





YMCA of Northern BC Annual Report 2013-2014



A Message from the YMCA Board of Directors and CEO

2014 has been a landmark year for the YMCA of Northern British Columbia. It marked our 50th anniversary in Prince George which in itself is a remarkable accomplishment. It reinforces one of our mottos: "You know we'll always be here!"

There were some remarkable events and accomplishments this year:

- We opened child care in Vanderhoof, meeting a long term community need by supporting working parents by providing them high guality care for their children.
- We were the recipient of TWO Provincial Child Care Awards; one was awarded to the YMCA for Innovation in Child Care; the other was awarded to our Director of Child Care Services, Lynette Mikalishen, as an emerging leader in the child care field.
- We were awarded the District of Vanderhoof's Recreation Services contract. We are excited to deliver many great health and wellness programs to the community such as art, parent-tot drop in, Professional Development Activities and so much more.
- Our fitness membership reached more than 5100 in November, a number higher than any other fall month in our 50 year history; the number of our members that consistently remain with us is at an all time high.
- In celebration of our 50th anniversary, we brought Clara Hughes, the most decorated Olympian in Canadian history, to Prince George, for events including an inspirational appearance before more than 1000 students and many hundreds more all over Northern British Columbia, connected via live stream.

At least equally as important was all the work our staff and volunteers continue to do each day of every week during the year, work that needs an equal amount of celebration and recognition:

- Recreation for seniors, both at our Massey Drive location and at off-site care facilities; care that includes services for people living with dementia and related challenges and people struggling with mobility issues and confined to wheelchairs.
- Services to marginalized young people at "Youth Around Prince" in a concerted effort to empower high risk youth through facilitating connections to needed services and resources.
- Child care at 8 locations within the City of Prince George and in Vanderhoof. We also supported over one hundred families in need of child care during the time of job action in June and September.
- A modern up to date fitness facility with lots of choices for individual conditioning as well as more than 60 group fitness classes a week.

The coming year will present a great deal of challenge and opportunity for the board and CEO of the YMCA of Northern British Columbia.

One of our goals is to complete our work in applying for accreditation from Imagine Canada. If we are successful, this will be an affirmation and certification that the YMCA of Northern British Columbia maintains and upholds the highest standards of good governance for a charitable organization.

The Board will also work toward developing a philanthropy plan and strategy to ensure we can continue to provide all of the services we provide in northern British Columbia.

And finally, we are moving into an era where governments of all levels are being challenged to provide the services which the public demands at a price we can all afford. In that environment, governments are looking for partnerships to provide many of the services at which the YMCA excels ~ child care, fitness, helping seniors, youth and children. The YMCA of Northern British Columbia is uniquely positioned to participate in those partnerships and will, with great care and diligence, pursue those possibilities.

We look forward to continuing to serve all our members and commit to make our best efforts in providing the highest level of service possible.

2014 Board Members

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Rob Traxler Pat Flack Brad Halsey

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- Nicole Federucci Jennifer Dungate Bruce Siddall
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Financial Highlights

Summary of YMCA of Northern BC Financial Statements Years ended August 31

	2014	2013
Operations		
Revenue	\$ 4,666,717	\$ 4,246,547
Expenses	<u>\$ 4,748,795</u>	<u>\$ 4,304,940</u>
Net	\$ (82,078)	\$ (58,393)
Investment in Capital	\$ 90,160	\$ 321,367
Balance Sheet		
Current Assets	\$ 933,445	\$ 773,618
Capital Assets	<u>\$ 2,814,137</u>	<u>\$ 3,034,765</u>
Total Assets	\$ 3,747,582	\$ 3,808,383
Current Liabilities	\$ 509,504	\$ 410,899
Long Term Debt	\$ 1,365,456	\$ 1,444,580
Net Assets	<u>\$ 1,872,622</u>	<u>\$ 1,952,904</u>
Total Liabilities	\$ 3,747,582	\$ 3,808,383

2014 financial highlights were extracted from Annual Report Statements audited by Dean Mason & Co. Chartered Accountants. A copy is available upon request.

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Fitness- Anita Kashmark

Anita has been a volunteer in the Fitness department since 1999. She teaches from early in the morning to the evening, eager to fill in when needed. Anita is beautiful and mighty and it inspires participants to work hard, build strength and keep going. She has a kind soul and is supportive of all people no matter who they are and what their story is. Anita stays on top of the latest fitness science and trends, incorporating concepts into her programs to make them challenging and interesting.

