UNITED WAY NIAGARA Financial Statements for the Year Ended March 31, 2025 and Independent Auditor's Report to the Directors DURWARD JONES BARKWELL & COMPANY LLP Chartered Professional Accountants

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Directors of United Way Niagara:

Qualified Opinion

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of United Way Niagara (the Organization), which comprise the statement of financial position as at March 31, 2025 and the statements of operations - operating fund, statement of fund balance - operating fund, statement of operations - other funds, and of cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

In our opinion, except for the possible effects of the matter described in the Basis for Qualified Opinion section of our report, the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Organization as at March 31, 2025, and the results of its operations for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations.

Basis for Qualified Opinion

In common with many not-for-profit organizations, the Organization derives revenue from fundraising activities the completeness of which is not susceptible to satisfactory audit verification. Accordingly, verification of these revenues was limited to the amounts recorded in the records of the Organization. Therefore, we were not able to determine whether any adjustments might be necessary to fundraising revenue, excess of revenues over expenses, and cash flows from operations for the year ending March 31, 2025 and year ending March 30, 2024, current assets as at March 31, 2025 and 2024, and net assets as at April 1 and March 31 for both the 2025 and 2024 years. Our audit opinion on the financial statements for the year ended March 30, 2024 was modified accordingly because of the possible effects of this limitation in scope.

We conducted our audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are independent of the Organization in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in Canada, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained in our audit is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our qualified opinion.

Responsibilities of Management and Those Charged With Governance for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the Organization's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the Organization or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the Organization's financial reporting process.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- ldentify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Organization's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Organization's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Organization to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

Durward Jones Barkwell & Company LLP Licensed Public Accountants

Durward Jones Barkwell + Company LLP

May 26, 2025

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS - OPERATING FUND YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2025

	2025	2024
REVENUE		
Contributions from donors	\$ 4,512,376	\$ 4,587,380
Allowance for pledge losses	(99,593)	(83,250)
Adjustment of prior year pledge loss estimate	41,668	72,223
Funds transferred from other United Ways	32,779	62,904
Funds transferred to other United Ways	(12,415)	(10,132)
Special contribution (Note 4)	402,120	723,333
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FUNDRAISING REVENUE	4,876,935	5,352,458
Community Services Recovery Fund revenue		1,400,191
Government program grants	14,424	<u>~</u>
Niagara Prosperity Initiative project revenue	369,415	492,451
Investment income (Note 5)	532,306	615,606
TOTAL REVENUE	5,793,080	7,860,706
COST OF FUNDRAISING		
Campaign salaries and benefits	659,650	676,653
Direct campaign expenses - page 16	116,571	123,507
Shared expenses (Note 6)	288,570	267,496
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	1,064,791	1,067,656
NET REVENUE BEFORE COMMUNITY INVESTMENT	4,728,289	6,793,050
COMMUNITY INVESTMENT		
Grants to community partners (Note 11)	3,316,014	4,022,248
Community Services Recovery Fund Grants	-	1,327,577
Special project grants	_	77,000
Amounts designated by donors to other Registered Charities	280,895	218,384
Other direct program services (Note 7)	372,004	393,114
Shared expenses (Note 6)	307,848	332,493
United Way of Canada affiliation	48,296	46,719
Niagara Prosperity Initiative project expenses	335,075	446,019
	4,660,132	6,863,554
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUE OVER EXPENDITURES	\$ 68,157	\$ (70,504)
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STATEMENT OF FUND BALANCE - OPERATING FUND YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2025

	2025	2024
FUND BALANCE, BEGINNING OF YEAR	\$ 3,050,637	\$ 3,052,783
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUE OVER EXPENDITURES	68,157	(70,504)
	3,118,794	2,982,279
TRANSFER FROM FOREVER FUNDS (Note 8)	85,000	75,000
TRANSFER TO CAPITAL FUND (Note 8)	(10,326)	(6,642)
FUND BALANCE, END OF YEAR	\$ 3,193,468	\$ 3,050,637
FUND BALANCE CONSISTS OF THE FOLLOWING: Unrestricted Internally restricted special reserve	\$ 2,193,468 - 1,000,000	\$ 1,950,637 100,000 1,000,000
Internally restricted contingency reserve	\$ 3,193,468	\$ 3,050,637

