

# HOPE report



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Streets Alive





## Our Vision

To Bring Hope to the Hopeless

## Our Mission

Streets Alive Mission exists to provide for the physical, emotional, social, and spiritual needs of the poor, to empower them to change their lives through the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

## Our Core Values

Streets Alive Mission flourishes through our passion for God and good works towards people in need. By conducting our lives in accord with the values of compassion, respect, integrity, stewardship and excellence we promote and demonstrate that Streets Alive Mission is an organization of good character.

## Our Goals and Objectives

For those people lacking hope and in need, Streets Alive Mission will:

- Go out into the community and meet their basic physical requirements.
- Establish meaningful relationships with them.
- Develop mutual understanding of their issues.
- Mentor, teach, and train them.
- Empower them to achieve productive, hope-filled lives.

For the community in which we serve, Streets Alive Mission will:

- Foster and promote community support and involvement in the organization.
- Work with and promote unity among agencies involved in supplying services to those lacking hope and in need.
- Raise awareness and advocate on behalf of those lacking hope and in need.
- Provide volunteer opportunities to individuals who desire to a more active role in assisting the community in looking after the at-risk population.



Streets Alive Mission takes precautionary measures to protect both our community and the public at large by:

Continuing to provide essential services such as food, clean clothing, hygiene supplies, and sanitation items to people in need;

Increasing sanitation and hygiene measures at all our locations;

Implementing safety protocols in place to prevent the spread of disease as recommended by Alberta Health Services.

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## Message from Directors

In 2020, Streets Alive Mission celebrated 30 years of bringing hope to Lethbridge and area. It proved to be a unique year, one filled with uncertainty, challenges, growth, and hope. The pandemic pushed us to do things differently in many ways, we had incurred additional costs, but we also received the blessings of our community. People came together. Our faithful givers ensured we had what was needed to meet the increasing needs. We, in partnership with other community organizations, began the RePurpose Donation Centre. This was intended to be a temporary emergency support operation, however we quickly realized it was a permanent need. We were able to complete and move into the Segue Women's Home, we adjusted and expanded our programs to ensure those most vulnerable had a place to go for hope. It is because of the strong Christ centered foundation that Founders Ken and Julie Kissick have worked so hard, for so long, that we thrived. We were designed for this time and place; we saw what needed to be done and we were there. Ken and Julie created a legacy of hope, they have served those in need. They are leaders with the mission to provide for the physical, emotional, social, and spiritual needs of the poor, to empower them to change their lives through the Gospel of Jesus Christ. For us, It is an honour to provide day to day guidance to Streets Alive Mission and bring hope to those in need.

Blessings,  
Cam, Pieter & Jennifer



Julie Kissick



Ken Kissick

# Streets Alive Mission's Board of Directors - 2021

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Chuck LeBlanc - President

Luann Kinisky - Vice President

Ken Kissick - Treasurer / Founder

Nick Korver - Secretary

Bernie Huizing - Director

Leighton Kolk - Director



Leighton Kolk

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Streets Alive Mission would like to welcome Leighton Kolk to the Streets Alive Mission Board of Directors.

Leighton farms with his wife Elinor and 3 children. He has lived in and been operating business and stayed involved in community in southern Alberta for the past 34 years. He enjoys working with family and staff as well as doing business mentoring and succession planning in the agricultural sector.

# Information



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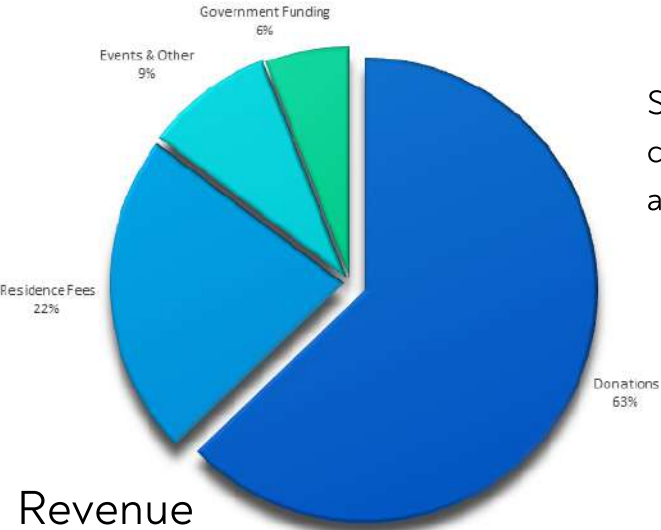


