



**2018  
ANNUAL  
REPORT**

**HOW MANY PEOPLE DID WE SERVE?**

**70** Individuals    **26** Mothers    **44** Children

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**HOW MANY WERE NEW?**

**7** Mothers    **11** Children

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**HOW MANY WERE HOMELESS OR CAME FROM SHELTERS?**

**8** Families

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**HOW MANY NOW HAVE JOBS?**

**75** Percent

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**HOW MANY PARTICIPANTS WHO GAINED EMPLOYMENT DID SO AT SALARIES ABOVE THE CANADIAN MEDIAN?**

**100** Percent

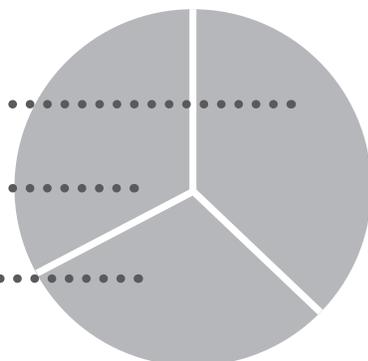
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**PARTICIPANT PROGRAM BREAKDOWN:**

**Homeward Bound Halton (37%)** .....

**ReStart Halton (33%)** .....

**AfterCare (30%)** .....



# EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

*Sara Cumming carries forward a new vision for Home Suite Hope's programs.*

2018 was a year of transition and renewal for Home Suite Hope. Commitment to our clients and donors meant that we needed to take stock of how we were doing on all fronts. With Britta Martini-Miles at the helm, evaluations were done of all components of the organization; from our vision and mission statement, to staffing, community collaborations, and programming.

2018 was also an extraordinarily tough year financially for the organization. The organization had grown in size in that we were serving more clients—which is a wonderful thing, except that the number of grants received in previous years did not come to fruition. Increases in costs met by decreases in revenue meant that throughout the year we were fighting an uphill battle.

I first arrived at Home Suite Hope as Program Director in July of 2018 during the evaluation phase. With extensive academic knowledge of vulnerable populations and Canadian social policy, an abundance of lived experience and decades of best-practice and evaluation research, I helped to conduct a thorough investigation of the outcomes of the programming. What quickly became evident was that while our graduates of Homeward Bound Halton were doing exceedingly well, we needed to overhaul our onboarding practices, increase our retention rates, and build our community supports. Additionally, we needed to ensure that we had the appropriate staffing to guarantee that all elements of the organization were being nurtured simultaneously. The only way to do this effectively was to pause intake while we strengthened on all fronts.

I am extremely proud to have been a part of this team for the past year as we rolled up our sleeves and made the decisions required to take this organization into the next phase. We rejuvenated our community partnerships and significantly increased their investment into Homeward Bound Halton. We began to diversify funding beyond government grants



and rallied behind Britta to throw an outstandingly successful Don't Sleep in Your Car event thanks in large part to all of our generous supporters.

We ended 2018 renewed and ready to deliver the best programming possible. Our vision for Home Suite Hope is clear—to permanently transform the lives of homeless single parent families. We will continue to do this by uniting a network of vital support services for our families on their journey from poverty to stability and in doing so, cement our position as Halton's preferred and most efficient service provider for its marginalized single parent population.

I am thrilled to be leading the charge in 2019, however I am aware that we cannot do this alone. Changing lives requires real and tangible investments in the lives of our participants. Our success relies on the generous donations of money, time, skills and space, and on the advocacy of our supporters. Our 2019 goals include expanding our friends, ambassadors and networks into all areas of Halton, which we can only accomplish if you—our cheerleaders—continue to introduce our cause to others.

We look forward to a strong and successful year of changing lives permanently for the better.

**Sara Cumming, Ph.D**  
HSH Executive Director, June 2019

# MEET KRISTEN

My story begins before I discovered I was pregnant. I had been travelling and truly enjoying the countryside for many years as a carnival worker... yes, a carnival worker. Working at a carnival is exactly like the rumours you hear, but for me it was different. It was a free ticket to a sober adventure filled with excitement, romance and rewarding commission sales. Months easily turned into years and years quickly evolved into almost a decade. In those years I provided sought after gaming entertainment with charm and charisma. I grew from a very successful, clean-cut balloon agent, into an ambitious lady boss and business partner.

