsive society is expressed in our sponsorship of the Centre of Excellence for Child and Youth Centred Prairie Communities, a partnership of four community sectors and hundreds of organizations across the Prairies. It is focused on developing and distributing knowledge about how communities can improve the effects of societal forces on child and youth well-being.

These comments may leave you with the impression that the Social Planning Council never does anything on its own. This is correct and appropriate, as our job is to build social capital, not to guard our own territory. That is, our central strategy is to help a community build on its own capacity for support and cooperative action by working to strengthen existing structures and networks of mutually trusting social relationships. The various projects and activities described in this report all serve to build, maintain, and energize these relationships.

Let me end by thanking our funders, especially the United Way of Winnipeg, our core funder, and the Population and Public Health Branch of Health Canada, which has funded so much of our community capacity building activity.

Sid Frankel
President



executive director's report

Another banner year has elapsed adding to the proud 82-year history of the Social Planning Council of Winnipeg. Through an increase in engagements and partnerships, we have expanded activities in areas we have been pursuing for years.

The Centre of Excellence for Child and Youth Centred Prairie Communities is now a reality and the consortium consisting of the Aboriginal Health and Wellness Centre, the University of Manitoba, the Healthy Child Manitoba Initiative, and ourselves are now managing this Prairie based Center under a five year agreement with Health Canada. Many new relationships have been created and the action research, which will be undertaken by the Centre, will have a profound positive impact on the well-being of children in our communities.

Our timely linkage with the Volunteer Centre of Winnipeg—under Helen Hayles' leadership, also involving the Winnipeg Foundation, the United Way of Winnipeg, and the Arts Stabilization Manitoba, Inc.—has resulted in significant coordinated planning and activity to bring forward the issues faced by our community and charitable voluntary organizations. Driven by members of the Voluntary Sector, we are in lock-step with (probably ahead of) governments who have become more fully appreciative of the critical role this sector plays in enhancing the quality of life within our society. Together we have set the stage and this coming year we will see more public recognition of the value of this (our) sector.

We certainly know how consuming the demands on our leadership as vol-

unteers can be. Our Board of Directors, committees and networks give ample evidence of this. Their experience, wisdom, compassion, and sacrifice contribute to the success of our organization, often without sufficient appreciation. In addition to their usual duties, the Board of Directors, working closely with all the staff, have fashioned a current and inspiring vision and challenging mission for the organization, which will serve us well in the years to come.

Among our supporters and funders, the United Way of Winnipeg stands out for appreciating the larger social and economic environment and the important role we all must play to be of assistance to those among us who require support.

Finally, in consideration of the small but very capable staff of the agency, I can recognize the long hours and dedication to our organization that they deliver day after day. It is with great pride that I work for such a wonderful organization and with such very fine people.

Wayne Helgason
Executive Director



demographics report

As my tenure at the Social Planning Council draws to a close, I reflect on the past year with great fondness. Some important work has been done, laughs have been shared, and friendships have been formed.

Upon reflection, it has been a busy year. A tremendous amount of effort was directed toward updating and revising the *Acceptable Living Level (ALL)* report. The ALL report sought to engage people in a debate about poverty and living standards in our community using an inclusive, evidence based research approach. It was a pleasure and an honour to work alongside the participants who lead the process and Winnipeg Harvest staff who contributed to the report. I thank them for allowing me to be involved and for teaching me so much.

Beyond maintaining SPC's demographic and socio-economic database, additional activities have included involvement in the Federal government's homelessness initiative, the Manitoba Council for Child Nutrition, the Community Data Network, and Understanding the Early Years research coalition. I am also pleased to announce that new research opportunities will be created through our successful partnership with the Winnipeg Inner City Research Alliance headed by the University of Winnipeg.