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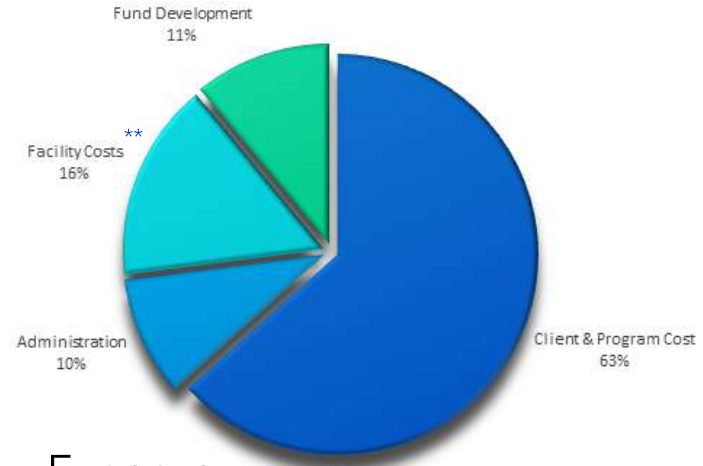




**Revenue**  
TOTAL: \$ 1,880,000



Streets Alive Mission is a predominantly community funded organization with only 6% of annual revenue coming from government grants\*.



**Expenses**  
TOTAL: \$ 1,898,000

\* COVID-19 Grants, Subsidies, Depreciation & Amortization are not included

\*\* Streets Alive Mission operates 6 facilities



## FACE UP TO POVERTY IN LETHBRIDGE!

Your donations have a significant impact on individuals and families in Lethbridge, almost immediately!

You bring hope.

## Poverty is real in Lethbridge

Poverty is not a “topic”. It is *real* people in *real* trouble. Yes! There is poverty in Lethbridge, and it is affecting people you know, right here, right now.

People are choosing between paying rent and buying lunch for their kids because they can’t do both.

People are couch surfing, sleeping “rough” out in the elements, or worse, because they can’t afford a room of their own for even one night.

People walk kilometre after kilometre, everywhere they go, through wind and rain and snow, because they cannot afford bus fare.

These aren’t just any people. These are OUR people – Lethbridge People!

There is a face (and a name, and a story) for every person served at Streets Alive Mission. These faces matter!

# Feedin' Them Hope



Streets Alive Mission offers a safe and welcoming location for individuals to come in to get warm or cool down, have refreshments, or a change of clothes. A place where they are treated with dignity and respect and can build relationships. A much needed sanctuary to briefly escape life on the streets and have hope fed into their life. With no appointments required anyone in need of support can access the Streets Alive Mission for support, resources and referrals.



More than just a sandwich...

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## Takin' It To The Streets

The outreach team provides nourishment to the mind, body and soul for individuals on the street. They also assist in cleaning up our community to keep it beautiful. Streets Alive Mission Outreach Team take to the streets in the areas of our city that they are most needed. They adjust the work they do based on the community needs and seasons.



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# P.I.N. Bank

The P.I.N. Bank (which stands for People In Need), not only supplies clothing to people in need, it provides another tool where we can get to know people, and build relationships.

The PIN is the workhorse of the Mission and gives our clients a much needed sanctuary to briefly escape life on the streets and have the opportunity to relax and find clothes that not only will suit their needs but their personality as well.





# Trusteeship Program

Helping people grow in their financial stability by serving as their Financial Guardian.

The Trusteeship Program grows client's dignity by enabling them to find financial stability, which helps to move them gradually out of poverty and into a place where they can maintain their own financial future.

All funds are deposited with Streets Alive Mission, in a trust account. Each individual works with our trustee officer to develop a budget to ensure the client's funds sustain them throughout the month. This budget ensures that critical expenses are looked after (rent, telephone, utilities) to protect the client and keep them safe.

The financial counselling clients receive will help them develop the skills necessary to manage their finances independently. This is mandatory for all residents of Streets Alive Mission's supportive housing facilities.





People who have no fixed address often suffer from a condition called “Street Feet”, which is painful and unhealthy. Foot Fridays at Streets Alive is a program where volunteers offer foot care – warm foot soak, trimmed nails, treatment of mild foot ailments, plus a pair of clean socks and good shoes.

Nearly every Friday evening we have volunteers who help care for tired, sore feet in need of some TLC.

A warm foot wash, nail care, and some fresh socks will make a huge difference in foot health.

Even the regional health care system has noticed how Foot Friday has reduced the foot problems seen by emergency and clinic staff!



The Repurpose  
Donation Centre  
receives community  
donations of  
clothing, furniture,  
household items and  
more. Items are  
distributed to those  
in need at no cost.

ASKING FOR HELP  
ISN'T WEAK,  
IT'S A GREAT EXAMPLE  
OF HOW TO TAKE  
CARE OF YOURSELF.