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS - OTHER FUNDS YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2025

	Capital Fund	Forever Funds Externally Restricted	Forever Funds Internally Restricted (Note 8)	Total 2025	Total 2024
REVENUE Bequests and other gifts Investment income (Note 5)	\$ - 	\$ 20,859 61,236	\$ 21,985 196,621	\$ 42,844 257,857	\$ 2,076,115 299,939
		82,095	218,606	300,701	2,376,054
EXPENDITURES Depreciation Community investment Investment management fees	10,589	7,055 7,263 14,318	- 15,000 22,756 37,756	10,589 22,055 30,019 62,663	10,006 23,500 25,820 59,326
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUE OVER EXPENDITURES	(10,589)	67,777	180,850	238,038	2,316,728
FUND BALANCE, BEGINNING OF YEAR	1,922,486	621,501	2,088,971	4,632,958	2,384,588
	1,911,897	689,278	2,269,821	4,870,996	4,701,316
TRANSFER FROM (TO) OPERATING FUND	10,326	(17,850)	(67,150)	(74,674)	(68,358)
FUND BALANCE, END OF YEAR	\$ 1,922,223	\$ 671,428	\$ 2,202,671	\$ 4,796,322	\$ 4,632,958

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION MARCH 31, 2025

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Approved by the Board:

Director

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2025

		erating und		Other Funds		Total 2025	Total 2024
OPERATING ACTIVITIES							
Excess of revenue over expenses Depreciation, an item not affecting cash	\$	68,157	\$	238,038 10,589	\$	306,195 10,589	\$ 2,246,224 10,006
		68,157		248,627		316,784	2,256,230
Changes in non-cash operating assets and liabilities							
Pledges receivable	2	226,295		-		226,295	1,919
Other receivables		(83,993)		-		(83,993)	52,734
Prepaid expenses		3,436		-		3,436	(2,625)
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities		(12,633)		-		(12,633)	(77,592)
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities - Capital Fund				44,681		44,681	2.
Other grants payable		(39,500)		-		(39,500)	(140,683)
Agency allocations payable		244,663)		-		(244,663)	` 1,289 [´]
Donor directed designations payable	,-	11,780		14		11,780	(19,009)
Deferred revenue - fundraising	(5	555,613)		-		(555,613)	300,574
Deferred revenue - special contribution		102,121)		-		(402,121)	(723,333)
Niagara Prosperity Initiative projects	(20,988)		-		(120,988)	4,812
	(1,1	149,843)		293,308		(856,535)	1,654,316
INVESTING ACTIVITIES							
Interfund transfers		74,674		(74,674)		4 450 000\	(0.040)
Purchase of capital assets	,,	-	(1,453,089)	(1,453,089)	(6,642) (391,132)
Purchase of investments		350,370)		(222,919)	_	(573,289)	(391,132)
	(2	275,696)	(1,750,682)	(:	2,026,378)	(397,774)
INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH AND EQUIVALENTS	(1,4	125,539)	(1,457,374)	(2	2,882,913)	1,256,542
CASH AND EQUIVALENTS, BEGINNING OF YEAR	3,1	123,356		2,025,087	į	5,148,443	3,891,901
CASH AND EQUIVALENTS, END OF YEAR	\$ 1,	697,817	\$	567,713	\$:	2,265,530	\$ 5,148,443

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS MARCH 31, 2025

1. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES AND GENERAL INFORMATION

Basis of accounting

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations.

Purpose of the Organization

United Way Niagara is a public foundation incorporated in Ontario that primarily solicits and collects donations which are disbursed to various registered charitable organizations and carries out various other programs and charitable activities throughout the community. The Organization is exempt from federal and provincial income taxes.

Fund accounting

The Organization follows the fund method of accounting whereby financial statement elements are reported by fund.

