

Growing Together

2025-26 Annual Report

niagara children's centre™

therapy and support to help kids shine
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Angela Davidson, Chair of Board, alongside Noella Klawitter, CEO, Niagara Children's Centre

A message from the Centre's Board Chair & Chief Executive Officer

As we reflect on the accomplishments of the past year, we are filled with gratitude for the children, youth, families, staff, volunteers, donors, partners, and community members who make our work possible. Together, we continued to strengthen services, create new opportunities, and build on the Centre's proud tradition of supporting children and families across Niagara.

This year marked an important leadership transition as we welcomed Noella Klawitter as Chief Executive Officer. While leadership changed, our commitment to children and families remained steadfast. We are grateful to former CEO Oksana Fisher for her 15 years of dedicated service and the strong foundation she helped build, and we are excited about the future under Noella's leadership.

Throughout the year, the Children's Centre continued to enhance programs and services to meet the evolving needs of our community. Funding from the Ontario Trillium Foundation allowed us to pilot an innovative Behaviour Support Program, while support from the

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David S. Howes Fund at the Niagara Community Foundation enabled us to expand recreational opportunities by adding a Recreation Therapy Assistant. We also introduced a new Family Portal, improving access to information and creating a more seamless experience for families navigating our services.

Supporting families remained central to everything we do. More than 100 people attended our annual Parent & Caregiver Conference, while the launch of Dad's Corner created a new space for fathers and male-identifying caregivers to connect and support one another. Programs such as our DSBN Summer Camp, Upper Extremity Skills Group, and recreation initiatives provided opportunities for children and youth to build confidence, develop skills, and create meaningful connections.

We also celebrated the successful completion of our CARF Accreditation Survey. Over two days, surveyors reviewed more than 2,100 standards, recognizing the high quality of care and services provided across the organization. This achievement reflects the professionalism, expertise, and commitment our team demonstrates every day in supporting children and families.

Community engagement continued to thrive throughout the year. Families gathered for inclusive events such as Trunk or Treat and the inaugural VOLT Hockey Classic, while the introduction of our mascot, Sunny the River Otter, brought smiles, excitement, and a new symbol of belonging to our Centre. The Superhero Run reached a historic milestone, surpassing $1 million raised since its inception, demonstrating the extraordinary generosity and support of our community.

While we are proud of these accomplishments, what stands out most is the people behind them.

Every day, our staff bring compassion, creativity, and expertise to their work. They celebrate goals with families, help children overcome challenges, and continually seek new ways to improve outcomes. Their dedication is the driving force behind every success highlighted in this report.

As we look ahead, we are energized by the opportunities before us. Strategic planning, future facility discussions, and growing partnerships across Niagara will help shape the next chapter of our Centre. Together, we remain focused on creating a future where every child has the opportunity to be their best.

We are proud of what we have accomplished together and excited for what lies ahead.

