

STAND WITH PARKDALE, FIGHT FOR PARKDALE

### ANNUAL REPORT

2018-2019



## MESSAGE FROM THE BOARD CHAIRS

In prior Annual Reports, the message from the co-chairs has traditionally celebrated growth and change, focusing on PCLS triumphs, welcoming successive generations of students, and thanking an expanding staff for their dedication and commitment to the PCLS project.

This year has been very challenging at many levels, a year of shocking and painful loss. In late 2018, our landlord gave notice that we were required to leave our clinic space that we've been in for many years. While we were finalizing new leasing arrangements, Legal Aid Ontario, responding to the government's significant cuts to legal aid funding, slashed clinic budgets.

Of all the legal clinics, PCLS was hit the hardest with about 50% cut to our funding over a two year period. We could not complete our lease negotiations. Clinic management was forced to make devastating hard decisions, restructuring service delivery and laying off staff. This AGM finds our much-reduced staff operating out of two temporary locations, one of which is not even in Parkdale.



**Kalsang Dolma** 



**Elizabeth Shilton** 

But despite these challenges and setbacks, we still have much to celebrate. PCLS has survived, with more than a little help from our friends. We thank the amazing members, community partners, supporters and the community within which we work. Your support was instrumental in giving us the courage and the resources to continue our work for Parkdale and Swansea residents both old and new, focusing on income security, decent work, secure and affordable housing and

the right to live safely in Canada. Your support was instrumental in giving us the courage and the resources to continue our work for Parkdale and Swansea residents both old and new, focusing on income security, decent work, secure and affordable housing and the right to live safely in Canada. You rallied around us when we faced eviction and homelessness, offering both temporary refuge and more permanent solutions to our need for safe, accessible and affordable accommodation to meet our clients and continue our work.

We thank the Osgoode Hall Law School community, and the loyal and generous alumni who donated both time and money to pay immediate bills and develop longer-term survival strategies. We thank our board of directors, who have

uncomplainingly devoted many more volunteer hours than they signed on to for responding to the funding crisis and its aftermath.

We say a sad goodbye to the staff we have lost. And we thank the creative and hard-working staff who remain, led by the remarkably resilient Johanna MacDonald, who has consistently placed the needs of her clients and the PCLS community above her own.

PCLS staff have provided and will continue to provide an indestructible foundation for the rebuilding and important restructuring which will help sustain our work and impacts as we await better times to return.

We are immensely grateful to all of you and look forward to continue serving the community.



# MESSAGE FROM THE CLINIC DIRECTOR

Digging in with tenacity, Parkdale Community Legal Services staff, students, alumni, volunteer Board members, friends and allies, joined the entire Parkdale neighbourhood to remain strong together during this exceptional year of loss.

Within the broader struggle of government attacks on poor and racialized communities, PCLS faced a catastrophic loss in funding this year. We lost our space



Johanna Macdonald

of 20 years in the community, and the community lost, through lay-offs at our clinic, a total of 112 years of staff time and energy advocating for social change. A loss of this magnitude takes time to absorb and understand. It also can destabilize a busy teaching legal aid clinic that is working full-out everyday to make social change and access to justice a reality.

But instead of destabilization, the opposite rang true. Determination, action, and hope were the sentiments and behaviours existing in the hallways of PCLS and on the streets. As Clinic Director, I am grateful to everybody and especially the people of Parkdale–Swansea that came out to countless rallies and demonstration over the last year to fight against cuts that hurt the people of Ontario, and more specifically, the people of Parkdale and Swansea. I am profoundly moved by the persistence and insistence that staff, students, volunteers and community members exhibited this year, demanding a continued excellence in clinical legal education and poverty law practice at PCLS – despite facing enormous obstacles.

