# Pincher Creek Women's Emergency Shelter Association

# Annual Report 2024.2025

# Pincher Creek Women's Emergency Shelter Association Annual General Meeting 2024/2025

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Audited Financial Statements - Avail, CPA

We honor and acknowledge the traditional lands of Treaty 7 upon which we live, work, and play.

We honor and respect our neighbors and friends from the nations of the Kainai, the Piikani, and the Siksika who are also known as the Blackfoot Confederacy, as well as, the Metis peoples of the Foothills Metis District and the Battle River Territory of Alberta.

We recognize that all Albertans are Treaty people and have a responsibility to understand our history and the Spirit and Intent of Treaty 7 so that we can honor the past, be aware of the present, and build a future on Peace, Friendship, and Understanding for a just and caring future.

PCWESA celebrates and values the resiliency, successes, and teachings that Alberta's indigenous people have shared with us, as well as the unique contributions of every Albertan.

#### Pincher Creek Women's Emergency Shelter Association

#### **Our Vision**

Our vision is for all people in Southwestern Alberta to be safe in their homes and safe in their communities.

#### **Our Mission Statement**

The Pincher Creek Women's Emergency Shelter Association will, in collaboration with other agencies, provide free safe shelter and support services for women and children who are fleeing from domestic violence.

#### **Our Beliefs**

We believe in providing a safe place for women and children who are fleeing violence.

We believe that education of society is a key aspect of breaking the cycle of violence.

We believe in the preservation of the family when possible.

We believe in upholding human dignity.

We believe that there is hope and that the cycle of violence can be broken.

We believe that refuge, support, and counseling should be available to all women and children who are fleeing from domestic violence.

#### **Our Values**

We value honesty in our relationships and integrity in our actions.

We value responsibility for our choices and actions.

We value tolerance and understanding of the choices and actions of others.

We value maintaining confidentiality.

We value respect for self, others and surroundings.

We value empowerment of ourselves and others.

We value cooperation and collaboration within the community in our efforts to eradicate family violence.

# Pincher Creek Women's Emergency Shelter Association

2024/2025 Board of Directors

President - Nicole Buret

Past President - Elizabeth Dolman

Vice President - Tiffany Bastien

Secretary – Stefani Johnson

Treasurer - Tanya Keenan

Director - Maritza Stinson

Director - Stephanie Collins

Ad Hoc Advisor - Bonita Bourlon

Ad Hoc Advisor - Joe Brown

Ad Hoc Advisor - Clara Yagos

Executive Director - Lori Van Ee

Executive Assistant – Lisa Dupuis

# Pincher Creek Women's Emergency Shelter Association

#### **Employee List**

Executive Director - Lori Van Ee

Executive Assistant – Lisa Dupuis

Program Supervisor – Stacey Murray

Crisis Intervention Workers -

#### **Full Time:**

Dallas Bodnar Dana Bruised Head Renay Conrad Robin North Peigan Nicole Weasel Bear

#### Casual:

Amanda Brock
Pam Healy
Shaylen Hildebrand
Janet Potts
Sheena Robertson
Madalyn Weatherill

Child Support Worker -

Mandy Querengesser

Outreach Workers -

Julie Bastien Liana French

Community Engagement Worker -

Lindsay Leegstra

Elder –

Alene Bastien

# Pincher Creek Women's Emergency Shelter Association Annual General Meeting 2025 June 18th, 2025 @ 6:00 p.m. Lebel Mansion Agenda

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- 2. Land Acknowledgement Tiffany Bastien
- 3. President welcome and note of Quorum
- 4. Motion to nominate the AGM Secretary
- 5. Review and approval of the agenda
- 6. Review and acceptance of the Minutes of the 2024 PCWESA AGM
- 7. Reports
  - 7.1 Report of the President Nicole Buret
  - 7.2 Report of the Executive Director- Lori Van Ee
  - 7.3 Report of the Executive Assistant Lisa Dupuis
  - 7.4 Motion to receive the reports as presented.
  - 7.5 Report on Annual Audited Financial Statements AVAIL

7.5.a Motion to receive the Audited Financial Statements and Reports as presented, and pre-approved by the Board of Directors, at the June 17<sup>th</sup> Board meeting.