Noella Klawitter, CEO
Angela Davidson, Chair

LEADERSHIP

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LEADERSHIP TEAM

Oksana Fisher,
Chief Executive Officer
March 2025 to October 2025

Noella Klawitter,
Chief Executive Officer
October 2025 to present

Kathy Bell,
Director, Clinical Services

Tammy Davey-Wiebe,
Director, Corporate Services and Finance

Monica Fenton,
Director, Human Resources

Pam Sharp,
Director, Development

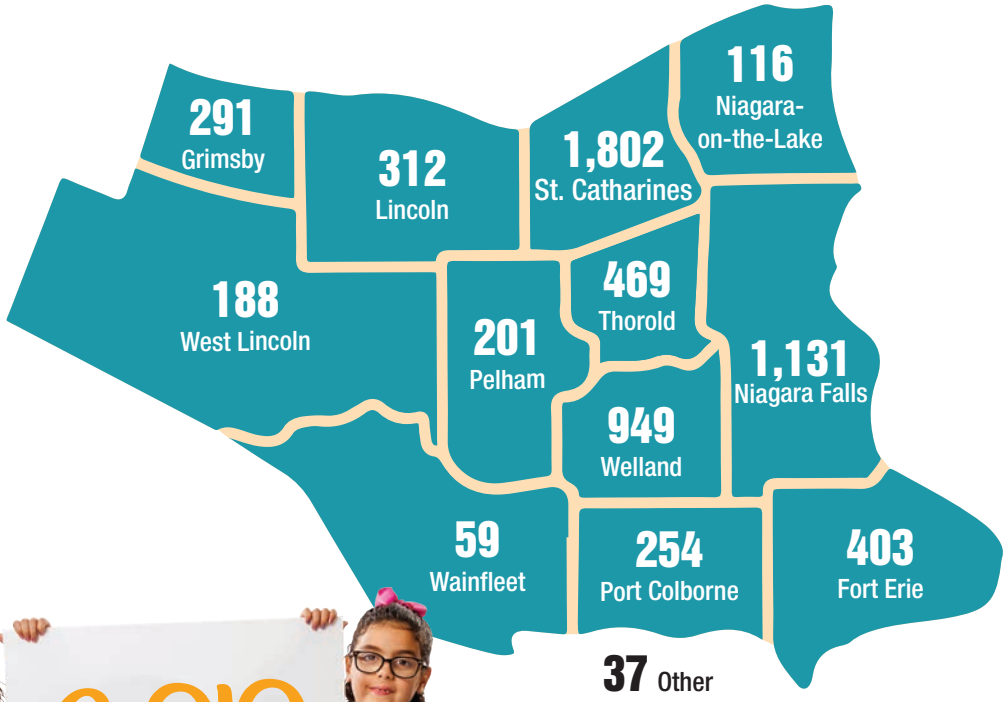
OUR MISSION
We enable children and youth with physical, developmental and communicative delays or disabilities to achieve their optimal potential within their home, school and community environments.

We do this through delivering a continuum of therapeutic supports and services to children and families and by working with our partners to deliver coordinated, integrated and family-centred care.

OUR VISION
Niagara's Children & Youth at their best.

OUR VALUES
- Children & families come first
- Excellence and innovation are the cornerstones of our achievement
- Teamwork & partnerships are vital
- Respect underlies all we do

Our impact on the region:
Client breakdown by municipality



37 Other



63,739
Total visits

3,998
New referrals

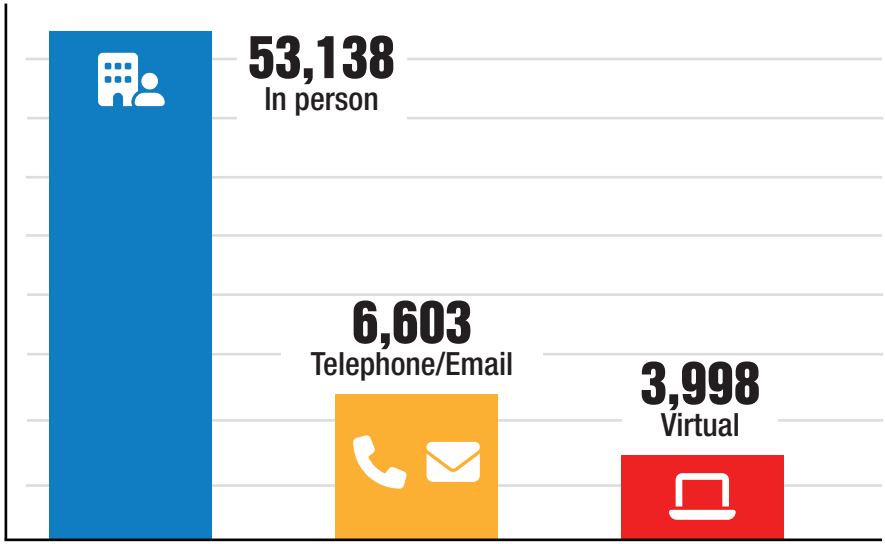
A closer look: Breaking down our services

129,304
Hours of service

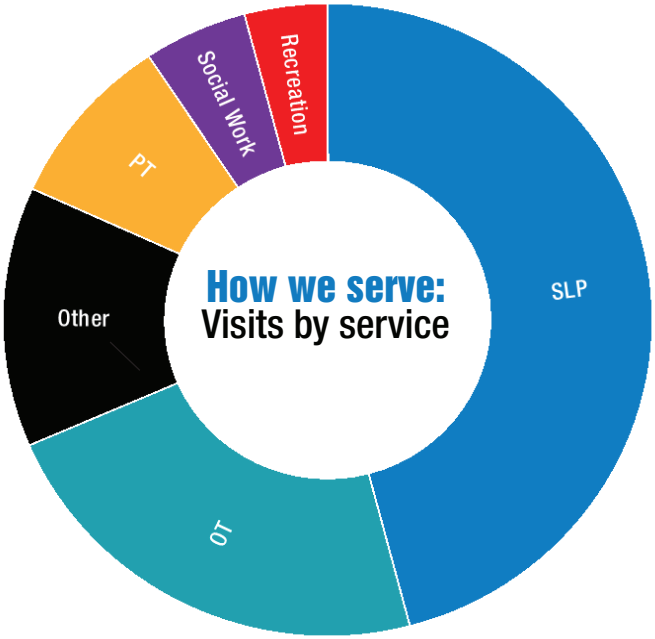
3,538
Waiting for assessment
(as of March 31, 2026)