Shortly after a successful appearance at the Calgary Stampede I discovered I was pregnant, and I very quickly realized that I would have to abandon the business that I had grown to love so deeply. My partner in business (and in life) continually reassured me that we could make it work.

During the winter months, most carnival workers retreat to their hometowns, find winter work and bunker down until the spring season begins. In February of 2015 I was already seven months pregnant, had the home renovated and nervously awaited our baby's arrival. I'm sad to report that not only had the business dissolved over that same winter, but so did my partner's love for me. At eight months pregnant he called it quits and asked me to leave the home.

With devastation I retreated back to my hometown of Burlington where I attended high school almost a decade prior. It was the last place I really called "home" before I left with the carnival. For a whole month I would wake up each day at my sister's house and realize where I was (and how pregnant I was) and be devastated all over again.

I applied for Ontario Works because I had no other option and did not want to become a burden to my extended family. I bargain shopped, traded, sold, begged, and food banked for everything I needed. I moved all my collected goods into a small apartment, slapped the crib together and just

after midnight I went into labour. A healthy baby girl was born, but my special day was overcast with the absence of a father, and although it was a day of joy, it still brings me a lot of pain.

We returned home from the hospital and after a week of help, my mother headed back north and things got very quiet. I spent months alone in my apartment with nothing expected of me but to collect my Ontario Works cheque every month, pay the rent and raise a baby. The lonely silence of my newly grounded life was almost unbearable. I even developed Bell's Palsy, a nerve condition which many studies believe to be stress-induced and linked to emotional trauma.

One day, my mom came to check in on me. She asked what was wrong and I was overcome with emotion. I wanted more out of my life. I said to my mother, "How could I ever do anything now when I have a baby and the baby only has me to care for her and I have no money?" My mom motivated me to check into every option I had available and pick myself back up.

So as soon as my daughter was old enough to attend daycare, I enrolled at Gary Allan High School. It was then that I started to feel a little bit of optimism creep back into my life.

Although I had worked on obtaining credits during some of the long winter seasons prior, I still had a few credits to go so I really got down to business. My final credit was university level grade 12 English. I clearly remember my English teacher saying to me, "This will be your last credit before graduation, you're very bright and you're even our Valedictorian, but what are your plans for post secondary education?"

I replied with a knot in my throat and tears in my eyes, "I don't want the studying to come to an end but I'm a single mother and I don't have any money or help with my daughter. I'm afraid that college isn't in the stars for me."

The next week my teacher seemed excited. She told me how she attended an information session about a program that could help me. After confirming that I fit almost every program requirement she said, "You are too bright and motivated to not go to college, we better get your application ready!" and I burst into tears of joy. We met at The Centre for Education and Training and submitted her referral along with my application to Home Suite Hope. Within 24 hours I had an invitation to attend their final information session of the year.

I knew that only a select few would be chosen out of hundreds of applicants and I wanted it so desperately that I waited, worried and prayed my heart out. Finally, on the same day I was granted official custody, I also received my acceptance letter from what I now call "The Scholarship Program". I stood there in the court room in complete shock as I carefully read over the email. For the first time in a long time I actually felt hope.

With the full circle of support I received, all the way from the grocery cards to the tuition costs, I was able to set most of my worries aside and simply hit the books. I can try to list the ways in which Home Suite Hope has helped me but my words can't describe what I felt the day my English teacher told me that there was a program that could help me. Just the thought of being selected for something so amazing brought up so many emotions - let alone actually being chosen and successfully graduating.

Today I am a financially independent college graduate and will soon exit Home Suite Hope. All my program milestones have been reached and I no longer need social assistance. Continuing with Home Suite Hope as an alumni member and assisting new participants will be my honour and pleasure. I feel like we have found ourselves to be part of a new special family. I'm not sad anymore about having to leave the carnival world because leaving it forced me to grow so much. Sometimes we are meant to move on and experience much bigger things – even if we don't realize it right away.