7.5.b Motion to appoint AVAIL as auditors for the 2025/2026 fiscal year.

#### 8. Elections of PCWESA Board of Directors

8.1 Confirmation of Board Directors terms:

8.1.a Secretary: Stefani Johnson (2024-2026)
8.1.b President: Nicole Buret (2023-2025)
8.1.c Past President: Liz Dolman (2023-2025)
8.1.d Director: Maritza Stinson (2023-2025)

8.1.d Director: Maritza Stinson (2023-2025)
8.1.e Director: Stephanie Collins (2023-2025)
8.1.f Treasurer: Tanya Keenan (2025-2027)
8.1.g Vice President: Tiffany Bastien (2025-2027)

#### 8.2 Elections:

8.2.a President:

8.2.b Past President: Nicole Buret

8.2.c Directors: Stephanie Collins, Maritza Stinson, Liz Dolman

#### 9. Closing Remarks

As this AGM comes to an end, I would like to thank everyone in attendance for supporting the shelter in many ways throughout the year.

To all of you, if you have any comments, suggestions, or ideas you would like to share with us, please do not hesitate to contact the Executive Director, or Executive Assistant, or any of us, board members.

#### 10. Motion to adjourn

Guest Speaker Presentation: Cat Champagne, Executive Director Alberta Council of Women's Shelters (ACWS)

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- 1. Welcome/ Prayer by Elder Alene Bastien
- 2. Land Acknowledgement Elizabeth Dolman
- 3. President welcome and note of Quorum.
- 4. Motion to nominate the AGM Secretary MOTION to nominate Bonita Bourlon as the AGM Secretary. Made by Maritza Stinson. Seconded by Stephanie Collins. Carried
- 5. Review and approval of the agenda. MOTION to accept the agenda. Made by Bonita Bourlon. Seconded by Elizabeth Dolman. Carried
- 6. Review and acceptance of the Minutes of the 2023 PCWESA AGM. MOTION to accept the minutes of the 2023 PCWESA AGM. Made by Maritza Stinson. Seconded by Elizabeth Dolman. Carried.
- 7. Reports
  - 7.1 Report of the President Nicole Buret
  - 7.2 Report of the Executive Director- Lori Van Ee
  - 7.3 Report of the Executive Assistant Lisa Dupuis
  - 7.4 MOTION to receive the reports as presented. Made by Elizabeth Dolman. Seconded by Bonita Bourlon. Carried.
  - 7.5 Report on Annual Audited Financial Statements AVAIL
  - 7.5.a MOTION to receive the Audited Financial Statements and Reports as presented. Made by Maritza Stinson. Seconded by Stephanie Collins. Carried.
  - 7.5.b MOTION to appoint AVAIL as auditors for the 2024/2025 fiscal year. Made by Elizabeth Dolman. Seconded by Bonita Bourlon. Carried.
- 8. Elections of PCWESA Board of Directors
  - 8.1 Confirmation of Board Directors in 2nd year term:

8.1.a Secretary:

Bonita Bourlon (2023-2024) Not returning.

8.1.b President:

Nicole Buret (2023-2025)

8.1.c Past President: Elizabeth Dolman (2023-2025)

8.1.d Director:

Maritza Stinson (2023-2025)

- 8.2 Elections:
- 8.2.a Vice-President: Glenda Pard nominated Daniel Pard and he accepted

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8.2.b Treasurer Not filled at this time
8.2.c Directors: Stephanie Collins (2024 -2026)
8.2.d Secretary: Not filled at this time.

9. Comments – Wishes from the Assembly. Grievances brought forward from GP (employee). Information was noted.

10. MOTION to adjourn at \_\_\_\_\_pm.Made by Elizabeth Dolman Seconded by Bonita Bourlon. Carried.

Minutes signed:	
Chair	Date
Secretary	Date



# Pincher Creek Women's Emergency Shelter Association 2024/2025 Report of the Board President Nicole Buret

The Board members, as well as the administrators and the shelter staff, focus on the present and the future of the Pincher Creek Women's Emergency Shelter Association. Living today and planning for the future is necessary, and today, as another year is ending, I cannot not think of the past. Every year that passes is a celebration of what the founder of the shelter achieved by fighting to open a safe place for women and children.

