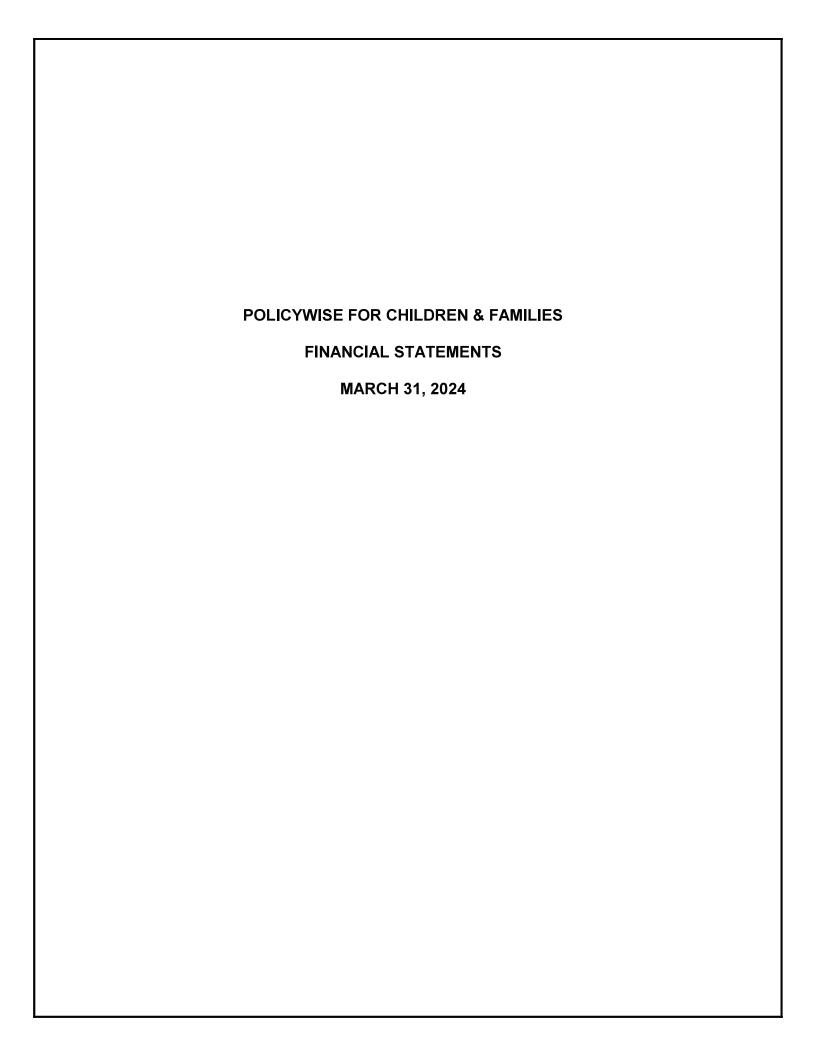
2023-24 Annual Financial Report







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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Board of Directors of PolicyWise for Children & Families Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

Opinion

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of PolicyWise for Children & Families (the Entity), which comprise the statement of financial position as at March 31, 2024, and the statements of revenues and expenses, changes in net assets, and cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

In our opinion, these financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Entity as at March 31, 2024 and the results of its operations, net assets and cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian Accounting Standards for Not for Profit Organizations.

Basis of Opinion

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 of our report. We are independent of the Entity 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 opinion.

Responsibility of Management and the Board of Directors 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 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 Entity'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 Entity or cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so. The Board of Directors are responsible for overseeing the Entity's financial reporting process.

Information Other than the Financial Statements and Auditors' Report Thereon

Management is responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the annual report but does not include the financial statements or our auditor's report thereon. The annual report is expected to be made available to us after the date of this auditor's report. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information included in the annual report and we do not express any form of assurance on conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information identified above when it becomes available and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. When we read the annual report, if we conclude that there is a material misstatement therein we are required to communicate the matter to the Board of Directors.

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT (continued...)

Auditor's Responsibility 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.