The Operating Fund accounts for all of the Organization's campaign and administrative activities. This Fund reports unrestricted resources and has an allocation to the Contingency Reserve as determined annually by the Board of Directors. The Board has placed restrictions on the Contingency Reserve to provide funding stability to member agencies in a time of need, to provide funds in the event of a natural or man-made disaster and to set funds aside to meet the Board directive of a minimum Contingency Reserve balance. A resolution of the Board of Directors has set a goal that the Organization maintain a minimum Contingency Reserve balance equivalent to one-third of the following year allocation commitment to agencies, up to a maximum balance of \$1,000,000. As at March 31, 2025 this goal has been attained. The internally restricted special reserve fund was established to further United Way's commitment to Food Security. This reserve sustains the Niagara Community Garden Network and supports development of the Community Farm Project. The Niagara Community Garden Network is a collaborative network of local food security leaders working together to build thriving community gardens. The Board approved funding for this reserve of \$300,000. To date, all funds have been spent.

The Forever Funds report only specialized contributions and activities. The revenues generated by these funds are used for purposes designated by the directors and donors of the Organization. These funds have internal and external restrictions.

The Capital Fund accounts for all of the Organization's capital assets. Capital assets are recorded at cost and depreciated over their estimated useful lives as follows:

Building 5% declining balance
Office equipment and furniture 20% declining-balance
Computer hardware 30% declining-balance
Computer software 2 years straight-line
Leasehold improvements 10 years straight-line

Revenue recognition

The Organization follows the restricted fund method of accounting for contributions. Income from non-designated donations and fundraising is recorded when received. Contributions to the Restricted Fund are recorded as revenue of that Fund in the year received. Restricted contributions received for which a separate fund is not presented are recognized in the Operating Fund in accordance with the deferral method, whereby contributions for expenses of future periods are deferred and recognized as revenue in the periods the related expenses are incurred. Pledges are recognized as receivable if the amounts can be reasonably estimated and collectibility is reasonably assured.

The annual United Way campaign raises funds for allocation in the subsequent fiscal year. Accordingly, revenue recognized in the statement of operations for the year ended March 31, 2025 is comprised primarily of the proceeds from the 2024 fall campaign. Pledges are recorded as revenue for the 2024 fall campaign.

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Pledge losses normally result from donor relocations, business closings, retirements and changes in economic conditions. The pledge loss is recorded for estimated uncolllectible pledges and is based on known losses for the year and an allowance for losses from outstanding campaign pledges.

Contributions to the Forever Funds are recognized as revenue in the year received. Investment income on the resources of these Funds are recognized as revenue in the Funds as outlined in investments.

Funds received for the 2025 campaign are deferred and recognized in income as the related expense occurs. This amount is presented as deferred revenue - fundraising.

Niagara Prosperity Initiative project revenue is deferred and recognized in income as the related project expense occurs.

Cash and equivalents

Cash and equivalents include deposits in banks, cash on hand and term deposits with original maturity dates of less than one year.

Investments

The Organization has money invested through an investment pooling arrangement administered by the Toronto Foundation. Amounts from the Operating Fund and Forever Funds are invested through this Foundation.

Long-lived assets

Long-lived assets are tested for recoverability if events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount may not be recoverable. The carrying amount of the long-lived asset is not recoverable if the carrying amount exceeds the sum of the undiscounted cash flows expected to result from its use and eventual disposition. Impairment losses are measured as the amount by which the carrying amount of a long-lived asset exceeds its fair value.

Financial instruments

Initial measurement

The Organization initially measures its financial assets and liabilities originated or exchanged in arm's length transactions at fair value. Financial assets and liabilities originated or exchanged in related party transactions, except for those that involve parties whose sole relationship with the company is in the capacity of management, are initially measured at cost.

The cost of a financial instrument in a related party transaction depends on whether the instrument has repayment terms. If it does, the cost is determined using its undiscounted cash flows, excluding interest and dividend payments, less any impairment losses previously recognized by the transferor. Otherwise, the cost is determined using the consideration transferred or received by the company in the transaction.

Subsequent measurement

The Organization subsequently measures all its financial assets and liabilities at cost or amortized cost, except for investments in equity instruments that are quoted in an active market, which are measured at fair value. Changes in fair value are recognized in income in the period incurred.

Financial assets measured at amortized cost include cash and equivalents, pledges receivable and other receivables

Financial liabilities measured at amortized cost include accounts payable and accrued liabilities, other grants payable, agency allocations payable, donor directed designations payable and deferred revenue.