Finally, I want to take this opportunity to thank the Board and staff of

SPC for their patience and confidence in me over the past eight years. I have learned a great deal and find it difficult to express in words how much I have appreciated their camaraderie. But, in the immortal words of Heraclius, "nothing endures but change". It is time for me to move on. As I exit I still believe great things will come if we honour the memory of those who came before us and respect those who follow by never relinquishing dreams of fairness and equality and the belief that ideas can change the world.

Darren Walter Lezubski
Senior Planner



poverty advisory committee report



As in past years, the Poverty Advisory Committee continues to function effectively, thanks to the dedicated efforts of a hard working and diverse group of citizens, some experiencing poverty, social service providers, and academics. Together, we have persisted in addressing concerns of low and fixed-income citizens of Manitoba, and have won increasing recognition as a major voice of the least empowered sectors of our society. Our contributions, however modest, in cooperation with other equally concerned forces in our community, helped slow and even reverse some of the negative trends in poverty in Manitoba over the past decade. With signs of economic slowdown and possibly even a recession on the horizon and the potential impact this would have in increasing and intensifying poverty, the restoration and expansion of many of the seriously eroded features of Canada's social safety net must remain our top priority in the coming year.

Among our more significant efforts in the past year were:

- Presentations and participation in campaigns against soaring utility rates, with some success in mitigating some of these increases. A noted success in this connection was a recent meeting with representatives from Manitoba Telecom Services' leadership to address concerns for the effects of rate hikes on low and fixed income citizens;
- Participation in consultations and hearings on rising costs of civic services and their impact on low-income people, particularly transit fares, garbage, and other user fees;
- Completion of the Social Planning Council's Housing Policy and ongoing work on housing and shelter concerns;
- Participation in provincial consultations on: Social Services Advisory Committee Reform, culminating in recently tabled amendments to the relevant legislation; concerns of the disabled community, resulting in the recent release of a

white paper by the government outlining significant reforms to the support structure for this community;

review of minimum wage legislation and rates; and participation in the provincial budget process;

- After years of effort, a highly successful meeting with the Christmas Cheer Board to review and constructively resolve the concerns of many recipients about the effectiveness of the program.

Space does not permit us to report on the many issues and concerns addressed by the committee. This report only serves to highlight the vital and growing role we are playing in the community. We welcome the participation of new members with all the energy and ideas they can bring to our work for the coming year.

On behalf of the committee, I express special thanks to Ellen Kruger, whose fine work in previous years as chair of the committee left us well equipped to meet the challenges confronting us in the new millennium. Perhaps our biggest challenge has been to continue the high standard of achievement that she had set for our work. Special thanks must also be expressed to staff members assigned to work with our committee in the past year, particularly Christine Ogaranko and Scott DeJaegher. None of our accomplishments would have been possible without their dedication, talents, and long hours of hard work. Finally, I express my thanks to the committee members themselves who made this past year such a rewarding and successful experience.

Harold Dyck
Co-Chair

campaign 2000 report

Campaign 2000, a standing committee of the Social Planning Council, has worked diligently to address issues related to child poverty in Manitoba. Despite substantial efforts expended by Campaign 2000, both provincially and nationally, child poverty continues to be a significant and problematic issue in Manitoba. Eleven years after the House of Commons announced its unanimous resolution to eliminate child poverty by the year 2000, Manitoba continues to rank among the three worst provinces with respect to child poverty.

The Campaign 2000 Steering Committee worked in partnership with the Campaign 2000 Network to release the Manitoba 2000 Child Poverty Report Card entitled "Our Children, Our Future, Our Progress Toward an Agenda for Action" in November 2000. The Report Card was a companion piece to the 1999 Child Poverty Report, entitled "An Agenda for Action", and provided an update on child poverty rates and progress towards the 1999 agenda.

The Report Card raised the interest of the Provincial government and acted as a catalyst to important changes. The Manitoba 2001 Budget included the elimination of the National Child Tax Benefit clawback for families with children under the age of six. The release of the Report Card was accompanied by a candle light vigil that was well attended by government representatives, members of the faith communities, and the general public. The vigil provided an opportunity for individuals to lend their support and signify their commitment to ensuring that the needs of Manitoban children are met.



