



SEKWEHA

2023 ANNUAL REPORT

Revitalized and empowered:

a year of impact for Sekweha

Janvier Sekweha Youth Centre

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Inspiring our youth and enriching our community



Reflecting on 2023, Sekweha has continued to make great strides with the youth and in the community. Another generation has come through our doors bringing a new outlook on what the youth want and need from our centre. This changes with every generation and we aim to provide a positive environment for them to grow regardless. We've done a great job in 2023, but there is always room for improvement.

Sekweha's doors were open most days of the year, keeping the kids busy through various types of programming. We did close in March for renovations: new flooring and a kitchen remodel. Thank you to our sponsors for making this happen.

Our staff and youth are amazing. Most of our events had great turnouts, such as the CPFN member's graduation celebration, Halloween haunted house and costume contest, Christmas market, Winter Wonderland and the community bingo. We had numerous trips out of the community during the year as well, taking youth to Fort McMurray, Fort McKay, Fort Chipewyan and Boyle, just to name a few. I continue to be proud of the work our organization does throughout the year.

I have been a board member for Sekweha since 2018, helping provide leadership to this wonderful organization. Thank you to the community for electing me to continue in this position. I have been fortunate to be a part of great leadership teams, and I am very privileged to be part of the current board. I'd also like to welcome our new Executive Director, Candice Janvier. I look forward to working with Candice to continue propelling Sekweha and our youth forward. Thank you to everyone who supports Janvier Sekweha Youth Centre in all capacities.

Dustin Nokohoo

Sekweha Chair

Renewed spaces and endless opportunities



First, let me introduce myself. My name is Candice Janvier. I am originally from Northern Saskatchewan but have resided in Janvier with my husband Rodney since 2006, and together we have three children. I have a diploma in Business Management and a certificate in Culinary Arts.

March 2023 was a new chapter in my life, along with Janvier Sekweha Youth Centre, as I became the newest Executive Director. There was a lot of learning that came with the position, and I hope to continue the ongoing operations of Sekweha as we provide valuable resources and meaningful programs for our youth in the years to come.

That same month, Sekweha was closed to the public due to kitchen renovations. We had our grand reopening in April 2023, which was an absolute success. Our kitchen is bright and spacious and thoroughly enjoyed by our staff and youth, thanks to the cabinet sponsors and generous donations from our community.

Our 2023 year was full. Youth were able to partake in many programming and activities, within and outside of Sekweha, along with trips to events in other communities. These activities and events were focused on many different aspects, such as mental health awareness, basic life skills and cultural skills to empower youth.

Thank you to all of our staff and supporters for a great year. I look forward to what 2024 will bring to the Janvier Sekweha Youth Centre and our youth.

Candice Janvier

Executive Director

Sekweha Directors



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2023 Sekweha Staff

We are grateful to our staff for all of their hard work. Thank you for your continued dedication to our youth and for making a positive and meaningful impact in our community.

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In loving memory



Conrad Black

Sunrise, January 5, 1981
Sunset, October 27, 2023

Na-K Bro's Sponsor

Conrad Black was a local community member, owner of Na-K Bro's and an active sponsor of Sekweha. Conrad loved to see the youth engage in many activities, especially baseball and hockey.

He hosted his own tournaments and sponsored many events throughout the community, bringing so much joy and laughter everywhere he went.

Rest easy, Conrad, you will be missed.



Dallas Janvier

Sunrise, March 5, 2000
Sunset, August 20, 2023

Local Role Model

Dallas Janvier was a local role model and was also raised alongside Sekweha.

He was involved in many sports and was admirable in doing so. Many youth, friends and family found Dallas to be adventurous and inspiring.

Rest easy, Dallas, you will be missed.



Thank You Donors

A warm thank you to our generous donors. Your contributions enable us to create a true and positive impact for our youth and community.



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Sekweha would also like to thank the many organizations, companies and individuals who volunteer and provide donations of all kinds. Thank you for your support.

REVENUE SNAPSHOT



See the Financial Highlights section for additional information.



Programming and Activities

January 2023

- New Year's Eve Party: Fear Factor
- Food Safety
- Gym Nights
- Skating
- Arctic Winter Games
- Snowman Contest
- Arts & Crafts
- Sliding
- Vista Ridge Trip

February 2023

- Sledding
- Skating
- Valentine's Day Party
- Bake Sale Fundraiser
- Gym Nights
- Valentine's Arts & Crafts
- Kids Cooking & Baking
- Boy/Girl Day



March 2023

- Renovation Closure

Our kitchen remodel was a success!

We are so grateful to all those who made our new space a reality. Thank you for your donations and hard work, we are loving our refreshed space.