Financial assets measured at fair value include investments.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS MARCH 31, 2025

(b) Transaction costs

Transaction costs attributable to financial instruments subsequently measured at fair value and to those originated or exchanged in a related party transaction are recognized in income in the period incurred. Transaction costs related to financial instruments originated or exchanged in an arm's length transaction that are subsequently measured at cost or amortized cost are recognized in the original cost of the instrument. When the instrument is measured at amortized cost, transaction costs are recognized in income over the life of the instrument using the straight-line method.

(c) Impairment

For financial assets measured at cost or amortized cost, the Organization determines whether there are indications of possible impairment. When there are, and the Organization determines that a significant adverse change has occurred during the period in the expected timing or amount of future cash flows, a write-down is recognized in income. If the indicators of impairment have decreased or no longer exist, the previously recognized impairment loss may be reversed to the extent of the improvement. The carrying amount of the financial asset may be no greater than the amount that would have been reported at the date of the reversal had the impairment not been recognized previously. The amount of the reversal is recognized in income.

Government Assistance

Government assistance related to current expenses or revenues are included in the determination of net income for the period. When government assistance relates to expenses of future accounting periods, the appropriate amounts shall be deferred and amortized to income as related expenses are incurred.

Shared expenses

Shared expenses are allocated using a percentage of salary costs for campaign and community investment as a proportion of total salaries.

Use of estimates

The preparation of financial statements in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements, and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from management's best estimates as additional information becomes available in the future. Significant estimates and assumptions are used when accounting for items such as impairment and determination of useful lives of capital assets, revenue recognition, allocation to deferred revenue, shared expenses allocation, allowances for pledge losses, allocations payable, and contingent liabilities.

External events such as domestic and international pandemics, geopolitical unrest, natural disasters, climate change or inflationary pressures may cause economic uncertainty for many companies. Management assesses available information about the future, considers the possible outcomes, and develops a planned response to mitigate the effect of significant events or changes in conditions impacting the Organization. Although it is not guaranteed that these efforts will be successful, management is of the opinion that the actions that the Organization has taken are sufficient to mitigate these uncertainties.

Contributed materials and services

The Organization receives contributed materials and services which are not recognized in the financial statements because of the difficulty in determining their fair value.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS MARCH 31, 2025

2. PLEDGES RECEIVABLE

Pledges receivable represent pledges from the prior years' campaigns which have not yet been honoured. An allowance for pledge losses has been provided to reflect these pledge receivables at their estimated net realizable value.

Total Labor Value.	<u>2025</u>	<u>2024</u>
Campaign pledges receivable - current year Campaign pledges receivable - prior years Less allowance for pledge losses	\$ 1,059,736 114,117 (123,001)	\$ 1,275,824 141,856 (140,533)
	\$ 1,050,852	\$ 1,277,147

3. CAPITAL ASSETS	<u>20</u>	25 Accumulate	ad	<u>202</u>	 cumulated
	Cost	Depreciation		Cost	 preciation
Land	\$ 280,333	\$	\$	(-);	\$ (= /)
Building Office equipment and furniture	1,162,429 99,356	97.33	1	99,362	- 96,831
Office equipment and furniture Computer hardware	180,917	160,71		170,590	152,061
Leasehold improvements	11,465	11,46	5	11,459	10,033
	1,734,500	269,51	4	281,411	258,925
Net book value		\$ 1,464,98	6		\$ 22,486

The building is under renovation and is not ready for use and therefore has not been amortized.

4. DEFERRED REVENUE - SPECIAL CONTRIBUTION

The Organization received a \$2,850,000 special contribution from a donor. At the donor's request, this funding is to be allocated to certain of the Organization's various programs over a period of multiple years. In the current year, \$402,120 was spent on those programs and brought into income. To date \$1,716,080 has been spent, leaving a remaining deferred revenue balance of \$1,133,920.

The remaining funding is to be spent over a period of three years, with \$474,870 to be spent in the fiscal year ended March 31, 2026.