As the cuts came into focus, I presented a restructuring of PCLS' staffing and services to match the new funding reality. The new structure seeks accountability to hold true to PCLS' rich history - the values of community legal clinics, community lawyering and the educational environment at PCLS. In this restructuring, most of our administrative staff team was laid off. Staff members that have given decades of experience, time and energy to PCLS and the community are no longer with us. The impact of the loss is profound and carries with us. Monitoring the viability of the structure is actively underway as PCLS continues to plan for its future. I welcome staff members into new job positions including Tenzin Tekan into the new management role of 'Program and Operations Director'. I am grateful for staff's willingness to jump into new roles while remaining flexible to the evolution of them and PCLS' services.



Especially at this time, PCLS is deeply grateful for all donors that support PCLS' essential work. We look forward to continued work with Legal Aid Ontario as our core funder of clinic law services, with a forecasted 65-80% of our overall funding coming from LAO in forthcoming years. PCLS is further strengthened by core funding from Osgoode Hall Law School that has a multi-generational commitment to the Parkdale neighbourhood and the student program. This year, the Maytree Foundation is also providing foundational funding support to PCLS while we navigate a new terrain in which we evaluate the impact of organizing, outreach and law reform on social change. PCLS is pleased to remain partnered with the Parkdale Neighbourhood Land Trust, Parkdale Activity Recreation Centre and Woodgreen Community Services on a Rooming House Eviction Prevention and Preservation project. We are thankful to each and every private donor. Right now, PCLS receives monthly and on-time donations from clients, community members, alumni and law firms to support PCLS' ability to survive this difficult financial year and our planning forward. We are eternally grateful!

As we currently reside in two temporary locations, neighbourhood organizations have literally opened their doors to us in order for us to maintain services in Parkdale. Our gratitude cannot be overstated! We thank Parkdale Intercultural Association for providing us space for our drop-in intakes. We are grateful to Kababayan Multicultural Centre and PARC for providing space for meetings. We are specially thankful to the Parkdale Queen West Community Health Centre for offering us a new home in the community at their Parkdale Community Health Centre site. Their offer was a bright and hopeful moment throughout these difficult times. PCLS looks forward to our continued work together and move-in for 2020.

Thank you to our Board of Directors, staff, alumni, funders, community partners, dedicated community members and countless volunteers and mentors that have walked a difficult path together this year with memories, resolve and optimism in our hearts, minds and actions. Onward!

# MESSAGE FROM THE ACADEMIC DIRECTOR

Provincial budgetary cuts and ensuing staff losses have made for an excruciating end of the year in the Poverty Law Intensive program.

While placement students and remaining staff have managed to make do under difficult circumstances, and at times in wonderfully creative ways, especially in negotiating changes in divisional locations, the loss of beloved clinical workers is certain to have lasting and devastating effects.

It is my hope that over the coming months and years significant momentum is built to halt the agenda of austerity targeted at poor people in communities like south Parkdale.

As Academic Director, I remain steadfast in my support for a student



**Adrian Smith** 

program immersed in collective community action. This support stems from the Clinic's nearly five-decade long involvement in anti-poverty struggles.

The Clinic's future, I believe, must rest on a commitment to renew the community-led basis of these struggles. Although saddened by recent developments, this sort of renewal can provide necessary optimism as we fight to build a materially just society.



# **2018-2019 HIGHLIGHTS**

It has been another busy year for staff and students. PCLS represented community members in over 2,300 legal cases, provided public legal education training and supported thousands of individuals in speaking out and taking action for their rights. The work we do at PCLS resonates far beyond our neighbourhood. The clinic and the community provide crucial clinical education for thousands of law students. The experience has shaped their future and ability to work with marginalized groups and individuals and to understand and support change towards equality and human rights within our justice system.

PCLS' work is organized around four divisions: the Housing Rights division, the SAVAH (Social Assistance, Violence and Health) division, the Immigration division, and the Workers' Rights division. We share highlights from the past year about each division below.