April 2023

- Re-Grand Opening
- Hockey Square Fundraisers
- Easter Egg Hunt



May 2023

- Painting with Wood Buffalo Library
- Lego Kit with Right to Play
- Baseball Development
- Annual Graduation Celebration & Ceremony
- Ball Hockey
- Challenges
- Kite Making
- Pizza Party
- Baseball Equipment Donated from Hockey Bros
- Girls/Boys Day
- Arts & Crafts
- Science Camp

June 2023

- Annual General Meeting
- Beach Day
- Anzac Nerf Wars
- Baseball
- Youth Meeting
- Outdoor Water Activities: Water Baseball, Slip n Slide, Water Guns



July 2023

- Beach Days
- Baseball
- Treaty Day Fundraiser
- Ribbon Skirt Making
- Tye Dye
- Arts & Crafts
- Minute to Win It
- Beading
- Movie Day
- Cooking & Baking
- Outdoor Water Activities: Water Baseball, Slip n Slide, Water Guns
- Painting
- Summer Student Employment Program
- McMurray Aviation with CAREERS

August 2023

- Drivers Education: Class 7 Learners
- First Aid
- Youth Sleepover at Sekweha
- Drum Making
- Swimming & Movie Trip to Fort McMurray
- Kickball
- Baseball
- Water Activities
- Summer Student Employment Program
- Beach Days



September 2023

- Baking
- Back to School Crafting
- Ribbon Skirt Making
- Baseball
- Athabasca Tribal Council Cultural Festival
- Edmonton Monster Truck Trip
- Arts & Crafts
- Challenges



October 2023

- Hi-Tek Archery & Leather Making
- Thanksgiving Bake Sale
- Arts & Crafts
- Park Games
- Fort McKay Youth Centre Trip
- Haunted House
- Halloween Party & Movie
- Community Prize Bingo
- Musical Chairs
- Thanksgiving Dinner

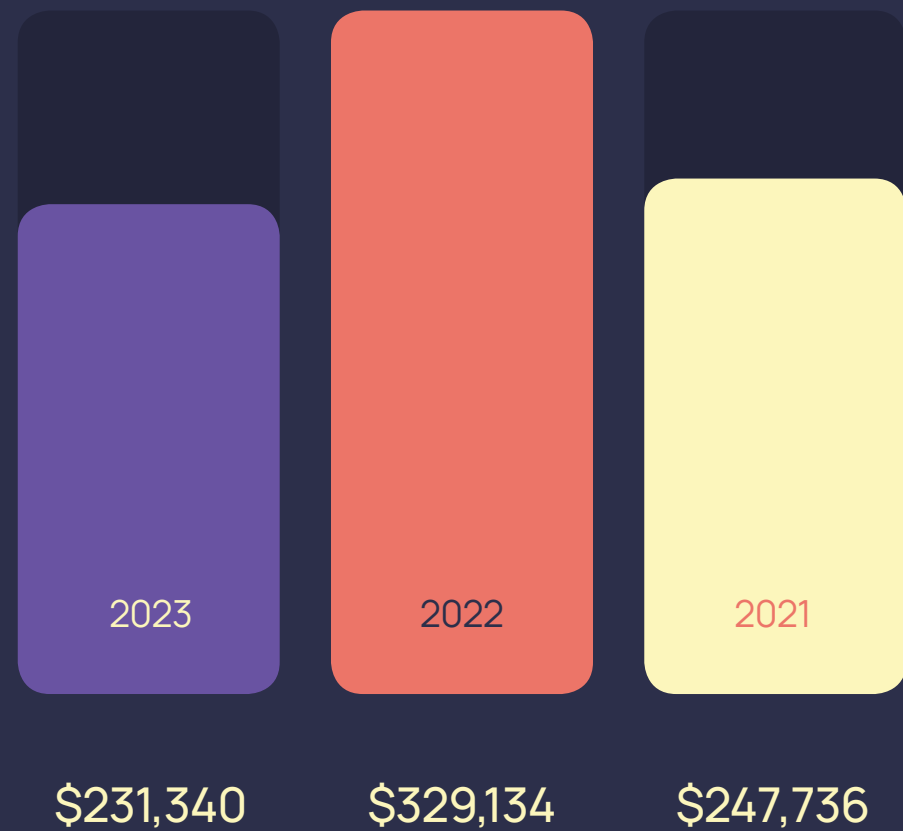
November 2023

- Fort Chip Youth Conference
- Arts & Crafts
- Beading Poppies for Remembrance Day
- Yoga
- Gym Nights
- Youth Meeting
- Minute to Win It: Fear Factor
- Prize Bingo
- Board Games

December 2023

- Annual Winter Wonderland Events
- Annual Christmas Market
- Annual Festival of Tree's Fundraiser
- Sliding
- Cookie Walk Fundraiser
- Movie Day
- Baking
- Snowflake Crafting
- Hide & Seek
- Tye Dye
- Prize Bingo

Retained Earnings



2024 Goals

- 1 Continue to keep children, youth and families safe.
- 2 Expand on opportunities to learn other sporting activities.
- 3 Provide programming to develop skills, knowledge and values in all aspects of life.
- 4 Provide land-based learning opportunities such as hunting, medicines, snaring and ice fishing.



FOR THE YOUTH