Today, our contribution may be to revise, and look beyond women and children in needs of a safe place, as our society is changing, and men, and the 2SLGBTQ+ communities also need safe places to shelter from harm.

This is a much-needed conversation, followed by actions and steps to start the processes that will see changes for our shelter's admissions. This may be a long road ahead before these changes may happen in our shelter, as we'll need much needed structural changes before that goal becomes a reality.

This year the Board reviewed all its Board Policies, established a Strategic Plan, and has also established more frequent Board meetings.

2025 has seen some healthy growth in our Board membership. We started with 5 members and we were able to add two new members to reach our 7 members limit.

Thank you, Liz Dolman, past president for bringing all your years of professional experience, as well as all the years you served on the Board to our meeting's discussions.

Thank you, and congratulations Stefani Johnson, our secretary, for all the documents you so efficiently and professionally produced, from our Board meeting minutes to the Strategic Planning and AGM minutes.

Thank you, Stephanie Collins for your dedication seeing our Board moving forward, your efficient communication with the public to raise awareness of our need for new members. Thank you, Maritza Stinson for your always thoughtful insights, and for staying with us during the changes you had to go through.

A warm welcome and thank you, Tiffany Bastien for taking the vice-president position, and Tanya Keenan, for accepting the treasurer position.

Thank you, Bonita Bourlon for taking the minutes of our Organizational meeting of 2024. Thank you, Clara Yagos for helping us this year with questions about our policies.

Thank you very much to all of you for a year of service and commitment to PCWESA.

I also would like to thank the board members for trusting me in the President position for the last two years. It is a commitment that I enjoyed, a commitment that allowed me to learn a lot.



# Pincher Creek Women's Emergency Shelter Association 2024/2025 Report of the Board President Nicole Buret

As my two years term has ended, and due to many personal reasons, I will move into the past-president position. It is my most sincere wishes to find a new president, to take over the lead of the Board.

On behalf of all the Board members, and our ad hoc committee members, I would like to recognize the meaningful work that our Executive Director and our Executive Assistant bring to the shelter. I cannot imagine our association without you as the professional and trusted administrators. We really appreciate the dedication and the experienced care you provide to the running of the shelter. A heartfelt thank you and congratulations for executing a demanding job, caring for the most vulnerable members of our communities.

I also would like to thank ACWS, the Alberta Council of Women's Shelters, our provincial association.

Being far away from the main centers, I feel that it is so important to receive your support, and to advocate together for the many needs that are not addressed properly, at this time, by our government.

In conclusion, on behalf of the board, I would like to sincerely thank all the community associations, groups and individuals who have supported, and donated to our Pincher Creek Women's Emergency Shelter Association,

Nicole Buret
Board of Directors President
PCWESA



# Pincher Creek Women's Emergency Shelter Association 2024/2025 Report of the Executive Director Lori Van Ee

Welcome to all PCWESA members, Board of Directors, staff, and community members.

During this fiscal year (April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024, to March 31, 2025) we served 59 women and 58 children in the residential program.

As an organization challenges this year have been supporting women to provide effective programming who are struggling with homelessness, addictions, mental health issues, and women staying longer than the 21 days in shelter due to the lack of affordable housing. Staffing has consistently been another challenge that we had to face, however towards the end of the year we had both our Outreach, and our Residential program stabilized through staffing. Our staff come to us at entry-level positions without having the proper training and education to work with the complexities of the clients that we serve. One of the most exciting things that happened in the shelter was being able to support a woman with her home birth plan and allowing her midwife to come in to deliver her baby last April.

Our Outreach Program has served 38 women and 49 children throughout the past year (April 1st, 2024, to March 31st, 2025). The purpose of the Outreach Program is to provide support for women and children who are survivors of domestic violence. The Outreach program provides education, transportation to medical appointments, referrals, emotional support, basic counselling, and advocacy for clients. The Outreach program meets clients where they are within their lives and assists in empowering positive change within their lives. The program runs for a duration of six months, however, has the potential to be extended depending on the needs of the client. The program recognizes the complex needs that individuals who are experiencing gender-based violence are faced with and strives for self-empowerment.

