



**Covenant  
House**

**ANNUAL REPORT 2012**

**It starts with...**

**30** *years*

of Opening Doors for Homeless Youth



It starts with ...

## leading change

that challenges homeless youth  
to pursue a life of opportunity

# It starts with ... compassion

## OUR MISSION

... is to serve suffering children of the street, and to protect and safeguard all children ... with absolute respect and unconditional love.

## OUR VISION

To lead change that challenges homeless youth to pursue a life of opportunity.

## OUR PRINCIPLES

**Immediacy** Kids come to us in crisis, desperately needing help. We provide for their basic human needs – food, clothing, a shower and medical attention – immediately.

**Sanctuary** Kids trying to get off the street are often scared and mistrustful. We protect our kids from violence and degradation by providing safety.

**Communicating Values** We show our youth, by example, that wholesome, caring relationships are based on trust, respect and honesty.

**Structure** Street life is unstable and unpredictable. We provide structure and a reasonable set of expectations to give our kids a chance to focus on their future.

**Choice** We help our youth make positive choices. We give them the encouragement they need to believe in themselves and to change.

→ LEARN MORE ABOUT OUR SERVICES AT [covenanthouse.ca](http://covenanthouse.ca)

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An estimated

**65,000**

**homeless kids in Canada call the street home.**

Homeless youth come from every part of the country and every background. About half come from middle- or upper-income households.

Most have fled or been forced out of homes where there is abuse or neglect. Many suffer from mental health issues.

In Toronto, some 10,000 youth spend time on the street every year. Kids who spend two years or more on the street are far less likely to ever find their way back.

Local studies show almost 25 percent of young women trade sex for food, and that almost half of all street kids get food from garbage cans.

Desperate and alone, kids are easy prey for those who wait to lure them into a life of drugs, prostitution, crime and violence.

The street is dangerous and often deadly. Homeless youth are 11 times more likely to die young than their peers.

It starts with ...

**opening doors**

Our doors are open to youth 16 to 24 regardless of race, religion and sexual orientation or the circumstances that brought them to our threshold.

It starts with ...

## vision

Our strategic plan will address gaps in support and create more opportunities for homeless youth to move successfully to independence.



In my first message as Executive Director, I am delighted to share with you the exciting results of this past year's efforts in our programs, and the broader direction for our agency.

We recently completed our new, comprehensive five-year strategic plan that addresses gaps in support and creates more opportunities for homeless youth to move successfully to independence. Going forward, we will expand existing services and strengthen both our community partnerships and our outcome measures.

The plan was the result of extensive consultation with a multitude of stakeholders, including our donors. I am most grateful to those of you who provided your advice.

In addition, we are addressing service gaps by taking a stronger role in advocating for our youth. We want to bring our expertise to influence public policy impacting them in the areas of housing, employment, education and mental health.

We are also actively participating in efforts to gain more support for youth leaving foster care in Ontario to reduce the number who find themselves homeless.

In our program area, we received federal funding to enhance our vocational services, particularly our culinary arts training program. Based on the success of the improvements, we have now applied for permanent federal funding to extend the program so that more youth can gain workplace skills while earning wages.

We also undertook a review of our transitional housing program to better define youth who would be best suited to the program after finding that the young people we currently see need more guidance and structure. To address this need, we will be enhancing the program to offer more formal life skills training.

It is only with your support that we are able to offer our kids the opportunity and hope they need. We are most grateful.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Bruce Rivers". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Bruce Rivers  
*Executive Director*



Our shelter offers  
kids the basics and  
**connects**  
them with all of our  
other programs.

## It starts with ... hope

“Now anything is possible  
and I have my whole life  
ahead of me, all thanks  
to Covenant House,”

says former resident Stephen who is now an assistant store manager (shown here with his boss).

Stephen has come a long way from the winter nights he spent huddled on the ground in a city park without food, water or hope. Friends would no longer take him in and he had nowhere left to go. He had dropped out of university, and was having difficulties at home and problems with drugs.

By chance, a community worker found Stephen and brought him to Covenant House.

Had he taken a few steps in another direction, he would have been hidden by bushes and completely out of sight.

“Once you step through the doors at Covenant House, you feel like it’s a start,” he says. “I don’t think that anyone can go there and not feel renewed.”

In our shelter, Stephen got the health care he needed and soon moved to our longer-term residence. He landed a job, moved out on his own and eventually re-established his relationship with his family.

