



TransAlta  
Tri Leisure Centre

# ANNUAL REPORT 2023



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## VISION STATEMENT

Inspiring quality life experiences and healthy, active living.

## MISSION STATEMENT

To enrich the well-being of our communities by providing exceptional activity and lifestyle opportunities in high-quality facilities.

## CORE VALUES

Adaptability, Collaboration, Inclusion, Integrity, Respect and Safety.

# Greetings from the Board Chair



**Jerry George**  
Board Chair

## Greetings from the Board

For the first time in few years, the facility returned to the constant hum of activity we have come accustomed to and its exciting to walk through the doors and feel the energy back in the building! The TransAlta Tri Leisure Centre saw a complete return of programs, service levels and events and the Board of Directors couldn't be happier! The Tri Municipal Region has come to rely on the TLC for a wide array of sport, recreation and fitness opportunities and we are very pleased to be able to be the go-to location for so many!

The TLC Board of Directors is very proud of our entire TLC staff who work so hard to provide programs and services for our residents and visitors. Without our great staff, the TLC simply couldn't be the facility it is today, and we thank them for continuing to rise to and overcome all the challenges put in front of them. Great work team!

From a capital and infrastructure perspective, the Board works in collaboration with our Administration and the three owner Municipal Councils to invest funds to continuously upgrade components of the facility to keep it up-to-date, modern, and relevant. Some of this work is visible, some of it is behind the scenes, but each year there are significant improvements made to the facility.

We are excited for the years ahead at the TLC and hope to see you all in 2024!

# Board of Directors

The TransAlta Tri Leisure Centre is governed by a Board of Directors comprised of two public representatives and one elected official from each municipality. Each year, our Board members work together to make sure the TLC is and continues to be a champion of community involvement and healthy, active living in the Tri-Municipal Region. For board member contact information, please visit our website at [www.trileisure.com](http://www.trileisure.com).

## JERRY GEORGE

Chair,  
Public Representative  
Town of Stony Plain

## ROB HAGG

Vice-Chair,  
Public Representative  
Parkland County

## ERIN STEVENSON

Elected Official  
City of Spruce Grove

## PAT HANSARD

Elected Official  
Town of Stony Plain

## SALLY KUCHER-JOHNSON

Elected Official  
Parkland County

## TODD HAIST

Public Representative  
Town of Stony Plain

## JAY GRANLEY

Public Representative  
City of Spruce Grove

## MICHELLE GRUHLKE

Public Representative  
City of Spruce Grove

## BRENDA BUCHKO

Public Representative  
Parkland County



## Message from the GM



**Lenny Richer**  
General Manager

2023 was a truly remarkable year all around for TLC and it was busy! Programs were busting at the seams, service levels and spontaneous use were extremely high, facility user groups were back in full force, and we had a wide array of new and returning special events. In short, we were busy!! The hum of the facility and the facility was truly back in terms of simultaneous multi-use, which is what the TLC is all about!

In addition, we continued to implement our long-term capital and infrastructure plan thanks to the support of the three owner municipalities (City of Spruce Grove, Town of Stony Plain and Parkland County) as well as through unique partnerships and grant funding. A few of the facility improvements in 2023 included:  
Replacement of the arena condenser and cooling tower  
Renovation of the former Shotz Lounge, turning it into a multi-purpose space both for programs as well as rentals opportunities.  
Addition of a new electronic scoreboard/digital screen in the aquatic center thanks to a partnership with the Parkland Pirates Aquatic Club.  
Upgraded lockers in the men's and women's change rooms.

On behalf of our entire team, thank you to all of you who accessed the facility in 2023 whether it was a one-time visit or daily visits, we appreciate you all! We work very hard to ensure each visit is an enjoyable one, so thank you for your continued feedback to help us make that happen.

We are very excited about what 2024 has in store for the TLC as well as the Tri Municipal Region and we hope you are too!

