

Annual Report 2022-2023



Building Community Together Since 1950

Cedar Cottage Neighbourhood House (CCNH) is a volunteer-driven community service agency and gathering place with a mission to make our neighbourhood a better place to live. We accomplish all this in a welcoming space, filled with warm and caring staff and volunteers who are united by a commitment to community development and social justice.



**CEDAR COTTAGE
NEIGHBOURHOOD HOUSE**

Message from the E.D.

This time next year, our building at 4065 Victoria Drive will be “deconstructed”. The new building is a dream almost 15 years in the making. With the hours upon hours of community gatherings, board planning, staff meetings and many consultants-we can all be proud that this very important change has been grounded in the values and commitments we have to the community.

In this next year we will be reflecting on the memories of our past. Our thoughts will be about how Cedar Cottage Neighbourhood House became a second home, a second family and the place that could fill that sense of joy and hope in our lives. Our new home will take all of our memories and create a foundation for generations to come. Every corner of the building has been designed with someone in mind or an experience we fondly remember. We know that the new building is a gift for everyone to come.

We acknowledge that the new building sits on unceded and occupied lands of the Musqueam, Squamish and Tseilwuthuth people. I have been told that Indigenous people travelled through forests in this area-to get to the ocean-to stop to rest-collect berries or maybe to set up a temporary smoke house. This new building pays tribute to the first caretakers of this land and we have designed it to continue in its role to be a place for people to sit, rest, connect and share.

I am so proud of the redevelopment project. I am so grateful for the board members who stood strong to get this building built. I have a deep appreciation for Mark Ehman and DA Architects for being on this path with us for over 10 years. I hope everyone will be joining me in all of the celebrations that we have in this next year to remember important people and make our commitments to the future.

Donna Chang
Executive Director



Family Programs

280

Family participants

130

Families

7

Family programs

96

Family events

480

Community meals



Pow Wow

12

Indigenous advisory members

19

Indigenous families

12

Indigenous events

238

Indigenous community meals



Coming Back Together

I'm excited to see how the redevelopment makes Cedar Cottage Neighbourhood House a place for many more generations to feel a sense of purpose, belonging, and connection.
Emily - Community board member

Lunar New Year



89

Lion dance participants

548

Red pockets

185

Storytelling and art project kits

2

Lion dances

274

Mandarin oranges

Volunteers

47

Volunteer participants

8

Volunteer programs

424

Volunteer hours



I am excited to continue being a part of this community and providing my support and expertise when and where I can. I first came to CCNH when I was 8-years-old, and the warm welcome I felt that day has never left me and has had a big impact on how I see the world and how I see a path forward that embraces all of us.

Sarah - Community board member

Coming Back Together

Adult Day Program

88

Volunteer participants

44

Volunteer programs

645

Volunteer hours

2

Volunteer youth



Child Care

430

Children served

369

Childcare spaces

2

Inclusion contracts

14

1:1 contracts to support individual children



Coming Back Together

Our team

Staff List

Executive Director

Donna F. Chang

Directors

Anjani Singh
Kelly A. Woods
Karen Cooper
Steven Eastman
Aditi Rudra

Administrative Assistant

Katie Kuang

Adult Day Program

Thuy Nhi Ha
George Santo
Hazel Ann Pabalan
Irving Strapart
Melissa O. Pacleb
Kwan Yee Li

Community Programs

Lilian Paola Antia
Wai Ting Hon
Dilushi Manthirratna
Sandra Suazo Burgos
Christopher Sit
Wing Sze Hui
Dawn McKenzie

Chid Care

Angela Viragh
Meena Mehai
Linda Brooks
Suzanne MacPherson
Lindsay Jamieson Jenkins
Tara L. Schumacher
Tracey E. Matheson
Evelyn L. Derilo
James S. McGibney
Ramandeep Jagpal
Miho Hitotsuyanagi