It starts with ...

# governance

A major focus for the Board was in the area of governance to ensure best practices in oversight and accountability.



I am pleased to report to you on the important work accomplished this past year that positions the agency well for the future.

The development of our new strategic plan was a major focus. I am particularly proud of the contribution made by the Directors in shaping the plan and developing our new vision for the next five years.

On the fundraising front, economic volatility in the late spring resulted in a 20 percent decline in our fourth-quarter donations. However, we were able to offset this loss with stronger-than-expected bequest giving revenues and continued tight spending controls to end our fiscal year (June 30, 2012) with a surplus.

The Board revisited our reserve fund policy and decided to reduce our maximum reserve requirement from nine months of the annual operating budget to a maximum of six months. As a result, we have earmarked about \$325,000 from reserves to begin implementing strategic priorities focusing on the expansion and enhancement of services for our youth.

The Board also launched a new committee focused on governance to ensure best practices in oversight and accountability. In addition to modifying the Board's committee structure and committee mandates, the size of the Board has been reduced from 24 to 18 members to increase accountability and consistency.

As I conclude my term as Board Chair, I reflect on the truly inspiring work of Covenant House and the exceptional commitment of so many to offer homeless youth every opportunity possible to build better futures.

I want to express my sincere thanks to some of our major donors, including BMO Financial Group, Sprott Foundation, GMP Capital Inc., CIBC, RAM Forest Products Inc., Ken and Diane Mann, Walter Taylor, and Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Toronto.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Stephen Corbett', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Stephen Corbett  
*Board Chair*

# It starts with ... experience

When we opened our doors in 1982, we were pioneering ways to support street youth. Since then, we have grown to be a national leader in the care of homeless youth and have offered our services to more than 82,000 young people.

The idea for a Covenant House location in Toronto began when the late Emmett Cardinal Carter found homeless young people sleeping outside his downtown office and rallied broad community support to establish an agency to help them.

We began as a 30-bed youth shelter – one of the first in the country, and the third site in an international network that now includes 21 sites spanning from Alaska to Central America.

Over the past three decades, the perils of the street, and the plight of kids who struggle to survive there, have escalated dramatically.

Today we are a 94-bed shelter with a 28-bed transitional residence and a comprehensive range of services to help kids get their lives back on track. We have continually expanded and enhanced our services to meet the increasingly complex needs of our youth.

Covenant House Toronto has been built on a solid foundation of generous donors, committed volunteers, dedicated staff and strong community partnerships.

**82**

30-bed youth shelter, among the first in Canada, opens

**83**

On-site health clinic opens

**88**

On-site high school opens

**92**

Employment services launched

**94**

New building opens, increasing shelter beds to 75

**97**

Vancouver site opens





**02**

Longer-term residence opens at our new 21 McGill Street building

**06**

Day program for youth with mental health needs launched

**08**

Roof garden opens, providing educational and therapeutic opportunities

**11**

Culinary arts job training program launched

**12**

New five-year Strategic Plan developed

It starts with ...

# reaching out

When kids know they have options, support and guidance, and that someone believes they are worthy, they can make better choices.

We offer homeless and at-risk youth support every step of the way, from preventing them from finding themselves on the street to providing them with the services they need to build better futures.



Two former  
**longer-term**  
residents share  
the dream of  
becoming doctors.



## It starts with ... stability

Two of our longer-term housing graduates, separated by a decade, share the dream of becoming doctors.

As well as their career goals, the pair found they have a lot in common when they met recently.

Michael (right in photo), 18, now in a university undergraduate program and living on his own, came from Nigeria as a youngster and grew up in a difficult family situation.

Joseph, 28, who has an honours degree in biology and has applied to medical school, moved as a toddler with his large family from the Philippines.

