2019

Annual Report



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A Message from Rachel Henry, Chair of Management Committee & Jessica Bonilla-Damptey, Director

Dear friends, supporters and community members, my name is Jessica Bonilla-Damptey, I want to say "Hola" and introduce myself as the new Director at SACHA. I am happy and excited to be at SACHA alongside my colleagues and SACHA volunteers, as we work to end violence and oppression through education, advocacy, outreach, coalition building, community partnerships, and activism. Please feel free to connect with me jessica@sacha.ca. I look forward to meeting you at a SACHA event very soon.

The following are highlights of SACHA's work with survivors and within the community in 2018/2019:

Diverse Communities Outreach Program (DCOP)

Multicultural Women Working for Change

Thanks to a grant received from the Ministry of Citizenship and Immigration, the Multicultural Women Working for Change project came to fruition. Six women from five different communities received training on Gender Based Violence (GBV), facilitation and outreach skills. They then created language specific discussion groups on GBV for more women in the community. The end result is 72 women from diverse communities having received information on GBV, who learned about community supports available in Hamilton and are now able to act as peer supports for other women and families facing GBV in their communities. One group of 12 Spanish speaking women continue to meet and work together in the community around issues of GBV.

Ever increasing demand for Counselling

SACHA's Counselling and Advocacy Program provided individual counselling services to 409 women and men in 2018/2019, this is a 75.5% increase from last year. Despite increasing the number of individuals served, the demand is great and our waitlist now stands at its highest of nine months for counselling.

As a result, we have made difficult decisions in terms of community partnerships and group counselling sessions. Our main funder, the Provincial government, has offered additional support for one year. This will allow SACHA to hire a part-time counsellor, and we are hopeful that in doing so, waitlist times will improve.

#metoo

On Tuesday, October 30, 2019 in conjunction with McMaster University and Mohawk College, we were delighted to host the Founder of the 'me too' Movement Tarana Burke in Hamilton. The event held at the McIntyre Performing Art Centre at Mohawk College was sold out with proceeds benefiting SACHA. We are happy to share that SACHA received over \$10,000 from this event. It truly was a moving, uplifting and inspiring evening.

Requests for Public Education grow

SACHA continues receive many phone calls and emails from workplaces, schools and community members requesting public education. We are thankful for the fabulous and dedicated group of tabling volunteers who help respond to the many requests to take part in community events. SACHA continues to partner with Mohawk College and McMaster University as they work to address and prevent sexual violence on campus.

Welcome Danielle

SACHA welcomes Danielle Boissoneau to the Public Education Team in her role as Take Back the Night Coordinator for 2019. Take Back the Night grows and improves every year and we can't wait to see what is in store for this year. We invite all women, cis women and children to join us on September 19, 2019 to Take Back the Night.

¡Hasta pronto!

We wish to express our appreciation, love and respect to 3 incredible women who have been a part of SACHA's staff team for many years, and have decided to move on:

- Lenore Lukasik-Foss
- Elizabeth Maracle
- Sandra Lemus

You are each a force in your own way, you are strong, you are inspiring, you are #sachatastic"! We know you will continue to do great things in the community.

So much love & appreciation for SACHA Supporters!

Thank you very much to all of the incredible people who support SACHA's work: our volunteers, community partners and donors. This year we are delighted to share that the number of community run fundraising events on our behalf keeps growing. Your great gifts allow us to continue to offer our full range of specialized supports to survivors, keep the issue of sexual violence on the agenda and work towards our vision of a world free of violence and oppression. Muchas gracias!





SERVICE DELIVERY

Counselling & Advocacy to



409

women & men
who are survivors of sexual violence



Public Education Presentations

5339 participants

88
women participated in Outreach Groups



1534

calls to 24 hour Support Line



7656
Volunteer hours



STAFF



Jessica Bonilla-Damptey

Lenore Lukasik-Foss*

Htee Naw Pa Saw

Trisha Nightingale

Maria Contreras

Annie Horton

Crickett Wilder

Miriam Sager

Sandra Lemus

Diane Sharp

Flizabeth Maracle*

Maria del Carmen Sarmiento

Emily Silbert

Rocco Gizzarelli

Director

Director

Financial Coordinator

Bookkeeper

Office Coordinator

Chocolate Fest Event Manager

Public Education Coordinator

Crisis Support Line

Diverse Communities Outreach Coordinator

Counselling & Advocacy Coordinator

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Counselling & Advocacy

Counselling & Advocacy

Consultant, Services for Male Survivors

Childminders

Elizabeth Castellanos

Liliana Maria Arauz

Rosa Maria Arauz

Facilitators

Myriam Builes

Sana Abou Gwela Shafiqa Ghulam Hussain Hayar Amini Sandra Penagos Arboleda Shamso Elmi Joyce Salim

Yvonne Onyano Jihan Arandas

Spanish Speaking Multicultural Sewing Circle and Spanish Speaking Multicultural Women Working for Change

Arabic Speaking Multicultural Sewing Circle

Farsi Speaking Multicultural Women Helping Women Group Farsi Speaking Multicultural Women Helping Women Group Spanish Speaking Multicultural Women Working for Change Somali Speaking Multicultural Women Working for Change Swahili speaking Multicultural Women Working for Change Swahili speaking Multicultural Women Working for Change Arabic Speaking Multicultural Women Working for Change

