

**LAING HOUSE ASSOCIATION**  
**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**DECEMBER 31, 2020**

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## INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Board of Directors of:  
**Laing House Association**

### *Opinion*

We have audited the financial statements of **Laing House Association** ("the Association"), which comprise the statement of financial position as at December 31, 2020 and the statements of operations, changes in fund balances and cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Association as at December 31, 2020, and results of its operations and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations.

### *Basis for Opinion*

We conducted our audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are independent of the Association in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in Canada, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

### *Responsibilities of Management and Those Charged with Governance for the Financial Statements*

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the Association's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the Association or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the Association's financial reporting process.

#### *Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements*

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditors' report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Association's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.

- Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Association's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditors' report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditors' report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Association to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

Dartmouth, Nova Scotia  
June 25, 2021

*Baker Tilly Nova Scotia Inc*

**Chartered Professional Accountants**

**LAING HOUSE ASSOCIATION  
STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020**

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	2020	2019
	\$	\$
<b>REVENUES</b>		
Contributions from Laing House Foundation (Note 9)	245,000	530,000
Nova Scotia Department of Health and Wellness	307,862	399,225
Canada Emergency Wage Subsidy (Note 8)	93,313	-
Property tax rebate (Note 10)	20,593	20,205
Grants	7,573	9,999
Interest income	2,070	6,367
Training fees and honorariums	-	7,059
	<u>676,411</u>	<u>972,855</u>
<b>OPERATING EXPENSES</b>		
Core programming costs	232,499	383,645
Community Development programs (Schedule)	130,430	300,590
General and administrative	151,788	141,763
Occupancy	58,113	50,865
Property taxes	25,596	25,189
Youth Speak program	-	17,692
Amortization	9,743	10,816
	<u>608,169</u>	<u>930,560</u>
<b>EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER EXPENSES</b>	<u>68,242</u>	<u>42,295</u>

**LAING HOUSE ASSOCIATION  
STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020**

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	Operating Fund \$	Capital Fund \$	<b>2020 \$</b>
<b>FUND BALANCES - beginning of year</b>	386,145	328,837	<b>714,982</b>
Excess of revenues over expenses	68,242	-	<b>68,242</b>
Purchase of capital assets	( 11,336)	11,336	-
Amortization of capital assets	<u>9,743</u>	<u>( 9,743)</u>	<u>-</u>
<b>FUND BALANCES - end of year</b>	<u><b>452,794</b></u>	<u><b>330,430</b></u>	<u><b>783,224</b></u>

	Operating Fund \$	Capital Fund \$	2019 \$
<b>FUND BALANCES - beginning of year</b>	333,034	339,653	672,687
Excess of revenues over expenses	42,295	-	42,295
Amortization of capital assets	<u>10,816</u>	<u>( 10,816)</u>	<u>-</u>
<b>FUND BALANCES - end of year</b>	<u><b>386,145</b></u>	<u><b>328,837</b></u>	<u><b>714,982</b></u>

**LAING HOUSE ASSOCIATION  
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION  
AS AT DECEMBER 31, 2020**

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	2020	2019
	\$	\$
<b>ASSETS</b>		
<b>CURRENT</b>		
Cash	670,643	527,765
Accounts receivable (Note 3)	4,710	6,004
Prepays	<u>8,956</u>	<u>4,125</u>
	684,309	537,894
<b>DUE FROM LAING HOUSE FOUNDATION (Note 4)</b>	13,547	12,419
<b>CAPITAL ASSETS (Note 5)</b>	<u>330,430</u>	<u>328,837</u>
	<u><b>1,028,286</b></u>	<u><b>879,150</b></u>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>		
<b>CURRENT</b>		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities (Note 6)	40,901	50,558
Deferred revenue (Note 7)	<u>204,161</u>	<u>113,610</u>
	<u><b>245,062</b></u>	<u><b>164,168</b></u>
<b>FUND BALANCES</b>		
<b>OPERATING FUND</b>		
Restricted	204,161	113,610
Unrestricted	<u>248,633</u>	<u>272,535</u>
	452,794	386,145
<b>CAPITAL FUND</b>	<u>330,430</u>	<u>328,837</u>
	<u>783,224</u>	<u>714,982</u>
	<u><b>1,028,286</b></u>	<u><b>879,150</b></u>