521
Waiting for treatment
(as of March 31, 2026)

How we serve: Visits by type



How we serve: Visits by service



29,260
Speech-Language Pathology (SLP)

14,408
Occupational Therapy (OT)

5,687
Physiotherapy (PT)

3,282
Social Work

2,645
Recreation Therapy

8,457
Other Visits

36%
Children with 1 service need



64%
Children with 2+ service needs

Welcoming a New Era of Leadership: Noella Klawitter joins the Children's Centre as new CEO

In October 2025, Niagara Children's Centre welcomed a new chapter in its history as Noella Klawitter stepped into the role of Chief Executive Officer. Her arrival marked both a moment of transition and an exciting opportunity to build on the Centre's strong foundation of care, connection, and community impact.

Klawitter succeeded longtime CEO Oksana Fisher, whose 15 years of leadership helped guide our organization through significant growth and transformation. As we looked toward the future, the Board of Directors sought a leader who shared the organization's deep commitment to children and families while bringing fresh ideas and perspective to the evolving landscape of children's rehabilitation and developmental services.

With more than 20 years of experience in health and social services, Klawitter brought a wealth of knowledge and leadership to Niagara. Before joining the Centre, she served as Director of KidsInclusive, the children's treatment centre within Kingston Health Sciences Centre. During her tenure, the organization experienced substantial growth, expanding from 64 to 150 staff while preparing for a major capital campaign. Her work also extended beyond the local level through provincial leadership roles with Empowered Kids Ontario, where she chaired the Leadership Council and served on the Board of Directors.



Noella Klawitter at Niagara Children's Centre after being welcomed as the organization's next CEO.

While her resume reflects extensive professional accomplishments, it was Klawitter's values-driven approach to leadership that resonated strongly with the Centre's staff, Board, and community partners. Collaboration, inclusion, and family-centred care remain at the heart of her vision.

"The best outcomes occur when we bring diverse voices to the table," Klawitter shared during her first week at the Centre. "I want to foster a culture where our staff and the families we serve continue to feel valued and supported."

Her leadership philosophy is also shaped by lived experience. A Canadian Paralympian, Klawitter was diagnosed in 2002 with Cone/Rod Dystrophy, a condition affecting her vision. Often accompanied by her guide dog, Doll, she draws upon her experiences navigating disability to inform her commitment to accessibility, equity, and inclusion.



> "It's really instilled the belief that resilience, preparation, and teamwork can make the impossible possible," she reflected. "I believe every person, regardless of ability, can thrive."

As she settled into the Niagara community alongside her family, Klawitter quickly embraced both the warmth of the region and the possibilities ahead for the organization. She sees opportunities to strengthen partnerships, expand innovative programming, enhance community engagement, and use data-driven decision-making to better support children and families.

Her arrival comes at a meaningful time for Niagara Children's Centre as the organization continues to evolve to meet growing and complex community needs. From expanding programs and partnerships to deepening its presence throughout Niagara, the Centre remains focused on helping children and youth reach their full potential.

Board Chair Angela Davidson expressed confidence in the future under Klawitter's leadership.

"Noella is a highly respected leader in the children's development and rehabilitation sector," Davidson said. "Her experience, vision, and commitment to children and families make her an ideal choice to lead the Centre into its next chapter."

As the Centre continues to grow alongside the community it serves, Klawitter's leadership reflects a shared commitment to inclusion, collaboration, and imagining what's possible for every child and family who walks through our doors.

Pictured: Noella Klawitter alongside her guide dog, Doll.



Children participate in the Centre's Summer Camp program







Program Highlights Summer of Inclusion

Summer looked a little different at Niagara Children's Centre this year — and that was something worth celebrating.

In partnership with the District School Board of Niagara, we launched a new two-week summer camp designed specifically for children and youth living with significant physical disabilities and multiple exceptionalities. Held from Aug. 11 to 15 and Aug. 18 to 22, the pilot program welcomed campers ages 4 to 18 for days filled with creativity, movement, friendship, and inclusive play.

