



A 2018 ANNUAL REPORT



EXPLORING POTENTIAL DISCOVERING HOPE

"Suffering is unbearable if you aren't certain that God is for you and with you." Timothy Keller

2018 was a hard year at Youth Unlimited. But everyone has hard times, right? Fortunately for us, at Youth Unlimited the silver lining was seeing God continue to work, not just in our lives, but also in the lives of the vulnerable youth we serve. Many of these youth are experiencing things that seem pretty incredulous to me. Especially when I reflect back on my youth. But the hard REALITY is things are a lot tougher these days.

I think of one young 13 year old girl, who came upstairs to the drop-in one afternoon, a little disheveled and really shy. She politely asked if she could have some food, but she didn't want to sign in for the drop-in. We said sure, seeing that she looked a little desperate. As she went to get food from the cafeteria, she asked another staff person if she could take some food downstairs to her brother in the library. We said sure. She confided that her brother may be overdosing and she wanted to help him. She also confided that she and her brother were not living at home anymore and were currently sleeping in a 24 hour McDonald's nearby. She grabbed the food and went off.

At the end of the day, after closing down the drop-in, as we walked outside, there sat an ambulance with someone on the gurney. And sure enough our new young friend was there, watching as they loaded her brother in the ambulance.

Life is tough. God cares deeply about the tough things we are going through. He shows His care through us. We have a lot to be thankful for.

Thank you for your support - you are God's care to us at Youth Unlimited and to the hurting and marginalized youth we support together.

**Sincerely, Gary Higgs
Executive Director**

P.S. Things are really going great this year. THANKS AGAIN.

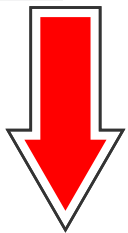
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"THERE ARE TWO WAYS OF SPREADING LIGHT - TO BE THE CANDLE OR THE MIRROR THAT REFLECTS IT."



OUR HEART





OUR WORK

FOUNDATION DROP-IN CENTRE	THE CELLAR DROP-IN CENTRE
THE VAULT DROP-IN CENTRE	YOUNG MOMS PROGRAM
YOUTH SKILLS TRAINING	SPORTS DROP-IN NIGHTS
INFOCUS GIRLS GROUP	SORORITY GIRLS GROUP
SUMMER CAMPING	EDITH ROGERS THRIVE CLUB
BREAKFAST CLUB	SUPPER CLUB

270 YOUTH EVENTS

3099 MEALS SERVED

OUR PARTNERS

CHURCHES 19	INDIVIDUALS 325	BUSINESSES 30
SCHOOLS 5	CAMPS 1	

We continue to have some very supportive affiliations in edmonton. Included on this list are: neighbourhood empowerment team, edmonton police service, city of edmonton, Boys and Girls Club, Tegner Youth Centre, and Shiloh Youth Ranch.

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OUR PEOPLE

8 STAFF MEMBERS
Staff trained - 10

86 ACTIVE VOLUNTEERS
Total volunteer hours - 2,319

917 YOUTH

CONNECTED TO YUE

76	593
RECEIVED MENTORING	HEARD THE GOSPEL



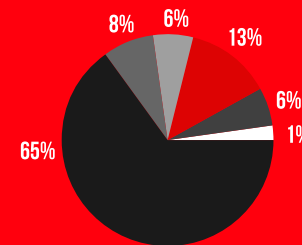
"It is a judgement free environment, the support workers go above and beyond what they're suppose to just to help us out."

Teesha - Stepping Stones

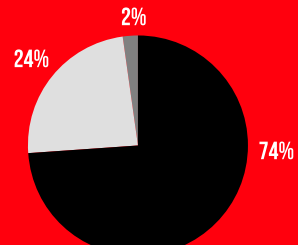
OUR FINANCES

PROGRAM BUDGET • \$315,000

FUNDING SOURCES



EXPENDITURES



- INDIVIDUALS
- GRANTS
- CHURCHES
- FUNDRAISING
- CORPORATE
- OTHER
- PROGRAMS
- ADMIN
- ADVERTISING

*Admin expenses are fully covered by funds raised for admin purposes. 100% of funds raised for programs contribute to program costs.

TOTAL BUDGET • \$567,356

\$343



COST TO SUPPORT ONE YOUTH WITH ONE YEAR OF PROGRAMS AND SERVICES



GOLF CHALLENGE

\$28,000 raised



RIDE FOR REFUGE

\$25,000 raised