

Senior Persons Living Connected 2018-2019 Annual Report

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40 Years of serving seniors

Last year was truly a milestone for Senior Persons Living Connected and St. Paul's L'Amoreaux Centre, as 2018 marked exactly 4 decades of serving the older adults of this incredibly diverse community.

On November 21 and 23 "the Centre" celebrated its 40th birthday with 2 charity gala dinners and a silent art auction of watercolour paintings by the late artist and instructor, Andrew Sau Hung Fung.

For many years, Mr. Fung taught traditional Chinese watercolour painting classes as part of our Recreation program.

After his passing, his wife, Mrs. Leung Shui Wan Fung, generously donated the paintings in his memory. We are incredibly grateful to all those who contributed to making this celebration such a success.

Accredited With Exemplary Standing



In May 2018, SPLC achieved Accreditation Canada's highest quality standard: Exemplary Standing. We have been accredited since 2007 and were also awarded with Exemplary Standing in 2013.

Strategic Directions 2018-2023



Healthy Living

- · Cultivate Living at Home
- Connect Within Community



Growing and Thriving

- · Broaden Financial Resources
- · Unleash Creativity and Innovation



Collaborating

- Strengthen Housing and Service Connection
- · Seek Impactful, Enriching Collaborations

Vision

Building inclusive communities where all seniors are connected to living their best possible life.

Mission

Understand the aspirations of seniors and respond with innovative supports.

S.E.N.I.O.R.S. Values

Service Excellence Nurturing Inclusive Outcomes Respect Safety



Why We Care

Empowering people to better manage their own health



of SPLC's clients are affected by mental health and addictions concerns

31%

of SPLC clients live alone





SPLC clients have been prescribed an average of 5 medications

39%

of older adults served by SPLC are over 80 years old



28%

of older adults served by SPLC, use 3 or more services





Case managed clients use an average of 4 SPLC services



72%

of older adults do not speak English or French as a first language

Canadian Armed Forces veterans need help reintegrating into society - Statistics Canada

66% of older adults served in 2018 have 4 or more complex health concerns

Impact Story:

Support for Complex Health Concerns

or 7 years, Dave served in the Canadian Armed Forces. He also worked with the Canadian Standard Association (CSA), helping to ensure the safety and quality of nearly every product and service that Canadians use. He is strong, smart, and has a real interest in science and philosophy. Yet, for older adults like Dave, who have experienced trauma, getting access to healthcare and support services can be incredibly challenging.

Navigating the healthcare system is often confusing and stressful, but for many of the thousands of older adults that SPLC serves each year, this process can be even more difficult. That's because 66% have 4 or more complex health concerns, and when these include mental health and/or addictions concerns, it can make the course of finding the right resources much harder. Due to the complexity of his health concerns, it took many years for Dave to qualify for, and receive, the support he needed.

SPLC worked in partnership with Dave and his family to provide stable housing with ongoing support. Today, he continues to build a new network of social connections, is a regular attendee in SPLC programming, and is quickly integrating into his new community. We are grateful that Dave has allowed SPLC to be a part of his journey, and for witnessing him overcome these challenges.

Impact Story: Caring for Caregivers

7 himai Zhang worked as an engineer for many years, while his wife, Xue Hui worked as a doctor. But after being diagnosed with cancer and suffering several strokes, Mrs. Zhang's health deteriorated. Mr. drastically became her primary caregiver, and found himself struggling to find the support his family needed. The couple did not speak English, and after spending months in a rehabilitation centre so Mrs. Zhang could recover from a stroke, they found themselves facing a hefty medical bill. After this point Mrs. Zhang would need the help of a long-term care home, but none accepted her due to the complexity of her care needs. "I felt hopeless and alone. I had no idea such support [that SPLC offers] was available," says Mr. Zhang.

