



Southwestern Ontario Youth for Christ 2018 ANNUAL REPORT

Dear Shareholder:

We are Southwestern Ontario Youth for Christ...

imbedded in local communities, committed to live lives of grace and gratitude and propelled into a lifestyle that reflects the love of Christ to an observant generation.

We sit through frigid hockey games in January, walk through the crowded hallways of public schools, look into the faces of hurting teenagers and teach 15-year-old mothers that the Apostle Paul was serious and inspired by the Spirit when he said that they can be new creations.

Yes, at YFC we live in, love and lean into the communities where the Lord has planted us. At no time has the mission and calling been more important or intense. Yes, at YFC we believe that God understands the unique challenges that welcome us each day in neighborhoods all across this country. We believe that God has drawn us into situations that He alone can empower us to handle. We believe that the message of hope is transcendent, localized and transformational.

There are no shortcuts into the heart of local communities...

just a routine of commitment and connection that links us into the pain and promise of living with Christ in a fallen world. And yes, we understand that this welfare starts and ends with prayer. We're praying like never before on behalf of "the city" where God Himself has endorsed our presence. The welfare of the city is measured one young life at a time through the profound and beautiful message of hope found in Jesus, the Christ. We are Southwestern Ontario Youth for Christ....and we're committed to the marvelous call. Know that the most important elements are the individual stories of young people and changed lives. I am proud to lead this movement and I am thankful for people like you who pray for us and share the resources God has entrusted to you. This empowers us to **see the hope and potential in every young person.**

Steve Deller, Executive Director

Serving youth from the communities of:

Baden, Beamsville, Brussels, Burgessville, Cambridge, Clifford, Clinton, Delhi, Hanover, Harriston, Haysville, Ingersoll, Jordan, Kitchener, Listowel, Mannheim, Milton, Mitchell, New Dundee, New Hamburg, Niagara Falls, Niagara-on-the-Lake, Norwich, Otterville, Palmerston, Parkhill, Petersburg, Philipsburg, Plattsville, Port Elgin, Sauble Beach, Seaforth, Shakespeare, Simcoe, Southampton, St. Agatha, St. Catharines, St. Marys, St. Thomas, Stratford, Strathroy, Tavistock, Thorold, Tillsonburg, Vanastra, Vineland, Waterdown, Waterford, Waterloo, Welland, Wellesley, Wilmot, Wingham, Woodstock

Vision Statement

We are dedicated to seeing young people have the opportunity to make an informed decision to become a follower of Jesus Christ and become a part of a local church. We are committed to helping youth develop wholistically by offering programs and developing relationships that nurture the whole person – physically, mentally, emotionally, socially and spiritually.

Mission Statement

Every young person living fully in Christ

“We see the hope and potential in every young person”

TYPES OF MINISTRIES

- Youth Centres
- Campus Life
- Performing Arts
- Coaching Sports
- Teen Moms
- Camps
- Clothing & meals
- Ninja Obstacle Gym
- Project Serve
- Catalytic Converters
- Ninja Obstacle Gym
- Church Resource
- Bike Co-op
- Recording Studios
- Justice Ministry

2018 MINISTRY OUTCOMES

In sharing with you the following statistics we are reminded of our high calling to serve the youth of our towns and cities. In 2018 seven key ministry outcomes were measured as part of the reporting requirements to YFC International:

- Youth contacted individually or through programs: 44,348
- Youth individually/personally invited to become followers of Christ: 2,616
- Decisions for Christ: 293
- Discipleship/Follow-up: 2,848
- Volunteers: 2,891
- Partnering Churches: 275
- Paid Staff: 101

2018 FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

We have such a rich history of God's wonderful provision for YFC/Youth Unlimited. We are blessed by thousands of partners who give so generously and faithfully to our staff, projects and programs. We have much to be thankful for.

2018 Actual Income	\$5,243,635
Expenditures	\$4,700,658
Balance	\$542,977



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CHAPTER PRIORITIES

Staff Retention and Recruitment - nurturing valuable human resources and attracting new team members

Leadership Development - helping staff, volunteers and youth realize their potential

Ministry Partner Development - strengthening and expanding donor relations

Public Relations - increasing awareness of who we are and what we do

Ministry Effectiveness - expanding our competency and productivity in reaching youth



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