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CityKidz Regina



Annual Report 2017

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About *CityKidz*

Our Values

We are a people of **FAITH**.

We are a community of **HOPE**.

We are servants of **LOVE**.

Our Mission

We exist to increase resilience and inspire **BIG** dreams for Canadian children living in low income communities by providing inspirational experiences and nurturing personal relationships, one child at a time.

2017 *CityKidz* Regina Board of Directors

Branch Manager: Donna West

Chair: Derek Robinson

Members: Theresa Geisbrecht, Kathy Lowry, Pat Peltier, Dwayne Redekopp, Trevor Thomson

We are always seeking exceptional volunteers in all areas. Please consider contacting our Branch Manager to find out how you can be part of CityKidz Regina. Help us transform our city, one child at a time!

A letter from the Branch Manager

2017 was a year of transformation at CityKidz Regina as we saw the end of our three-year grant from World Vision. Throughout the year we worked hard at replacing the majority of the grant. Through this process we had to make a tough decision to switch to bi-weekly Saturday programming. Our home visits continue on a weekly basis, with the support of many committed volunteers, to help ensure that the consistency of the CityKidz relationship-building continues as we continue to serve the most vulnerable – the children of Regina.



During 2017 the CityKidz leaders had the privilege of participating and supporting four of our junior youth as they graduated from Grade 8 and have now made that transition into High School. These youths have continued with CityKidz as Leaders In Training and are showing great steps in becoming our next generation of leaders. They assist with home visits, mentoring the new junior youth and taking on small leadership roles. The step into many of these roles with a servant heart and are excited to be giving back to the community that has given to them.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT IN BUILDING OUR NEXT GENERATION OF LEADERS

We look forward to continue to build on the momentum from 2017 into the next few years and are excited to watch our children rise above their circumstances and know that there is a purpose for their life, know that they are loved unconditionally and know that they can stay on the path of Faith, Love and Hope and see their dreams come true.

At CityKidz, we are always searching for that one child, and will not stop until there is an end to child poverty.

Blessings,

Donna West
Branch Manager
CityKidz Regina

A message from the Chair of the Board of Directors

We are continually encouraged by the change we see in the lives of children in Regina's north central community through the work of CityKidz.

We are also so proud of our staff and volunteers who mentor these kids – they are like a second mother or father to them as they often feel so alone.



We feed kids in their physical bodies with our Saturday lunch, but we also feed their souls. We have life changing programming each Saturday. We send kids to summer camps. We visit kids and their families at their homes each week. We make them feel special by celebrating their birthdays and give them gifts at Christmas.

We are part of a unique and powerful mission to help kids transform the vision for their lives. Where once they felt in darkness and despair, CityKidz helps them see light and hope for the future. We inspire big dreams.

We have a strong board of directors and great sponsors. But we need more. The need is great and we turn away dozens of kids from our programming due to a lack of funds. We are moving forward with new fundraising strategies and volunteer recruitment in 2018/19 so we can serve more kids. The best is yet to come for CityKidz Regina

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Derek Robinson'. The signature is stylized and cursive.

Derek Robinson
Chair, Board of Directors
CityKidz Regina

2017: The Year in Review

Highlights

- We offered our **CityKidz Saturday Program** biweekly and **Home Visits** every week, as well as our **Gift of Christmas** and **Summer to Remember** programs, serving **125 children and 12 youth** from North Central.
- **37** volunteers contributed over **1,000 hours** to the vision and mission of CityKidz. **Calculated at minimum wage, the value of those volunteer hours is \$11,115**
- **4** CityYouth Participants graduated from grade 8, have made the transition to high school to continue their hopes and dreams, and three are continuing with CityKidz Saturday as youth volunteers
- **1** CityYouth has graduated from the program and returned to CityKidz Saturday as an adult volunteer
- **15** children attended 95% or more of Saturday Programs; with **5** of them attending 100%

2017 By the numbers

118

Christmas Gifts were provided to our amazing kidz!