I would like to thank all the staff that have managed through the past year to help make the shelter safe for everyone. You have all done such an amazing job with the clients, your colleagues, and your willingness to step up and take on extra shifts throughout the year when we needed you the most. You are all an amazing group of women, and I am grateful for all of you.

The most significant trainings throughout the past year have been to continue to have a seat in attending the Friendship Centre Knowledge Exchange, which included members of Alberta Native Friendship Center Association, members from the Association of Alberta Sexual Assault Services, and the members of the Alberta Council of Women's Shelters. Mental Health and Psychological Safety in the Workplace Master Certificate Program, Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder – Strategies for Supporting, Joint Health and Safety Committees and Health and Safety Representatives: Foundations, and Leadership and Coaching trainings for our new Supervisor in the Residential Program are just a few other trainings that were taken this year.

I would like to thank the PCWESA Board of Directors for their commitment and support to the organization and the community. I would also like to thank the Government of Alberta for our core funding and the extra supports and encouragement provided through these past few months, and to the Alberta Council of Women's Shelters for their support and advocating for women's shelters.

I would also like to acknowledge the community of Pincher Creek, as well as the surrounding communities for their generous donations and expressions of appreciation for our organization over the past year.

Sincerely,

Lori Van Ee

**Executive Director** 

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**PCWESA** 



### Pincher Creek Women's Emergency Shelter Association 2024-2025 Executive Assistant Report Lisa Dupuis

Hello everyone. My name is Lisa Dupuis, and I have been with the Pincher Creek Women's Emergency Shelter since September of 2015.

Throughout the year we require additional funds to cover budgetary items that the Ministry of Child and Family Services, our main funder, does not fund. This year we were extremely fortunate to receive unsolicited individual and business cash donations of \$19,638.39. This amount included individual donations of \$800.00 from repeat donors Esther Neufeld and Philip Burpee and \$500.00 from Mary and Boyd Robinson. We also received individual donations from new donors Dennis Madsen for \$1,000.00, from Mark Ohlhauser for \$500.00, from Dean Christensen for \$500.00 and Thomas and Lisa Liscombe for \$500.00. We also received business donations from Canada Helps.org of \$2,800.00, Sandbox Mutual Insurance for \$1,000.00, Walmart Canada Corp for \$1,000.00, 2506658 Alta Ltd. (Grassroots Realty Team) donation of \$1,000.00 and \$2,000.00 from the Masonic Foundation of Alberta. We were in receipt of cash donations from over 75 donors. We are fortunate to have such wonderful donors supporting us year in and out.

In the summer from June until September we set up a booth at the Farmer's Markets here in Pincher Creek. Donations from this totalled \$580.15. It was wonderful to bring awareness to the community and be part of such a fun event.

In November which is Family Violence Prevention month we had booths set up in Cardston, Claresholm, Fort Macleod, Crowsnest Pass and Pincher Creek. This year the weather did co-operate. Net donations from those booths were, \$400.00. We displayed our Shine a Light lantern along with our booth to bring awareness to family violence. We also have started selling our t-shirts to commemorate special dates throughout the year and this has been very well received as well. The Fort Macleod Library had a clothing drive for us again this year and we had many trips to Fort Macleod to pick up those very generous donations and were even able to share with other agencies in our service area. Thanks to everyone who made monetary donations to our lantern and to the shelter as well as donations of food, gifts and clothing all year long.

We would also like to thank Rocky Mountain Bobcat Services who clear our parking lot and Cal Olson and family that clear our sidewalks during the winter months.

There are many more individuals and businesses that help us. We are truly fortunate to live and work in such a caring community.

Thank you all for your continued support, kindness, and generosity.