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5. INVESTMENT INCOME

Investment income is derived from a variety of sources and is analyzed as follows,

	Operating Fund Forever Fund			<u>d</u>		
	2025		2024	2025		<u>2024</u>
Interest and dividends Net realized gains Net unrealized gains	\$ 214,318 126,401 191,587	\$	229,837 2,137 383,632	\$ 55,562 80,774 121,521	\$	52,731 1,559 245,649
	\$ 532,306	\$	615,606	\$ 257,857	\$	299,939

6. SHARED EXPENSES

Shared costs include all administrative and occupancy costs common to the overall operation of the Organization. The shared expenses have been allocated, based on salaries, between the cost of fundraising and the cost of programs.

	2025	<u>2024</u>
Salaries and benefits Other operating costs - page 16	\$ 311,338 285,080	\$ 344,657 255,332
	\$ 596,418	\$ 599,989
Allocation to fundraising Allocation to programs	\$ 288,570 307,848	\$ 267,496 332,493
	\$ 596,418	\$ 599,989

7. OTHER DIRECT PROGRAM SERVICES

Other direct program service costs are those costs directly attributable to carrying out the community programs and are comprised of the following.

		2025	<u> 2024</u>
Salaries and benefits Other operating costs - page 16	\$	346,827 25,177	\$ 372,748 20,366
	\$	372,004	\$ 393,114

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8. INTERFUND TRANSFERS

During the year, \$85,000 was transferred from the internally restricted funds in the Forever Funds to the Operating Fund to support the following programs.

	2025	<u>2024</u>
After-School Programs Emerging Issues Food Security Welcome Home Kits	\$ 32,520 23,000 17,007 12,473	\$ 40,377 6,174 15,000 13,449
	\$ 85,000	\$ 75,000

During the year, \$10,326 was transferred from the Operating Fund to the Capital Fund to fund capital purchases.

9. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT

The Organization has a comprehensive risk management framework to monitor, evaluate and manage the principal risks assumed with financial instruments. The risks that arise from transacting financial instruments include interest rate risk, market risk, currency risk, credit risk and liquidity risk.

(a) Market risk:

The Organization is subject to market risk on investments carried at fair value. These investments are subject to market risk such that the fair value of these investments may change as a result of factors specific to a particular investment or as a result of factors affecting all instruments trading in the market. The Organization mitigates these risks with an investment policy designed to limit exposure and concentration while achieving optimal return with reasonable risk tolerances.

(b) Credit risk:

Credit risk arises from cash and cash equivalents and credit exposures on outstanding receivables. Management annually assesses its receivables and has provided an allowance for pledge loss based on historical percentages for pledge collections, actual collection experience and specific account identification.

It is management's opinion that the Organization is not exposed to significant interest rate, currency or liquidity risks arising from its financial instruments.

10. COMMITMENTS

The Organization has entered into a construction agreement with Stolk Construction Limited for renovations to the building acquired during the year. At the date of financial statement issuance, contracts in the amount of \$562,000 have been signed related to this project. As at March 31, 2025, \$40,000 has been incurred.

The Organization's funding formula provides funding to various agency programs. The total amount committed for April 1, 2025 to March 31, 2026 is \$2,374,010. The commitments are subject to adjustment mainly if economic conditions adversely affect the Organization's fundraising during the year.