From crafts and songs to pool time and outdoor games, every activity was thoughtfully adapted to ensure each camper could fully participate and feel included. Whether children were splashing in the pool, exploring sensory activities, or sharing stories and laughter with peers, the camp created opportunities for connection, confidence, and joy.

The program also provided families with a supportive and accessible environment where children could build friendships and enjoy meaningful summer experiences alongside others with similar needs.

The success of the pilot program was made possible through the support of staff, volunteers, community partners, and families who helped create a welcoming space where every child belonged.



Participants in the Centre's Upper Extremity Skills Group





Building Skills Through Challenge and Play

This past summer, a group of determined children took on a unique challenge at the Children's Centre — learning to rely more on their "helper hand."

We introduced a new Upper Extremity Skills Group for children with cerebral palsy, focused on strengthening motor control and improving function in their non-dominant arm and hand through constraint therapy. By constraining each child's stronger arm, participants were encouraged to use and build confidence in movements that might otherwise feel difficult or unfamiliar.

What could have felt like hard work quickly became fun through engaging, activity-based learning. Throughout the program, children participated in swimming, baking, sports, obstacle courses, arts and crafts, and other hands-on experiences designed to support skill development in a positive and encouraging environment.

Led by an occupational therapist, occupational therapy assistant, and dedicated volunteers, the group emphasized both progress and celebration — recognizing every small milestone along the way.

Beyond building physical skills, the program also fostered confidence, perseverance, and connection among participants. Each challenge completed represented more than improved movement; it reflected courage, determination, and the joy of discovering new possibilities.



Local dignitaries joined members of Niagara Children's Centre at a donor recognition event to celebrate a $100,000 Seed grant we received from the provincial government's Ontario Trillium Foundation (OTF).

Behaviour Supports for Children and Families

As the needs of children and families continue to evolve, we remain committed to expanding access to specialized supports that help children thrive at home, in school, and in their communities.

This year, that commitment was strengthened through a $100,000 Seed grant from the Ontario Trillium Foundation (OTF), funded by the Government of Ontario. The investment allowed our Centre to pilot an innovative Behaviour Support Program designed to address the growing social and emotional needs of children with developmental delays.

With this funding, we welcomed a Registered Behaviour Analyst (RBA) to our team — bringing specialized expertise that enhances support across programs and services. Working collaboratively with clinicians, children, and families, the RBA helps assess behaviour, identify challenges, and create individualized intervention plans that support meaningful progress in daily life.

The impact of this work extends far beyond therapy sessions. By addressing behaviours that may create barriers to participation, children are better able to engage in therapy, school, family routines, and community activities.

> "Since working with the Behaviour Analyst, our son is having stronger days with fewer meltdowns, and even when challenges come up, they don't last as long," shared a parent. "The personalized strategies we've learned have become second nature for our family and made daily life so much smoother."

Demand for behavioural supports continues to grow across Ontario, particularly following the lasting impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic. The addition of specialized behavioural expertise ensures families receive timely, evidence-based care while strengthening the Centre's ability to respond to increasingly complex needs.

This investment represents more than funding for a new role — it represents new opportunities for children and families to build confidence, develop skills, and experience greater success in everyday life.



Heather Spooner serves at the Centre's Recreation Therapy Assistant

Expanding Opportunities Through Recreation

Every child deserves the opportunity to play, connect, and discover their strengths. This year, thanks to support from the David S. Howes Fund through the Niagara Community Foundation, we expanded those opportunities with the addition of a Recreation Therapy Assistant.

The new role has significantly increased our capacity to deliver therapeutic recreation programs, allowing for twice as many options while creating space for new and innovative experiences. Children and families now have access to a broader range of activities, including music, swimming, arts, community outings, adaptive sports, and life skills programming, while existing favourites such as Robotics Club have expanded to all four Centre locations.

One of the most significant achievements has been the introduction of five new recreation therapy programs for children aged 18 months to school start—an age group that previously had limited recreation programming. The additional capacity has also enabled our Recreation Therapist to focus on individualized assessments and develop new goal-based programs, helping families access services sooner.

Beyond supporting program delivery, the Recreation Therapy Assistant works closely with families and colleagues across the Centre to ensure activities are engaging, accessible, and responsive to each child's unique needs. These meaningful interactions help build confidence, strengthen social connections, and encourage greater participation both at the Centre and in the community.

> "The most rewarding aspect of this role has been building meaningful connections with clients and their families," shared Heather Spooner, Recreation Therapy Assistant. "Being part of their growth and seeing children gain confidence while families feel more connected has been incredibly fulfilling."