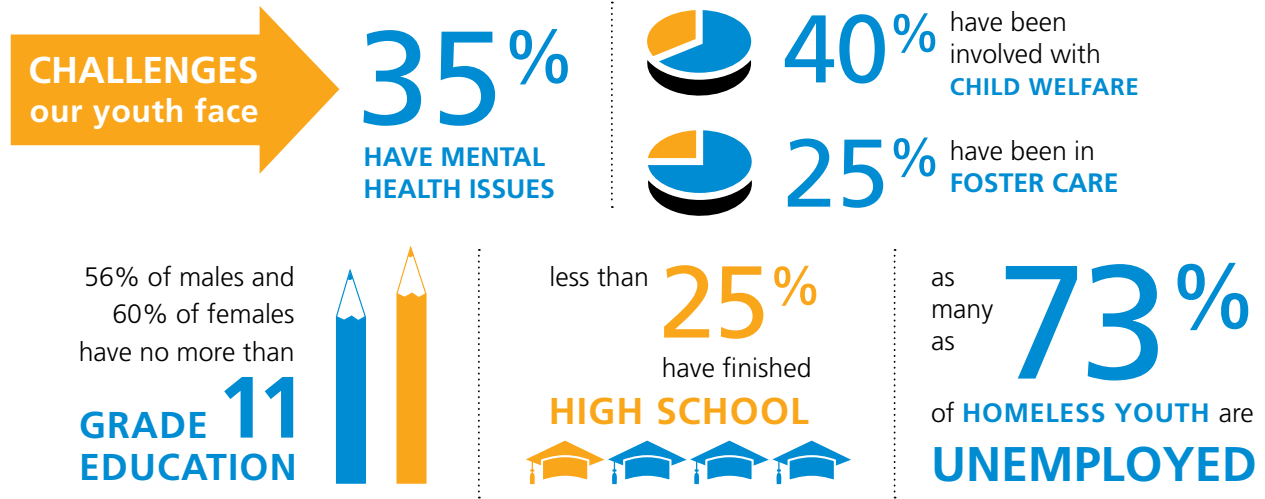
His family's struggles with financial hardship made his home life turbulent and stressful.

By the time they'd reached 16, both fled their homes with nowhere to go, but managed to find their way to Covenant House. They agree that the support they received in our year-long, life skills-focused residence helped them to pursue their dreams.

"The program gave me the basics, guidance and a lot of stability," Michael says. Joseph adds that as well as preparing him for independent living, "I got more attention there than I had ever gotten anywhere else."

It starts with ...

# strategic direction



## NEW STRATEGIC PLAN

**ADDRESSES GAPS → CREATES OPPORTUNITIES → HELPS MORE KIDS → MOVE TO INDEPENDENCE**

Our new, comprehensive strategic plan will enable us to address gaps in support and create more opportunities for homeless youth to help them move successfully to independence.

## KEY FIVE-YEAR STRATEGIC PRIORITIES



- HOUSING & AFTERCARE**
- new transitional housing options in the community
  - enhanced life skills program
  - more aftercare



- ADVOCACY**
- provide a stronger public voice as an expert on youth homelessness
  - influence public policy



- EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES**
- additional job training and apprenticeship programs either in-house or through partnerships
  - development of social enterprise opportunities



- FISCAL STEWARDSHIP**
- diversify and expand revenue sources, including possible government funding



- OUTCOMES & SUPPORT**
- monitor and measure youth progress
  - expand partnerships for research
  - develop partnerships to better assist youth with mental health and addiction issues



- EXPANSION**
- explore the potential for another site outside of Toronto
  - work towards a national/international youth homelessness strategy

→ **LEARN MORE ABOUT OUR STRATEGIC PLAN, GO TO [covenanthouse.ca/stratplan](http://covenanthouse.ca/stratplan)**

It starts with ...

# your support

Covenant House was able to help some 3,500 homeless youth last year. Donors provided 83% of our total revenue.

Our fundraising revenue was almost \$200,000 below last year's actual due to a 20 percent softening in donations experienced in the last quarter of our fiscal year. This can be attributed to the economic volatility that we've been experiencing over the past four years. Stronger than expected bequest revenues coupled with tight spending controls have allowed us to weather these uncertain times, as well as finish our year with a surplus.

As we continue our investment in lower cost and new fundraising programs, \$1.7 million (or 35 percent) of our \$4.8-million fundraising expenditure was spent on the growth of our planned giving and monthly donor programs and to ensure the health of our donor database.