#### **HOUSING RIGHTS**

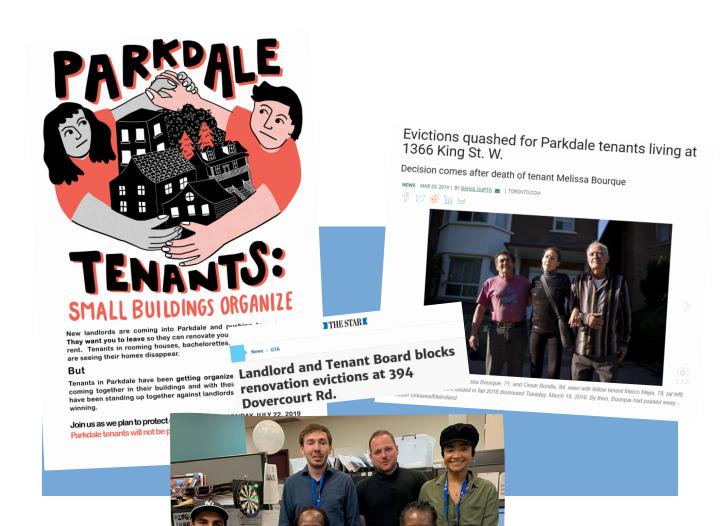
The Housing Division's casework is always operating at maximum, and this past year was no different. We assisted over 850 households with housing concerns, which included mostly threats of evictions. The Housing division supports the development of

neighbourhood-based organizing to resist the displacement of working class and low-income renters who are increasingly being pushed out of the community through gentrification. We focused on supporting the organizing of new tenant associations in the neighbourhood, including a recently acquired apartment complex by a large corporation.

The Housing Division has also been working with rooming housing tenants over the last year, and continues to work in partnership with other community agencies on the prevention of eviction of rooming house tenants in the neighbourhood, as well as policy and law reform submissions regarding rooming houses and the right to housing.

This year, we modified PCLS' intake and casework process flow to better enable representation to tenant committees and neighbourhood groups. In-house, we represented 10-15 group applications within the Parkdale catchment area.

We also partnered with private bar lawyers to represent tenant committees on an above guideline rent increase in Flemingdon Park and a reno-evictions on Dovercourt Road.







#### **IMMIGRATION**

The Immigration Division continued apace at supporting the reunification of families, and providing support to migrants and refugees seeking permanent immigration status. Noting a need to respond to increasing numbers of community members with difficulty accessing citizenship due to language barriers, the knowledge test, and prohibitive fees, the Immigration Division hosted several citizenship clinics to support them.

In March 2019, following our citizenship clinics in the community last summer and advocacy around reducing barriers to citizenship, the policy department of the Citizenship Branch of Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada (IRCC) contacted us and informed us that they are undertaking a research study to better understand the reasons permanent residents acquire Canadian citizenship and the barriers they face in becoming citizens.

This spring we hosted three focus groups on behalf of IRCC where over 30 community members and clients participated. IRCC staff heard directly

from the community about barriers due to language proficiency requirements, knowledge testing and prohibitive fees.

In December 2018, PCLS intervened in the case of the Minister of Citizenship and Immigration v. Alexander Vavilov at the Supreme Court of Canada. Our participation in this proceeding will ensure that the perspective of individuals affected by administrative decisions will be considered. This intervention follows our participation and success in Kanthasamy v Canada before the Supreme Court of Canada in November 2015. This case focused on how immigration officers should exercise humanitarian discretion. PCLS participated as an intervener based on our 40+ years of experience representing clients on humanitarian and compassionate (H&C) applications.



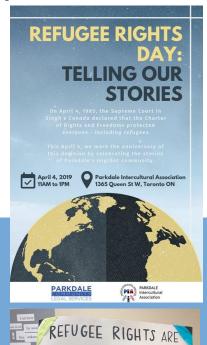
Client success stories from Immigration Division include:

 A. applied for permanent residence as a member of the Live-in Caregiver class. Her permanent residence application was refused because she had not met the requirements specified by the Immigration and

Refugee Protection Regulations regarding the number of hours of authorized work completed during her four year period. She worked hard to accumulate the requisite months of employment but, due to pressures from employers to start work immediately and an unforeseen serious health problem (surgery for lung cancer), she was unable to obtain 24 months of authorized employment. We worked with her to judicially review the decision in federal court and, following a positive decision, we were also able to support her in re-uniting with her son. We welcomed her son to Canada earlier this year.