The investment from the David S. Howes Fund reflects a shared commitment to building community, fostering inclusion, and ensuring every child has the opportunity to thrive through recreation.



Members of the Centre's Infant & Child Development Program team

One Year Later: Building Strong Foundations Through Infant & Child Development

One year after we assumed responsibility for the Infant Child Development (ICD) Program, families are experiencing more connected, coordinated, and responsive early intervention services.

Since welcoming the program in April 2025 and transitioning 78 children, the Centre has expanded supports for infants and young children with developmental delays or those at risk of delay. Five Infant Child Development Consultants now provide home-based services from birth to school entry, helping caregivers build the knowledge, confidence, and routines that support their child's development during the earliest years.

What makes the program unique is its focus on meeting families where they are. Whether in a family home, shelter, park, or EarlyON Centre, consultants observe children in their natural environments and coach caregivers during everyday routines. This personalized approach strengthens relationships, reduces barriers to accessing support, and empowers families to build on their child's strengths in meaningful, practical ways.

Bringing the program into our organization has also strengthened collaboration across services. Consultants now work seamlessly with occupational therapists, physiotherapists, speech-language pathologists, behaviour therapists, and social workers, creating smoother referrals, shared care planning, and more timely access to specialized supports.

The program has continued to evolve over the past year with the introduction of new group opportunities, including Early Beginnings, for infants born prematurely, and Otter Pups, an interactive music and aquatic program that promotes early development while strengthening parent-child connections. These initiatives have expanded access to early intervention while creating valuable opportunities for families to learn from one another.

By supporting children and caregivers during the earliest stages of development, the Infant & Child Development Program is helping build strong foundations that will benefit families for years to come.

Scorecard

We are pleased to share our performance scorecard, based on key indicators in the areas of client service delivery, human resources and financial resources. These indicators form part of our quality program and are monitored regularly by the Management Team and the Board of Directors. Where required, performance improvement plans are developed.

	Objective	Indicator	Target	Result	Rating
Quality Client Services					
Satisfaction	Families report positive experiences with services.	Overall parent satisfaction	80%	90%	✓
	Client report that they enjoy their time during sessions	Overall client satisfaction	80%	95%	✓
Effectiveness	Children and families achieve meaningful progress toward their individual goals and desired outcomes.	Percentage of clients who, at discharge, achieved the outcomes identified in their service plan.	80%	86%	✓
Access to service	Children and families receive timely access to services.	Percentage of clients who received an initial assessment within three months of referral.	90%	53%	✗
		Percentage of clients who received their first service appointment within five months of their initial assessment.	90%	85%	−
Human Resources					
Organization maintains or decreases absenteeism		Absenteeism - Centre	≤ 5%	2%	✓
Organization retains skilled employees		Turnover Rate - all employees	13%	8%	✓
Financial Resources					
Fiscal Responsibility	Organization maintains a sound financial position	Current Ratio	≥ 1.0	1.4	✓
	Organization operates within its approved budget	% Actual/Budget	≥ 95%	100%	✓

Inside the numbers

Niagara Children's Centre achieved most of its performance targets, though wait times remain an issue as demand continues to exceed capacity. This is a long-standing challenge; however, the Centre continues to implement strategies to reduce wait times across all programs.

- ✓ On Target
- − Minimum to Moderate Negative Variance
- ✗ Significant Negative Variance



Sunny the River Otter made their debut at our annual Superhero Run at Brock Univesity on Saturday, Oct. 4

Meet Sunny: A New Face for Connection, Inclusion, and Community

When hundreds of participants, volunteers and families gathered at Brock University on Saturday, October 4, for the annual Superhero Run, they were joined by a very special guest making their first official appearance: Sunny the River Otter.

More than just a mascot, Sunny was created to represent the spirit of Niagara Children's Centre and the children, youth, and families at the heart of everything we do.

Playful, curious, energetic, and resilient, Sunny embodies many of the qualities seen throughout the Centre every day. Like the children we support, Sunny knows that challenges can be approached with determination, creativity, and a little bit of fun. Whether splashing through rivers, navigating obstacles, or exploring new paths, Sunny reminds us that growth happens when we move forward together.

Our mascot's design was thoughtfully created to reflect both our community and our values, with every detail carrying meaning.

Sunny has 12 whiskers, one for each municipality across Niagara, symbolizing the connected network of communities that support children and families throughout the region. A bright blue top reflects the Centre's identity, while a hidden pocket, inspired by real river otters that carry treasured

objects, reminds us to hold close the things that matter most: comfort items, routines, loved ones, and moments of connection.