More recently, the Campaign 2000 Steering Committee

has responded to issues related to child poverty, such as the Provincial Vision Paper on Child Care and the Manitoba 2001 Budget. The Committee is actively planning its strategy for the release of the 2001 Manitoba Child Poverty Report Card. This year's Report Card release will be distinct from previous years and will attempt to revitalize public interest in child poverty issues.

The Social Planning Council of Winnipeg has renewed its commitment as a partner agency with National Campaign 2000, a national coalition of partners promoting the elimination of child poverty. The National Campaign 2000 is in the process of developing its strategic plan for the next three years. Representatives from the Social Planning Council of Winnipeg will participate in a Partners Meeting in Toronto scheduled for June 2001 and bring forth the ideas generated from Manitoba's Campaign 2000 Committee.

Strini Reddy
Chair



committee for elimination of racism & discrimination

report

The committee continued its focus on employment equity within the City of Winnipeg and the Province of Manitoba. Input to senior officials was provided and meetings were held with the Hon. Becky Barrett, Minister of Labour and Citizenship. The committee continues to monitor actions of government employment equity activities to ensure action, accountability, and transparency of hiring, lay-off, and promotion policy.

The committee also helped develop a minority "mentoring" project for management in the City of Winnipeg. A final report of this program and an evaluation has been completed for use in future programs to ensure the representation of minority groups at the management level.

The committee was also involved in co-sponsoring and organizing the Conference to Combat Racism in preparation for the UN Conference to Combat Racism and Xenophobia to be held in South Africa this year. Over 300 attended and many recommendations were made. The Social Planning Council has been accredited to attend and we hope to send a representative to South Africa to bring forward the Winnipeg recommendations.

We have been supporting the foreign medical doctors and are still working with them to ensure that the discrimination against them (as determined by the Manitoba Human Rights Commission) ceases and that their ability to practice medicine in Canada is only determined by their skill.

The sub-committee on Elimination of Racism and Discrimination in the Education

System has been extremely active. Meetings with the Minister and Deputy Minister of Education are in the works, public consultations are being planned for local communities, and research and policy analysis are in progress.

The committee has sent representatives to present the Social Planning Council's position on the Federal Employment Equity Act to The Parliamentary Committee on the Immigration Act, to the Mayor's Task Force on Diversity, and at the Canadian Race Relations Foundation Award of Excellence, 2001. The committee has also taken action on a number of issues that arose, such as concerns about hiring at the Pan Am games, the statements of Alliance candidate Betty Granger, firefighters' training, and aboriginal self-government.

It's been a busy year and we expect next year to be even busier. We're making progress on a number of fronts and encourage those who want to help to join with us.

Marty Dolin
Chair



marketing & membership services committee report

The Marketing and Membership Services Committee supports the work of SPC staff in communicating with our membership and with the community at large. Typically, the committee's work falls within a variety of areas:

Continued implementation of the Membership Marketing Plan

This plan to improve communications with members and the community at large was initiated in May 1999. As a result of this plan, SPC has achieved the following:

- our membership has more than doubled in size;
- an agency database of 900+ contacts;
- automatic notification of membership renewal/solicitation schedules;
- improved e-mail communication with members.

Website Maintenance and Improvement

SPC's website continues to evolve as a source of information important to our community. Publications and reports on the site deal with a number of subject areas, including children, poverty issues, community development and homelessness. Currently, the website contains SPC based documents such as recent issues of the *SPC Bulletin*, the *Manitoba 2000 Child Poverty Report Card*, and a variety of SPC news releases. It also contains conference reports (*Building Sustainable Neighbourhoods*), reports done in cooperation with other agencies (*Acceptable Living Level 2000*, SPC and Winnipeg Harvest) and policy-oriented reports (*Impact of the Corbiere Decision*, SPC and the Aboriginal Council). Visitors to the site can also easily access demographic statistics on Winnipeg families and the Manitoba Provincial Budget 2000.

