



**Winnifred Stewart
Association**



We believe in empowering people and inspiring dreams. Through Day Services, Residential Services, and Community Pathways, individuals at Winnifred Stewart Association are empowered to discover their dreams, embrace their interests, and connect with the communities in which they live.

Customized support offered through Winnifred Stewart Association's various community and facility-based programs assist individuals with disabilities to lead fulfilling lives and become integral members of their communities.



2010 Annual Report 2011

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Message From the President and CEO

With the creation of the new strategic plan last year, the WSA Board and management team have been hard at work, ensuring to continuously work toward the goals and dreams of the Association and of the people we support.

The management team has focused its efforts on ensuring they are hiring and retaining well qualified employees to support our programs. As well as planning and offering new and exciting training opportunities to staff.

Many new recreational opportunities are being offered both in the community and within the Day Services buildings with a focus on partnering with other community groups throughout the Edmonton area.

During the past year we have received many unexpected and generous donations from ongoing and new supporters. It truly warms our hearts to know that so many people and businesses are willing to help us reach our goals.

We would like to recognize the hard work and dedication of the Winnifred Stewart Association Board members and Management team. In these times of economic difficulty they have found creative ways to maintain both the financial integrity of the Association and the highest level of quality services for the individuals we support.

In conclusion, we would like to congratulate and thank the staff of the Winnifred Stewart Association whose hard work and dedication are exemplified day by day in the services they provide to the wonderful people we serve.

Tony Rocca, President
Larry Smook, CEO

WSA Strategic Plan

VISION

To support individuals with developmental disabilities to meet their potential and have full lives in an inclusive, supportive community.

MISSION

WSA supports and responds to the goals of the individual, their families and friends by providing services that honor choice; community inclusiveness and quality of life for the individual.

Strategic Directions

Continue to build a culture of service excellence.

Strengthen the linkages and networks to the community that support the individual to achieve their personal goals.

Implement an individualized service delivery approach to respond to the needs of the individual with a focus on inclusive supportive communities.

Demonstrate stewardship through service delivery that is effective, efficient and accountable.

Develop and strengthen partnerships with others – service agencies, all levels of government, the business community and other community groups.

Implement program approaches and appropriate housing to provide quality care for individuals.



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Year In Review

Once again this year WSA was involved with the Edmonton Oilers Community Foundation (EOCF) and the Edmonton Oilers Hockey Club in the "Joey Moss Cup", intra-squad game and the "Shirts Off Our Backs" event. These events allowed individuals from WSA to take in some great Oilers games as well as resulting in close to \$30,000 in donations from EOCF. We are very grateful to the Edmonton Oilers Community Foundation for their continued support to our Association and for providing these unique opportunities for the people we support.

On August 24th, 2010, thanks to Alberta Infrastructure, WSA celebrated the long awaited installation of an elevator and new fully accessible washrooms making our main building more comfortable and accessible to our community.

With no additional funding being provided to service providers in the region this year, WSA was able to continue to maintain all programs and services. Representations to the Province were made by the Board on the need for a contemporary model of funding services to people with developmental disabilities. The Board will continue to advocate for this in the upcoming year.



Coming Up in the Next Year

With the Affordable Supportive Living Initiatives grant for \$90,200 received from Alberta Seniors and Community Supports, plans for the renovations to our residences has begun and construction is expected to be complete by fall of 2011. Financial support for this project is also being provided by the Winnifred Stewart Foundation.

As Winnifred Stewart Association approaches almost 60 years providing services to adults with disabilities, the support needs of older people in service change and increase. As of April 1, 2011, WSA will have a Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN) on staff to better support these individuals alongside Home Care Nurses when necessary. We are excited and relieved to be able to offer this type of support to individuals who need it.

In September 2011, WSA will be hosting a learning conference for employees as well as offering the opportunity for other agencies to participate. The "Positive Practice in Behavioral Support" conference is provided by the Institute for Applied Behavior Analysis out of California. For more information on this event, please contact us at info@wsaf.ca or visit our website at www.winnifredstewart.com for registration forms. You can also find out more about the Institute for Applied Behavior Analysis at www.iaba.com

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Participant Demographics

Once again this year, we are happy to see an increase of people who are volunteering or working in their community. WSA continues to focus on customized supports and assisting individuals to discover their own personal dreams and stay connected to the community.



2009/10 2010/11

Groupings	# of People	# of People
Receiving service from WSA (Day Serv. / Res)	174	173
Live in WSA Residential Services	66	63
Receiving service from WSA Day Services	142	144
Live in Res and attend WSA Day Services	34	34
Live in Res and attend other programs	4	3
Live in Res and do not attend a day program	19	17
Volunteering	45	51
Employed	35	34
Live in Res and Volunteer	3	2
Live in Res and Employed	7	7

Age Groupings – Residential

18 yrs – 25 yrs	0	0
26 yrs – 35 yrs	6	6
36 yrs – 45 yrs	12	10
46 yrs – 55 yrs	33	31
56 yrs or older	15	16

Age Groupings – Day Services

18 yrs – 25 yrs	1	0
26 yrs – 35 yrs	39	38
36 yrs – 45 yrs	36	34
46 yrs – 55 yrs	50	52
56 yrs or older	16	20

Genders – Residential

Males	33	31
Females	33	32

Genders – Day Services

Males	74	75
Females	65	69

Employees

Full Time	141	149
Part Time	59	56
Relief Staff	20	13

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