



2014
Annual **REPORT**

Leading 
THE WAY Home



- CAPACITY BUILDING AND RESEARCH PROJECTS
- WOMEN'S TRANSITIONAL HOMES
- HOMELESSNESS PREVENTION
- HEALTHCARE INITIATIVES

- SHELTERS
- RECOVERY HOMES
- YOUTH OUTREACH
- DROP-IN CENTERS
- COMMUNITY KITCHENS

- SCHOOLS
- FAMILIES
- COMMUNITY BASED BUSINESSES
- CORPORATIONS
- INDIVIDUALS

GRANT

WE PARTNER WITH
Surrey based organizations
and non-profits.

GROW

WE PARTNER WITH
donors
to help them make
the most impact with
their donations.



SURREY
Homelessness
& Housing
SOCIETY

WE MAKE A DIFFERENCE in the
lives of people who are homeless
or at risk of homelessness
in Surrey.

High

LEAD

WE PARTNER WITH
the sector
to develop policies and
implement strategies
that work.

- BC HOUSING
- GOVERNMENT OF CANADA
- CANADIAN ALLIANCE TO END HOMELESSNESS

- VANCITY COMMUNITY FOUNDATION
- SURREY POVERTY REDUCTION COALITION
- REGIONAL STEERING COMMITTEE ON HOUSING
- CITY OF SURREY



EVERY LIFE COUNTS

1 IN 6 OF US KNOW SOMEONE WHO IS OR HAS BEEN HOMELESS.

They're our family, friends, and classmates; they account for 403 members of our community, according to the 2014 Homeless Count (though the "on the ground" estimate is much higher). They increasingly include women and their children, youth, aboriginals, and seniors.

“The Surrey Homelessness and Housing Society is a partner in transforming men with no hope to men who are reconnected with their families, give back to the community and become gainfully employed.”

Susan Sanderson - Realistic Success Recovery Society

lights 2014

Our **IMPACT**

We've granted

\$2.5 Million

to projects and initiatives in Surrey

Help us lead them home



2014 HEROES OF THE HOMELESS

24 Fine Art Firsties students created and sold ceramic **Hearts for Hope**, raising \$970 in donations.

CORNERSTONE DROP-IN CENTRE

We granted \$20,000 to launch the only women's drop-in centre in Surrey, where Flo, who was hit by a truck and severely disabled, secured a walker and learned to walk again, inspiring other women with her determination and smiles.

In 2014, 67 women and their children were able to find housing with the help of the drop-in.



SURREY VULNERABLE WOMEN AND GIRLS WORKING GROUP

Our grant of \$6,420 went to research ways to better serve vulnerable women and girls in Surrey, and numerous women serving agencies. Additional funding of \$30,000.00 was obtained from the BC Ministry of Justice to execute research recommendations that will ultimately reduce the barriers to services and help vulnerable women and girls to live more healthy and productive lives.

*For more on these stories
and other news:*

www.surreyhomeless.ca

“The Surrey Homelessness and Housing Society has given women the opportunity to make better choices so they can succeed in life.”

Bonnie Moriarty - Elizabeth Fry Society of Greater Vancouver

“The encouragement and financial support of Surrey Homelessness and Housing Society has been a valuable catalyst for collaboration and partnership.”

Alice Sundberg - Surrey Poverty Reduction Coalition



SUPPORTED YOUTH INDEPENDENT HOUSING

“Corey” is one of the 12 youth who has been housed and supported through this program. He’s now entering his second year as a post-secondary counselling and psychology student, works full-time and lives on his own.

Message

FROM THE BOARD CHAIR



Sincerely,
Councillor **Judy Villeneuve**
Board Chair

In 2014 we worked on some exciting new projects that brought us in partnership with others who aimed to end homelessness in Surrey. We are proud of the work we were able to accomplish together.

The *Youth Film Competition* resulted in powerful public service announcements that were featured at both the *Surrey International Film Festival* and *Vancouver International Film Festival*. We were so pleased to partner with *Surrey Public Library* and *Novel Pictures* on this successful youth film contest.

We also launched a public awareness campaign in the early autumn that brought attention to the needs of the homeless in Surrey and how *Surrey Homelessness & Housing Society* helps to positively impact the lives of individuals.

We are so grateful for the support of the *Surrey Leader*, *Thornley Creative* and the *City of Surrey* in getting the message out.

Deep appreciation also goes to the board of directors, who have given their time and expertise to ensure that the Society is truly making an impact on homelessness in Surrey.

2014 FINANCIAL STATEMENT

OPENING Market Value – Jan 1, 2014	\$10,502,511
<i>Investment Earnings</i>	\$294,158
<i>Contributions</i>	\$33,081
<i>Investment Growth</i>	\$536,678
<i>Grants Disbursed</i>	-\$370,492
<i>Expenses</i>	-\$145,707
CLOSING Market Value – Dec 31, 2014	\$10,850,228

In 2007, the City of Surrey allocated 9 million dollars from the City's Affordable Housing Reserve Fund to seed the Surrey Homelessness and Housing Fund. This was a response to the emerging trend of homelessness and lack of affordable housing in the City of Surrey.

The Fund, held at Vancity Community Foundation on behalf of the Surrey Homelessness and Housing Society, is an endowment that grows over time, allowing the Society to provide more funding through our grants to homelessness and housing solutions.

2014 GRANTS

\$20,000	<i>Elizabeth Fry Society of Greater Vancouver Cornerstone Drop-In</i>
\$70,000	<i>Elizabeth Fry Society of Greater Vancouver Shelter Feasibility</i>
\$49,220	<i>Kekinow Native Housing Society Aboriginal Gathering Place Preliminary Planning</i>
\$10,000	<i>Lookout Emergency Aid Society (formerly Keys: Housing and Health Solution Society) Shelter & Transitional Housing Concept Development</i>
\$25,000	<i>Options Community Services Society Youth Housing Supported Youth Independent Housing</i>
\$25,000	<i>Pacific Community Resource Society Youth Housing Outreach Worker</i>
\$2,000	<i>Peninsula Homeless to Housing Society Faith Community Engagement</i>
\$30,000	<i>Realistic Success Recovery Society Securing Trilogy House</i>
\$6,000	<i>Surrey Homelessness & Housing Task Force Revitalizing Homeless and Housing Sector</i>
\$6,420	<i>Surrey Vulnerable Women and Girls Working Situational Analysis Research Project</i>
\$5,000	<i>Surrey Poverty Reduction Coalition Housing First Landlord Breakfast</i>
\$1,300	<i>Options Community Services Society Storage Project</i>

Gratitude **TO OUR DONORS**



B&B Contracting receiving recognition for their donation

We are immensely thankful for the community that has come together to make a difference for those who are homeless or at risk of homelessness.

**YOU CAN GIVE
ONLINE,
WRITE A CHEQUE,
OR SET UP
PRE-AUTHORIZED
PAYMENTS**

By giving to Surrey Homelessness & Housing Society, your dollars go where they can make the most impact

Help us lead the way home ~ Make a donation today



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