Investment in our youth programs grew to \$12.4 million, a significant increase over the previous year with the addition of our culinary arts training program and enhanced supports in other service areas.

|  |              |                      |
|--|--------------|----------------------|
| <b>Total assets, capital assets, cash, investments and receivables</b> |              | <b>\$28,171,618</b>  |
| <b>REVENUES</b>  |              |                      |
| Donations  | \$15,882,646 | 83%                  |
| Government funding   | 2,429,886    | 13%                  |
| Amortization of deferred capital contributions                         | 507,190      | 3%                   |
| Investment income and other  | 204,862      | 1%                   |
|  |              | <b>\$19,024,584</b>  |
| <b>EXPENSES</b>  |              |                      |
| Youth programs   | \$12,421,713 | 68%                  |
| Fundraising, development and communications                            | 4,780,128    | 26%                  |
| Management and administration  | 1,187,306    | 6%                   |
|  |              | <b>\$18,389,147</b>  |
| <b>SURPLUS</b>   |              |                      |
|  |              | <b>\$635,437</b>     |
| <b>OPERATING RESERVES</b>  |              |                      |
| Equivalent to 6 months of current operating expenses                   |              | <b>\$9.9 million</b> |

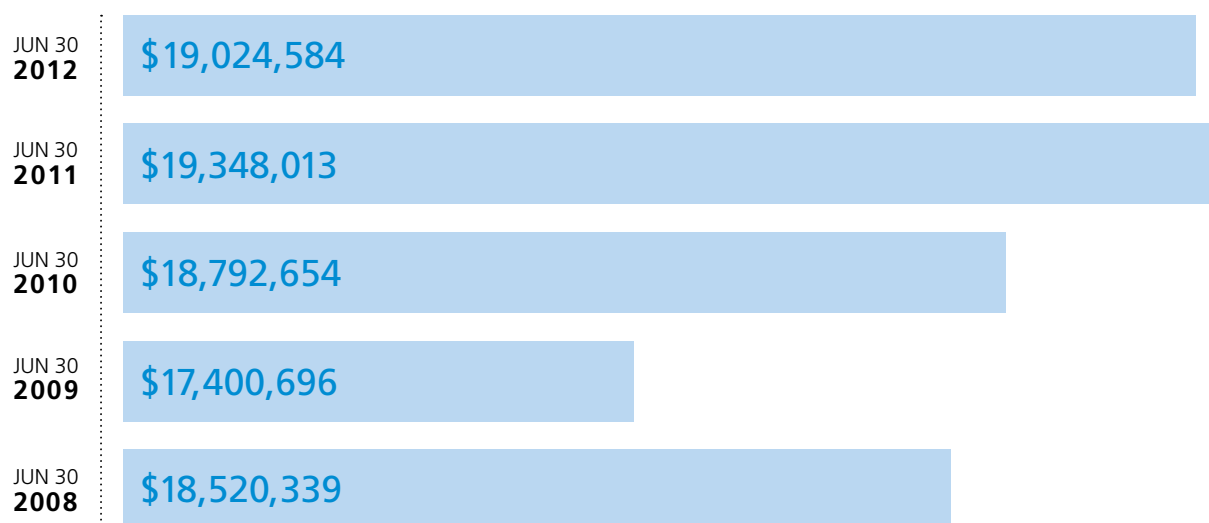
### SOURCES OF DONATIONS

|                            |              |     |
|----------------------------|--------------|-----|
| Individuals                | \$13,581,154 | 86% |
| Corporations / Foundations | 906,834      | 6%  |
| Events / Third Party       | 752,404      | 5%  |
| Catholic Charities         | 642,254      | 4%  |
| <b>\$15,882,646</b>        |              |     |

### INVESTMENT IN MISSION / YOUTH SERVICES

|  |             |     |
|--|-------------|-----|
| Shelter & Crisis Care                          | \$7,852,650 | 63% |
| Long-Term Transitional Housing                 | 1,560,823   | 13% |
| Community Support Services & Outreach          | 1,752,495   | 14% |
| Health Care                                    | 577,365     | 5%  |
| Public Education, including Runaway Prevention | 678,410     | 5%  |
| <b>\$12,421,743</b>                            |             |     |

### FIVE-YEAR VIEW OF REVENUES AS OF JUNE 30



*Covenant House abides by Imagine Canada's Ethical Fundraising and Financial Accountability Code.*