Otters move in many ways, including swimming, sliding, floating, walking, and galloping. This serves as a reminder that every child moves through the world differently and that every path deserves celebration and support.

Sunny's introduction also created an opportunity to honour Indigenous teachings connected to the land and waters that shape Niagara. In many Indigenous traditions, otters symbolize joy, strong family bonds, resilience, adaptability, and harmony with the natural world. They are often viewed as helpers and protectors, reminding us of the importance of relationships, community, and respect for the environment around us.

Most importantly, Sunny reflects the values that guide Niagara Children's Centre every day.

Sunny reminds us that children and families come first and that no one navigates challenges alone. Our mascot celebrates innovation by encouraging children to try new approaches and discover their own strengths. Sunny embodies teamwork, showing that success is sweeter when shared. And Sunny reflects respect by recognizing that every child's journey is unique.

Since debuting at the Superhero Run, Sunny has quickly become a familiar face at programs, events, and celebrations across Niagara, creating smiles, sparking conversations, and helping children feel a little more connected from the moment they arrive.

At the Centre, we know that when we move together with curiosity, resilience, and care, every challenge becomes an adventure worth sharing. Together, we flow forward!



Sunny Snaps: Our favourite moments from Sunny's first year with the Centre









An Inclusive Halloween Experience

On Saturday, Oct. 25, we welcomed hundreds of children and families for a morning of accessible trick-or-treating filled with imagination, laughter, and community connection.

This year, we had 30 decorated vehicles line the event space, each one creatively transformed into themed displays inspired by Frozen, Sesame Street, Alice in Wonderland, and more. Families also explored fire trucks, police vehicles, and tractors, and met special guests, including Sunny the River Otter.

Traditional Halloween activities can present barriers for many families. Trunk or Treat removes those barriers by creating an equitable and welcoming space where every child can enjoy the fun of the season.

With support from staff, volunteers, local businesses, and community partners, the event continues to grow each year, showing what is possible when inclusion and celebration come together.



Building Connections Through Dad's Corner

This year, we introduced Dad's Corner, a new support group created specifically for fathers and male-identifying caregivers.

The idea grew from conversations among parents involved with the Centre's Family Advisory Network. With many having experienced the value of connecting with other families through the Children's Centre, the group recognized an opportunity to create a dedicated space where dads could build similar relationships and support one another.

Unlike traditional support groups, Dad's Corner focuses on connection through shared experiences. Whether gathering to watch a hockey game, enjoy a round of golf, or meet for coffee, participants are encouraged to connect in a relaxed, welcoming environment with no pressure or expectations.

Dad's Corner reflects our commitment to supporting the entire family, recognizing that meaningful connections can be just as important as the services provided.







Inclusion in Motion: The Inaugural Niagara VOLT Hockey Classic

The energy inside Canada Games Park was impossible to miss. Athletes sped across the court, teammates cheered from the sidelines, and families filled the stands for our first-ever Niagara VOLT Hockey Classic.

The tournament, held on Saturday, Nov. 8, brought together nearly 50 athletes from across Ontario, including teams from Barrie, Hamilton, London, Toronto, and Niagara, for a full day of competition, teamwork, and celebration. Athletes competed in divisions based on skill level, showcasing speed, strategy, and determination.

For Mason Rogers, the tournament represented something even bigger. "It's nice to be part of a team where I don't have to worry about my disability," Mason shared. "I have always wanted to play hockey, and now I can."

VOLT Hockey is an adaptive, electric-powered version of the sport that uses specialized motorized chairs controlled by joysticks, allowing athletes with physical disabilities to move, pass, and shoot.

For Mason, who lives with mild cerebral palsy, the sport has built more than athletic skills. It has strengthened confidence, leadership, and friendships. Beyond the competition, the Classic reflected the growing commitment across Niagara to accessible recreation. Families, coaches, volunteers, and supporters filled the stands, creating an atmosphere that emphasized encouragement as much as competition. The event highlighted how adaptive sport continues to build stronger connections between athletes, families, and the wider community, while expanding opportunities for meaningful participation.

The tournament highlighted something we see every day: recreation creates opportunities for belonging. As athletes celebrated goals, shared laughs, and supported one another, the Niagara VOLT Hockey Classic proved that inclusive sport is about much more than competition — it is about community.