108

Children received a **birthday gift**

1,014

Volunteer hours were worked

41

Children attended Summer Camps

3

Youth attended Summer Camps

5,546

Home Visits were provided to our kidz

2,562

Free rides were offered to and from our programs and events.

125

Children attended our programs

67%

Have increased their ability to thrive amongst adversity

75%

Are accessing positive peer relationships

75%

Believe God loves them

2017 Impact Story

Jadon Redwood

Jadon, age 12, has attended CityKidz since he was seven years old. When Jadon began CityKidz he was a very quiet boy with very low self-esteem. He would get on the bus with his head hung low, walk to the very first empty seat and sit on the edge so no one else could sit with him. His speech was very difficult to understand. Over the course of the past few years we have seen changes not only in Jadon, but also in other members of his family. During home visits there is always someone there to visit with. Summer 2015, we had registered Jadon in a day camp, when I went to pick him up he would not go. It was during this next year I noticed a positive change with Jadon. In May 2016, during one of these visits, I was talking with Jadon and his mom. Jadon's mom shared how she has seen Jadon's self-esteem grow since he began to attend CityKidz and that his reading level has increased by two levels at school. Summer 2016, he was very excited to be able to attend Circle Square Ranch. When we got to his home to pick him up, he was sitting on the grass with his bags and when I got out of the car he asked, "what took you so long". Jadon had an amazing week at camp. When we went to pick him up he said "this was the best week of my life, can I come back. When I told Jadon he could return to camp next year, he said "that is a very long time", I am going to cry everyday until I get to come back. That fall Jadon became involved in the Cadets Program and he was excelling. Spring 2017 things began to change again for Jadon. He began to miss a lot of school, CityKidz and Cadets. We had lost contact with Jadon for almost eight months, while he spent time on the reserve and at Grandma's. One day I saw Jadon at a friend's house while I was doing home visits. Immediately Jadon recognized me and began to talk to me. He shared how he was no longer registered with Cadets but wanted to get back into the program. Jadon asked if I could help him get back into Cadets, and he also asked if he could come back to CityKidz and go to Circle Square in the summer. I began visiting Jadon at home again but most days there would be no one home. Eventually I found Jadon at home and he has again been attending CityKidz regularly and looking forward to Circle Square – asking each week when is camp.



2017 CHURCH PARTNERS

Harvest City Church, Celebration, Faith Baptist, Pathway Community

2017 CORPORATE PARTNERS

Platinum Sponsors



Gold Sponsors



Silver Sponsors



Bronze Sponsors

No Frills - Crawford's Grocers

2017 Community Partners

Souls Harbour – Zeike's Place, aka Playhouse Theatre
Northview Community Church – CityKidz Board Meetings

Hal Insurance – Gift of Christmas Gift drop off, and donation of Christmas Gifts

Thank You, Volunteers!

We literally couldn't do it without volunteers. With only one staff member and 37 volunteers it takes us all working together to build hope and resilience into the lives of our kids.

Our volunteers bring a variety of skills and experiences. Some excel at Home Visits, some love to ride the buses and sing along with the kids, some like to ensure that every child is fed each week that they attend, some are part of the stage crew or the sound team, some serves as members of our Board, some help with administrative tasks. Without all these people, CityKidz simply could not happen.

Our volunteers don't have to do any of these things. But they choose to do so. Every week. Thanks to all our volunteers for making a difference!

Thank You, Donors!

Thanks to the generous support of all our donors. You all get to walk in faith, hope and love with our kids. Many of our kids come with burdens and face many barriers; because of the support of our donors, we are able to break down those barriers and build hope, one child at a time. We are able to set our kids on a path to lift themselves out of poverty and reach their full potential.

Gifts of all sizes matter. They change lives. Whether you have chosen to make a one-time donation, sponsor a child for \$33.00 a month or donate in some other way, you are bringing hope to Regina's most vulnerable children.

