## MESSAGE FROM THE BOARD CHAIR

Welcome to another new beginning! Every year around this time it seems my message carries the same sentiment – time to close the books on another successful year and get geared up for another great campaign. If it sounds redundant I apologize but as every year goes by it becomes more and more difficult to find a creative and unique opening. Because every year around this time we prepare ourselves to undertake the same tasks in order to accomplish the same goal – delivering the Spirit of Christmas to less fortunate families.

I'd have to say though that this past year was rather unique for our program as we more firmly planted roots in our new home - The Jerry Forbes Centre. After years and years of planning, fundraising, planning more and yes fundraising more, we're proud to say "we've arrived". There is still work to do but more and more the JFC is starting to feel like home. To this end I'd like to thank everyone involved with the Facility Committee who have worked so hard over the years securing and configuring our space and working on the details of the lease with our friends at the JFC. It's been a long and involved learning process and everyone's commitment to detail and to a successful conclusion has been very much appreciated!

I want to again thank my colleagues on the 630 CHED Santas Anonymous Board of Directors for their focus and dedication to our cause. I couldn't think of a finer group of committed individuals to assemble around a boardroom table. Your compassion for our cause and your passion for this program is to vital to our annual success. In closing a final "thank you" to our yea round staff Janine Foote and Laura Gadowsky and to our Executive Director Lana Nordlund. It's never in doubt that our program is in great hands!

Thank you all for another great year for 630 CHED Santas Anonymous and we wish you all the best of the upcoming holiday season!

VISION Creating a lasting and positive impact through giving.

#### MISSION

CHED Santas Anonymous is devoted to bettering the lives of Children in Edmonton by delivering the "Spirit of Christmas" to less fortunate families.

### VALUES

We act with integrity and honesty. We are respectful and empathetic to the needs of the individuals we serve. We are committed to building community through our programs and services. We are transparent and inclusive with our clients and partners. We are an organization built on compassion and fun.

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# **ANNUAL REPORT**

Year Ending June 30, 2018

- Kevin Spriggs



Total of 26,360 Kids Delivery Weekend 18,289 kids Walk-in Days 2314 kids Northpole Program 5757 Kids 768 Teens/Adults 53 Agencies

"As a young single mom, when Christmas came around, the quilt overwhelmed me; it was hard enough to make ends meet. One year when my daughter was 6 years old, a stranger knocked on our door in mid-December and handed me a bag of beautiful, new toys for her. I was overwhelmed with gratitude and felt a weight lifted off my shoulders. The next year, the toys arrived again. This was 20 years ago, but I remember how it felt like it was yesterday. Now that I'm able to help out I love that I'm able to give another mom the same feeling." - Rhonda

# **Donations** 250 **Donation Locations** Collected 8275 Toys and Books **Total Income** \$603,866.20 **Volunteers** 1393 **Event & Depot Volunteers** 2382 **Delivery Drivers** A Total of 3775 Volunteers worked 18,339 Hours Technology 97% of deliveries were completed using the Santas Driver App! An increase of over 21% from 2016

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