Most importantly I no longer say that I'm a single mother and feel embarrassed. We are here and I am successful despite all of the social, emotional and financial challenges I faced.



*“With my own hard work and this very unique kind of support, I was able to break my cycle of poverty.”*

*I dedicate my story to:*

*The many supporters, funders and employees of Home Suite Hope;*

*Ms. Pat Crowley of Gary Allan High School, Burlington;*

*Ms. Karen, The Centre, Oakville;*

*The countless unrecognized social workers of Halton Region; and*

*To the single mothers out there who feel helpless and alone.*

# BUILDING COMMUNITY

## Hope 4 Holidays: A Time for Giving

For the second year in a row, Hope Bible Church in Oakville provided our families with a yummy holiday dinner with all of the trimmings. Members of the Oakville Fire Department attended and graciously donated gifts from the Fire Fighters Toy Drive, distributed by Santa Claus himself.

In addition, numerous community members, partners, and corporations provided gifts and household products for each family to help ease some of the burden of holiday shopping. We are so thankful to all of our community partners who ensure that our families are not forgotten during the holidays.

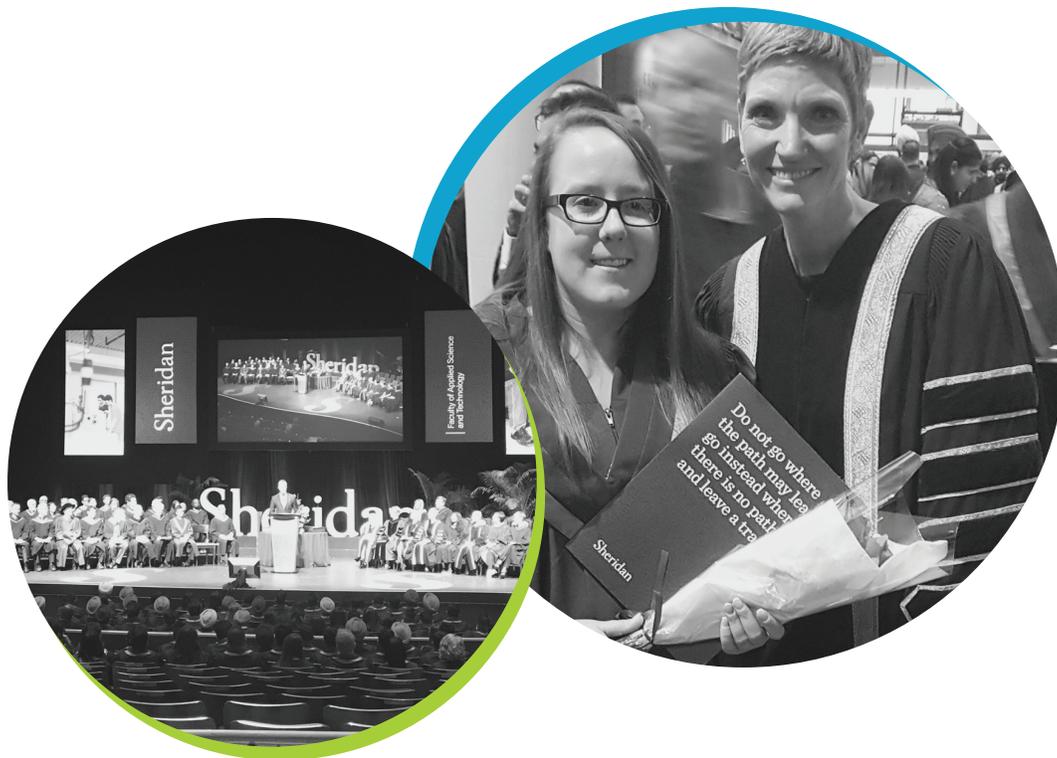
## Blueberry Fields Garden: Continuing to Harvest with Love

Under the stewardship of volunteers extraordinaire Ken Stockstill and Megan Richardson, and with the help of community volunteers and corporate groups, countless hours were spent harvesting fresh produce to help feed our Home Suite Hope families. Fresh organically grown fruits and vegetables are rarely available at local food banks, thus are a real treat for our moms. We are grateful to the Upper Oakville Shopping Centre, Ken, and all the volunteers who keep Blueberry Fields Garden growing. A special thank you to our volunteer coordinator Sharon Richardson.