Submitted by,

Lisa Dupuis
Executive Assistant
Pincher Creek Women's Emergency Shelter Association

#### The Pincher Creek Women's Emergency Shelter Association

would like to express our Sincere Appreciation to the following People, Businesses and Organizations for their support throughout this past year:

2506658 Alberta Ltd. (Grassroots Team) 7-11 Canada Carolie Edwards Aakomkiyii Heath Services Alberta Gaming and Liquor Commission Carolyn (AGLC) Alberta Council of Women's Shelters Alberta Health Services Alberta Mental Health Association Celia Clinton Alberta Treasury Branch Adriana (Anja) Van Der Heijden Chantelle Grey Aggie Lee AJ Conroy Cheryl Amanda Davidson Amanda Rees Angela Pernal Christal Bridges Ann Humphries Anita Dolman Anna Burla April Akachuck Arnold & Edna Nelson Clara Yagos Clarissa Unruh Associate Clinic Audrey McRae **Audrey Westrop** AUPE - of Provincial Employees Avail, CPA Communities of: Barb Crook Barbara Johnston Connie Beaver Creek Farm **Becky Taylor** Connie Joss Bert van der Ploeg Connie Kunkel **Bev Everts** Benevity Community Impact Fund Blankets for Canada Corinne Watt **Blood Tribe Counselling Services Blood Tribe Police** Bob Dyrda Deanna Vare Brenda Boland Brenda Hamilton C. Smith Dennis Madsen Cal Olson and Family Derek Mews Canada Helps.org Dixie Davis Canada Mortgage and Housing Donald Henry/Elaine Henry

Canadian Skin Cancer Foundation Cardston Family Center Cascade Energy Services Castleview Chapter 21 Castle Mountain Resort Chantal Laliberte Chelsea Richards Chief Mountain Gas Co-op Children & Family Services in Blairmore Chris Lawson, Family Court Counselor Church Anglican Fort Macleod Church Group of Lethbridge through PC Lutheran Church – Pastor Ritz Claudine Ampolitod Community Foundation of Lethbridge & Southwestern Alberta Pincher Creek, Cardston, Claresholm, Fort Macleod, and Crowsnest Pass Consistent Fitness Co-operators Insurance Cowley Lions Club Crestview Lodge Dakota Rae Van Loon Denise Somerville

Donna Aarsby

Candace Fullerton

Donna and Team **KJ Cameron Services** Donna Christman **KM Property Maintenance** Dr. Liscombe Kainai Women's Wellness Lodae Karla & Team Edna and Arnold Nelson Esther Neufeld and Philip Burpee Katarina Oczkowski Ethel Luco Kathy Day Father Lacombe Council #2674 Kelly Schiebelbein FCSS - Fort Macleod Kerry Thornton Kevin Webster and Family Fort Macleod Healthcare Auxiliary **Association** Kimberley Murfin Fort Macleod Library Knights of Columbus #2674 Fort Macleod Purple Lodge #28Fort Kootenai Brown Pioneer Village Macleod Stake Relief Society Larissa Fox Theatre Larissa Welsh Frieda Bruns Laurie Preszlak Garrett LeGrow Laurie Taylor Gary and Delphine Crayford Legion Hamper Program George Fisher Liane and Roland Maas Gerri Novlesky Linda Benler Gina Stoperski Linde Farley Gladys Martinez Lisa Majeski Grasp Software Corporation Lisa Salonen Grassroots Realty Group Liscombe Chiropractic Clinic Great Canadian Quilt Club Lita Richards Group Group Youth Liz Insley Halton Helpers Lois Johnston Hannelore Hammoser Lorie Filatoff Heather Ludwig Lyla Stephens Heather Smith Lyle Compton Heidi Lynn Johnson Iris Jackson MD of Pincher Creek Jackie Wiens Maddy Jacqueline Koe Maggie Bolger Jacquelyn Rygaard Marcia Jaida Green Marcia and Sam Jamie DeCock Margaret Ruth Howe Janet Costa Margot Schmidt Maria Suchla Janet Potts Janice Sigurdson Marilyn Handford Janie Wolftail-Warrior Mark Johnsen Japhia Epp Mark Ohlhauser & Sean Jason and Christine Wagenaar Mary & Esther Tschetter Jennifer Mueller Mary & Boyd Robinson Jenny Doyk Mary Clinton Joselyn Smith Mary Ruth Howe Joyce's Taxi Mary Ruth McDougall Julie Bastien Maryann Biggs Justin Sweet