As part of an audit in accordance with Canadian Generally Accepted Auditing Standards, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Entity's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Entity's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Entity to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with the Board of Directors regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

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Chartered Professional Accountants

Rocky Mountain House, Alberta June 4, 2024

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION MARCH 31, 2024

ASSETS	2024	2023
Current Cash and cash equivalents (Note 3) Short-term investments (Note 5) Amounts receivable (Note 4) Prepaid expenses	\$ 385,433 3,688,718 397,730 49,847 4,521,728	\$ 2,890,068 1,355,173 224,771 34,175 4,504,187
Long-term investments (Note 5)	4,683,284	5,834,337
Property, plant and equipment (Note 6)	140,580	173,328
Restricted investments (Note 5)	7,110,706	6,883,549
	\$ <u>16,456,298</u>	\$ <u>17,395,401</u>
LIABILITIES Current Amounts payable	\$ 188,751	\$ 237,542
Deferred contributions (Schedule 1)	3,523,251 3,712,002	4,266,645 4,504,187
Deferred contributions (Schedule 1)	588,964	2,125,279
Deferred capital contributions (Note 7)	47,826	<u>59,782</u>
	636,790	2,185,061
TOTAL LIABILITIES	4,348,792	6,689,248
Commitments (Note 9)		
Contingent liabilities (Note 11)		
NET ASSETS Net assets invested in property, plant and equipment Internally restricted net assets (Note 8) Unrestricted net assets	92,754 7,110,706 <u>4,904,046</u> <u>12,107,506</u> \$_16,456,298	113,546 6,883,549 3,709,058 10,706,153 \$ 17,395,401
Approved by Director: Signature Director Title Director Title Director Title	June 17, 2024 Date June 17, 2024 Date	

See accompanying notes to the financial statements

STATEMENT OF REVENUES AND EXPENSES YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2024

		2024		2023
REVENUES				
Grants and recovered expenses (Note 14) Investment income (loss) (Note 5) Donations	\$ _	4,322,919 1,395,624 5,729	\$ _	3,754,833 (97,050) 8,134
		5,724,272	_	3,665,917
EXPENDITURES				
Salaries and subcontractors		3,463,811		2,956,938
Research contracts		194,114		91,659
Special Initiatives		-		38,531
Communications and knowledge transfer		1,302		7,345
Consulting		37,913		69,713
Office and equipment rental		411,782		380,777
Travel and professional development		19,971		19,973
Amortization		35,459		43,018
Information technology and office expense		113,014		108,680
Legal and audit fees		22,058		18,322
Board expenses		23,495		19,763
Committee Expenses		<u> </u>		115
·	_	4,322,919	_	3,754,834
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES OVER EXPENSES	\$_	1,401,353	\$_	(88,917)

See accompanying notes to the financial statements

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2024

2024	Unrestricted Net Assets	Internally Restricted Net Assets	Invested in Property, Plant and Equipment	Total
Balance, beginning of year Excess of revenues over expenses Amortization of capital contributions Amortization of property, plant and equipment Purchase of property, plant and equipment Allocation to reserve	\$ 3,709,058 1,401,353 (11,956) 35,459 (2,711) (227,157) \$ 4,904,046	\$ 6,883,549 - - - - - 227,157 \$ 7,110,706	\$ 113,546 - 11,956 (35,459) 2,711 - \$ 92,754	\$ 10,706,153 1,401,353 - - - - - \$ 12,107,506
2023	Unrestricted Net Assets	Internally Restricted Net Assets	Invested in Property, Plant and Equipment	Total
Balance, beginning of year Deficiency of revenues over expenses Amortization of capital contributions Amortization of property, plant and equipment Purchase of property, plant and equipment Allocation to reserve	\$ 4,101,494 (88,917) (14,946) 43,018 (3,803) (327,788) \$ 3,709,058	\$ 6,555,761 - - - - 327,788 \$ 6,883,549	\$ 137,815 - 14,946 (43,018) 3,803 - \$ 113,546	\$ 10,795,070 (88,917) - - - - - \$ 10,706,153

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2024

ODEDATING		2024		2023
OPERATING Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenses	\$	1,401,353	\$	(88,917)
Items not affecting cash flows: Amortization of property, plant and equipment Amortization of capital contributions (Gain) Loss on investments	=	35,459 (11,956) (640,20 <u>9</u>) 784,647	_	43,018 (14,946) 1,034,620 973,775
Net changes in non-cash working capital Cash (used for) from operating activities	=	(2,517,131) (1,732,484)	_	2,343,866 3,317,641
INVESTING Purchase of investments Proceeds on sale of investments Purchase of property, plant and equipment Cash used for investment activities	-	(903,594) 134,154 (2,711) (772,151)	_	(994,762) 98,885 (3,803) (899,680)
INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH		(2,504,635)		2,417,961
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, BEGINNING OF YEAR	_	2,890,068	_	472,107
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, END OF YEAR	\$_	385,433	\$_	2,890,068