2011-2012

# by the numbers

provided services to

**3,500**

HOMELESS YOUTH



STAYED  
in our shelter



**1,315**

**5,424**



visits to our  
HEALTH CLINIC

**74**

attended our  
IN-HOUSE HIGH  
SCHOOL earning  
50 CREDITS



**364** JOBS  
or JOB TRAINING PLACEMENTS  
were gained

**2,330**

used our COMMUNITY  
SUPPORT SERVICES (CSS)  
for non-residential youth

STREET  
OUTREACH  
CONNECTED

**220**

**93**

benefited from our  
MENTAL HEALTH  
SUPPORT  
day program

**41**

hard-to-serve  
youth received  
ONE-ON-ONE  
SUPPORT in  
the community



## IN-KIND SUPPORT

**\$135K**

VOLUNTEER  
SUPPORT

+

**\$120K**

ADVERTISING &  
MEDIA SUPPORT

=

SAVED ABOUT

**\$2.3  
MILLION**

**\$65K**

PRO BONO  
CONSULTING

+

**\$2M**

DONATED AD SPACE

# frequently asked questions

## **How does Covenant House Toronto measure its operational efficiency and effectiveness?**

Covenant House measures its efficiency and effectiveness in terms of its ability to successfully deliver on its mission, the effectiveness of its operations, its fundraising efficiency, and its governance and transparency frameworks.

The management of its operations is based on a system of operating plans, controls and policies that work in tandem with a program for continuous improvement.

We have a governance framework that includes a well-defined independent Board and Committee structure and we pride ourselves on the quality and transparency of our reporting and disclosure.

► For more details go to [covenanthouse.ca/committees](https://covenanthouse.ca/committees)

Careful stewardship of our resources resulted in the agency being able to generate a financial surplus in the past several years despite a challenging economic environment.

## **Who is Covenant House Toronto's auditing firm?**

Covenant House Toronto's annual Audited Financial Statements are prepared in accordance with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP), and are audited by Ernst & Young LLP, a nationally recognized public accounting firm. The GAAP statements reflect a complete financial picture of the agency.

► Our Audited Financial Statements can be found online at [covenanthouse.ca/publications](https://covenanthouse.ca/publications)

## **How does the agency's fundraising compare to other similar organizations?**

One of the key differences between Covenant House Toronto and other social service organizations is that we raise 83 percent of our annual operating budget from donations, where others may receive most of their revenues from government.

When comparing Covenant House Toronto with other Canadian charities that also rely on raising most of their donations from direct marketing programs, our overall fundraising efficiency meets or exceeds industry standards.

## **How much does the agency spend on program services to support homeless youth?**

We spent \$12,421,713 or 68 percent of our expenditures on programs to support homeless youth.

## **What is your total fundraising expense against total revenue?**

Our fundraising expenses totaled \$4,780,128 or 25 percent of our total revenues of \$19,024,584. Thirty-five percent of our fundraising expenses went to develop future revenue growth.

## **How are decisions impacting the agency's long-term or strategic direction made?**

Decisions regarding Covenant House Toronto's strategic direction are made by the Board of Directors with input from management, the Standing Committees of the Board and key stakeholders. The strategic direction is set based on a review of the current and future service needs in relation to our mission and organizational priorities.

## **Who is responsible for overseeing the financial management of the agency?**

The Finance/Property Committee, a Standing Committee of the Board, provides oversight for the external financial reporting process, the internal control system and the audit process. It is also responsible for the processes of identifying, evaluating and managing the agency's principal risks, which have an impact on financial reporting.

The Finance/Property Committee is also tasked with providing oversight regarding the agency's investment portfolio and its overall financial well-being. Members of the Committee include individuals with expertise in finance, law, investments and risk management.



### **What is Covenant House Toronto's investment policy?**

Covenant House Toronto has developed an Investment Policy Statement (IPS) to address the manner in which its investment portfolio is managed. The IPS provides investment objectives, performance expectations and guidelines for the management of the agency's short-term and long-term investments. Overall responsibility for the agency's investments lies with the Board, while the Finance/Property Committee provides guidance and oversight.

### **What are the agency's risk management practices?**

The agency is committed to an ongoing program of risk management to protect the organization and its assets (people, property, income and reputation). Management is responsible for the delivery of a Board-approved risk management policy, which deals with program delivery, governance, operations, finance and regulatory compliance.



Youth can  
**gain the skills  
they need  
to get jobs**

in the hospitality industry  
in our 10-week culinary  
arts training program,  
Cooking for Life.

It starts with ...

# a recipe for success

When her search for a job wasn't getting results, Desiree decided to sign up for our Cooking for Life culinary arts training program.

"I've always loved to cook because it gives me a real sense of giving, but I didn't think that I could make cooking my career," says the 22-year-old who came after leaving a difficult family situation.

In the 10-week program, Desiree found she was a natural but had the chance to hone her skills. "I learned a lot about food and cooking skills as well as life skills like time management."

Desiree is now among three program graduates who have been hired part-time in our agency's main kitchen to prepare meals for as many as 122 young people daily.