Community Events

SPC continues to host community-based events and forums where people can come together to address a variety of social planning issues. On November 9th, 2000, SPC hosted the 2nd annual Mayoral State of the City address. Approximately 330 people attended this event, over 100 more than last year. The Child Poverty Report Card was released on November 20th, which was followed by the Child Poverty Vigil 2000 on November 21st. Over 500 copies of the Report Card have been distributed to date; over 150 individuals participated in the Vigil. Other events included coordinating the public viewing of "Letters to a Street Child", a documentary that explores a family's struggle to reclaim their daughter from drug abuse. The committee also has responsibility each year for planning the Annual General Meeting, which last year was held in conjunction with the Building Sustainable Neighbourhoods conference.

On behalf of the committee, I would like to commend SPC's hard-working staff on their diligence and creativity. Regretfully, we said goodbye to Michelle Boivin, SPC's Communication's Officer, as she began a new, challenging position, but we welcomed Harpa Isfeld to the position. Harpa has come to SPC in exciting times and has very quickly shown the talent and energy she brings with her. We would also like to thank Scott DeJaegher for his dedicated work in maintaining SPC's website. Without this staff support, the committee would not be able to accomplish our communications goals.



Barbara Palace
Chair



program reports

Community Capacity Building Coordinating Committee



Maureen Kalloo
Research Director

This project was initiated approximately two years ago with support from the Population and Public Health Branch of Health Canada. It brings together eight community capacity building organizations under the sponsorship of the Social Planning Council of Winnipeg: Andrews Street Family Centre, Community Education Development Association, Elmwood Resource Centre (formerly Chalmers Neighbourhood Project), St. Matthews-Maryland Community Ministry, The Pas Friendship Centre, Portage (la Prairie) Neighbourhood Connection, Transcona-Springfield Employment Network Inc., and West Broadway Housing Resource Centre.

The Committee's purposes are to provide a forum for mutual support, learning, and action by community capacity building organizations; disseminate concepts related to a community capacity building approach to community development; and increase the quality of community capacity building practice.

The committee has focused much of its work on how to help sustain community capacity building efforts over the long term, which was the topic of the "Building Sustainable Neighbourhoods Conference" organized by the Committee on June 15th, and 16th., 2000. It was attended by 257 participants.

Committee members have developed a particular view of sustainability based upon their experience. It involves the primary requirement of continuing high levels of citizen involvement and local control in neighbourhood planning. This increases connections among residents and community organizations. In turn, residents experience an enhanced sense of psychological empowerment. This can be promoted through public celebration of successes.

Sustainability is also dependent on ongoing assessment and evaluation, continuing facilitation of participation and coordination among community stakeholders.

The committee is currently exploring opportunities for providing skill development activities in community capacity building, and is also meeting with various government officials to garner increased support for this approach.

Community Planning for the Active Living/Recreational Needs of Children—6–12 Years of Age

Social Planning Council continues to work on principles of community capacity building, citizen participation, and community partnerships during this fiscal year. The three project neighbourhoods, (Tyndall Park, Gilbert Park, and Anderson Avenue Neighbourhood) planned and implemented active living/recreational activities for children (6 – 12 years of age) in their communities. Activities in Tyndall Park and Gilbert Park were planned and carried out under the direction of community Advisory Groups. MaMawi undertook responsibility for planning and implementation with the Anderson Avenue Neighbourhood. Summer 2000 was particularly active, thanks to the active participation of community volunteers, parents, Green Team workers, and the children themselves.

The project phase in Gilbert Park and Anderson Avenue Neighbourhood ended in October 2000. The project phase in Tyndall Park ended in February 2001. Efforts to achieve sustainability are ongoing in each community. In Tyndall Park, the Advisory Group remains active and is expanding; in Gilbert Park, the Winnipeg Foundation has provided funds for two years for ongoing activities sponsored under Nor'West Community Centre; and in the Anderson Avenue Neighbourhood, MaMawi has incorporated the process in its strategic plan.

