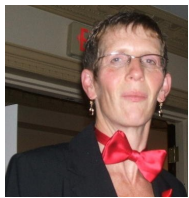


Annual  
Report  
April 1, 2006-March 31, 2007  
2006-2007



AIDS New Brunswick  
SIDA Nouveau Brunswick



## President's Message

### President's Report

As noted in the Annual Report, AIDS New Brunswick's mission is to facilitate community-based responses to the issues of HIV/AIDS. The aim is to promote and support the health and well-being of persons living with and affected by HIV/AIDS and to reduce the spread of HIV/AIDS in New Brunswick. Implied in this approach is that all of us, regardless of the communities to which we belong, can be part of the response to HIV/AIDS.

In this report, I will provide a few highlights regarding how AIDS New Brunswick, through our programs and services, is supporting individuals, families and communities in responding to HIV/AIDS. The main thrust of this year's efforts has been focused in three areas. First, as always our most important objective is to serve those people who are HIV/AIDS positive, their families, and/or caregivers. This year in partnership with Dr. Greg Harris of Memorial University of Newfoundland we conducted a survey study to examine the connection of PHA's with AIDS New Brunswick through the exploration of PHA's social identification, impact on treatment information, and well-being. The results of this study have yet to be finalized. In partnership with the other NB Community Based AIDS Organization we hosted a Spring Gathering for people living with HIV/AIDS. This was a time to gather and share experiences and challenges while building community. Last year the Board made the difficult decision to cancel the Fall Forum due to a lack of funding. At that time, the Board made a commitment to rejuvenate the Funds Development Committee to raise sufficient funds so that the Fall Forum would be held the following year. I am very pleased to tell you that the Red Tie Gala held October 20, afforded us the ability to hold the Fall Forum this year. We are also very grateful to the tremendous support of the community of Fredericton for many of our events including: the AIDS Walk, the Poinsettia Campaign, and the Red Tie Gala.

The second area of focus has been on Youth and trying to engage them in prevention, education, and awareness. We held a series of youth service provider meetings throughout Northern New Brunswick to discuss community concerns and strengths regarding youth sexual health. With additional funding support of ACAP we now have a Northern Liaison person on contract who will continue to foster the relationships established. AIDS New Brunswick co-hosted a workshop with River Valley Public Health on "Counselling Gay Youth". Over 100 frontline service providers attended this workshop that was delivered to increase social and professional supports for gay and questioning youth. We continue to look for ways to engage Youth in the ongoing battle against the spread of HIV/AIDS.

Finally, the third area of focus has been the Needle Exchange

Program. This year we saw a doubling of activity as we distributed over 42,000 clean needles. We work in partnership with the Faculty of Nursing's Community Health Clinic to help bring this needed service to the community. In doing so, we still receive no funding from the Government of New Brunswick to staff or house this valuable program and there remains a lack of formal recognition from the province that IV drug use is a problem and one that is growing.

As required, at the end of this fiscal year we completed the annual report for our funding body the Public Health Agency of Canada. This brings me to one final issue. AIDS New Brunswick's fiscal year end is March 31. In order to simplify things, and be as transparent in our operations as possible the Board in discussion with the Executive Director have decided to move the AGM to June of next year. This will streamline our efforts and just makes good sense.

Tracey Rickards  
President

85% of NEP participants surveyed reported that they had accessed harm reduction information through the Needle Ex-

From a NEP participant:

"Nice atmosphere, non-judgmental employees & Volunteers"

Thank-you so much for helping us out. We already feel like outcasts of society"



The AIDS NB 2007 Guide to Gay, Lesbian, Transgendered, Two Spirited Resources in New Brunswick has been translated and is available online at [www.aidsnb.com](http://www.aidsnb.com) in both official languages!

**DEDICATION: We wish to dedicate this year's annual report to Jocelyn Paul who served on the Board of Directors of AIDS NB from 2003 until her death in March 2007**



### Executive Director's Message

Executive

Director's Report

This past year has been a busy year at AIDS New Brunswick as we continued to offer the many services people have come to expect such as supportive services to PLWHIV/AIDS (people living with HIV/AIDS), and harm reduction and disease prevention services through the Fredericton Needle Exchange.