## Being. MoM

United by an understanding of what it means to be a mother, more than 100 Halton women joined together at the Oakville Club to learn more about Home Suite Hope's mission to support single parents and their children as they journey from poverty to stability. Our families often lack the support of a partner and/or extended family and have scarce financial resources. Thus, it is Home Suite Hope's mission to unite a network of vital supports for each participant. Many attendees have since volunteered their time as mentors, life coaches, and workshop and professional development facilitators. Others have volunteered their services to help increase the moms' well-being and self esteem through paint classes, yoga nights, and cooking classes. It takes a community to support our families and we are thankful for our Halton residents who take time out of their busy days to assist our families.





### **Graduation 2018: Congratulations Graduates**

In 2018, we celebrated the graduation of 4 Homeward Bound Halton participants. The moms graduated from the Software Development and Network Engineering, Legal Business Administration, Electromechanical Engineering Technician and Paralegal programs. They are excited to have completed school and to embark on this new journey of employment. We are so proud of the moms and all their accomplishments and cannot wait to see what the future holds for them.

### **Blue Jays Game: Fun Family Time**

Once again Home Suite Hope's families were given the V.I.P treatment at the (former) Roger's Centre. The Jay's Care Community Club donated box seats for a Toronto Blue Jays vs. Cleveland Indians game. Participants enjoyed a private suite, food and drinks, Blue Jays hats and a special visit from Ace, the Toronto Blue Jays Mascot. The Blue Jays won 3-2 in the 11th inning!

### **Yellow Door Studio: A Night of Pampering**

The Yellow Door Studio is a local nail studio and lounge located in Downtown Oakville that hosted a private fun-filled girls night out for Home Suite Hope participants. Moms enjoyed hor d'oeuvres, nail treatments, socializing, and building relationships with one another. They shopped the racks of lightly used business clothing donations that were collected by Yellow Door and received pointers on dressing professionally. Music was playing, there was laughter, positive energy and an inviting atmosphere. When the night ended, each mom went home with a swag bag that included face masks, lotions and other beauty products. We are extremely grateful to The Yellow Door Studio for hosting this event for us. The Yellow Door Studio gave our moms a break, pampered them, dressed them, and made them feel special – something every woman deserves.

# EVIDENCE- BASED PRACTICE

In 2018, Home Suite Hope brought in Sara Cumming to lend her academic expertise as a recognized researcher specializing in lone mothers, resiliency and Canadian social policy. Dr. Cumming completed an extensive review of the funding, fiscal requirements, program delivery and outcomes. This included a review of a study completed by the Program Evaluation Unit at York University of the Homeward Bound Halton (HBH) program from 2016-2019. The data collected was compared with data from women in the ReStart Halton (RSH) program, our shorter two-year program that does not provide educational support. In addition, focus groups and interviews were conducted with the women and volunteer members of the Industry Council to reflect on the evolution of the program and opportunities to strengthen it.

As a result of both investigations, the team at Home Suite Hope has restructured programming to address the shortcomings and to operate in better alignment with the Region of Halton's Comprehensive Housing Strategy and the Community Safety and Wellbeing Plan.

The Program Evaluation unit at York University conducted a new round of qualitative research with the participants after some of the changes had been implemented. Reflecting on the changes to programming, the participants stated that *"since last year, they were more likely to have someone that they could approach for advice, information was more accessible, that they themselves had more control in the program, and that communication of information in the program was more effective"* (Hynie, 2019).

*Longitudinal research on lone mothers living in poverty in the GTA has consistently shown that those who are provided with multiple supports such as housing, child care, and recreation programs, transportation and funding for a working wardrobe are the ones most likely to become and remain self-sufficient.*

**Sara Cumming, Ph.D**

# PROGRAM CHANGES

## Mission Statement

Home Suite Hope unites a network of vital support services for single parents and their children that support them on their journey from poverty to stability.