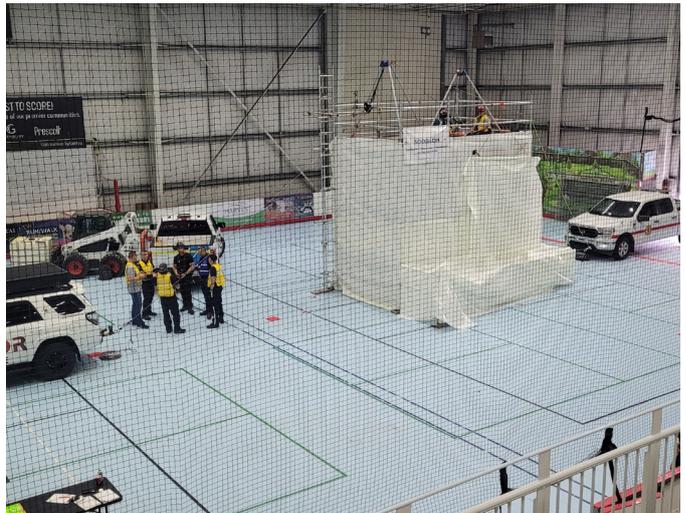
# CANTIRO™

COMMUNITIES

Cantiro has been a cornerstone in community building for over 25 years, dedicated to creating environments where amazing lives happen.

Cantiro's commitment extends beyond land development and home construction to support community initiatives like the Tri-Leisure Centre, a hub for health and wellness in the tri-municipal region of Spruce Grove, Stony Plain and Parkland County. By investing in such communal hubs, Cantiro ensures that neighbourhoods become vibrant spaces where residents can connect, grow, and enjoy amazing lives.

"At Cantiro, our passion is to create thriving communities that inspire connections and enrich lives, ensuring every resident feels a part of something greater," says Katrina Rowe, President of Communities at Cantiro.





# Year in Review WELLNESS

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## WELLNESS | FITNESS

	TOTALS	
	2022	2023
Registered Programs Offered	113	119
Registered Programs Taken	61	64
Registered Program Participants	508	501
Drop-In Program Options	10	10
Drop-In Programs Offered	602	616
Drop-in Participants	6451	7245

### 1 NEW EQUIPMENT

Completed Fitness Equipment Capital installation in July 2023. We replaced the 7 items listed below and purchased a new Multi-Jungle Cable Crossover.

Strength:

- o Chest Press
- o Bicep Curl
- o Triceps Extension
- o Standing Calf Raise
- o Shoulder Press
- o MTS Row

Cardio:

- o Treadmill

### 3 SOUND SYSTEM

January 2023 a new sound system was installed in the Studio and Spin Platform to reduce maintenance needs and improve sound clarity for fitness classes.

### 2 OPTIMIZED SPACE

The Fitness Centre was reorganized to optimize space, improve traffic flow, and to couple similar training machines together for more efficient workouts.



# Year in Review

## WELLNESS | Children & Youth

	TOTALS	
	2022	2023
Registered Programs Offered	150	83
Registered Programs Taken	66	63
Registered Program Participants	1142	996
Child Minding Participants	n/a	1132

### 1 RE-SIGNED AFFORDABILITY GRANT

January 2023, TLC Preschool re-signed the Affordability Grant Agreement with the Government of Alberta. The agreement offers wage top ups for Preschool employees who meet the requirements and subsidizes program fees for families who qualify.

### 2 CANADA SUMMER JOBS FUNDING

We received \$12,600 from Canada Summer Jobs grant funding which supported 3 students as TLC Summer Camp Instructors.

### 3 2023-2024 PLAY PARKLAND

From 9 schools we had 1200 students participate in the 2023-2024 PLAY Parkland program. We received \$2500 from Canadian Tire Jumpstart- Community Development Grant, which was used to decrease the registration fee for students in financial need.

### 4 CHILD MINDING SERVICES

Child Minding services resumed in January 2023 after closing due to the pandemic in 2020.





Parkland Pirates Aquatic Club  
Aquatic Centre CLO  
for Swim Meet  
SATURDAY JULY 29 10:00 AM

# Year in Review AQUATICS

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## AQUATICS

	TOTALS	
	2022	2023
Registered Programs Offered	1485*	1553
Participants	5,836**	7906
Drop-In Programs Offered	636	609*
Drop-In Participants	17,206	20328

\* Original program offerings; does not include cancelled programs

\*\* Excludes impacted participants from Leisure Pool closure.