See accompanying notes to the financial statements

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS MARCH 31, 2024

1. NATURE OF OPERATIONS

PolicyWise for Children & Families (the Entity) was incorporated as a not for profit corporation under the Alberta Business Corporations Act on March 21, 2003 and is exempt from taxation. Effective April 1, 2004 the Entity was registered as a registered charity under the Income Tax Act. The Entity's mission is to develop, support and integrate research across sectors and disciplines to provide a strong, evidence based foundation for identifying and promoting effective public policy and service delivery to improve the well-being of children, families and communities.

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements were prepared in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not for profit organizations as issued by the Accounting Standards Board in Canada and include the following significant accounting policies:

(a) Cash

Cash includes cash on deposit with a Canadian financial institution.

(b) Property, Plant and Equipment

Property, plant and equipment are recorded at cost less accumulated amortization. The Entity provides for amortization using rates and methods designed to amortize the cost of the property, plant and equipment over their estimated useful lives. Amortization rates and methods are as follows:

Office Furniture - 20% Declining balance
Office Equipment - 20% Declining balance
Leasehold improvements - 10% Straight line

In the year of acquisition amortization is calculated at one-half of the normal rates and no amortization is recorded in the year of disposition.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS MARCH 31, 2024

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

(c) Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with Canadian accounting standards for not for profit organizations requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amount of revenue and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimated. Estimates are used when accounting for items and matters such as fair value of investments, recognition of deferred capital contributions and amortization of property, plant and equipment.

(d) Capital Contributions

Deferred capital contributions consist of restricted amounts received for the acquisition of property, plant and equipment. Deferred capital contributions are recognized as revenue at the same rate and method the corresponding asset is amortized.

(e) Revenue

The Entity follows the deferral method in accounting for contributions. Restricted grant and donation contributions are recognized as revenue in the year which the related expenses are incurred. Unrestricted grant and donation contributions are recognized as revenue when they are received or receivable if the amount receivable can be reasonably estimated and its collection is reasonably assured. Restricted investment income is recognized when the related expenses are incurred. Unrestricted investment income is recognized as revenue when earned. Recovered expenses are recognized as revenue as the product or service is delivered and the amount receivable can be reasonably estimated and its collection is reasonably assured. Federal subsidies are recognized as revenue in the period in which the claim relates and the amount receivable can be reasonably estimated and its collection is reasonably assured.

(f) Donated Services and In Kind Contributions

The value of donated services and in kind contributions are not recognized in these financial statements as the fair value of the services or contributions are not readily measurable.

(g) Cash Flow Reporting

The Entity follows the indirect method in reporting its cash flows from operating activities.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS MARCH 31, 2024

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

(h) Financial Instruments

Initial Measurement

The Entity considers any contract creating a financial asset, liability or equity instrument as a financial instrument. The Entity's financial instruments consist of cash and cash equivalents, short-term investments, amounts receivable, long-term investments, restricted investments, and amounts payable.

A financial asset or liability is recognized when the Entity becomes party to contractual provisions of the instrument.

Financial assets or liabilities obtained in arm's length transactions are initially measured at their fair value. The initial fair value will be adjusted for financing fees and transaction costs that are directly attributable to its origination, acquisition, issuance or assumption, if the financial instruments are subsequently measured at cost.

Financial assets and liabilities obtained in related party transactions are initially measured at cost or fair value. The Entity initially measures all its related party financial instruments at cost.

Subsequent Measurement

The Entity subsequently measures its financial assets and financial liabilities at amortized cost, with the exception of its short-term, long-term and restricted investments which are measured at fair value.

Financial assets and financial liabilities recognized in related party transactions are subsequently measured based on how the Entity initially measured the instrument. Financial instruments initially measured at cost are subsequently measured at cost, less any impairment of the asset. Financial instruments initially measured at fair value, of which the Entity has none, would be subsequently measured at amortized costs or fair value based on certain conditions.

The Entity removes financial liabilities or a portion of, when the obligation is discharged, cancelled or expired.