Masonic Foundation of Alberta c/oFreemasons Hall Matthew Halton High School Mavis Hann Michael Cousineau Michael White Ministry of Child and Family Services Monica Scyrba-Davis Muriel Marjo Muriel McPherson NAPI Friendship Centre Nerds on Site Nicole Buret OK Tire & Oldtimer Hockey Club Osa Remedy's RX Pharmacy Outreach Team Blood Tribe Dept Health Pamela Montgomery Pastor Aaron Kauffman Pat Larkin Pat Moskuluk Pat Tomkins PayPal Giving Fund of Canada Pharmasave Piikani Chief and Council Piikani Child and Family Services Piikani Elders Council Piikani Employment Services Piikani Health Centre Pincher Creek Co-operative Association Pincher/Cowley Roaring Lions Pincher Creek and District Community Food Centre Pincher Creek Lutheran Church – Pastor Ritz Pincher Creek Meats Pincher Creek Swimming Pool Pincher Creek United Church Women Pure Canadian Gaming Quilt Club RCMP Detachments in Pincher Creek, Brocket, CNP, Fort Macleod, Claresholm, and Cardston R. Clair Hockley & Chris Ann Anderson Ray

Rexall Phrmacy
Rocky Mountain Bobcat

Rockyview Mennonite Sewing Circle

Rotary Club of Fort Macleod

Royal Bank of Canada Royal Canadian Legion Sandbox Mutual Insurance Sandy Breckenridge SASH Savannah Capton Sharla Dyck Shaun Hockstein Shelby Kasinec Shellie Shootin' the Breeze Snodgrass Funeral Home Sonja Richards Soo Sushi – Pincher Creek Sophie La Rocque Spring Point Community Society St. Michael's School Staff at Transalta Susan Foote Susan Vogelaar Susan Wagner **Taylor Farms** Tandis Mattson Terry and Team Theresa Rine The Bread Guy The Pajama Project Thomas & Lisa Liscombe Tori Bailer Town of Pincher Creek Training, Inc. Transalta Trish White Unifor, Local 4050 United Church Women Val Sinnott Verona Provost Victim Services Viva Nicas Walmart Canada Wendy Dunn Wesley Family What Goes Around Comes Around Women's Shelter's Canada

If we missed mentioning anyone we apologize and thank you for your contribution

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Draft - June 16, 2025

For the year ended March 31, 2025

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#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Draft - June 16, 2025

To:

The Board of Directors of

Pincher Creek Women's Emergency Shelter Association

#### Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Pincher Creek Women's Emergency Shelter Association, which comprise the statement of financial position as at March 31, 2025, and the statements of operations, changes in net assets and cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

In our opinion, the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Pincher Creek Women's Emergency Shelter Association as at March 31, 2025 and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations.

#### Basis for Opinion

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 Association 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 is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Responsibilities of Management and Those Charged with Governance for the Financial Statements Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the 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 Association'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 Association or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the Association'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:

#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT, continued

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements, continued

- Identify 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 Association'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 Association'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 Association 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.

Fort Macleod, Alberta

June 17, 2025

Chartered Professional Accountants

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

As at March 31, 2025 Draft - June 16, 2025

		2025		2024
ASSETS				
Current Cash Restricted cash (note 3) GST receivable Prepaid expenses	10	8,753 7,736 2,412 9,873	\$	416,509 74,688 1,802 1,999
	57	8,774		494,998
Investment		1,740		1,721
Capital assets (note 4)	67-	4,875		662,736
	\$ 1,25	5,389	\$ 1	,159,455
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS				
Current Accounts payable and accrued liabilities Salaries payable Source deduction payable Deferred revenue (note 5) Surplus retention reserve (note 6)	1 1 7	5,892 7,999 4,585 0,862 9,739	\$	117,231 17,276 - 1,266 99,739
	32	9,077		235,512
Unamortized capital contributions (note 7)	38	9,480		368,433
	71	8,557		603,945
Net Assets Unrestricted Invested in capital assets Capital reserve	28	9,438 5,394 2,000		233,208 294,302 28,000
	53	6,832		555,510
	\$ 1,25	5,389	\$ 1	,159,455
Approved on behalf of the board:				
Director Director				