Your generosity is overwhelming; your impact astounding. **Thank you!**

City Kidz-Regina Ministry Incorporated

Statement of Operations

For the Year Ended December 31, 2017

	Operating Fund		Invested in Capital Assets		Reserve Fund	
	2017	2016	2017	2016	2017	2016
	Revenues					
Fundraising	\$14,620	\$2,500	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Grants	\$200	\$32,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Donations	\$13,045	\$12,651	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Sponsorships	\$63,904	\$49,611	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Head Office Funding	\$3,102	\$2,208	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Interest Income	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$30	\$30
Other Revenue	\$170	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Gains/(Losses) on Disposal of Assets	\$0	\$0	(\$76)	(\$762)	\$0	\$0
	\$95,041	\$98,970	(\$76)	(\$762)	\$0	\$30
Expenses						
Advertising and Promotion	\$800	\$5,345	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Amortization of Tangible Assets	\$0	\$0	\$1,138	\$254	\$0	\$0
Insurance	\$2,557	\$2,557	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Interest and Bank Charges	\$947	\$699	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Program Expenses	\$23,779	\$23,723	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Memberships and Licenses	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Office Expenses	\$2,910	\$1,521	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Other Operating Expenses	\$744	\$612	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Professional Fees	\$1,623	\$693	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Gifts to Other Charities	\$6,075	\$3,894	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Fundraising Expenses	\$8,580	\$5,630	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Salaries and Wages	\$48,912	\$48,565	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Training	\$1,800	\$3,481	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	\$101,727	\$99,720	\$1,138	\$254	\$0	\$0
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues over Expenses	(\$6,686)	(\$750)	(\$1,214)	(\$1,016)	\$30	\$30

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Statement of Cash Flows
For the Year Ended December 31, 2017

	2017	2016
Cash Flows From Operating Activities		
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues over Expenses	(\$7,870)	(\$1,736)
Items not affecting cash:		
Amortization of Tangible Assets	\$1,138	\$254
Gains (Losses) on disposal of assets	\$76	\$762
Changes in non-cash working capital:		
Accounts and notes receivable	\$288	(\$1,099)
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	(\$1,539)	\$1,572
Net Cash provided by (used in) operating activities	(\$7,907)	(\$247)
Cash Flows from investing activities		
Purchase of tangible capital assets	\$0	\$0
Proceeds from the sale of tangible capital assets	\$200	\$1,400
Net Cash provided by (used in) investing activities	\$200	\$1,400
Cash Flows from financing activities		
Net increase (decrease) in cash	(\$7,707)	\$1,153
Cash at the beginning of the year	\$34,322	\$33,169
Cash at the end of the year.	\$26,615	\$34,322
Cash and Cash Equivalents Consists of:		
Cash	\$16,527	\$24,264
Reserve Account	\$10,088	\$10,058
	\$26,615	\$34,322

Make A Difference in 2018!

Sponsor a Child

Help make a difference in the lives of our children through child sponsorship.

Your gift of \$33.00 a month provides a child with:

❖ **Life-changing Programs**

The CityKidz program is the highlight of the week for our kids. Our program instills values, inspires **BIG** dreams and produces long-term impact

❖ **Transportation**

Every child is transported, at no cost to the child or family to every CityKidz event or activity. Transportation is the second greatest barrier to participation in community programs for low income families. The greatest barrier is program fees. At CityKidz, we eliminate them both!

❖ **Weekly Home Visits**

Nothing teaches children that they really matter more than when our volunteers knock on their doors every week to see how they are doing and encourage them. During Home Visits we can build relationships with the children and families and provide mentorship, as appropriate.

❖ **Healthy Meals**

On weekends, some children go hungry. Your gift ensures that one more child receives the nutritional meal they deserve!

Child Sponsorship can transform lives! Please consider joining our Child Sponsorship program! Go to <https://citykidz.ca/ways-to-give/sponsor-a-child/>, select Regina and you will access our secure donation link.



Get Involved in 2018!

Do you have four hours a week to impact children?

We need your support to transform lives, one child at a time.

Volunteer Opportunities

Saturdays – various roles

Home Visits

Fundraising – join one of our committees or hold an event at your place of work or church

Administrative – office, bookkeeping

Summer To Remember

Gift of Christmas

Transforming Regina, one child at a time.

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