Project evaluation is underway and is expected to be completed by the end of June 2001. Our thanks go to Population and Public Health Branch, Health Canada, for funding this project phase.



A Community Empowerment Project for Women by Women

During the early part of this fiscal year, the women in the West Central and North Point Douglas neighbourhoods came together to develop a proposal for Phase II implementation of the Women's Project. Phase I planning was successfully completed during the last fiscal year. The evaluation report, which was completed in August 2000, indicated the commitment and enthusiasm of the women in bringing their issues and solutions to planning and development in their neighbourhoods. Some of the comments were:

"It's a good thing to have a 'women's project' – that's new in this neighbourhood."

"I had a chance to say something – this was a kind of personal improvement for me."

"There is a need for people to do more than sit around not knowing what to do. People need to meet to learn from each other."

"My first impression was that it was a Health Canada involvement concerning our community's quality of life. This is important, because if your quality of life sucks, you don't feel good about yourself and this causes aggregate problems."

Thanks to Population and Public Health Branch, Health Canada, for making Phase I of this Women's project possible, and for supporting Phase II development and the involvement of other funders.

With the approval of funds from Population and Public Health Branch, Health Canada, the Multiculturalism Program, Canadian Heritage, the Community Mobilization Program under the federal Department of Justice, and Manitoba Government's Neighbourhoods Alive! Initiative, by December 2000, the women in both neighbourhoods were ready to re-group to begin a three-year project implementation phase. Plans in both neighbourhoods include expanding the network of women by drawing from the diverse ethnocultural communities in the neighbourhood, developing means for women to come together for mutual support and recreational activities, developing resources for women from a women's perspective, and empowering women to become active in identifying issues in their neighbourhoods and become involved with others in addressing these issues. Childcare and activities for the children are being provided, so that the children too, have opportunities for healthy development. As stated in our third quarterly report of the year to the funders, we are excited about: (i) the federal-provincial partnership, (ii) the federal government's inter-departmental collaboration and partnership, and (iii) the community-government partnership in this project. We view all of these partnerships as essential to successful project implementation.

Youth Engagement in Planning for Healthy Outcomes for Youth

The Youth Engagement Project was launched in January 2001, founded on the concept that youth must be meaningfully engaged in naming the issues that affect today's youth, and in developing solutions to address these issues. We thank the Population and Public Health Branch, Health Canada for funding three youth workers who are now actively involved in reaching out to youth to learn about issues from a youth perspective, and beginning to develop the elements of engagement processes that respond to youth needs. Special emphasis is being given to youth who are not normally reached, such as Aboriginal youth, youth from ethnocultural communities, and street youth. We also look forward to sharing the successful processes that were used in a health project through the Centre de sante Saint Boniface/St. Boniface Health Centre in the francophone community.



Youth Summit 2001

In honour of the International Year of Volunteers, 2001, the Social Planning Council of Winnipeg is staging 'Youth Activating Youth', a regional conference to celebrate youth volunteerism in Manitoba and Saskatchewan. Discussion on the possibility of the Social Planning Council hosting such an event was initiated with Canadian Heritage in February 2001. 'Youth Activating Youth' is an opportunity for youth from diverse socio-cultural backgrounds to network with one another, to build on their skills to facilitate positive change in their communities, and to have some fun. The summit, to be held June 2, 2001 at the Aboriginal Centre in Winnipeg, for youth 16 – 24 years of age, has been developed on the following themes:

Celebrate—the outstanding contributions and achievements of youth volunteers in Manitoba and Saskatchewan.

Participate—in a variety of fun, skill-building sessions and 'Action Workshops.'

Activate—the capacity youth have to bring about positive social change in their communities.