### 1 LEISURE POOL RE-OPENED

We re-opened the Leisure Pool after its unexpected closure in October 2022. The remainder of the holiday school break and the month was BUSY in the aquatics centre! People missed having access to the Leisure Pool for three months and were eager to visit us in January.

### 3 NEW PROGRAM COORDINATOR

Donna McKean, Aquatics Program Coordinator for 16 years, retired. Chris Kay, long standing staff member and full-time Shift Leader filled her shoes, which she did the previous year for three months while covering a medical leave.

### 2 NEW SWIM PROGRAM MODEL

The Winter program session was when we launched the new swim program model. We made our own additions to the Lifesaving Society learn-to-swim program, so it was comparable to the Red Cross model we previously offered.

### 4 ANNUAL POOL SHUTDOWN

Annual Pool Shutdown occurred between September 4th-24th. Regular pool shutdown tasks occurred – scrubbing basins, painting, deep clean changerooms, changing out baffles and socks – but the bigger items were:

- o Reinforcement of the slide platform
- o Slide flume repair
- o Reinforcement of the pillar bases
- o Steamroom repair
- o Air Handling Unit work
- o New locker install





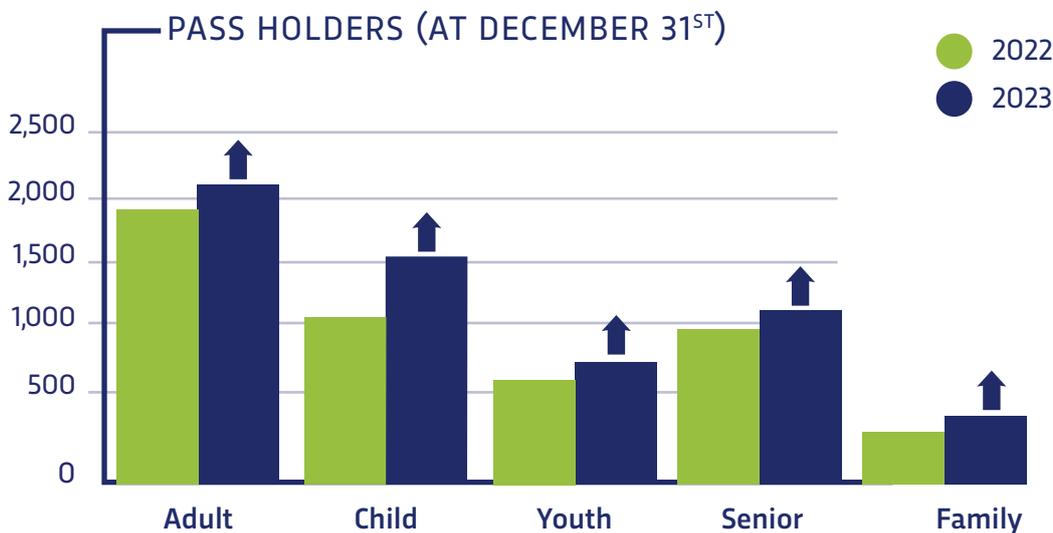
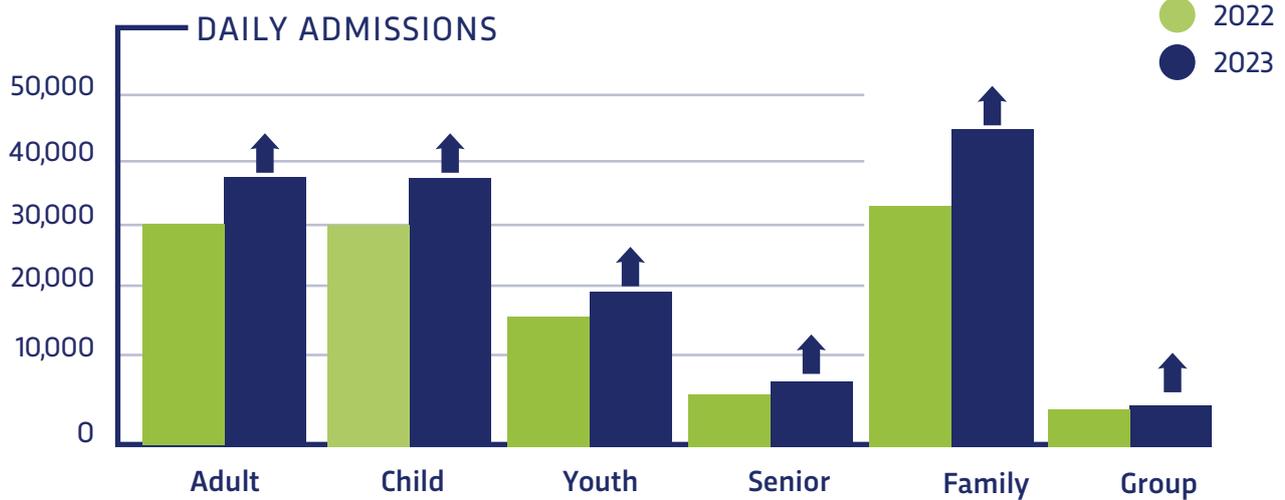
# Year in Review in Numbers