 After over 7 years of separation, T., a protected person in Canada, and his daughters were finally reunited in Canada. We successfully argued that one of his daughters, a defacto child who was in his care since she was an infant, should be included as a dependent. We requested that her application be processed on humanitarian and compassionate grounds.

• We worked with A. on the sponsorship application of his half-sister. In our submission we requested that humanitarian and compassionate grounds be considered for any and all issues of admissibility that affect his sister's application. In July, we were notified by the Canadian High Consulate in Nairobi that her visa has been approved.





"I fought hard to bring my wife to Canada and Parkdale Legal was always in my corner."

MICHAEL & DONNA



HUMAN RIGHTS

#### **SAVAH**

The Social Assistance, Violence and Health (SAVAH) division opened over 400 cases last year! SAVAH provides a range of case work, community development and public legal education services. Our legal services include providing summary advice, informal advocacy, and representation with respect to decisions concerning eligibility for the Ontario Disability Support Program, Ontario Works, and Assistance for Children with Severe Disabilities. Through the community legal work, SAVAH continues to facilitate and organize public legal information sessions, participate in networks and coalitions and participate in community development initiatives. Our work continues with a focus on folks who are marginalized by race, class, gender, ability, age and status. In addition, we are a resource for community organizations and student learners.

In 2018-19, SAVAH pushed the boundaries on legal interpretations of remedies for violence at the Criminal Injuries Compensation Board and continued to provide a wide array of legal advice and representation on income security measures.

For example, in February 2019, the SAVAH division came to terms of settlement in a longstanding Divisional Court appeal challenging the scope of "shelter" allowance under the ODSPA.

The grounds for the Divisional Court appeal were that the SBT erred in its statutory interpretation of "shelter" allowance under ODSPR222 s. 31(1)6, which requires ODSP to provide any "reasonable and necessary payments" for the "preservation, maintenance and use" of a dwelling place. On consent, the SBT decision was set aside. In short, the court issued an order under which our homeless client's ongoing storage locker costs would be covered and she received an arrears payment of \$18,966 to cover the equivalent of her storage locker costs from June 2014 to March 2019.

SAVAH also responded to the opioid crisis in the Parkdale catchment area (and across the Province), providing legal advocacy, access and organizing support to the Parkdale-Queen West Community Health Centre (one of three centres affected by paused government decisions to open safe consumption sites). SAVAH also supported the pop-up overdose prevention site, opened in a park in the neighbourhood, in response to the paused services. With successful advocacy, the government "unpaused" their decision and the health centre is now able to provide access to life-saving treatments.



In the last year SAVAH successfully piloted the 'I am NOT Invisible' working group that raised awareness about the challenges Indigenous and African Canadian prisoners experience integrating into community after serving sentences. The pilot group hosted 4 public legal education workshops and built the capacity of community members to lead in the following: group development; workshops; and, education sessions. This involved leadership training amongst a core group of members that became the Executive Steering Committee for the group and the later re-formulation of the 'Black Inmates and Friends' Association(BIFA), Toronto Chapter. BIFA is advocating on a variety of levels including: lobbying the City of Toronto to develop more options for the reintegration of prisoners into supported housing; supporting research on reintegration of prisoners; and engaging the provincial and federal governments to create positive opportunities for the reintegration of Black and Indigenous prisoners.

**WORKERS' RIGHTS** 

The Workers' Rights Division had a very busy and productive year. In 2018-19, the Workers' Rights Division recovered \$574,481.53 in unpaid wages and other employment entitlements for clients.

PCLS' Workers' Rights Division continued to press for enforcement of

Bill 148, the Fair Workplaces, Better Jobs Act that was passed in November 2017 but then repealed in November of 2018. This involved strong grassroots organizing, policy support, critique of the repeal, and taking action on the next phase of the campaign for \$15 and Fairness. Due to the success of Ontario's \$15 and Fairness organizing, the federal government adopted many decent work provisions for federally regulated workers under the Canada Labour Code in 2018-19 (e.g., equal pay for equal work; protection from contracting out and for temp agency workers, fairer scheduling and 3 paid sick days). In recognition of the expertise of PCLS, Mary Gellatly was appointed by the federal government to the Expert Panel on Modern Federal Labour Standards.