**SIGNIFICANT EVENT (Note 8)**

**Approved by the Board**

 Director

 Director

**LAING HOUSE ASSOCIATION  
STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020**

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	2020	2019
	\$	\$
<b>CASH PROVIDED BY (USED FOR):</b>		
<b>OPERATING</b>		
Excess of revenues over expenses	68,242	42,295
Item not affecting cash		
Amortization	<u>9,743</u>	<u>10,816</u>
	77,985	53,111
Changes in non-cash working capital items		
Accounts receivable	1,294	71
Prepays	( 4,831)	2,208
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	( 9,657)	2,686
Deferred revenue	<u>90,551</u>	<u>6,393</u>
	<u>155,342</u>	<u>64,469</u>
<b>INVESTING</b>		
Acquisition of capital assets	( 11,336)	-
Net (increase) decrease in amounts due from Laing House Foundation	<u>( 1,128)</u>	<u>41,638</u>
	<u>( 12,464)</u>	<u>41,638</u>
<b>CHANGE IN CASH</b>	142,878	106,107
<b>CASH - beginning of year</b>	<u>527,765</u>	<u>421,658</u>
<b>CASH - end of year</b>	<u><u>670,643</u></u>	<u><u>527,765</u></u>

**LAING HOUSE ASSOCIATION**  
**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
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**1. OPERATIONS**

Laing House Association ("the Association") was registered under the Societies Act of Nova Scotia on February 28, 2000 and operates a community support centre located in Halifax, Nova Scotia. The Association provides programming in communities across the Province of Nova Scotia for youth aged 16-30 living with psychotic, mood or anxiety disorders. As an organization rooted in youth leadership and peer support, the Association engages youth with mental illness as both recipients and providers of service. Youth are engaged through an ongoing process designed to enable them to identify and build on their assets and strengths, reach their goals and develop leadership and mentorship roles. The Association receives funding from the Laing House Foundation to support its operations.

The Association's mission is to empower youth living with mental illness through innovative youth engagement and peer support. Through involvement in Laing House Association, members find their path - building friendships, reducing isolation, increasing their self esteem, wellness and ability to cope, furthering their education, securing employment and living independently.

The Association is a registered charity as defined in the Section 149.1(1) of the Income Tax Act, and accordingly, is exempt from income taxes.

**2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

Basis of accounting

The financial statements were prepared in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations and include the following significant accounting policies:

Controlled entities

The Association has chosen not to consolidate the not-for-profit organization it controls and, instead, to disclose summarized financial information of the controlled organization.

Fund accounting

*Operating Fund*

The Operating Fund is used to account for the primary operations of the Association, including costs relating to programs, administration and operation of premises. Government grants and other support recorded directly in this fund include only those available for unrestricted purposes.

## 2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

### Fund accounting (Continued)

#### *Capital Fund*

The Capital Fund is used to account for capital assets, including their acquisition, financing, amortization and disposal. Operating costs of capital assets are accounted for in the Operating Fund. Contributions to the Capital Fund are internally restricted.

#### Cash

Cash consists of cash on hand and a bank balance held with a financial institution.

#### Capital assets

Capital assets are recorded at cost. Amortization is provided for using the following rates and method over their estimated useful lives as follows:

Buildings	4%	Diminishing balance
Computer equipment	30%	Diminishing balance
Equipment	5%	Diminishing balance
Furniture and fixtures	20%	Diminishing balance

One half year's amortization is taken in the year of acquisition.

#### Impairment of long-lived assets

Long-lived assets are tested for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that their carrying value may not be recoverable. An impairment loss is recognized when the carrying amount of the asset exceeds the sum of the undiscounted cash flows resulting from its use and eventual disposition. Any impairment loss is measured as the amount by which the carrying amount of the long-lived asset exceeds its fair value.

#### Revenue recognition

The Association follows the deferral method of accounting for contributions.

Restricted contributions for expenses of future years are deferred and recognized as revenue in the same year or years as the related expenses.

Unrestricted contributions are recognized as revenue of the Operating Fund when received or receivable.

## 2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

### Contributed goods and services

Contributed materials and services are recognized in the financial statements when their fair value can be reasonably determined, they are used in the normal course of the Association's operations and would otherwise have been purchased.

The Association benefits from donated services in the form of volunteer time for various programs and objectives of the Association. Due to the difficulty of determining their fair value, these contributed services are not recognized in these financial statements.