Impairment

Financial assets measured at cost are tested for impairment when there are indicators of impairment. Previously recognized impairment losses are reversed to the extent of their improvement, provided the asset's carrying amount is not more than the original amount at the time the impairment loss was recognized. The amounts of any write-downs or reversals are recognized in excess (deficit) of revenues over expenses.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS MARCH 31, 2024

3. CASH

Cash consists of two bank accounts held with a chartered bank earning interest at 0% to 3.3% (2023 -0% to 3.3%) per annum.

4. **AMOUNTS RECEIVABLE**

The amounts receivable consist of:

		2024		2023
Trade receivable GST rebate receivable	\$	376,964 20.766	\$	213,490 11,281
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INVESTMENTS 5.

Investments consist of:

		2024	2023
Short-term investments	\$	3,688,718 \$	1,355,173
Long-term investments		4,683,284	5,834,337
Restricted investments	_	7,110,706	6,883,549
	\$_	15,482,708 \$	14,073,059

The Entity's investments are held in money market and mutual funds managed by an external investment management company and are measured at fair value. Investments capable of prompt liquidation are classified as long term when intended for other than current purposes.

Investment income (loss) consist of:

	2	2024	2023
Interest, dividends and realized gains Unrealized gain (loss) on investments Investment management fees	\$	824,272 5 631,506 (60,154)	994,705 (1,034,620) (57,135)
	\$ <u> </u>	,395,624	(97,050)

The investment management fees represent the exposed fees withdrawn directly from the Entity's investment cash account only.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS MARCH 31, 2024

6. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

		Cost		Accumulated Amortization		Net <u>2024</u>		Net <u>2023</u>
Office furniture Office equipment	\$	330,574 739,117	\$	288,909 648,999	\$	41,665 90,118	\$	50,847 111,170
Leasehold improvements	_	19,689	φ-	10,892	_	8,797	_	11,311
	\$_	<u>1,089,380</u>	\$_	948,800	\$_	<u> 140,580</u>	\$_	<u> 173,328</u>

7. DEFERRED CAPITAL CONTRIBUTIONS

Changes to deferred capital contributions during the year as follows.

	2024		2023
Opening deferred capital contributions Amortization of deferred capital contributions	\$ 59,782 (11,956)	\$	74,728 (14,946)
'	\$ 47,826	\$_	59,782

8. INTERNALLY RESTRICTED NET ASSETS

Effective January 1, 2016, the Board of Directors placed a restriction on the long-term research fund investments. The capital of the long-term research fund investments is to be maintained at a minimum of \$5,700,000, as indexed using the consumer price index for Alberta. The balance at year-end is \$7,110,706 (2023 - \$6,883,549).

Annually, the Board of Directors will determine if any capital can be withdrawn to fund upcoming research projects.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS MARCH 31, 2024

9. COMMITMENTS

The Entity has two ten year office leases, one effective until September 30, 2027 with the option to renew for one further five year term, and a second lease effective until March 31, 2028. The minimum lease payments are as follows:

2025	\$ 193,737
2026	196,310
2027	198,883
2028	 178,942
	\$ 767,872

10. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

During the year, the Entity procured consulting services in the amount of \$1,338 (2023 - \$6,388) from a company controlled by a key employee's spouse. Amounts owing to related parties included in trade payables at year-end was nil (2023 - nil).

11. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

Under the terms of the Entity's grant agreements signed with certain grant providers, use of the funds are restricted for various purposes. Per the agreements, providers may request repayment of all or part of the grant proceeds, should the Entity fail to fulfil any of the terms and conditions agreed to. Upon the expiry of the term of the agreements, the Entity may request a retention of any unexpended grant proceeds, provided the agreement has not been terminated.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS MARCH 31, 2024

12. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

Transacting in financial instruments exposes the Entity to certain financial risks and uncertainties. These risks include:

Credit risk

Credit risk is the risk that one party to a financial instrument will cause a loss for the other party by failing to discharge an obligation. The Entity provides credit to its clients in the normal course of operations. Amounts receivable are generally unsecured with established terms of repayment. The Entity is exposed to some possible credit risks due to the concentration of amounts receivable from certain customers. Two accounts comprise 79% (2023 - 53%) of the total amounts receivable balance.

Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that an entity will encounter difficulty in meeting obligations associated with financial liabilities. The Entity manages liquidity risk by continuously monitoring cash flows.

