



**Winnifred Stewart
Association**

Volunteers

The volunteers at Winnifred Stewart Association are special people. They give their time, their energy and their heart to help ensure our events are successful, our programs thrive, and the individuals we support experience their dreams. As a non-profit organization, our volunteers play an essential role in the success of everything we do. To all the volunteers who have supported our association this past year, thank-you! We couldn't have done it without you!

All of our volunteers who have contributed more than 100 hours of their time are recognized on our Wall of Honour, located at our main building. Congratulations to Karen Fink, she has now reached the category of 751-1000 hours of volunteer time and to Mary K Macdonald who has now reached the 251-500 hours category. Thank you for your commitment to WSA!

Finances

Audited financial statements for the fiscal year April 1, 2009 to March 31, 2010 are available by calling the Winnifred Stewart Association at 780-453-6707 or emailing info@winnifredstewart.com.

Winnifred Stewart Association works closely with the Winnifred Stewart Foundation to augment funding for special requests as needed. For more information or to make a donation, please contact Winnifred Stewart Foundation at 780-453-6707 or email foundation@winnifredstewart.com.

Board of Directors

Winnifred Stewart Association Board Members:

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Empowering People. Inspiring Dreams.



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.



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Message From the President

Empowering People, Inspiring Dreams are not only the words we live by at Winnifred Stewart Association (WSA), they are a truth that emerges as a result of our work. Our new Strategic plan which was developed in 2009 now provides the Association Board and management with a direction to follow to ensure we are working at initiatives to meet individual needs and desires as we move into the future.

WSA will continue to explore opportunities for new programs and services for the individuals we support. Independent and supportive living requests and new day services opportunities continue to be received and we will examine the feasibility of participating in such projects with the Province in the coming years.

We have had a remarkable response from the community in the 2009/2010 fiscal year. Donors have been very generous with their funds and time in support of our Association. A sincere heart-felt thank you goes out to all of our donors, volunteers and supporters!

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 Roccia, President



WSA Strategic Directions 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

- 1 Continue to build a culture of service excellence.
- 2 Strengthen the linkages and networks to the community that support the individual to achieve their personal goals.
- 3 Implement an individualized service delivery approach to respond to the needs of the individual with a focus on inclusive supportive communities.
- 4 Demonstrate stewardship through service delivery that is effective, efficient and accountable.
- 5 Develop and strengthen partnerships with others – service agencies, all levels of government, the business community and other community groups.
- 6 Implement program approaches and appropriate housing to provide quality care for individuals.

Year In Review

WSA has experienced a year like no other. In light of the economy this past year, the association has been faced with a number of obstacles and has had to make many changes; both within the staffing model as well as the structure of the programs. 2009 enabled the management team and governing board to explore the values and goals of the association and to create a new Strategic Plan which introduces the directions we will work towards for the upcoming years.

Many special events took place this year including our first annual fundraising breakfast, Empowering People, Inspiring Dreams which was attended by over 180 guests. We also hosted our annual Round-up and Halloween Dinner and Dances, Christmas parties, and corn roast. Unfortunately due to construction in our main building, the annual Valentine's Dinner and Dance had to be cancelled. With the construction almost complete, all of our regular events and more are being planned for the next year.

Coming Up in the Next Year

There are already some exciting plans underway for the coming 2010-2011 fiscal year. They include:

- Accessibility, since November, construction of the new elevator and fully accessible washrooms on the main and basement levels has been ongoing. These are much anticipated renovations that cannot come too soon! Construction is expected to be complete in June of 2010.
- The Garden of Reflection, since the ground breaking in 2008, this project was put on hold with other more vital projects taking the focus. With warm weather just around the corner, work on the garden has begun. A Planting Bee will take place in late June to commence the opening of the Garden of Reflection. Watch for more information about this event on our website www.winnifredstewart.com.
- WSA's 2nd Annual Fundraising Breakfast, "Empowering People, Inspiring Dreams" Fundraising Breakfast will be held at the Edmonton Expo Centre (formerly Northlands Agricom) in June. This event is expected to be attended by nearly 400 guests and will generate much needed funds to support the programs offered at WSA. Please contact us for more information or to get involved, info@winnifredstewart.com.
- Joey Moss Cup, with the 2009 NHL season having been condensed due to the Winter Olympics, the Edmonton Oilers' annual intra-squad game, the Joey Moss Cup, was cancelled last year. For many years this game has been in support of the Winnifred Stewart Association and has always been a fun and affordable family event. This year we are excited to be a part of this once again and will be planning other exciting opportunities to take place during the Joey Moss Cup weekend. More information on this event will be available later in the year.

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.

We have included some new statistics this year and hope to continue to add new information as it becomes available. See our complete breakdown of individual/employee demographics to the right.



	2008/09	2009/10
Groupings	# of People	# of People
Receiving service from WSA (Day Serv. / Res)	185	174*
Live in WSA Residential Services	71	66
Receiving service from WSA Day Services	150	142*
Live in Res and attend WSA Day Services	36	34
Live in Res and attend other programs	8	4
Live in Res and do not attend a day program	27	19
Volunteering	33	45
Employed	39	35
Live in Res and Volunteer	New Stat	3
Live in Res and Employed	New Stat	7

Age Groupings – Residential

18 yrs – 25 yrs	0	0
26 yrs – 35 yrs	9	6
36 yrs – 45 yrs	13	12
46 yrs – 55 yrs	37	33
56 yrs or older	12	15

Age Groupings – Day Services

18 yrs – 25 yrs	6	1
26 yrs – 35 yrs	40	39
36 yrs – 45 yrs	41	36
46 yrs – 55 yrs	50	50
56 yrs or older	13	16

Genders – Residential

Males	37	33
Females	34	33

Genders – Day Services

Males	79	74
Females	71	65

Employees

Full Time	New Stat	141
Part Time	New Stat	59
Relief Staff	New Stat	20

* Decrease in number of individuals in services is due to contractual arrangements with PDD Edmonton Region.

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