

# North Glenora Community League 2023



A Year in Review

**\$127,238** in grant funding secured this year to support:

**Sustainability Projects:** Rain Garden, Community Garden, Schoolyard Naturalization & Outdoor Classroom

**Community Activities:** Rink maintenance, Sustainability Fair

## **Operational Expenses**

Process developed for tracking, managing, and supporting grant application process

Thank you to **Karen Edwards**, Grants Coordinator and **Wanda Kowalski** for additional support. Also thanks to **Neil Lang**, Casino Coordinator.

We welcome anyone with grants experience to share their talents in supporting our community grant application process. Your involvement can be on one project or many. We welcome expertise from all sources!

# Grants



## North Glenora continues to be an amazing place to live with amazing people!

Some incidents have exposed our community to the challenges and convoluted issues around unhoused individuals being displaced from the downtown core

During spring and summer of 2023, **Lionel Pereira**, Safety Director was able to assist community members living adjacent to encampments in our community. He was also able to assist the people living in the encampments

Thank you, Lionel for continuing to liaise with the City of Edmonton and support community members!

Safety



**This past year, our hall has been rented for 30 one-time bookings, 4 repeat bookings, and 4 ongoing rental contracts.**

Events included: weddings, holiday parties, anniversaries, birthdays, retirements, and wedding/baby showers

2 federal politicians rented the hall for their functions

Thank you to **Heather Fairbairn**, Hall Bookings Director and **Margaret French**, Kitchen Keeper for being an amazing team!

## Hall Bookings



**Spring Sustainability Fair** was a huge hit! It included environmental NGOs, crafts, Lyle Tootosis & drummers, bike repairs, bike activities, crafts, & ice cream!

**Harvest Share** delivered donated backyard produce to neighbours.

**Rain Garden** project was completed.

**Community Garden** project was approved and construction has begun.

**Schoolyard Naturalization & Outdoor Garden** project was approved.

**Hall Upgrades & Retrofit** plans continue. Infrastructure Assessment will be completed in April 2024.

Thank you to **Erin Olefeldt**, outgoing Sustainability Director for her dedication and hard work!

# Sustainability



**Website** has been updated with current information

**Newsletter** advertising subscriptions have grown. System in place for 2024 to make the newsletter financially sustainable (not running at a loss) for the first time

**E-posts** go to 565 subscribers with a 'click through rate' of 41% (well above industry standard)

1,200 followers on Facebook (doubled since 2022). 122 followers on Instagram

**Social media** policy was created.

Thank you to **Heather Markham**, Communications Director, **James Shrimpton**, Newsletter Designer and **Rummy Dabgotra**, Webmaster for their amazing work behind the scenes!

## Communications



**Full enrollment** with 12 kids in 3-year old class and 16 kids in 4-year old class

2 successful **summer camps**

Thank you to **Alissa Donaldson**, Playschool Executive Director, **Amanda Pennell**, Head Teacher, **Lindy Squair** and the Playschool board of director volunteers

Playschool



**Monthly Pub Nights**

**7 successful Open Mic Nights**

**Community New Year's Eve Party**

**Games Night**

in partnership with GOBfest

**Annual Reuse Fair is back**

**Babysitter Course for local teens**

**Puzzle Night**

**Seniors Health Fair**

in partnership with SAGE

Thanks to the **Marina Koffi**, Programs & Events Director and **all of the awesome volunteers** who made these events happen!

**Programs and Activities**





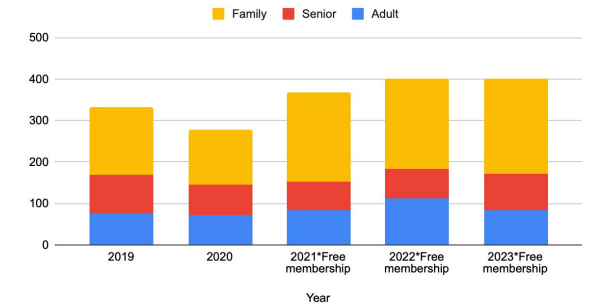
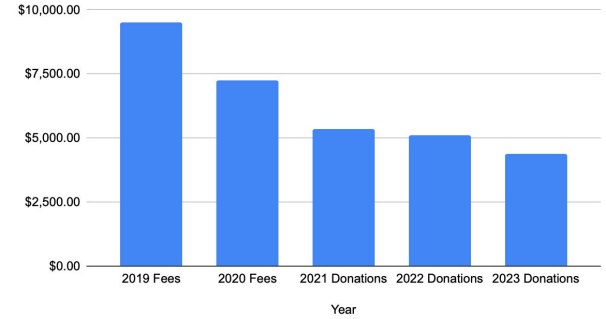
Membership remains stable, with a slight uptick in family memberships and a slight decrease in seniors memberships.

**Membership:** 400 family, adult and seniors, combined.

Thanks to the Membership Committee for their ongoing work throughout the year: **Wendy Sauve**, **Natalia Krawetz** (cards) and **Sandy Stiff**.

**A giant thank you to all twenty-seven of our 2023-24 volunteer membership canvassers:** Melissa, Clarice, Marjan, Dave, Alex, Joe, Cara, Violeta, Shree, Marina, Wendy, Mark, Sheila, Bev, Vicky, Ramona, Aldynne, Jenna, Neil, Erin, Gail, Kai, Jeannie, Jacquelyn, William, Leslie, and Tony. **We couldn't do it without you!**

Membership Fees/Donations vs. Year



# Membership

Based on City of Edmonton Census research, the population in 1981 was 2,230 in comparison to 2021 at 2,195. New builds and developments will produce over 200 new units and increase NG population substantially (C. Monson).

The P & T Committee looks forward to another good year to come with the addition of the renovated strip mall at 142<sup>nd</sup> Street and 107<sup>th</sup> Avenue which includes new market Freson Bros., alongside long term retail and health related business.

Thanks to the P&T committee: Ivy Koenig (Chair), Suzanne McAfee (Secretary), Cathie Monson (Research), Darlene Elias, Antonella Cortese, Margaret Burton, William McDonald, Marjan Mirheydari

## Planning & Transportation



**Thanks to our outgoing board members for your time and dedication:**

Chris Hyde

Mamatha Swamy

Shree Subramanian

Bernadette Chevalier

Sandy Stift

Erin Olefeldt

Marina Koffi

**Thank you!**





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