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS For the year ended March 31, 2025 Draft - June 16, 2025

	2025 Budget (Unaudited)	2025 Actual	2024 Actual
Revenue			
Child and Family Services	\$ 997,391	\$ 997,391	\$ 997,391
Donations- business/groups	3,500	13,548	27,142
Casino	2,200	7,222	11,039
Donations- individual	1,500	6,090	7,308
Miscellaneous	<del>-</del>	612	1,764
Memberships	100	80	190
WSC Grant	_	-	13,563
Food security program	_	-	9,175
Surplus adjustment	-	(73,617)	(31,551)
Amortization of capital contributions	-	28,953	14,545
	1,004,691	980,279	1,050,566
Expenses			
Client development	688,524	593,037	512,451
Administration wages	144,927	192,402	193,266
Administration	62,340	62,776	61,484
Facility	45,000	46,931	47,734
Direct client costs	31,800	31,143	36,221
Office	24,800	19,403	17,713
Vehicle	7,300	7,022	5,754
Food security program	-	-	9,175
Amortization		46,243	41,581
	1,004,691	998,957	925,379
Excess (deficiency) of revenue over expenses	\$ -	\$ (18,678)	\$ 125,187

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS For the year ended March 31, 2025 Draft - June 16, 2025

	Unrestricted	Invested in capital assets	Capital reserve	Total 2025	Total 2024
Balance, beginning of year	\$ 233,208	\$ 294,302	\$ 28,000	\$ 555,510 \$	430,323
(Deficiency) excess of revenue over expenses	(18,678)	<del>-</del> .	-	(18,678)	125,187
Amortization of capital assets	46,243	(46,243)	-	-	-
Purchase of capital assets	(58,382)	58,382	-	_	-
Capital contributions received	50,000	(50,000)	-	-	-
Amortization of capital contributions	(28,953)	28,953	-	-	-
Transfer to capital reserve	(14,000)		14,000	-	_
Balance, end of year	\$ 209,438	\$ 285,394	\$ 42,000	\$ 536,832 \$	555,510

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS For the year ended March 31, 2025 Draft - June 16, 2025

	2025	 2024
Cash flows from operating activities (Deficiency) excess of revenue over expenses Adjustments for items which do not affect cash	\$ (18,678)	\$ 125,187
Amortization of capital assets Amortization of capital contributions Loss on disposal of capital asset	46,243 (28,953) -	41,581 (14,545) 792
	(1,388)	153,015
Change in non-cash working capital items GST receivable Prepaid expenses Accounts payable and accrued liabilities Salaries payable Source deduction payable Deferred revenue Surplus retention reserve Investment	(610) (7,874) 8,661 723 14,585 69,596 - (19)	810 2,728 (6,387) 6,659 - (22,102) 36,206 (1,517)
	83,674	169,412
Cash flows from investing activity Purchase of capital assets	(58,382)	(18,195)
Cash flows from financing activity  Capital contributions received	 50,000	
Net increase in cash	75,292	151,217
Cash, beginning of year	 491,197	 339,980
Cash, end of year	\$ 566,489	\$ 491,197
Cash consists of: Cash	\$ 458,753	\$ 416,509
Restricted cash	\$ 107,736 566,489	\$ 74,688 491,197

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#### 1. Nature of operations

Pincher Creek Women's Emergency Shelter Association provides safe shelter and support services for women and children in Southwestern Alberta who are fleeing abusive situations. The Association is incorporated under the Societies Act of the Province of Alberta and is exempt from income taxes under the Income Tax Act, section 149(1)(f) as a charitable organization.

#### 2. Significant accounting policies

These financial statements are prepared in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations. The significant accounting policies are detailed as follows:

#### (a) Revenue recognition

The Association follows the deferral method of accounting for contributions. Restricted contributions are recognized as revenue in the year in which the related expenses are incurred. Unrestricted contributions are recognized as revenue when received or receivable if the amount to be received can be reasonably estimated and collection is reasonably assured.

#### (b) Cash and cash equivalents

The Association includes cash on hand and cash held by financial institutions in operating, surplus and casino accounts in the determination of cash and cash equivalents.