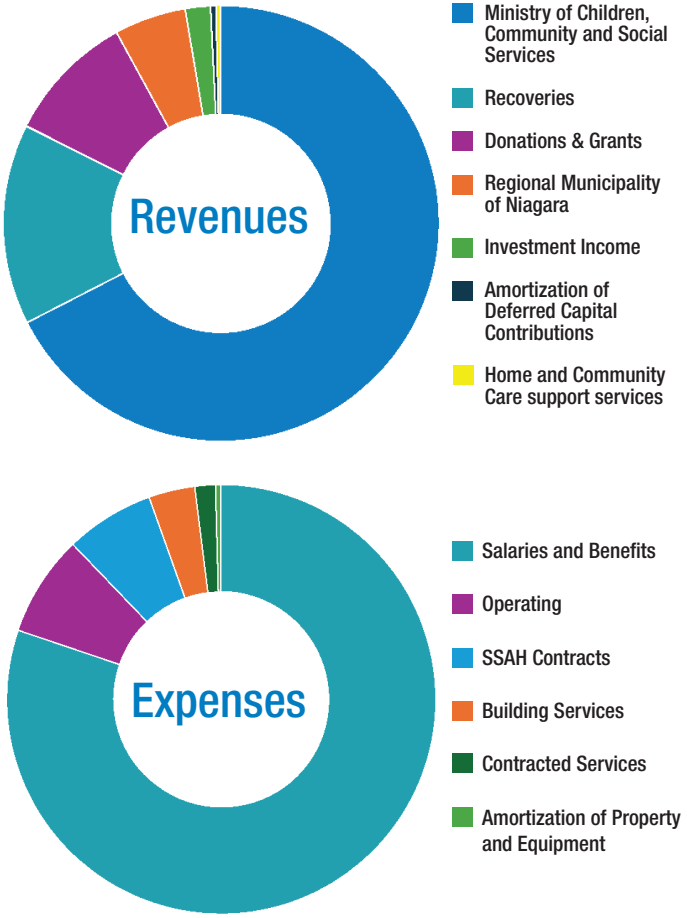
Statement of Operations

Years ended March 31

REVENUES	Total 2026	Total 2025
Ministry of Children, Community and Social Services	$13,061,328	$11,890,383
Regional Municipality of Niagara	$1,029,752	$654,872
Home & Community Care Support Services	$72,180	$88,459
Recoveries	$2,879,340	$2,052,467
Donations and Grants	$1,865,853	$1,060,811
Investment income	$361,418	$429,420
Amortization of Deferred Capital Contributions	$77,640	$82,908
	$19,347,511	**$16,259,320**

EXPENSES		
Salaries and Benefits	$14,441,779	$12,050,732
Operating	$1,376,202	$1,268,883
Building Services	$627,281	$431,769
Contracted Services	$278,508	$309,560
Special Service at Home Contracts	$1,205,455	$1,159,513
Amortization of Property & Equipment	$77,640	$82,908
	$18,006,865	**$15,303,365**
EXCESS (deficiency) of Revenues over Expenses	$1,340,646*	$955,955

*Transferred to capital and major repairs reserve to meet future building needs.



FUNDRAISING

Take a closer look at 2025-26 fundraising operations

REVENUE	
Contributions	$1,449,197
Grants and designated donations	$416,656
	$1,865,853

EXPENSES	
Salaries and Benefits	$182,611
Other fundraising costs	$71,636
	$254,247

Thank you to our funders:

Ministry of Children, Community & Social Services

Niagara Region

Auditors:

Doane Grant Thornton LLP, St. Catharines.

A complete set of audited financial statements is available upon request.

A Million Reasons to Celebrate: Superhero Run Reaches Historic Milestone

The 11th annual Superhero Run was about more than a successful day of fundraising. On Saturday, Oct. 4 at Brock University, participants, volunteers, sponsors, and supporters helped the event soar past an incredible milestone: more than $1 million raised since it began.

This year alone, nearly 700 community members, including more than 350 participants and 150 volunteers, helped raise $174,092, bringing the event's lifetime total to $1,031,120.

The Superhero Run has always been more than a race. Designed to be accessible and family-friendly, the event welcomes participants of all abilities to run, walk, or roll through courses built around inclusion, fun, and community connection. Families also enjoyed the popular one-kilometre route, featuring interactive activity stations where children could throw, smash, climb, and play their way to the finish line.

Among this year's many superheroes was Team Mighty Malcolm, whose story reflected exactly why the community continues to rally around the event.

Malcolm DeWildt has been supported by the Centre since infancy after being diagnosed with infantile spasms, a rare form of epilepsy. Through physiotherapy, occupational therapy, speech-language therapy, and family supports, Malcolm continues to reach milestones that once felt uncertain.