Membership-Rudy Zellman

Rudy has volunteered in membership services since November 2010 alongside his wife, Donna. Rudy is always busy, cleaning windows/doors/mirrors/counters/turnstyles, etc. Rudy also accesses members into the building, and keeps up with the towels by circulating through the building. Rudy will take on any task- he has even washed down walls in the men's change room. Rudy always brings any concerns forward. He is a hard worker and takes pride in his efforts.

Recreation- Alexandra Yule

Alexandra joined the YMCA as a volunteer teaching Jazz to children and youth in spring 2014. She has a strong passion for dance, philanthropy and youth, and has an infectious energy about her. Alex is always looking for ways to become involved in the YMCA further and took a leadership role in our World Challenge 2014 event by volunteering to choreograph and train a large number of participants in a flash mob dance. Alex also came out for the entire World Challenge event and helped to collect signatures in support of global youth empowerment.

Child Care- Rupinder Sandhu

Rupi has been a volunteer at Tiny Y Preschool for many years. She cleans all the classroom toys and equipment to ensure a truly healthy environment. Rupi's dedication to the program allows the staff to focus all of their time and attention on the children. As a caring and friendly volunteer, she is appreciated by the children and the staff who love when she joins them for circle time!

Association Services- Donna Stemlock at SFL

The Association Services Program Volunteer Award recipient is Donna Stemlock. This ten year Simon Fraser Lodge volunteer spends her time listening and providing quality company to the residents. Donna is a self initiator and has made friends throughout the entire facility. Donna is a true YMCA gem with a heart full of compassion and commitment.



Spirit Volunteer: Susan Klein

Susan is the spirit of the Y! Her beautiful smile is reflective of the kind and gentle spirit within. She is authentic, constantly positive, and demonstrates the Y values in every interaction with members. Susan's classes are high energy, fun, and always full! She makes herself available to answer questions and listen to people's stories. The warmth and acceptance given in interactions with others, empowers, encourages and inspires them.

Youth Volunteer: Robin Keahey

Robin joined the Y volunteer force as a Counselor-In-Training at Camp Kanannaq during the 2014 season. Since her time at camp, Robin continually supports Y events and initiatives in any way possible. Robin is always the first to volunteer for any task. She is a favorite among campers and staff as she has a strong work ethic and a exuberant enthusiasm that embodies the YMCA core values. Robin is an exemplary youth and wonderful role model who is both a team player and a born leader. She has a deep care for all those of which she comes in contact and her smile truly brightens every room.

Fundraising Volunteer: Brad Halsey

Brad not only joined the Board of Directors this year, he also stepped up to provide leadership as our Vice Chair! This is typical of Brad as thus far, there hasn't been anything that he hasn't been willing to do to support our Association. Brad is a quiet, but powerful role model with fundraising. He not only gives generously personally, but he is also willing to ask others to support the YMCA. This year, he gave multiple days/ evenings of his time to personally raise funds for our Strong Kids Fundraiser. In addition, he has volunteered his holiday time to be one of our representatives attending NAYDO with the goal of supporting the philanthropic growth of our YMCA as he knows and values the power of our mission driven work.

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Volunteer of the Year: Laura Brough

Laura Brough is an enthusiastic fitness volunteer that teaches nine classes a week. She has a talent that enables her to teach both new and experienced participants at the same time, making them feel welcome and motivated. Since 1998, she has inspired and encouraged many participants to reach their fitness goals. Furthermore, Laura has mentored many new instructors to launch them on a successful fitness journey. Having Laura supports our goal of service excellence as all her programs exceed the current professional standards.



2014 Accomplishments

2014 was an exciting year for the YMCA of Northern BC.

We celebrated our 50th Anniversary and had many accomplishments to accompany such a celebration!

Awarded the Vanderhoof Recreation Service Contract

Opened Child Care in Vanderhoof

Held a special YMCA Anniversary event with guests Clara Hughes and Scott Haldane reaching over 2000 students in PG and throughout Northern BC

Hit a record breaking 5,000+ YMCA members this fall

Saw over 7,800 visitors to the REC Room and more than 350 youth took part in recreational activities

Sent over 60 fitness staff and volunteers to a two day leadership conference

Help 170 youth find jobs, a place to live, or get an education through Youth Around Prince

Awarded the City Skating contract and taught 188 kids to skate

Camp Kanannaq scored 97% in safety; the highest in the country

Received the 2014 Child Care Award of Excellence

Partnered with the 2015 Canada Winter Games by sponsoring the Mascot, Nanguz

Our Director of Child Care Services, Lynette Mikalishen, received an award as an emerging leader in the child care field