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11. GRANTS TO COMMUNITY PARTNERS			
		2025	2024
STRONG COMMUNITIES			
Autism Ontario - Niagara Region Chapter	\$	7,000	\$ 10,000
Bethlehem Housing and Support Services		12,750	15,000
Birchway Niagara (Women's Place of South Niagara)		59,500	59,777
Bridges Community Health Centre		7,500	7,500
Canadian Mental Health Association - Niagara Branch		110,000	137,838
Community Living Grimsby, Lincoln and West Lincoln		15,000	23,366
Distress Centre Niagara		100,000	117,873
Epilepsy Niagara		38,000	47,516
Family Counselling Centre Niagara		47,500	68,482
Family Mental Health Support Network of Niagara		3#20	10,000
Fort Erie Multicultural Centre		17,000	20,000
Gillian's Place West Niagara		70,000	25,000
Links for Greener Learning		15,000	25,000
Mainstream		17,500	7,500
March of Dimes Canada		2 1	2,500
Meals on Wheels Niagara Falls		- ≥	12,590
Meals on Wheels Port Colborne		(4)	14,000
Niagara Centre for Independent Living		18,000	22,736
Niagara Region Sexual Assault Centre (CARSA Inc.)		17,500	25,000
Port Cares		40,000	47,278
Positive Living Niagara		28,000	95,000
Start Me Up Niagara		60,000	60,000
The Brown Homestead		6,050	12
The Hope Centre		20,000	10,000
Victim Services Niagara		28,500	30,000
West Niagara Palliative Care Services		4,000	6,000
YWCA Niagara Region		66,200	 71,367
		805,000	971,323
FROM POVERTY TO POSSIBILITY			
Bethlehem Housing and Support Services		55,000	55,000
Community Care of St. Catharines & Thorold		145,000	145,000
Community Care of West Niagara		64,000	64,000
Fort Erie Multicultural Centre		15,000	15,000
Niagara Regional Learning Centre		7,500	7,500
Niagara Women's Enterprise Centre		8,000	8,000
Port Cares		12,500	12,500
Southridge Community Church		25,000	25,000
Start Me Up Niagara		75,000	75,000
The Hope Centre		53,040	53,040
The Society of St. Vincent de Paul - St. Michaels Conference		10,000	10,000
Westview Centre 4 Women		40,000	40,000
YWCA Niagara Region	_	197,743	197,743
		707,783	707,783

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11. GRANTS TO COMMUNITY PARTNERS (continued)		
· · · · ·	2025	2024
ALL THAT KIDS CAN BE		
Autism Ontario - Niagara Region Chapter	25,000	25,000
Bethlehem Housing and Support Services	7,000	7,000
Big Brothers Big Sisters of Niagara	249,968	249,968
BGC Niagara (Boys and Girls Club)	10,000	75,000
Community Care of St. Catharines & Thorold	45,000	45,000
Community Living Port Colborne - Wainfleet	25,000	25,000
Family Counselling Centre Niagara	66,000	66,000
Foundation of Resources for Teens of West Niagara (FORT)	60,000	60,000
Gillian's Place West Niagara	23,550	23,550
Learning Disabilities Association of Niagara Region	99,000	99,000
Bridges Niagara (formerly Niagara Folk Arts Multicultural Centre)	36,709	36,709
Niagara Region Sexual Assault Centre (CARSA Inc.)	7,500	7,500
Niagara Resource Service for Youth (The RAFT)	81,500	81,500
Quest Community Health Centre	45,000	45,000
Strive Niagara	27,500	27,500
YMCA of Niagara	30,000	30,000
YWCA Niagara Region	22,500	22,500
Allocation adjustments	(48,750)	320
	812,477	926,227
OTHER COMMUNITY PROGRAMS		
After School Matters Program	468,592	567,395
Backpacks for Kids Program	29,534	34,711
Community Garden Operations	124,736	136,099
Food Security Initiatives	94,800	375,000
Hygiene & Welcome Home Kits	69,637	79,436
North Niagara Special Projects	100	65,000
Ontario 211 Services	50,937	50,937
Other Initiatives	42,898	22,915
Rental Assistance Program	51,120	22,840
Seniors Fund	34,500	37,582
Summer Food Program	24,000	25,000
	990,754	1,416,915
	\$ 3,316,014	\$ 4,022,248

SCHEDULE OF CAMPAIGN AND ADMINISTRATION EXPENSES YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2025

		2025	<u>2024</u>
Campaign supplies and expenses Equipment lease and maintenance Financial services Insurance Meetings Office expenses Postage Professional fees and other purchased services Rent Subscriptions and memberships Telephone Training Transportation	\$	70,368 13,018 84,713 22,492 5,897 11,000 5,059 109,842 58,140 11,715 19,918 934 13,732	\$ 61,287 13,585 73,424 20,386 5,209 12,742 3,750 75,096 70,617 17,224 17,539 14,540 13,806
	\$	426,828	\$ 399,205
Allocated as follows: Administration Campaign Community investment	\$ 	285,080 116,571 25,177 426,828	\$ 255,332 123,507 20,366 399,205