## RePurpose Donation Centre



219 12 'B' Street North  
(drop off in back alley)

403-635-9362



The Streets Alive Mission  
RePurpose Donation  
Centre provides those in  
need household items and  
clothing at no cost.

*Redemption*

*Recovery*

*Community*

*safe, faith-based recovery for women*

Genesis Women's Life Recovery Program is a multi-tiered program assisting vulnerable women who want to recover their lives.

Genesis operates Genesis Connect for Women, a facility offering programming designed to help women reconnect emotionally and spiritually, as well as a supervised residency program.

Key programming is Christ-centred and includes emotional counselling and post-addiction support.

The Genesis program has seen some women move on to post-secondary education, jobs and families and go on to happy, healthy, productive lives still under the guidance of the Genesis support team.



In December 2020, the Segue Women's Home opened their new 17 bed location.



**Women's Life Recovery Program**

## REDEMPTION RECOVERY BROTHERHOOD

Exodus Men's Recovery Program is about leaving the past behind and finding new healthy relationships with family, peers, mentors, and, most importantly, with God. Our Exodus program is a faith-centered, abstinence-based program which walks with men through the process to change their lives. Programming concentrates on group therapy, accessing counselling, work skills, literacy upgrading, and financial stability. It is designed to heal the brokenness of their lives.

Parkside Home is a secure men's home which offers a caring and affordable Christian environment designed to change the direction of men's lives. Through our program of counselling and accountability, Parkside Home helps men overcome the life issues that have hindered them from achieving their destiny. By providing a safe and secure living environment, the men can work through the life issues that have seemed undefeatable.

"Recovery is a process of change through which people improve their health and wellness, live self-directed lives, and strive to reach their full potential."

The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration  
(SAMHSA) defines recovery as:





# Inner Works

## Sunday Church Service

Jesus told us the poor would always be with us. He was talking about the distressed peoples of our society. We feel very strongly that those of us who have must help those who have not, with every available tool that we can offer, and with a heart of compassion for every hurting soul.

Inner Works provides a safe non-judgemental worship community for anyone wanting to grow deeper in their relationship with Jesus Christ. The music, teaching and unconditional love experienced in our worship center creates a God-centered community where everyone is welcome.



Streets Alive Mission is always seeking those who have a desire to give of themselves to serve others.

Volunteers are key to the work that we do at the Mission, and we wish to make it as easy as possible for you to engage and help in areas where you feel comfortable and confident.

We offer a variety of opportunities, training, and support for those who want to join the cause of “Bringing Hope to the Hopeless.”

Volunteer opportunities at Streets Alive are available for individuals AND for groups.

For more information on volunteering at Streets Alive Mission  
visit: [streetsalive.ca](http://streetsalive.ca),  
email: [volunteer@streetsalive.ca](mailto:volunteer@streetsalive.ca) or  
call us at: 403-320-1159

**IF SOMEONE LISTENS,  
OR STRETCHES  
OUT A HAND,  
OR WHISPERS  
A KIND WORD  
OF ENCOURAGEMENT,  
OR ATTEMPTS  
TO UNDERSTAND  
A LONELY PERSON,  
EXTRAORDINARY  
THINGS BEGIN  
TO HAPPEN.**

## HOW CAN YOU HELP?



Please pray – for our clients, our staff, our volunteers, and our civic, provincial, and federal leaders.

Please give – an Emergency Response Fund has been activated. Streets Alive Mission's resources are stretched to the limits as we work to cope with increased demand on our services.