## Our Vision

Lives permanently changed for the better.

Home Suite Hope strives to be Halton's preferred and most efficient service provider for its marginalized single parent population. Comparable to the rest of Canada, 80% of lone parent families are female-lead in Halton, with 11,965 living between Burlington and Oakville. In May 2018 Halton reported 2,078 families dependent on Ontario Works benefits living far below the cost of living. With the extremely low vacancy rate, 11.4% increase in rent, only \$686/month for housing (2 children) and \$347 for basic needs, this population is vulnerable to precarious housing and homelessness.

## Program Overview

Home Suite Hope is a wraparound service for homeless or precariously housed single-parent families. In year one all families are brought into **ReStart Halton**; a one year stabilizing program that offers a rent subsidy and connects families to important wrap around supports.

In year two, if parents have the aptitude and attitude necessary they are moved to our **Homeward Bound Halton Program**. Homeward Bound Halton offers two streams, Academic Training and Jill of All Trades. This program offers a two year college education either in one of the predetermined diploma programs (based on a labour market analysis) or in a Skills Trade such as the Tool Maker program. Year three is spent on intensive employment workshops and job searching. In year four, we create a strategic plan to ensure the families can become self-sufficient upon the completion of the program.

As the participants exit they enter into our **AfterCare** program and become an Alumni member. They remain connected to us and a caseworker but no longer receive our financial support.



# OUR FINANCES

The 2018 year was a year of change and renewal for Home Suite Hope. We saw significant changes in leadership, staffing, and in programming, with a renewed emphasis on strengthening the probability of the success of our clients, and in increasing our funding avenues. Our Don't Sleep in Your Car fundraiser was a great success due to the generosity of our donors and the leadership of Britta Martini-Miles. Unfortunately however, grants were significantly down in 2018 after having been the recipient of a large number of grants in previous years. There is recognition by the organization and Board that in 2019 we will focus on all revenue line items consistently. Due to our extensive renewal efforts in 2018, we are cautiously optimistic about our finances for 2019.

## BALANCE SHEET

	2018	2017
<b>ASSETS</b>		
Current assets		
Cash	151,753	359,035
Guaranteed investment certificate	50,000	50,000
Accounts receivable	61,213	36,731
Other current assets	2,447	9,547
	<u>265,413</u>	<u>455,313</u>
Oakville Community Foundation Funds	395,176	414,827
Fixed assets	<u>28,355</u>	<u>20,811</u>
Total assets	<u>688,944</u>	<u>890,951</u>
<b>LIABILITIES &amp; NET ASSETS</b>		
Liabilities		
Accounts payable & accruals	<u>29,876</u>	<u>27,340</u>
Total liabilities	<u>29,876</u>	<u>27,340</u>
Net Assets		
Invested in fixed assets	28,355	20,811
Internally restricted	400,000	326,875
Endowment fund	30,525	30,525
Unrestricted fund	<u>200,188</u>	<u>485,400</u>
Total net assets	<u>659,068</u>	<u>863,611</u>
Total liabilities & net assets	<u>688,944</u>	<u>890,951</u>

\*To reduce our environmental footprint and paper consumption, we have made our audited financial statements available on our website.

# STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

	2018	2017
<b>REVENUE</b>		
Grants	311,271	482,081
Donations	93,141	130,815
Sponsorship	25,000	41,500
Fundraising	175,788	101,722
Other	(5,965)	35,084
Total revenue	<u>599,235</u>	<u>791,202</u>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>		
Fundraising	36,873	28,916
Wages and benefits	224,289	194,122
Office and general	65,973	57,221
Non recoverable sales tax	9,238	5,495
Insurance	1,401	1,328
Participant support	418,664	424,863
Professional fees	33,918	32,119
Volunteer program	4,362	2,297
Amortization	9,060	4,605
Total expenditures	<u>803,778</u>	<u>750,966</u>
Excess of (expenditures over revenue) revenue over expenditures for year	<u>(204,543)</u>	<u>40,236</u>



# THANK YOU

Thank you to all our donors, friends, ambassadors and networks that have given so generously this past fiscal year. Your continual commitment to our participants and their families through donations, grants, in-kind support and fundraisers such as Don't Sleep in Your Car support our families in changing their trajectories from homelessness to self-sufficiency. Every participant who comes to Home Suite Hope works hard to disrupt cycles of poverty—a quest that is only made possible through your gifts.