Participants start the 11th annual Superhero Run under the colourful archway at Brock University.

"Malcolm has had to work exceptionally hard to make progress, and we could not be prouder of him," shared his mother, Mary-Kate DeWildt. "He's just recently started sitting independently, which means he can engage with his surroundings so much more."

Team Mighty Malcolm became the event's top fundraising team, raising more than $6,700 with support from family and friends.

The Viola-Salter Group, a division of Scotia Wealth Management, returned as presenting sponsor for the 10th consecutive year. Partners Joe Viola and Grier Salter have been proud champions of the event for the last decade, contributing to more than $226,000 raised over its history.

As the final participants crossed the finish line, one message was clear: the Superhero Run is about more than fundraising. It is about community, inclusion, and ensuring children and families across Niagara continue to receive the support they need to thrive.

One million dollars raised represents countless acts of generosity. More importantly, it represents thousands of children whose journeys have been supported every step of the way.

Community Contributions

April 2025 to March 2026

$25,000+

City of St. Catharines- Mayor's SCORE Fund
Cla-Val Canada Corp
Estate of Mercia Naray
Great Wolf Lodge
Kiwanis Club Of St. Catharines
Niagara Community Foundation - Joseph Olascki Trust Fund
Niagara Community Foundation - David S. Howes Fund
Niagara Community Foundation - Niagara Children's Centre Fund
O'Hara Family Farm
O'Hara Trucking & Excavating Inc.
ScotiaMcleod Charitable Foundation
St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church
The Estate of Jim and Peggy White
The St. Catharines Club
The Viola-Salter Group - Scotia Wealth Management
Whiteoaks Communications Group

$10,000 - $24,999

Beaverloch Farms
CIBC Wood Gundy
Cotton Inc.
Dendres Corporation (McDonald's)
Gift Funds Canada
Gordon Wright Electric Ltd.
Niagara Catholic District School Board
Niagara Community Foundation
Niagara Community Foundation - Philip & Karen Court Family Fund

$10,000 - $24,999 continued

Ontario Power Generation
Rotary Club of St. Catharines
Stamford Kiwanis Club
Wise Guys Charity Fund

$5,000 - $9,999

Bayshore Masonry Limited
Boston Pizza - Pen Centre
Boston Pizza Foundation
BrokerLink Inc.
Canadian Tire Store- Niagara Falls
Doug & Cheryl Smith
Heavy Construction Association of Regional Niagara
Joel Fenwick
John McCartney
Marz Homes
Miriam Haj Ahmad
Mountainview Building Group
Outlet Collection at Niagara
Robert Orr & Judith Wiesinger
Rotary Club of Niagara Falls
Rotary Club of Welland
Sandtrap Pub & Grill
Sleep Cheap Charities Reap
Square One Forming
Strategic Charitable Giving Foundation - Dr. William Orr Foundation
The Steve and Mary Gaida Ohar Foundation - Supported by Aristocrat Floors
Town Of Lincoln

$5,000 - $9,999 continued

Welland Professional Firefighters Association
Wormald Masse Keen Lopinski LLP

$2,500 - $4,999

Al Kesh
BenefAction
Billyard Insurance Group
BNS Notes
Canada Gives
Centennial Homes
Darci & Eric Weinert
David Protomanni
Don & Karen Smith
Dorothy Harvey
Eleven Eleven Realty
For The Needy-Not The Greedy
Jays Care Foundation
Kelly Jones - Desjardins Insurance
Kiwanis Club of Welland
Kiwanis Convention
McMaster School of Rehabilitation Sciences - Charity Ball
Meridian Credit Union
MNP Ltd.
Niagara Corvette Club
Niagara IceDogs
PBO Group
Performance Toyota
Picton Mahoney Asset Management
Rankin Construction Inc.
Revel Realty Inc Brokerage

Community Contributions

April 2025 to March 2026

$2,500 - $4,999 continued

Ridley College
Rob & Patricia Neill
Salit Steel Ltd.
Scott Construction Niagara Inc
Stamford Lane United Church
Sullivan Mahoney LLP
SunOpta Inc.
Susan & David Siscoe
The Edith and Bernard Ennis Foundation
The May Court Club of St. Catharines
Thorold Automotive Solutions
Walker Industries

$1,000 - $2,499

Auld Reid Memorial Tournament Fund
Betty Lou Wark
Bob & Caroline Sagon-King
Boldt Realty Inc
BrandBlvd
CI Investments
Cindy & Derek Mewhinney
Circle P. Paving
Club Capri
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