PCLS has worked with the Caregivers'
Action Centre (CAC) since 2007,
providing legal, policy and campaigns
support. CAC is a worker-led
organization of current and former
caregivers. Over the past year, we have
won some significant gains in Caregivers'
struggle for decent wages and working
conditions and access to permanent



residency. We were successful in demonstrating that tied work permits and features of the Caregiver Program and Temporary Foreign Worker Program create conditions open for abuse. The new caregiver program allows caregivers to come to Canada with their families on open work permits to work providing in-home care. While there are still many barriers to working class care workers from the global south, these changes include some of the demands from CAC. In addition, the government announced a new program providing temporary foreign workers with open work permits if they experience or fear experiencing abuse. The new program of Open Work Permits for Vulnerable Workers came into effect in June 2019.

Meanwhile, the casework in Workers' Rights continued to reclaim unpaid wages for scores of individuals, and help train other legal clinics and private bar lawyers on practicing

workers' rights cases in a clinical setting for workers facing high levels of vulnerability.

In an exemptions issue, the Workers' Rights Division also represented an undocumented worker who worked as a cleaner at a rooming house where she also lived. The worker claimed that she worked hours far in excess of what she had been compensated by her boss. The employer argued that the worker was not entitled to any minimum wage or overtime pay because the Employment Standards Act ("ESA") exempts superintendent, janitor, or caretaker of a residential building who resides in the building. At the Ontario Labour Relations Board, the Workers' Rights Division argued that the ESA exemption should only apply to situations where the employer has little or no control over the hours of the worker. The Board agreed and found that the worker was not exempted from minimum wage or overtime pay.



### AWARDS AND HONOURS 2018-2019



Nadia Rajaram

#### **Dorothy Leatch Community Award**

The Dorothy Leatch Community Award is granted annually in memory of Dorothy Leatch who passed away in 2011. Dorothy was PCLS' receptionist for more than 30 years. She took an active interest in the clients and in the community and selflessly contributed to the well-being of the community. This award is a tribute to her while recognizing a community member in

Parkdale and Swansea who embodies Dorothy's own approach to community.

Nadia Rajaram was born and raised in Parkdale. She has been active in our Parkdale community since she was 12 years old. Nadia has been a consistent champion for Parkdale Community Legal Services (PCLS), always fighting to keep the clinic in our Parkdale community with full services.

Nadia joined her mother, Diane, in campaigns for tenants' rights in Parkdale, fighting evictions, illegal rent increases and gentrification. Nadia is a force of her own. Starting in her teens, Nadia has been involved in the Workers' Action Centre WAC); first working on the Youth Committee and since then as a leading member of WAC and an organizer in the Fight for \$15 and Fairness. Nadia's passion is a constant source of inspiration for PCLS and our Parkdale community. Congratulations Nadia and thank you!

#### The Frederick H. Zemans Prize in Poverty Law

The Frederick H. Zemans Prize in Poverty Law is awarded annually to an outstanding student enrolled in the Intensive Program in Poverty Law.

David was an invaluable member of the Workers' Rights Division. As a returning student, David provided excellent mentorship to his fellow students. He encouraged



**David Sworn** 

his colleagues to work with the clients in respectful, corroborative manner, always with an eye to the systemic issues. David was outstanding in his case file work. He wrote well, always met his deadlines, and formulated sound theory of case. He also conducted two complex hearings at the OLRB and HRTO. Without his preparation and skill, his client would not have been successful. David was actively engaged in community organizing through his involvement at the Workers Action Center. Congratulations David!

# FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### PARKDALE COMMUNITY LEGAL SERVICES INC.

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS MARCH 31, 2019

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#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Directors of Parkdale Community Legal Services Inc.