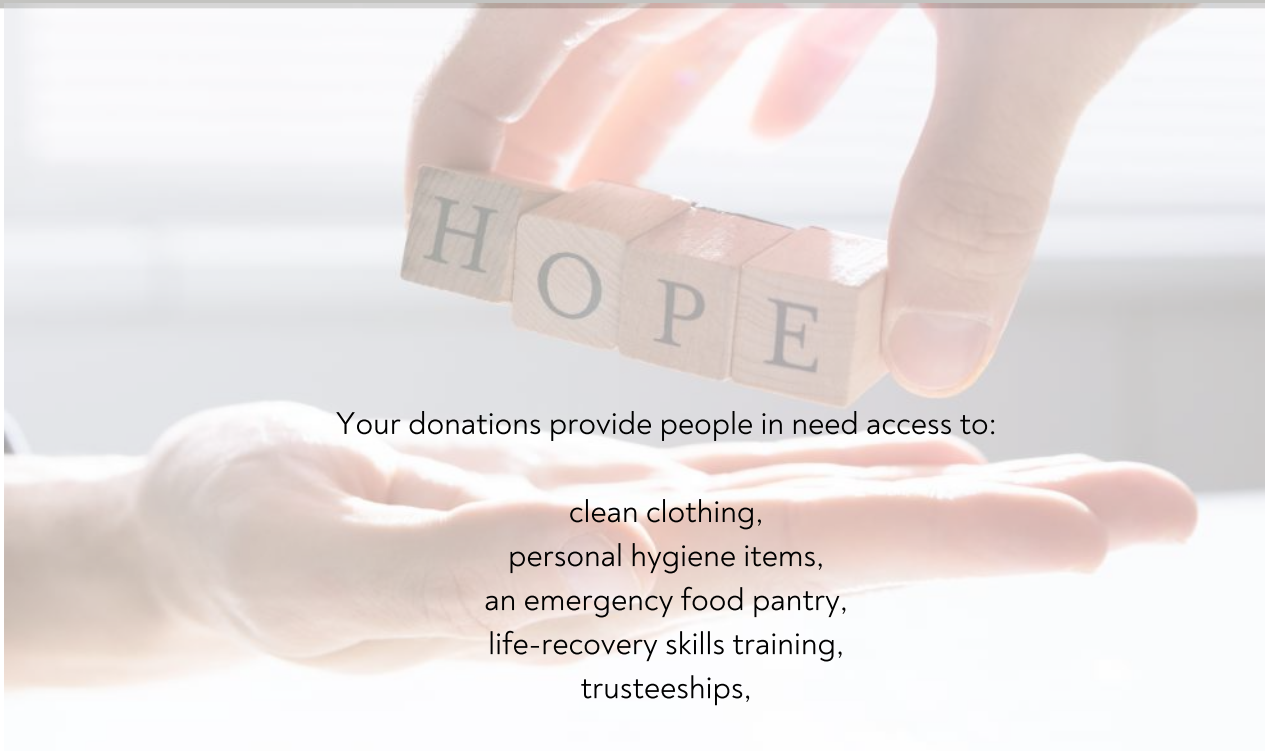


Please continue to drop off essential items for our clients at our RePurpose Donation Centre - 218 12 B St. N. (drop off in back alley)



# SUPPORT OPPORTUNITIES

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Your donations provide people in need access to:

clean clothing,  
personal hygiene items,  
an emergency food pantry,  
life-recovery skills training,  
trusteeships,

and support measures not provided by other agencies in the community.

We thank you for continuing to help us help the most vulnerable in our community!



Supports the work of Mission

Supports Takin' It To The Streets

Supports Exodus Men's Life Recovery Programs

Supports Trusteeship, PIN Bank, Feedin' Them Hope

Supports Genesis Women's Life Recovery Programs

Fundraising

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## bring hope to your community

FOR LESS THAN \$1 PER DAY YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN A PERSON'S LIFE.

For less than \$1 per day YOU can make a life changing difference.

Your monthly donation brings Hope

Every monthly gift provides

- support on the streets
- food and clothing
- safety and warmth
- meaningful connections and relationships

Giving monthly inspires people in our community to achieve productive hope filled lives.

Bring HOPE today!

"Giving is not just about making a donation. It is about making a difference."

Kathy Calvin



SUPPORT THE POOR IN OUR COMMUNITY BY  
PROVIDING LIFE-SAVING ESSENTIALS AND **HOPE**

**YES! I believe in the cause of defeating poverty!**

I have enclosed a signed void cheque ☐ or please charge my credit card ☐

☐ **monthly gift**

☐ **one time gift**

On the 1st ☐ or 16th ☐ day of each month (or the next business day)

Please charge my credit card # \_\_\_\_\_

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Expiry Date: \_\_\_\_\_ CVV: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

I want to receive my tax receipt **annually** ☐  
OR **each time** I donate ☐

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We value our donors' privacy,  
and do **NOT** share our lists.

If you wish to change or cancel your  
authorization at any time, please contact  
Meagan at (403)320-1159.

Authorization may be revoked at any time, subject to providing notice of at least 10 days before next payment is scheduled to come out. I also have certain recourse rights which could include receiving reimbursement if any debit does not comply with this agreement or was not authorized. For more information about Pre-Authorized Debit (PAD) Agreements, or to obtain a sample cancellation form I may contact my financial institution or [www.cdnpay.ca](http://www.cdnpay.ca).

When you join Helping Hands Monthly Giving, you will join a special group of people reaching out each month to bring food, clothing, compassion and hope for real people in our community.

\$10/month  
\$25/month  
\$100/month  
\$??? you decide

Every dollar makes a difference.



THANK YOU for bringing hope

YOU bring

HOPE

~THANK YOU!

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— MISSION

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