Wellbeing in the Workplace

This is a new activity for the Social Planning Council of Winnipeg, which has recently been transferred from the Canadian Mental Health Association, Manitoba Division. It is a collaborative effort, which includes membership from voluntary sector organizations (Social Planning Council of Winnipeg, Canadian Mental Health Association, Manitoba Division, and Canadian Mental Health Association, Winnipeg Region), business (Great West Life Assurance Company and Alliance of Manufacturers and Exporters), labour (Occupational Health Centre and Crocus Investment Fund), and government and quasi-public bodies (Workplace Health and Safety, Department of Labour, Human Resources, Manitoba Education, The Addictions Foundation of Manitoba and St. Boniface Hospital). The committee's work is based on the healthy organizations concept, which has shown that improving the workplace environment in appropriate ways will lead to improvements in both worker well-being and organizational productivity. This committee has carried out training for managers and workers, is conducting a pilot study to test a healthy organizations assessment and intervention process, and is developing a manual for workers and managers. Future plans involve the possibility of developing a healthy organizations resource centre.



Aboriginal Outreach

The Social Planning Council has reinforced its Aboriginal outreach network by focusing on:

- **Homelessness**-The Aboriginal Reference Group has been established to coordinate the activities of the urban Aboriginal community as they tackle the issues and concerns of homelessness. This group is part of a larger community initiative spearheaded by David Northcott of Winnipeg Harvest and Joan Dawkins of the Main Street Project. Plans are underway to develop a strategic community plan that involves all three levels of Government.
- **Housing**-As part of the plan to address affordable and adequate housing, the Social Planning Council is actively involved with the Aboriginal housing groups and the Inner City Housing Coalition. Again, collaboration with all levels of government will be undertaken.
- **Governance**-On December 20, 2000, the Minister of Indian and Northern Affairs, the Honourable Robert Nault, announced that the Department would draft legislation for First Nations governance. The Social Planning Council in conjunction with the Aboriginal Council of Winnipeg Inc. and the urban Aboriginal community have been actively involved in flagging the issues and concerns urban First Nations residents have regarding how this legislation will affect them. Also, in September 2000, the Council published a report entitled "The Impact of the Corbiere Decision," which explored the implications of a decision—resulting from a Supreme Court ruling—that allowed off-reserve residents to vote in band elections for the first time.
- **Voluntary Sector**-The Social Planning Council, in conjunction with the Volunteer Centre of Winnipeg, has established an Aboriginal Reference Group to examine issues and



George Munroe
Project Consultant



concerns that the urban Aboriginal Voluntary Sector is grappling with. This is part of a larger initiative organized by The Voluntary Sector Council, a consortium of partners lead by the Volunteer Centre of Winnipeg, which is examining the issue at the Provincial level.



The Second Annual Mayoral State of the City Address, "Making Winnipeg a Child and Youth Centred City," was a great success, with approximately 330 people in attendance.



The Centre of Excellence for Child and Youth Centred Prairie Communities was an important special initiative for SPC in 2000/2001. March 2001 saw the completion of the Centre's proposal entitled, "Acting Together," to which the Council provided considerable input.



The Manitoba 2000 Child Poverty Report Card, released by SPC on November 20, 2000, raised public awareness on the significant issue of child poverty in the province and contributed to steps taken in the Manitoba 2001 Budget toward eliminating the National Child Tax Benefit clawback.

centre of excellence— special initiatives report

As a result of much hard work and dedication by local and provincial partners, the Centre of Excellence for Child and Youth Centred Prairie Communities has become a reality. On October 5, 2000, the Government of Canada announced the establishment of the Centre, an announcement that marked the successful culmination of five years of consultations, planning, and coordination. As part of the negotiations leading up to the announcement, the Centre partners were asked by Health Canada to refocus the initial proposal to reflect a Prairie perspective. The new Centre is administratively based at the Social Planning Council of Winnipeg and is governed by a partnership of community, Aboriginal, university, and government representatives.