#### Qualified Opinion

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Parkdale Community Legal Services Inc. (the "Clinic") which comprise the statement of financial position as at March 31, 2019, and the statement of operations and funds balance and statement of cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

In our opinion, except for the possible effects of the matter described in the Basis for Qualified Opinion paragraph, the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Clinic as at March 31, 2019, and its financial performance and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations.

#### Basis for Qualified Opinion

In common with many not-for-profit organizations, the Clinic derives a portion of its revenue from the general public in the form of donations, the completeness of which is not susceptible to satisfactory audit verification. Accordingly, our verification of this revenue was limited to the amounts recorded by the Clinic. Therefore, we were not able to determine whether any adjustments might be necessary to revenues, excess of revenues over expenditures, and assets and funds balance for the years ended March 31, 2019 and 2018.

We conducted our audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements* section on our report. We are independent of the Clinic 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 qualified opinion.

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

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these 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 Clinic'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 Clinic or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

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

#### Auditor's 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 auditor's 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.

A further description of the auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located at Segal LLP's website at <a href="www.Segallp.com">www.Segallp.com</a>. This description forms part of our Auditor's Report.

Chartered Professional Accountants Licensed Public Accountants

Algal LLP

Toronto, Ontario August 30, 2019

#### PARKDALE COMMUNITY LEGAL SERVICES INC. STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT MARCH 31, 2019

	Directors <sup>t</sup> Fund	LAO General Fund	LAO Legal Disbursements Fund	LAO Capital Fund	2019 Total	2018 Total
ASSETS						
Current assets						
Cash Accounts receivable Harmonized sales taxes receivable Prepaid expenses	\$ - - -	\$ 460,769 34,945 51,395 12,218	\$ - - -	s -	\$ 460,769 34,945 51,395 12,218	\$ 332,681 17,829 27,682 17,402
Property and equipment, notes 3 and 4		559,327 		43,986 \$ 43,986	559,327 43.986 \$ 603,313	395,594 8,572 \$ 404,166
LIABILITIES	-			- Commission ( ) ( ) ( ) ( ) ( ) ( ) ( )	The state of the s	
Current liabilities Accounts payable and accrued liabilities Deferred revenue, note 5 Interfund payable (receivable)	\$ - 11,704 (384,982)	\$ 200,598 - 367,862	9,230	\$ - - - - 7,890	S 200,598 11,704	\$ 217,574 14,804
Commitments, note 6 Contingent liability, note 9 Subsequent event, note 10	<u>(373,278)</u>	568,460	9,230	7,890	212,302	232,378
FUNDS BALANCE (DEFICIT)	<u>373,278</u> <u>S</u> -	(9,133) S 559,327	(9,230) S	36,096 \$ 43,986	391,011 \$ 603,313	<u>171,788</u> S 404,166
Approved on behalf of the Board:	, Director					

Director

See accompanying notes to the financial statements

### STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS AND FUNDS BALANCE FOR THE YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2019

		Directors' Fund	G	LAO eneral Fund		LAO Legal sbursements Fund		LAO Capital Fund		2019 Total		2018 Total
Revenues												
Legal Aid Ontario, note 8												
- direct receipts	\$	-	\$	2,624,251	\$	7,780	Ş	-	Ş	, ,	\$	2,575,234
- indirect receipts, note 4		1-2		123,550		-		45,996		169,546		129,933
Projects		135,648		55,140		-		-		190,788		76,520
Osgoode Hall Law School Grant - annual		144,162		-		-		-		144,162		125,278
Other income		12,596		-		-		- "		12,596		12,857
Donations		16,779		_		- ,		-		16,779		7,801
Osgoode Hall Law School Grant - special	-	6,632	_		_		_		_	6,632	_	16,902
	_	315,817	_	2,802,941	_	7,780	_	45,996	_	3,172,534	_	2,944,525

### STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS AND FUNDS BALANCE FOR THE YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2019

