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# Ontario March of Dimes Non-Profit Housing Corporation

## Annual Report 2011 - 2012



Residents and staff from Jason's House participating in the annual Walk 'n' Roll fundraiser (Eastgate Mall, Hamilton - March 2011).

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Non-Profit Housing Corporation  
residents enjoying lunch

**Ontario March of Dimes Non-Profit Housing Corporation (NPHC)**, created in 1992, offers consumers with physical disabilities a single solution for support care and accessible, affordable accommodation. NPHC supports Ontario March of Dimes' vision of "creating an inclusive society", recognizing that people are happiest living in a home setting.

2012 marks the 20th Anniversary of NPHC's incorporation. Staff plan to communicate this milestone at summer events held at each of the properties, inviting stakeholders to participate. Of additional significance, 2015 marks the 20th anniversary of the first NPHC project opening in Oakville. Plans will be made for celebrations in that year as well – given it will mark the true service anniversary of the corporation; the inception of the achievement of the mission.

NPHC's first non-profit apartment building, Jean and Howard Caine Apartments in Oakville, serves a diverse client group. All 59 units are fully accessible. March

of Dimes provides 24/7 support care to 24 tenants, and on-site emergency services to everyone.

In addition, four congregate care homes operate in accessibly designed units with assistance from local Ontario March of Dimes management.

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Residents in Toronto come from many different backgrounds and locations, whereas the Sarnia and Hamilton homes were established by family members who could no longer provide care, but who remain very involved in the family-oriented homes.

The new 10-unit home, on Bancroft Street in Sudbury, Ontario opened successfully with 100 % occupancy, and serves consumers with acquired brain injury (ABI) in 8 group units and 2 separate one bedroom apartments.



**NPHC residents and March of Dimes staff celebrating the holidays at Meynell House.**

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One Toronto tenant was able to move successfully from congregate care to his own apartment in another supportive housing project operated by March of Dimes.

Following is a brief report on each property.

## **Meynell House** 30 St Lawrence St, Toronto

In 2010, this property was named Meynell House in honour of the late David Meynell, whose long standing contributions included serving as a Board member. A lovely commemorative plaque has been hung and an attractive awning installed at the front of the home.

In 2011-2012, donations from Cadillac Fairview, the Meighen Foundation and the D.H. Gordon Foundation allowed for the following upgrades: a new refrigerator and kitchenware, bathroom updates, the installation of a new closet and hallway, kitchen and living room painting. In addition, Lowe's donated paint to make the painting project possible. We are grateful for the ongoing support of these donors- it is making a great difference in the lives of the people we serve.

Since the residents barely have the resources for adequate food, these generous donations made an immeasurable difference to the comfort and quality of life for the residents.

Historically, the waterfront area has been a neighbourhood with fewer services and less access to transportation than most areas of the city. NPHC hopes to build a relationship with the nearby development planned to support the 2015 PanAm/ParaPan Games. The 2015 PanAm/ParaPan Village has the potential to greatly change the neighbourhood.

Dixon Hall Neighbourhood Homes is the owner and partner of NPHC at this site, and they have been unfailingly helpful in addressing client needs. They have made the shared courtyard and side yards attractive and accessible to all tenants.



**Jason's House (Hamilton)**



**Jean and Howard Caine Apts. (Oakville)**



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## Jason's House

66 West 28th Street, Hamilton

NPHC owns and operates a four-bedroom home in a single family residential neighborhood in Hamilton. Named "Jason's House" in honour of its first tenant, it accommodates long-term residents who need a high level of assistance to optimize their independence.

Sadly, on April 8 2012, Jason's House's namesake, Jason Sooley-Masters, passed away. A lovely, moving service was conducted, celebrating the pleasures that Jason enjoyed in his life, and brought to others.

Jason had multiple congenital disabilities that severely limited his mobility and left him non-verbal, but did not affect his intelligence. He had a bright, active mind, and grew up much-loved by his adoptive family. When he turned 18, wanting his independence as any

young adult, Jason and his family sought a home where he would be well-cared for, and where he could easily access his community. Jason was an active participant in many March of Dimes programs, including the Breaking the ICE Conference, where he was a mentor for many other young adults who use augmentative communication devices.