"I love to see people smile so when I'm serving the meals now, I smile and try to make the residents feel good."

The job has enabled Desiree to move out on her own.





# It starts with ...

# generosity

The following individuals and organizations made contributions of \$1,000 or more to Covenant House during our fiscal year ending June 30, 2012.

Also included here are event sponsors, third-party fundraisers, and those who provided in-kind items and services that are essential to our operations. Many others who made generous contributions wish to remain anonymous.

To all our supporters, we express our sincere gratitude. Your assistance enables us to care for the young people who rely on us.

We apologize if we have inadvertently omitted or misspelled the name of any individual or group and we ask that you please advise us if we have.

## **FRIENDS \$1,000+ INDIVIDUALS**

C. Scott Abbott  
Brian L. Abdul  
Jill Anderson  
Dr. Bruce Armstrong  
John Armstrong  
Lourdu & Irene Arputham  
Jim Baillie  
John Baird  
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Paul Blundy  
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Beverly Brophy

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Terry Gill  
Iris Gilley  
Maria Gilmour  
Joanna Giresi  
Y. Euclide Godard  
Barbara Goldring  
Lorna Green  
Anthony M. Grnak



## Kat Powell enjoys cookies with our youth.

“Seeing the smiles on the faces of the young people is what matters most to me,” says Kat Powell of the C.B. Powell Foundation, a supporter of our culinary arts training program. “Seeing this program, and the response of the young people to it, is great.”

Kat took the opportunity recently to visit our cooking program kitchen where youth are getting the job skills they need to work in the hospitality industry. She was treated to warm, freshly baked cookies and milk.

Her family foundation was among the first donors to our new training program when it launched in 2011. Previously, it made gifts to help us with our food needs for more than a decade.

Based in Mississauga, C.B. Powell is an importer and marketer of many well-known food products. For this reason, the company’s foundation is dedicated to providing funding to Canadian charities to alleviate hunger and help youth and the disadvantaged.

Gerda Groothuizen  
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Alex Guizzetti  
Valerie M. Hadley  
Herb & Lynda Hagell  
Elizabeth Hamilton  
Margaret Hardman  
Joseph Hardy  
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Randolph O'Brien  
Paul & Margaret O'Connor  
Catherine O'Toole & Ian Brignell



## Rahul Suri, Managing Director, Mergers & Acquisitions, BMO Capital Markets chats with our resident.

BMO Capital Markets have pledged to make a four-year gift, starting this past year to support our on-site health care clinic.

"We wanted to invest in the health and wellness of homeless youth so they can get the care they need where they can feel acceptance and compassion," says Rahul Suri, Managing Director, Mergers & Acquisitions, BMO Capital Markets. "We believe the staff at Covenant House's health clinic offer that kind of support in caring for kids' physical and emotional needs."

In our on-site health clinic, youth get immediate attention regardless of whether or not they have health insurance. We cover the cost of several services, including most prescriptions and eye examinations.

The clinic includes four full-time nurses, four visiting doctors and two consulting psychiatrists. To ensure continued health care support, we help our kids get health cards and coordinate their care with other medical services if necessary.

M. D. Ouchterlony  
Gary Ouellette  
Michael Pace  
Tony Pampena  
Paul Parsons & Jill Harvey  
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Henrika Wygerde  
Peter & Annie Yien  
Dr. G. Byran Young  
Michael & Ivana Zentil

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Bender Construction Ltd.  
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Harris Fricker, CEO and President,  
GMP Capital Inc., with guests at  
our annual wine event.



Our GMP Capital Inc. Wine and Dine Gala 2012 was another great success, raising more than \$300,000.

GMP continued in the role of title sponsor this past year to support homeless kids at Covenant House.

“At GMP, we understand the value of contributing to our community. Investing in the lives of youth today, particularly those who are working to help themselves, creates a brighter future for us all,” Harris says.

Our event, which drew more than 200 guests, has become one the city’s premier wine events with fine wines for auction from some of the city’s best cellars. Well-known auctioneer Stephen Ranger was on hand to bring down the gavel.

Featuring an Italian theme, the evening included a five-course contemporary Italian dinner and pairing led by Master Sommelier Jennifer Huether of Maple Leaf Sports and Entertainment. Renowned Canadian tenor Mark Masri provided the songs of the Bella Italia.



The Co-operators  
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## COVENANT HOUSE INTERNATIONAL

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