#### (c) Capital assets

Purchased capital assets are recorded at cost. Contributed assets are recorded at their fair value at the date of contribution. The Association provides for amortization using the declining balance method at rates designed to amortize the cost of the capital assets over their estimated useful lives. The annual amortization rates are as follows:

Buildings	4%
Automotive	30%
Furniture and fixtures	20%
Computer equipment	30%

One-half the normal rate of amortization is recorded in the year of acquisition.

#### (d) Net assets invested in capital assets

Net assets invested in capital assets represents the unamortized portion of capital assets purchased with unrestricted resources, less related debt.

The Association has chosen to continue to treat net assets invested in capital assets as a separate component of net assets.

#### (e) Financial instruments

The Association initially measures its financial assets and liabilities at fair value. The Association subsequently measures all its financial assets and financial liabilities at amortized cost.

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#### 2. Significant accounting policies, continued

#### (f) Contributed services

Directors, committee members and owners volunteer their time to assist in the Association's activities. While these services benefit the Association considerably, a reasonable estimate of their amount and fair value cannot be made and, accordingly, these contributed services are not recognized in the financial statements.

#### (g) Measurement uncertainty

The preparation of financial statements in conformity 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 and disclosures of contingent liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenue and expenses during the reported period. Significant areas subject to measurement uncertainty include deferred revenue, amortization of capital assets and amortization of capital contributions. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

#### Restricted cash

Restricted cash relates to funds received from the operation of a casino and prior year surplus requiring government approval. Withdrawal of these funds can only be made for purposes explicitly authorized.

	 2025	 2024
Surplus retention reserve Casino	\$ 73,421 34,315	\$ 73,319 1,369
	\$ 107,736	\$ 74,688

#### 4. Capital assets

						2025	 2024
		Cost		cumulated ortization		Net	<u>Net</u>
Land	\$	44,500	\$	<u></u>	\$	44,500	\$ 44,500
Buildings	·	967,057	·	442,825	·	524,232	543,757
Automotive		107,439		48,242		59,197	17,377
Furniture and fixtures		151,304		115,010		36,294	45,523
Computer equipment		47,428		36,776		10,652	11,579
	\$ 1	,317,728	\$	642,853	\$	674,875	\$ 662,736

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#### 5. **Deferred revenue**

Deferred revenue is the amount of externally restricted funding received but not spent as of March 31, 2025.

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Minister of Children and Family Services Casino	\$	<u>-</u> 1,266	\$	35,198 41,620	\$	- (7,222)	\$	35,198 35,664
	\$	1,266	\$	76,818	\$	(7,222)	\$	70,862

#### 6. Surplus retention reserve

The surplus retention reserve relates to the restriction of surplus funds from the prior year based on an agreement with Child and Family Services. These funds may only be used by the Association subject to approval from the Ministry.

	 2025	 2024
Opening balance	\$ 99,739	\$ 63,532
Current year surplus	79,948	138,569
Amount recognized as revenue	-	(2,905)
Adjustments to surplus approved by the ministry	-	(21,397)
Amounts repayable to ministry	 (79,948)	(78,060)
	\$ 99,739	\$ 99,739

#### 7. Unamortized capital contributions

Unamortized capital contributions represent the externally funded portion of capital assets that will be recognized as revenue over the same period as the amortization of the related capital assets. The change in unamortized capital contribution balance for the year is as follows:

	 2025	2024
Balance, beginning of year Amortization of capital contributions Capital contribution	\$ 368,433 (28,953) 50,000	\$ 382,978 (14,545)
	\$ 389,480	\$ 368,433

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#### 8. Contingency

Full time employees of the Association are allowed to accrue sick leave. As at March 31, 2025 the amount of accumulated sick leave was \$13,934 (2024 - \$12,255). The amount is not recorded in the financial statements as there is no certainty the full amount will be used. The amount of accumulated sick leave is not paid out to employees of the Association when they leave their position.

#### 9. Economic dependence

The Association receives a significant amount of funding from Child and Family Services. Accordingly, the ability of the Association to meet its future obligations is dependent upon the continued financial support from the Province.