

Edmonton Social Planning Council
Balance Sheet
December 31, 1987
with comparative figures for 1986

	1987	1986
Assets		
Current assets:		
Cash	18,975	4,871
Term deposits	49,000	-
Accounts receivable	4,296	4,600
Prepaid Expenses	1,733	152
Total current assets	74,004	9,613
Fixed assets, at nominal value:		
Furniture and equipment	1	1
	<u>74,005</u>	<u>9,614</u>
Liabilities and Unappropriated Funds (Deficit)		
Current Liabilities:		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	2,607	4,805
Employees deductions payable	4,181	6,606
Revenue received in advance	1,500	-
	8,288	11,411
Unappropriated funds (deficit)	<u>65,717</u>	<u>(1,797)</u>
	<u>74,005</u>	<u>9,614</u>

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Notes to Financial Statements
December 31, 1987

1. Special projects:
Specifically identifiable costs incurred by the Council on projects funded by grants from third parties along with the related grants received, were as follows:

	1987	
	Grants	Costs
Community development conference	\$11,375	10,848
Edmonton Women's Shelter evaluation	7,000	1,712
Catalyst Theatre Project	5,000	95
Single employable research project	7,750	9,086
St. Albert Parents Place evaluation	3,600	20
Suicide prevention workshop	3,105	515
LET System	1,970	664
Welfare advocacy	1,515	-
Manitoba Child Welfare project	1,350	-
Alberta Facts	1,114	917
Youth Services Co-op publication	1,000	1,360
Working with the out-of-work	600	492
ECOH (Homelessness)	500	552
Volunteerism in Perspective	500	64
United Way Needs Assessment	342	674
MLA breakfast	250	382
Daycare	-	-
Lakeland FCSS Crisis Counselling assessment	-	271
	<u>\$47,471</u>	<u>27,916</u>

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Statement of Revenue and Expenditures
Year ended December 31, 1987
with comparative figures for 1986

	1987	1986
Revenue:		
United Way Allocation	160,157	148,519
Grants:		
City of Edmonton	18,000	18,000
Government of Alberta	4,000	4,000
Special projects (note 1)	47,471	49,513
Publications	5,537	10,219
Donations	600	567
Memberships	3,205	3,345
Bank interest	771	849
Training and consultation	4,876	7,014
Casino	39,157	-
Evaluation	4,000	-
Welfare Manual	75,060	-
	<u>362,834</u>	<u>242,026</u>
Expenditures:		
Salaries:		
Professional	106,163	106,052
Clerical	38,182	41,042
Retirement allowance	11,624	-
Employee Benefits	15,448	14,305
Building occupancy	17,073	18,519
Office Expenses:		
New equipment	15,694	-
Supplies	3,233	2,722
Postage	3,837	2,993
Printing	1,603	868
Telephone	3,723	3,849
Maintenance	142	1,142
Bonding	82	82
Bad debt expense	75	1,350
Recruitment and education	3,650	2,474
Promotion and publicity	1,187	2,513
Professional fees	5,074	1,996
Evaluation	7,641	-
Transportation	617	551
Agency publications	1,467	1,868
Research	1,500	-
Special projects (note 1)	27,916	28,377
First Reading	11,884	9,856
Welfare Manual	13,492	-
Miscellaneous	4,013	820
	<u>295,320</u>	<u>241,379</u>
Excess of revenue over expenditures	<u>\$67,514</u>	<u>647</u>

Board of Directors 1987-1988

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Staff 1987

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* resigned during the year



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A Message from the President

As I end my fourth year on the Board of Directors and conclude my term as President, I again have the opportunity to reflect on the activities of the past year and look forward to the year ahead.

The Edmonton Social Planning Council has had the great fortune of having a skilled and dedicated Board of Directors. Together with a superb staff, we have achieved the goals we set out to accomplish.

With pride, we conclude the most financially successful year in the history of the Council. The sale of the second edition of "The Other Welfare Manual" to Alberta Social Services and a productive casino ensured this success.

One of the most rewarding ventures of 1987 has been the completion of an internal evaluation. With financial assistance from the United Way of Edmonton, the Council was able to commission an evaluation that examined our activities to ensure that relevant and appropriate services were being provided to our members and the community. The results of this evaluation were encouraging. They gave the organization a clear message that the Edmonton Social Planning Council was playing an important role in the community.

I see as three important challenges for the Board of Directors in the year ahead: to accept our perceived role in the community, to recognize the potential the Council possesses as an agent for active social change, and finally, to be bold enough to tackle the major social problems facing us in such a manner that we may influence change.