### Financial instruments

#### *Measurement of financial instruments*

The Association initially measures its financial assets and financial liabilities at fair value, except related party transactions which are recorded at the exchange amount established and agreed upon by the related parties.

The Association subsequently measures all its financial assets and financial liabilities at amortized cost except related party transactions which are measured at their carrying value.

Financial assets measured at amortized cost include cash and accounts receivable.

Financial assets measured at their carrying value include amounts due from Laing House Foundation.

Financial liabilities measured at amortized cost include accounts payable and accrued liabilities.

#### *Impairment*

Financial assets measured at amortized cost are tested for impairment when there are indicators of impairment. The amount of any write down is recognized in the excess of revenues over expenses. Any previously recognized impairment loss may be reversed to the extent of the improvement, directly or by adjusting the allowance account, provided it is no greater than the amount that would have been reported at the date of the reversal had the impairment not been recognized previously. The amount of a reversal is recognized in the excess of revenues over expenses.

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**2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)**

Use of estimates

The preparation of financial statements in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingencies at the date of the financial statements, and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Estimates are used when accounting for items and matters such as useful lives of capital assets, Canada Emergency Wage Subsidy claims and certain accrued liabilities. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

**3. ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE**

	<b>2020</b>	<b>2019</b>
	\$	\$
HST recoverable	<u><b>4,710</b></u>	<u><b>6,004</b></u>

**4. DUE FROM LAING HOUSE FOUNDATION**

The amount due from Laing House Foundation, related through common control, has no set terms of repayment and is non-interest bearing.

**5. CAPITAL ASSETS**

	Cost	Accumulated Amortization	Net 2020	Net 2019
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Buildings	311,456	147,438	<b>164,018</b>	170,852
Computer equipment	88,340	86,025	<b>2,315</b>	3,307
Computer software	29,988	18,652	<b>11,336</b>	-
Equipment	17,415	6,151	<b>11,264</b>	11,857
Furniture and fixtures	63,633	58,336	<b>5,297</b>	6,621
Land	<u>136,200</u>	<u>-</u>	<u><b>136,200</b></u>	<u>136,200</u>
	<u><b>647,032</b></u>	<u><b>316,602</b></u>	<u><b>330,430</b></u>	<u><b>328,837</b></u>

During the year, the Association purchased computer software for \$11,336, which has not been subject to amortization as the asset was not yet available for use.

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**6. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE AND ACCRUED LIABILITIES**

	2020	2019
	\$	\$
Trade payables	19,640	17,295
Accrued liabilities	<u>21,261</u>	<u>33,263</u>
	<u>40,901</u>	<u>50,558</u>

**7. DEFERRED REVENUE**

Deferred revenue consists of externally restricted contributions received for the following programs:

	2020	2019
	\$	\$
Nova Scotia Department of Health and Wellness operating grant for following fiscal year	199,161	101,404
Queer Club Project	5,000	5,000
Post Stigma Project	<u>-</u>	<u>7,206</u>
	<u>204,161</u>	<u>113,610</u>

Changes in deferred revenue are as follows:

	2020	2019
	\$	\$
Balance - beginning of year	113,610	107,217
Amount recognized as revenue	( 108,610)	( 95,011)
Amounts received related to future periods	<u>199,161</u>	<u>101,404</u>
	<u>204,161</u>	<u>113,610</u>

**8. SIGNIFICANT EVENT**

On March 11, 2020, the World Health Organization declared COVID-19 a global pandemic. During the days that followed, the federal and provincial government issued many orders and restrictions on businesses and travel, leading up to the Province of Nova Scotia declaring a State of Emergency on March 22, 2020. This contagious disease outbreak, which has continued to spread, has adversely affected workforces, customers, economies, and financial markets globally, potentially leading to an economic downturn.

**8. SIGNIFICANT EVENT (Continued)**

While the impact of COVID-19 is expected to be temporary, many businesses were forced to close and lay off workers. The Association's operations were temporarily suspended and some employees were laid off.

The Government of Canada initiated various programs to mitigate the impact of the pandemic, including the Canada Emergency Wage Subsidy (CEWS) program. During the year, the Association claimed \$93,313 from the CEWS program (2019 - \$NIL). CEWS claims are subject to audit by Canada Revenue Agency. The final amounts allowed by Canada Revenue Agency may differ from the amounts recorded by the Association.

The Association continues to operate and the full impact of this event on the Association's cash flows is not known at this time.