# Daily Admissions and Pass Holders

# Year in Review USAGE

MEMBER & PASS HOLDERS	2022	2023
Adult	1,714	2,189
Child	1,206	1,517
Youth	587	691
Senior	950	1,123
Family (up to 5 people)	22	33
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>4,479</b>	<b>5,553</b>

DAILY ADMISSIONS	2022	2023
Adult	30,610	38,168
Child	30,107	38,014
Youth	16,718	19,309
Senior	3,585	4,775
Family (up to 5 persons)	36,590	45,285
Family (6 or more youth)	1,004	1,241
Group	436	505
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>119,050</b>	<b>147,297</b>



# Report of the Independent Auditor

## Report of the Independent Auditor on the Financial Summary



To the Board of Directors of the TransAlta Tri Leisure Centre:

### Opinion

The financial summary is derived from the audited financial statements of the TransAlta Tri Leisure Centre (the "Centre") for the year ended December 31, 2023.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial summary is a fair summary of the audited financial statements.

### Financial Summary

The financial summary does not contain all the disclosures required by Canadian public sector accounting standards. Reading the financial summary and the auditor's report thereon, therefore, is not a substitute for reading the audited financial statements and the auditor's report thereon. The financial summary and the audited financial statements do not reflect the effects of events that occurred subsequent to the date of our report on the audited financial statements.

### The Audited Financial Statements and Our Report Thereon

We expressed an unmodified audit opinion on the audited financial statements in our report dated March 14, 2024.

### Management's Responsibility for the Financial Summary

Management is responsible for the preparation of the financial summary.

### Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on whether the financial summary is a fair summary of the audited financial statements based on our procedures, which were conducted in accordance with Canadian Auditing Standards (CAS) 810, Engagements to Report on Summary Financial Statements.