The staff members with support from a great number of volunteers have worked tirelessly to build upon and enhance relationships with the people we serve and other professionals in the community. They have been supportive, flexible in their roles and the result is a strong supportive office team that encourages PLWHIV/AIDS, student and public involvement and ownership in AIDS NB.

enhancing our service reach into Northern New Brunswick

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"I want to share some of the stuff I have learned and the resources!"

"Nice to see AIDS NB and the Sexual Health Centre working together so cooperatively & with such enthusiasm."

Great display of resources!

**PRIMARY FUNDERS**

Public Health Agency of Canada-AIDS Community Action Program  
 Correctional Services of Canada  
 National Crime Prevention Strategy

**OTHER FUNDERS**

N.B. Dept of Post Secondary Education, Training & Labour (summer student grants)  
 Service Canada (summer student grants)  
 Abbott Virology

**Donors**

FurFest  
 Alcool NB Liquor  
 Oromocto Dental Clinic

**AIDS New Brunswick Appreciation Awards**

for

**2006-2007****Volunteer Award of Excellence  
Sarah Mitchell****Caring Community Partner Award  
BOOM!****Media Commitment to Community Award  
Lori Gallagher of The Daily Gleaner****Caring Community Partner  
St. Thomas University Community****BOARD OF DIRECTORS****EXECUTIVE:**

Tracey Rickards- President  
 James Lord Edwards (resigned) -Vice President-  
 Margaret Dykeman-Past President  
 Maria Richard- Secretary

**BOARD MEMBERS:**

Joanne-Brideau Hachey  
 Greg Harris  
 Margaret Jean Colwell  
 Myles Legacy  
 Anne Moore

Jocelyn Paul (passed away March 2007)

## Community Information Centre - *Connecting People to Services*

Anne Driscoll  
 Information Co-ordinator

**STAFF MEMBERS**

Joannah (Jo) Lang- Executive Director  
 Morgan Worth- Program Support Coordinator  
 Julie McKeen--PLWHIV/AIDS Liaison  
 Zandra Kierstead- (resigned) PLWHIV/AIDS Liaison  
 Janelle PLWHIV/AIDS Liaison  
 (Interim)

**SUMMER STAFF**

Angela Churchill-AIDS Walk Coordinator  
 Stephanie Lanteigne -Walk-in Program Coordinator

**PROJECT STAFF**

Marie King-Walk-in Coordinator  
 Tamara Colburn-special projects  
 Myles Curry & Fatou sidy M'baye-Canada World Youth Sandra  
 Lyons and Oscalene Betts -office support

**Students**

Annette Sheehan 3rd yr Social Work St. Thomas-Walk-in services, Norman Haven M.Phil candidate  
 UNB-walk in services and policy research

**Saint John Human Development Council Inc.**

## Statement of Revenue and Expenditures and Surplus

**For the year ended December 31, 2006**

	<b>2006 (\$)</b>	<b>2005 (\$)</b>
<b>Revenue</b>		
Human Resources Development – N.B.	70,000	40,000
City of Saint John	48,000	27,500
Inclusive Cities project	-	34,170
Saint John Youth Cabinet	28,009	-
United Way of Greater Saint John	22,313	21,000
Children's Health Task Force	12,500	-
CURA	10,000	10,000
Projects	9,971	14,118
Grants – summer students	7,907	-
Memberships and Donations	8,949	9,012
Sale of Publications	1,132	5,782
Interest	1,498	559
Other	6,259	2,384
	<u>226,538</u>	<u>164,525</u>
<b>Expenditures</b>		
Salaries and Benefits	161,971	123,993
Administration	29,497	17,684
Occupancy	8,000	8,000
Publications	1,893	5,714
Conferences	4,759	-
Publication of Nexus	1,409	2,170
Database	3,151	1,178
Equipment	1,271	2,545
Inclusive Cities direct costs	-	1,002