Market risk

Market risk is the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market prices. Market risk comprises three types of risk: currency risk, interest rate risk and other price risk.

Currency risk

Currency risk is the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in foreign exchange rates. The Entity is not exposed to currency risk as it does not deal in foreign currencies.

Interest rate risk

Interest rate risk is the risk that fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market interest rates. The Entity is not exposed to significant interest rate risk.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS MARCH 31, 2024

12. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (continued)

Other price risk

Other price risk is the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market prices (other than those arising from interest rate risk or currency risk), whether those changes are caused by factors specific to the individual financial instrument or its issuer, or factors affecting all similar financial instruments traded in the market. The Entity is exposed to price risk to the extent that changes to the fair market value of it investments consisting of mutual funds could significantly effect future cash flows.

13. ECONOMIC DEPENDENCE

The Entity is economically dependent on the Province of Alberta, as a significant amount of the grant funding received is from Alberta Children's Services and other provincial government ministries.

14. GRANT AND RECOVERED EXPENSES REVENUE SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

Grant and recovered expenses revenue of \$4,322,919 (2023 - \$3,754,833) consists of revenue recognized from deferred contributions of \$3,967,539 (2023 - \$3,403,559), unamortized external capital contributions of \$11,956 (2023 - \$14,946) and recovered expenses revenues of \$343,424 (2023 - \$336,328).

See Schedule 1 to these financial statements for further details.

SCHEDULE OF DEFERRED CONTRIBUTIONS YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2024

		Beginning of Period	Reg	Contributions Received (Repaid)	Revenue Recognized	_	End of Period	Current	±	Long Term
initial Operations Fund	မ	3,101,692	\$	\$	1,117,557	8	1,984,135	\$1,395,171	171 \$_	588,964
FRN Evaluation Culturally Responsive Child Care Workforce		2 003 887		222,031 57.464	222,031		1 470 101	1 470 101	101	1 1
Carranally Incapolisive Cillia Care Wolffields Davhome Competency Eramework		312,201		t	277 653		37 638	, .	- 8 8 8 8 8 8	l ļ
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Defining Well-being Across CS - Phase 2		135 541		•	135,541)	'	2	
Defining Well-being Across CS - Phase 3		,		102.591	44.735		57.856	57	57.856	ı
Reversing the Gendered Impact of COVID		129.971		24.910	154.881			•		
Addressing Health Impact of Covid-19		45,160		34,270	62,430		17,000	17.	17,000	ı
Skills for Safer Living Evaluation		1		29,357	29,357			•		1
Distress Centre - Community Info Exchange										
				57,912	57,912					
		1		28,250	28,250			•		1
Organizational Reliance		•		45,900	45,900					•
Rural & Remote Mental Health		30,615			30,615			•		
Rural & Remote Mental Health		ı		237,562	227,069		10,493	10,	10,493	1
Recovery College Evaluation		26,305		119,430	145,735					
		•		120,000	120,000			•		1
AB Nonprofit Data Strategy		33,563		•	33,563		•			
AB Nonprofit Data Strategy		50,000		50,000	50,000		20,000	20	50,000	•
Homeless Services Data Integration		42,750		1	42,750		1	1		1
				3,000	3,000					
Youth Homelessness Data Knowledge RM		111,932		133,300	141,318		103,914	103,	103,914	•
Bent Arrow - Implementing the Standard		74,951			74,951		•	1		
		43,266		•	43,266					
AB Brain Injury Data Project				38,000	27,636		10,364	10,	,364	
JP Morgan Inclusive Economic Growth		•		55,320	32,270		23,050	23,	020	•
Recovery College Evaluation - Other				57,223	19,691		37,532	37,	37,532	•
ALIGN Socializing Outputs		1		20,000	20,000			•		
Human Trafficking Data #NotInMyCity		•		29,025	25,825		3,200	က်	3,200	
Respite Centre Evaluation - Other		•		214,035	6,001		208,034	208	208,034	•
Edmonton Social Prescribing Project				8,250	.		8,250	8	8,250	1
	₩	6,391,924	\$	1,687,830 \$	3,967,539	\$	4,112,215 \$	\$ 3,523,251	<u>251</u> \$	588,964
	₩	7,617,822	₩	2,177,661 \$	3,403,559	₩	6,391,924	\$ 4,266,645	645 ==	2,125,279