Leduc, Alberta

June 5, 2024

*MNP* LLP

Chartered Professional Accountants

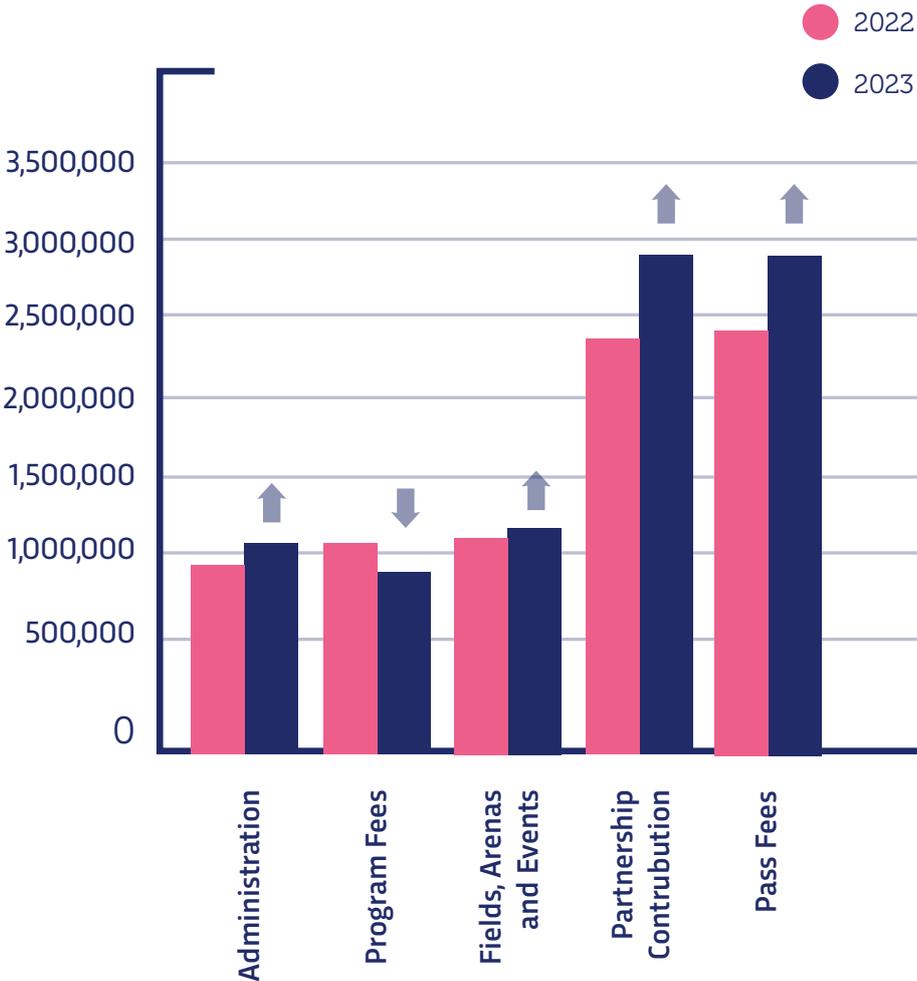


# Financial Summary

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## Operating Revenue

OPERATING REVENUES	2022	2023
Administration	\$907,604	\$1,210,965
Program Fees	\$1,109,118	\$875,001
Rentals: Fields/Arena/Events/Aquatics	\$1,063,060	\$1,180,527
Partnership Contribution	\$2,453,545	\$2,944,881
Pass Fees	\$2,374,363	\$2,976,893
<b>TOTAL OPERATING REVENUE</b>	<b>\$7,907,690</b>	<b>\$9,188,267</b>