*Resigned during the year

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Volunteers

Management Committee

Allison Branston
Catherine Tompkins*
Jeanine Kushnir
Peggy McGillicuddy, Treasurer

Caitlin Craven Erin Oneil Lynn Foye, Secretary* Rachel Henry, Chair

Sarah Yuan*

DCOP Program

Angela Castano Laura Hernandez Patricia Novelo Beatriz Olarte Martha Hernandez

International Women's Day and Latin-American Women Working for Change Group

Amanda Marin Argelia Navarro Damary Bermudez Maria Gutte Patricia Novelo Angela Castano Beatriz Olarte Laura Hernandez Martha Hernandez

International Women's Day Male Allies

John Restrepo Juan Carlos Villega Ronald Caruk

Childminders International Women's Day Spanish Community Volunteers

Amy Novelo Daniella Avendano Gutte Sara Guerrero Navarro

Crisis Support Program Volunteers

Abarna Nathan Alvssa DeAngelis Anu Ohri Courtney Sullivan Denise Lehman Frin O'Neil Isabella Fan Jennifer Mercuri Hourigan Katerina Simantirakis Lorraine Rollo Maia Lippingwell MerkleMelissa-Lee Knowles Natalie Fleming Rachel Cheung Saarah Hague Susan Dong Teresa Caterini Tina Nham

Alice Cavanagh Anaida Paul-Vasquez Audrey Kern Dana Muma Denise Williams Erin Taylor Jasmine Dong Jessica Merolli Kimberly Squires Madison Voelk Maria Ramirez Meron Tadesse Navkiran Verma Rebecca Hough Sandra O Sydney Johnson Thandiwe, Nkomo Wendy Wilson

Alina P Anisha Dubey Catherine McCov Davna MacDonald **Emily Chambers** Gessie Stearns Jasmine Hedley Kavla Bifano Lily Wu Mae Vanderkamp Melissa Fberhardt-Nadia Nadeem Piyanka Sivarajah Ruchi Viih Shaila Kumbhare **Sydney Travers** Thipiga Sivavoganathan



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^{*}Resigned during the year



2018 Take Back the Night Committee:

Abarna Nathan Antonio Damptey-Bonilla Jessica Bonilla-Damptey Jordan Riley Mary Zawadzki Aileen Duncan Crickett Wilder (chair) Jessica Riley Lorraine Rollo

Tabling Volunteers:

Abarna Nathan Jasmine Dong Jac de Schutter Lorraine Rollo

Fundraising Committee:

Amanda Walters Annie Horton Jessica Bonilla-Damptey Sarah Cifani

Finance Committee:

Carol Sheppard Jessica Bonilla-Damptey Peggy McGillicuddy

*Resigned during the year

Ana Patrick Htee, Naw Pa Saw Maria Contreras Tina Horton

Htee, Naw Pa Saw Lenore Lukasik-Foss* Rachel Henry



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RECOGNITION

25 year volunteer Carol Sheppard

THANK YOU TO OUR FUNDERS





Ministry of the Attorney General Victims and Vulnerable **Persons Division**

City of Hamilton



United Way of Halton & Hamilton



Ontario Ministry of Citizenship & Immigration

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Financial Report

SEXUAL ASSAULT CENTRE (HAMILTON & AREA)

Statement of Financial Position March 31, 2019

March 31, 2019		
	2019	2018
ASSETS		
CURRENT		
Cash	\$ 49,730	\$ 35,333
Term deposits	20,066	19,966
Accounts receivable	18,202	21,415
Harmonized sales tax recoverable	3,917	3,860
Prepaid expenses	955	1,804
	92,870	82,378
RESTRICTED FUNDS	11,204	11,149
	\$ 104,074	\$ 93,527
LIABILITIES AND NET A	ASSETS	
CURRENT		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ 38,510	\$ 43,561
Employee deductions payable	10,989	9,170
	49,499	52,731
	25,372	19,648
Stabilization and capital funds	21,203	21,148
Take Back the Night fund	8,000	
	54,575	40,796
	\$ 104,074	\$ 93,527

Statement of Revenues and Expenditures

Year Ended March 31, 2019

	2019	2018
REVENUE		0 400 740
Ministry of the Attorney General - operating	\$ 468,743	\$ 468,743
Other income	68,027	23,056
City of Hamilton	52,856	41,831
United Way of Burlington & Greater Hamilton	50,403	41,511
Donations	44,637	32,143
Fundraising	21,785	29,393
Funding for Male Survivors Program	18,318	15,938
Ministry of Citizenship and Immigration grant	8,000	
	732,769	652,615
EXPENSES		
Salaries & benefits	551,515	506,763
Rent	42,720	41,476
Program expenses	32,667	26,956
Other wages	18,985	6,866
Consulting fees	18,556	18,133
Equipment & services	10,010	8,121
Insurance	6,307	6,061
Office supplies	6,019	4,463
Telephone	5,755	4,854
Grounds & maintenance	4,223	4,514
Professional fees	4,000	3,750
Fundraising expenses	3,378	6,757
Travel & meetings	3,235	2,415
Staff development	3,066	2,732
Other administrative expense	2,483	2,517
Publicity expenses	2,267	1,335
Membership	2,100	2,075
Non-recoverable HST	1,704	1,714
	718,990	651,502
	\$ 13,779	\$ 1,113

The report includes financial information extracted from statements audited by Guyatt+Mofatt Chartered Professional Accountants.

Complete financial Statements are available upon request.

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