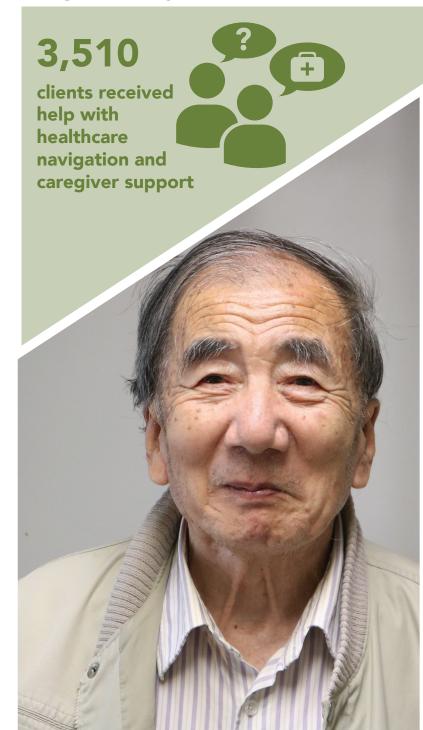
Finding Help

The couple was referred to SPLC, and in November 2014 they moved into St. Paul's L'Amoreaux Centre's affordable housing. SPLC advocated on their behalf to waive the medical bill, and arranged for Personal Support Workers to help feed and dress Mrs. Zhang. Their Case Manager also acquired a donated hospital bed for her so that feeding and sitting up may be done more easily. Throughout this time, Mr. Zhang attended SPLC's Caregiver Support Group sessions in his language so that he might learn to cope with the stressors of caring for his wife, while also taking care of his own mental and physical well-being.

After Mrs. Zhang passed away, Mr.

A Place to Belong

Zhang continued to attend support group sessions. He has become part of a community of peers and friends who share their experiences and expertise to support one another. "Although I was born in China, I feel I belong here," he says. "It is very rare to find such a caring community."



Building Connected Communities and Reducing Isolation and Poverty



In partnership with the United Way of Greater Toronto, SPLC has been fighting isolation among many of north-east Toronto's underserved seniors. The program, "Building Connected Communities", works with Korean, Tamil, and Mandarin-speaking seniors. Participants bond and build connections through group activities and events. United Way's contribution of \$100,000 per year over the course of 3 years, allows SPLC to coordinate a host of programs and services designed to promote healthy living and combat senior isolation.

In 2018, **96**% of participants agreed that their physical health and wellbeing had been positively affected, while **84**% agreed that the programs had enhanced their community/social connection.



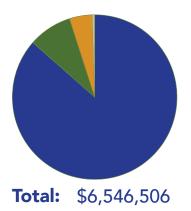




Financial Results 2018-19

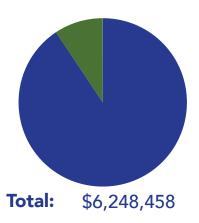
Revenue

Program & Services	\$5,662,810
Management Fees	\$558,396
Non-Funded Services	\$295,994
Donations	\$29,306



Expenses

Programs & Services	\$5,662,810
Building & Ground	\$585,648



Partners and Collaborators

We are grateful to these organizations for partnering, sharing & collaborating with us.

Agincourt Community Services Association

Alzheimer Society of Toronto

Arthritis Society

Bridlewood Mall

Calvary Manor

Canadian Healthcare Association

Carefirst Seniors & Community Services Association

Caring for Aging Relatives Scarborough Consortium

CICS (Centre for Immigrant &

Community Services)

Home & Community Care - Central East LHIN

HANCA Seniors Association

Hong Fook Mental Health Association

Love Toronto Korean-Canadian Community Services

Mt. Sinai Wellness Centre

Scarborough Addictions Services Partnership

Scarborough Centre for Healthy Communities

Seniors Care Network

Scarborough Health Network

Seniors and Law Enforcement Together (S.A.L.T.)

TAIBU Community Health Centre

The Access Point

Toronto Community Housing

Toronto Public Health

Toronto Public Libraries

TransCare Community Support Services

Donors

Our donors provide vital support that enables SPLC to connect older adults with their community.

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