	Directors' Fund	LAO General Fund	LAO Legal Disbursements Fund	LAO Capital Fund	2019 Total	2018 Total
Expenditures						
Salaries	59,115	1,768,387	-	-	1,827,502	1,840,479
Occupancy	9,020	324,804	-	-	333,824	326,398
Benefits	5,739	325,015	-	-	330,754	322,805
Professional services	41,650	94,047	-	-	135,697	89,436
Indirect payments, note 4	-	123,550	-	-	123,550	129,933
Supplies and services	7,606	56,801	-	-	64,407	82,011
Communications	75	25,658	-	-	25,733	18,082
Equipment rental and maintenance	3,457	20,980	-	-	24,437	33,423
Client services	5,923	17,034	-	-	22,957	30,597
Legal disbursements	-	-	17,836	-	17,836	25,098
Professional dues	6,079	9,873	-	-	15,952	12,562
Staff development	3,484	11,466	-	-	14,950	19,170
Board	250	4,880	-	-	5,130	7,867
Amortization				10,582	10,582	5,018
	142,398	2,782,495	17,836	10,582	2,953,311	2,942,879
Excess of revenues over expenditures (expenditures over revenues)	173,419	20,446	(10,056)	35,414	219,223	1,646
Funds balance (deficit), beginning of year	199,859	(29,579)	826	682	171,788	170,142
Funds balance (deficit), end of year	\$ 373,278	<u>S (9,133)</u>	<u>S (9,230)</u>	\$ 36,096	<u>\$ 391,011</u>	<u>S 171,788</u>

#### STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2019

		2019		2018
Cash flows from operating activities				
Excess of revenues over expenditures	\$	219,223	\$	1,646
Adjustments for items not involving cash:				
Amortization		10,582		5,018
Purchase of property and equipment (indirect), note 4 (i)	_	<u>(45,996</u> )	-	-
		183,809		6,664
Changes in non-cash working capital balances				
Decrease (increase) in accounts receivable		(17,116)		26,505
Increase in harmonized sales taxes receivable		(23,713)		(4,094)
Decrease (increase) in prepaid expenses		5,184		(1,085)
Increase (decrease) in deferred revenue		(3,100)		10,973
Increase in accounts payable and accrued liabilities	-	(16,976)		(5,279)
Cook flower manifold from an archive activities		128,088		33,684
Cash flows provided from operating activities		120,000	41-1	33,084
Cash flows from investing activities				
Purchase of property and equipment	_	<u> </u>		(2,779)
Net increase in cash		128,088		30,905
Code basis and some		222 (01		201 776
Cash, beginning of year	_	332,681	_	301,776
Cash, end of year	\$	460,769	\$	332,681

<sup>(</sup>i) During the year, the Clinic received an indirect contribution of computer equipment from Legal Aid Ontario (see note 4) in the amount of \$45,996 (2018 - \$nil).

### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS MARCH 31, 2019

#### 1. PURPOSE OF THE ORGANIZATION

Parkdale Community Legal Services Inc. (the "Clinic") is incorporated under the Laws of Ontario as a notfor-profit corporation without share capital and is a registered Canadian charitable organization. The Clinic provides legal services to low income individuals.

#### 2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### Basis of presentation

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations (CAS NPO) based on the following significant policies adopted by management:

#### Fund accounting

The Clinic has the following funds:

#### a) Directors' Fund

Comprised of the following:

- i) Osgoode Fund: These funds are provided by York University to enhance the academic program in poverty law, which is a joint project of Osgoode Hall Law School and the Clinic. In addition to the itemized budget for the Osgoode Fund, the University provides a full-time academic director position and some services in kind.
- ii) Internally Restricted Fund: This fund includes monies received from individuals and corporations, which are used for project activities of the Clinic as directed by the management team or board of directors. This fund also includes monies received to fund specific projects, which no longer have any restrictions as to use, other than for projects as directed by the management team or board of directors.

	2019	2018
Osgoode Fund (net of repayments) Internally Restricted Fund	\$ 154,442 218,836	\$ 70,366 129,493
	\$ 373,278	\$ 199,859

#### b) LAO General Fund

These funds, provided by Legal Aid Ontario ("LAO"), are used to provide a range of legal and paralegal services, including information, advice and representation, to low-income individuals and families.

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