This significant achievement will foster the healthy development of children and youth across the Prairies. By conducting community focused, action-based research, identifying best practices, communicating knowledge, and engaging stakeholders, the Centre aims to achieve its vision of Prairie communities that nurture and enhance the physical, spiritual, emotional, intellectual, and social development of children and youth. As a research entity, the Centre will aim to significantly improve what we know about children's needs, and create practical information pertaining to the community determinants of child and youth health and well-being for use by parents, teachers, service providers, and policy makers.

The Centre has grown from a community-based process. The Aboriginal Health and Wellness Centre and the Government of Manitoba were among the first to provide the resources required to develop and support this concept and continue their active involvement. The University of Manitoba also remains a key consortium partner. Currently, the Centre has received support from over 50 local, provincial, and national organizations. Of special note has been the tireless efforts of the Centre's provincial Prairie partners, including the Edmonton Social Planning Council (Edmonton), the Aspen Family and Community Network Society (Calgary), the Saskatchewan Population Health and Evaluation Research Unit at the University of Saskatchewan (Saskatoon), the Council on Social Development – Regina (Regina), the Brandon University School of Health Studies (Brandon), and the Social Planning Council of Winnipeg.

While the work of the Centre has just begun, we expect many exciting developments throughout the next year. As part of its continued commitment to the Centre, the Social Planning Council of Winnipeg remains an active participant to the process from an administrative standpoint and has taken a leadership role in the coordination of the Centre's local Winnipeg network.

Anita Moore
Centre of Excellence Representative
to the SPC Board of Directors



auditors' report



To the Members of
Social Planning Council of Winnipeg

We have audited the financial statements of Social Planning Council of Winnipeg as at March 31, 2001 and for the year then ended which includes the statements of financial position, operations and changes in net assets and cash flows, and notes to the financial statements, which we have reported thereon, without reservation, to the Planning Council on May 25, 2001.

We conducted our audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that we plan and perform an audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation.

In our opinion, these summarized statements fairly present the information contained in the financial statements of Social Planning Council of Winnipeg for the year ended March 31, 2001 from which they have been derived.

Deloitte & Touche LLP

Chartered Accountants

Winnipeg, Manitoba
May 25, 2001



financial report

SOCIAL PLANNING COUNCIL OF WINNIPEG Summarized Financial Statements Year Ended March 31, 2001

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

	March 31	
	2001	2000
ASSETS		
CURRENT		
Cash	\$ 38,908	\$ 110,565
Short-term deposits	120,000	-
Accounts receivable	158,506	31,256
Prepaid expenses	2,815	1,030
	<u>\$ 320,229</u>	<u>\$ 142,851</u>
LIABILITIES		
CURRENT		
Accounts payable	\$ 145,589	\$ 89,445
Deferred Special Projects revenue	135,139	22,681
	<u>280,728</u>	<u>112,126</u>
REVENUE STABILIZATION FUND & NET ASSETS		
STABILIZATION FUND	\$ 33,000	\$ 33,000
NET ASSETS (DEFICIT)	6,501	(2,275)
	<u>\$ 320,229</u>	<u>\$ 142,851</u>

APPROVED BY THE BOARD

Sid Trumbel President

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STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS AND CHANGES IN NET ASSETS

	March 31	
	2001	2000
REVENUE		
Special Projects revenue	\$ 809,414	\$ 522,067
United Way of Wpg.	274,800	270,700
Affiliation fees	4,788	3,866
Sale of publications	58	-
Other	9,255	9,124
	<u>1,098,315</u>	<u>805,757</u>
EXPENSES		
Special Projects expense	718,021	425,247
Salaries & wages	294,475	276,970
Office & maintenance	42,470	48,477
Administration	34,573	59,559
	<u>1,089,539</u>	<u>810,253</u>
EXCESS OF REVENUE OVER EXPENSES FOR THE YEAR	8,776	(4,496)
(DEFICIT) NET ASSETS, BEGINNING OF YEAR	(2,275)	2,221
NET ASSETS (DEFICIT), END OF YEAR	\$ 6,501	\$ (2,275)



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