**9. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS**

During the year, the Association entered into transactions with the Laing House Foundation in the amount of \$245,000 (2019 - \$530,000). All transactions are in the normal course of operations and are recorded at the exchange amount.

**10. PROPERTY TAX REBATE**

Under Halifax Regional Municipality By-Law T-200, the Association is entitled to a reduction in its property taxes such that it pays property tax at 50% of the residential rate instead of the full commercial rate. The Association records property tax expense at the full commercial rate and recognizes the resulting reduction as property tax rebate revenue.

**11. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS**

*Risks and concentrations*

The Association is exposed to various risks through its financial instruments. The following analysis provides a measure of the Association's risk exposure and concentrations at December 31, 2020.

It is management's opinion that the Association is not exposed to significant market, currency, interest rate or other price risk from its financial instruments. The risks arising on financial instruments are limited to the following:

## **11. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (Continued)**

### *Credit risk*

Credit risk is the risk that one party to a financial instrument will cause a financial loss for the other party by failing to discharge an obligation. Financial instruments that potentially subject the Association to concentrations of credit risk consist of cash, accounts receivable and amounts due from Laing House Foundation. The Association deposits its cash in a reputable financial institution and therefore believes the risk of loss to be remote. The Association believes its credit risk from accounts receivable is minimized as the Association has a strong history of collection. A provision for impairment of accounts receivable is established when there is objective evidence that the Association will not be able to collect all amounts pledged.

### *Liquidity risk*

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Association will encounter difficulty in meeting obligations associated with financial liabilities. The Association is exposed to this risk mainly in respect of its accounts payable and accrued liabilities. The Association generates sufficient cash flow from operating activities to fund operations and fulfil obligations as they become due.

## **12. ECONOMIC DEPENDENCE**

The Association generates substantially all of its revenues from Laing House Foundation and from the Nova Scotia Department of Health and Wellness, which represent 36% and 46% (2019 - 54% and 41%) of total revenues respectively.

## **13. LAING HOUSE FOUNDATION**

Laing House Foundation ("the Foundation") was established by a Declaration of Trust dated December 18, 2009, formed to raise and provide financial resources for the operations of Laing House Association. The Foundation is a registered charity as defined in Section 149.1(1) of the Income Tax Act, and accordingly, is exempt from income taxes. The Foundation has its own Board of Trustees, but due to the significance of the economic interest between the Association and the Foundation resulting from the contributions made by the Foundation to the Association and the integration of their activities, the Association is considered to control the Foundation. The assets, liabilities, revenue and expenses of the Foundation have not been included in these financial statements.

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**13. LAING HOUSE FOUNDATION (Continued)**

The summarized financial statement of the Foundation as at and for the year ended December 31, 2020 are as follows:

	2020	2019
	\$	\$
Revenue	460,279	826,550
Operating expenses	<u>262,436</u>	<u>317,174</u>
Excess of revenues over expenses before contributions	197,843	509,376
Contributions to Laing House Association	<u>( 245,000)</u>	<u>( 530,000)</u>
<b>Deficiency of revenues over expenses</b>	<b><u>( 47,157)</u></b>	<b><u>( 20,624)</u></b>
Total assets	<u>759,350</u>	<u>661,697</u>
Total liabilities	<u>242,004</u>	<u>97,194</u>
<b>Fund Balances</b>		
General fund		
Restricted	196,981	49,481
Unrestricted	107,822	317,602
Reserve fund	50,000	50,000
Endowment fund	<u>162,543</u>	<u>147,420</u>
	<u>517,346</u>	<u>564,503</u>
<b>Cash provided by (used for):</b>		
Operating	<u>113,175</u>	<u>( 71,240)</u>
Financing	<u>1,128</u>	<u>( 41,638)</u>
Investing	<u>( 3,407)</u>	<u>( 1,730)</u>

**LAING HOUSE ASSOCIATION**  
**SCHEDULE OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020**

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	2020	2019
	\$	\$
<b>YARMOUTH</b>		
Core programming costs	63,304	190,173
Occupancy	11,400	11,400
General and administrative	<u>2,644</u>	<u>6,425</u>
	77,348	207,998
<b>SACKVILLE</b>		
Core programming costs	52,752	90,563
General and administrative	<u>330</u>	<u>2,029</u>
	53,082	92,592
<b>Total Community Development programs</b>	<u><u>130,430</u></u>	<u><u>300,590</u></u>