## Our Partners

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## Our Donors (Gifts over \$500)

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# DON'T SLEEP IN YOUR CAR

HOME SUITE  
HOPE

HELPING TO END HOMELESSNESS IN HALTON REGION

In 2017 Home Suite Hope launched a successful Sleep in Your Car campaign to raise money to support our single-parent families as they transition from homelessness to stability. In total, that event raised \$115,000 in donations.

Under the leadership of Britta Martini-Miles, this event was re-imagined and became *Don't Sleep in Your Car 2018*—a fun evening for a serious cause.

On Saturday, September 29th, 2018, six car champions were locked in cars provided by Oakville Infinity in an attempt to raise money and show solidarity and support for our homeless single-parents who “live” in shelters, on someone’s couch, or in their cars. Car champions needed to raise \$25,000 to be released from their car, otherwise they were required to sleep there overnight.

Home Suite Hope friends, ambassadors and networks came dressed in costumes that mirrored the night’s theme “In your wildest dreams,” and an auctioneer inspired a frenzy of bidding to release the champions.

A wildly fun night resulted in an amazing showing of support for Home Suite Hope with a total of \$170,000 raised to support our single-parent families.

Nobody should ever have to sleep in their car!



A very special thank you to **Britta Martini-Miles** for her passion and commitment to the success of the event



**Thank you to our Generous Sponsors!**



# WORKING TOWARDS A STRONG FUTURE

It's been quite a year for Home Suite Hope! As I reflect on 2018, I would summarize it as a year of change and renewal. Change comes to mind given the arrival of new talent at both staff and Board levels, bringing new perspectives and enabling Home Suite Hope to elevate the programs offered to our program participants. Renewal, as we deepened relationships with existing partners and brought the Board and the staff together to review our existing strategy and operational structure. The Board then invested additional time designing our strategic plan and focusing on structure to strengthen the foundation for a stronger Home Suite Hope organization in the long run.

With change and renewal we had some great successes in 2018; we held our second annual Sleep in Your Car event in September with a few changes from the inaugural event:

- (1) A new theme suggesting attendees "Don't Sleep in the Car";
- (2) Bringing the party indoors at an excellent venue with new cars to sit in, thanks to Oakville Infiniti; and
- (3) Including an auction at the party that led to us raising a whopping \$170,000 thanks to the generosity of our donors.

We also held a number of additional events throughout Oakville to raise awareness of Home Suite Hope and bring the issue of poverty to the surface. We've been extremely happy with the increase in engagement - great to see!

I'm sure it comes as no surprise to you that despite our great effort and outcomes, the work ahead of us remains, and there is a lot left to do! The most recent statistic I read shows poverty in Halton rising from 6.6% to 8.2% over the past 10 years. The Board and I thank you so much for your generous

giving in 2018. We hope you can carry this message to your neighbours, network and friends and suggest they take time to hear more about Home Suite Hope and take a further step, as you have done, to give to this great organization that I believe will have a positive impact in our region.

I would like to thank the team at Home Suite Hope for all of their great work. The dedication I see amongst this group of people is nothing short of remarkable! I also want to recognize and thank Britta Martini-Miles, who did an outstanding job as CEO of Home Suite Hope and led us through the renewal and changes I mentioned above.

Finally I'd like to extend a warm welcome to Dr. Sara Cumming who was recently appointed as Home Suite Hope's Executive Director. Dr. Cumming joined Home Suite Hope in 2018, her impact on the organization was immediate and her connection to the Board, the Home Suite Hope team and program participants is tremendous. Sara, the Board and I are looking forward to supporting you, the Home Suite Hope team and our program participants!



**Sharon Wingfelder,**  
HSH Board Chair 2019



# 2019 STAFF



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Executive Director of Home Suite Hope



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