Ryan MacPherson
Thomas Newton
Mang Tin Hrin
Meena Rani Thakur
Tina T.M. Ma
Yuki Sunarti
Siobhan Hyde
Nay-Yar Islam
Chiara Santavenere
Cindy Ping Nin Chu
Zafaran Abdulkadir
Versa Farahani
Delmis Pineda Sanchez
Jair Ochoa
Sayeeda Noorani
Emily Ma
Joanna Magano
Manny Xie
Vanessa Halford
Byron Leung
Maria Hannick
Catherine Falkner
Ngoc Tram Nguyen
Kristin Bjorndal
Sheinaaz Samji
Maneshwar Chahal
Ellena Barba
Crystal Le
Taylor Chan
Charlotte Syme
Kayla Cook
Alieda Jade Van Velzen
Carly Severson
Shemar Johnson
Liliana Bellagamba
Ernest Wong
Daniela Ospina Zuluaga
Tania Hollings
Jackie Ma
Shweta Matlani
Lok Him Cheung
Ludivini (joy) Cabigting

Board List

Treasurer

Asha Kaila

Secretary

Matthew Hessey

Members

Emily Beam
Khristine Carino
Tanya Fink
Wesley Joe
Janet Lee
Johnson Leung
Carol Macpherson
Sarah Martin Sittrop
Brian McGibney
Elaine Zheng
Claudia Sjoberg

Cedar Cottage is an integral part of the community. A genuine care and love of providing services that people need.

Mike - Community board Guest

I hope the redeveloped neighbourhood house is a community heart for generations to come.

Matt - Board Secretary

Statement of Operations

Year ended March 31, 2023

	2023	2022
	\$	\$
Revenue		
Earned Income	1,567,321	1,383,925
Province of BC	1,389,001	1,371,214
United Way	7,000	24,018
Other Contributions and Miscellaneous	143,051	142,306
City of Vancouver	176,332	183,832
Donations and Fundraising	10,426	8,189
Gaming	60,000	60,000
Federal Government	58,623	116,892
Interest & Investment Income	142,825	112,018
	3,554,579	3,402,394
Expenses		
Salaries and Benefits	2,592,599	2,317,155
Building Occupancy	151,236	140,066
Purchased Services & Subcontracts	213,317	173,090
Program, Food & Transportation	188,523	194,734
Office Expenses	20,289	39,453
Other Expenses	28,012	15,766
	3,193,976	2,880,264
Excess of revenue over expenses from operations	360,603	522,130
Amortization of deferred property and equipment contributions	7,299	7,299
Amortization of property and equipment	(10,296)	(11,051)
Unrealized gain (loss) on investments	(92,267)	10,988
Excess of revenue over expenses	265,339	529,366

Being on the board was a masterclass in public policy, municipal affairs, social justice and genuine, diversity and equity. I learned the true meaning of belonging, of accepting and championing neighbours who had less. My world in Canada was expanding.

Khristine - Community board member

Upcoming Plans

Volunteers Assisting Seniors Independence

Cedar Cottage Neighbourhood House is excited to be part of a Coalition of Neighbourhood Houses to provide a new project that supports seniors. The project is called VASI-Volunteers Assisting Seniors Independence. In this project we will be engaging volunteers to support seniors to live independently with activities such as home visiting, home maintenance and food delivery. Please call us if you would like to volunteer.

Digital Adaptation and Evolution

Through the Community Services Recovery Grant made available by the Federal Government and administered by United Way, Cedar Cottage Neighbourhood House is excited to announce that we will be developing a digital-first hybrid framework for youth participation that re-engages youth using safe digital engagement practices both in-person and online as is program and activity appropriate. We are very excited to begin this work while starting to utilize new tools to further strengthen our community building skills in a digital era.

Tribute to Kat Norris



This past year we lost a very important person.

Kat Norris was a friend, a mentor, an elder and a teacher who guided Cedar Cottage Neighbourhood House to have an understanding of an Indigenous way of seeing and understanding the world. She has been missed.

Our present



Plans for our Future



LOOKING SOUTHWEST ON VICTORIA DRIVE
CEDAR COTTAGE NEIGHBOURHOOD HOUSE
NTS 2023.05.31

This has been such an exciting year watching Cedar Cottage getting closer and closer to a new building. But we know that Cedar Cottage is much more than a building. Cedar Cottage is such an important and needed place as our city grows and changes. It is a place where people come first. My hope is that it continues to serve those who need it most for generations to come

Tanya - Community board member