For the second year, Cadillac Fairview, the Meighen Foundation and the Malloch Foundation have provided generous grants to fund the much needed replacement of windows. The home continues to benefit from the contributions of neighbours and volunteers. The local horticultural society continues to provide their talents to enhancing the flower beds, and the Jason's House Committee once again had success in their fundraising endeavours.

## Jean and Howard Caine Apartments

259 Robinson Street, Oakville

The largest facility operated by NPHC is a 59-unit apartment building in Oakville, built with support from the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing (MMAH) in 1994-95, and maintained by operating funding from Halton Regional government.

The building has one-and two-bedroom apartments, and includes 24 apartments that receive round-the-clock attendant care services. The whole building has general accessibility and a mix of market and subsidized rents.

During the year, NPHC spent \$5,000 on upgrades to parking lot signage and painting as a result of a grant from the AWB Charitable Foundation

In order to build a community atmosphere, the Oakville tenants helped with the



**Standing Oaks (Sarnia)**



**Wade Hampton House (Sudbury)**

gardening, organizing social events, and Christmas entertainment for the whole building.

## Standing Oaks

1212 Michigan Avenue, Sarnia

This six-bedroom home was built in 2003 on land granted through a ground lease from the Rotary Foundation to Concerned Citizens of the Medically Fragile (CCMF), in partnership with NPHC. In addition, an accessible, temporary sanctuary is provided by the respite unit.

Standing Oaks is the product of March of Dimes working with parents, local friends and the Province. Standing Oaks demonstrates what is possible with proper planning and commitment to create quality of life for even the most medically fragile people.

Home Depot and the Meighen Foundation provided the means to purchase a new washer and dryer as well as a power washer to maintain the lovely property.

## Wade Hampton House

2935 Bancroft Street, Sudbury

In mid-summer 2011, NPHC opened the doors of its latest property, an eight bedroom congregate care home with two rental apartments. The opening was well attended by funders, government officials, family members, clients and staff.

Once again NPHC would like to thank and acknowledge the supporters of this project: a long term loan from Ontario March of Dimes, and capital funding from FedNor Northern and the Ontario Heritage Fund, seed funding from Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation. This is a modern, family-friendly home with significant programming space for rehabilitation and support of this special needs population. The Northeast Local Health Integration Network provided funding for all the furnishings and equipment in this new building.

## In Appreciation

We thank all of our Board, Ontario March of Dimes' staff, and members of the Property Management Committees for their dedication and support.

The Board appreciates the financial support and assistance of the Regional Municipality of Halton, and thanks the donors and friends who help make each of our properties a home.

Special thanks to Karima Manji, Property Manager, for her tireless work supporting all the properties and ensuring their proper maintenance.

Charitable Registration Number (BN) 13717 6830 RR0001

## Ontario March of Dimes Non-Profit Housing Corporation

Annual Report  
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### Financial Statement

Ontario March of Dimes Non-Profit Housing Corporation completed the construction of a congregate care supportive housing unit for 10 individuals. The change in assets and liabilities mainly reflects the change in deferred capital contributions for the project of \$694,875 and capital assets for the project of \$750,423.

A complete Auditor's Report prepared by KPMG Chartered Accountants is available upon request by emailing [info@marchofdimes.ca](mailto:info@marchofdimes.ca) or calling 1-800-263-3463.

## Ontario March of Dimes Non-Profit Housing Corporation Financial Statement for Year Ended March 31, 2012 (with comparative figures for 2011)

SUMMARIZED BALANCE SHEET	2012	2011
Current Assets	721,936	1,302,936
Capital Assets	9,448,608	8,698,185
	<b>10,170,128</b>	<b>10,001,121</b>

LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES	2012	2011
Current Liabilities	358,513	744,064
Mortgage - Due Within 1 Year	217,093	207,264
- Long Term Liabilities	5,745,353	5,962,446
Deferred Capital Contributions	3,275,880	2,581,005
Fund Balances	573,128	506,342
	<b>10,170,128</b>	<b>10,001,121</b>

SUMMARIZED REVENUES AND EXPENSES	2012	2011
Revenue	1,248,058	1,150,704
Expenses	1,224,148	1,117,608
<b>Excess of Revenue over Expenses</b>	<b>23,910</b>	<b>33,096</b>