I would like to take this opportunity to add a personal note. The four years I have served on the Board of Directors of the Council have been rewarding and enlightening. I feel confident that this organization will continue to strive for social justice and attract individuals who are committed to the enhancement of social rights for everyone in society.

It has been a privilege to serve on the Board of Directors of the Edmonton Social Planning Council.

Patrick Hirsche

In its 48th year of operation, the Edmonton Social Planning Council has again accepted the challenge of leadership in the face of a troubled economy, growing social problems and cutbacks in government funding. In particular, the Council has maintained its determination to speak out on the damaging consequences of unemployment and poverty. It has worked hard to ensure that both information and advocacy support are available to those on social allowance through its publication, *The Other Welfare Manual*, and its Welfare Advocacy Training program. As well, the Council has actively pursued its public education responsibilities on current social policy issues and it has willingly offered its training support and assistance to non-profit agencies in the community. Some of the major activities undertaken this year are as follows:

Social Action

*** MLA Breakfast**

In a tradition of promoting and improving communication, the Edmonton Social Planning Council coordinated a successful, well attended breakfast meeting between Edmonton area human service agency representatives and Members of the Legislative Assembly. This meeting provided all attendees with an opportunity to present and discuss issues of community concern.

*** 'Single Employables' Study**

In cooperation with the Edmonton Food Bank, the Council initiated a study that assessed the impact that reductions in social allowance payment would have on Edmonton's 20,000 'single employable' social assistance recipients. The information gathered will be presented to the United Way.

Community Development

*** "Nurturing Community Conference"**

In April, guest speakers Dr. Hubert Campfens, Marlene Brant Castellano, and Joanne Sulman addressed 130 participants at the Nurturing Community Conference. Through a variety of workshops, attendees linked community development theory with practical application. Economic

development, health care, social services and agriculture were some of the workshop topics presented.

*** Welfare Advocacy**

Like its predecessor, the revised second edition of *The Other Welfare Manual* received a positive reception upon its completion in October. The number of immediate distribution requests indicated a growing need for information concerning the rights, responsibilities, and entitlements of social assistance recipients. In addition, the Council continued to present Welfare Advocacy Training workshops to social assistance recipients, social workers and third party advocates.

Training and Consultation

*** Voluntarism in Perspective**

Contracted by Grant MacEwan Community College, the Edmonton Social Planning Council is preparing a 9 module course to be used in their Volunteer Management Program. Modules cover such topics as historical context, legal responsibilities, the economic perspective, the political environment and the future of voluntarism.

*** Working With the Out-of-Work**

A very successful 3 day workshop on setting up and maintaining support groups for the unemployed occurred in late spring. As a result of the interest expressed by workshop participants, the Council is actively pursuing such a program.

*** Program Evaluations and Reviews**

In 1987, three major evaluations were conducted for Edmonton area human service organizations. The first was an evaluation of Catalyst Theatre Society's "Working Theatre Pilot Project." This project was designed to help participants who were "long-term unemployed" develop their self-confidence and personal esteem through theatre. In the second, the Council conducted a comprehensive agency evaluation for Edmonton Women's Shelter Ltd (WIN House) and the third evaluation focussed on the Public Issues Program of the Family Service Association of Edmonton.

*** Inter-Agency Coordination**

The Council continued its well-established role of responding to requests from Edmonton groups to assist with planning and networking. This year we were active in the Edmonton Coalition for Quality Childcare, Edmonton Youth Services Co-op and the Edmonton Coalition on Homelessness.

Public Education

*** Volunteer Incorporation Act**

In response to the proposed changes to the Societies Act (Bill 54), the Edmonton Social Planning Council, in conjunction with the Association of Human Services in Alberta, organized a series of meetings involving non-profit organization representatives. The purpose of these meetings was to review the proposed legislation, analyze its impact and provide appropriate feedback to the provincial government.

*** First Reading**

First Reading is continuing to attract new readers and to provide current, well written information about social issues in the community on a bi-monthly basis. Guest writers in 1987 delved into the issues of agriculture, homelessness, unemployment, cooperative ventures and community development.

*** Alberta Facts**

The Council published issue Numbers 3 and 4, "The Working Poor" and "Taxing the Poor" respectively, in the series on poverty in Alberta. The material in *Alberta Facts*, designed for mass distribution, is presented in a clear and concise format.

*** Brown Bag Lunchtime Forums**

During 1987, the Council maintained its tradition of hosting monthly lunchtime forums. Guest speakers led discussions on such topics as the future of medicare, food banks, tax reform, homelessness, the work for welfare program and child sexual abuse.