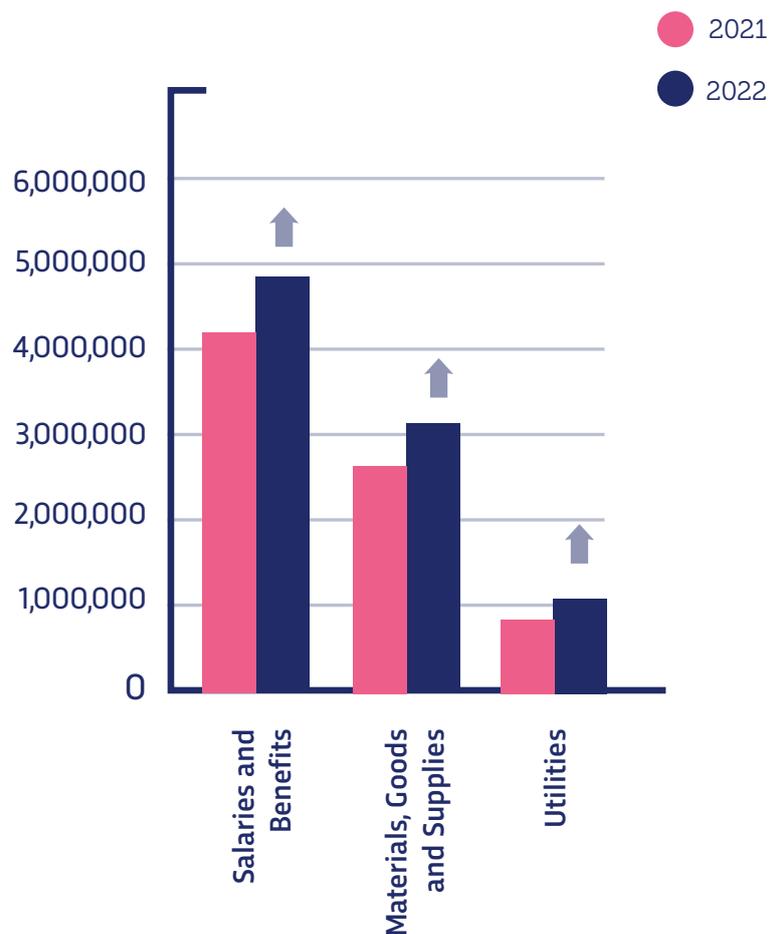


# Financial SUMMARY

## Operating Expenses

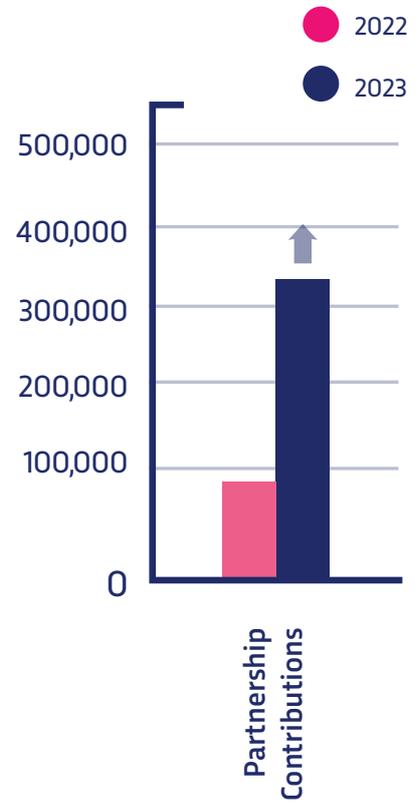
OPERATING EXPENSES	2022	2023
Salaries and Benefits	\$4,121,720	\$4,737,103
Materials, Goods and Supplies*	\$2,627,748	\$3,133,582
Utilities	\$996,854	\$1,024,262
<b>TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$7,746,322</b>	<b>\$8,894,947</b>

\* Excludes depreciation.



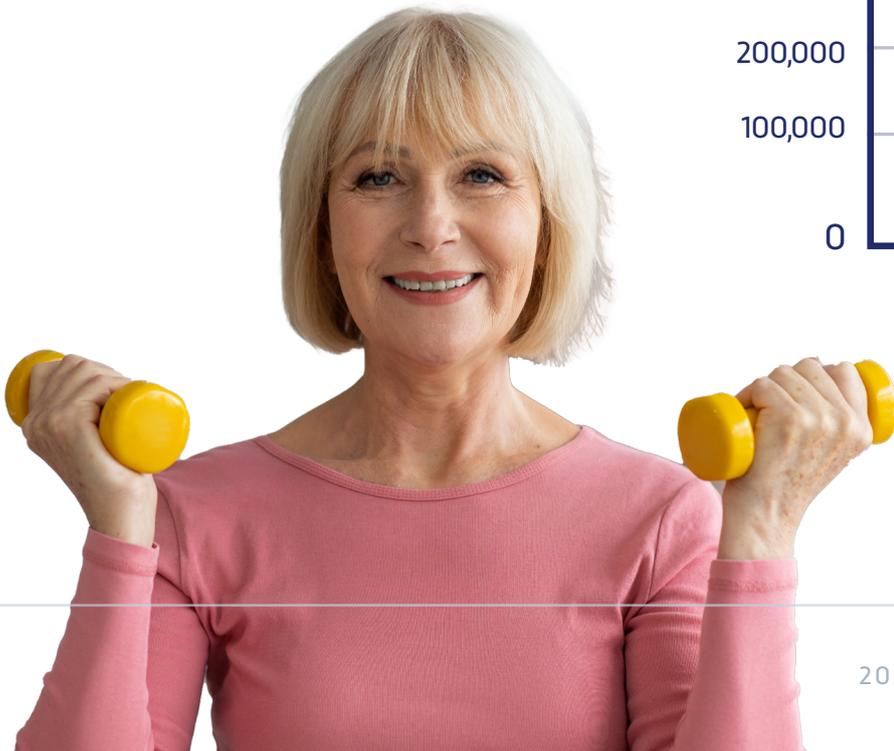
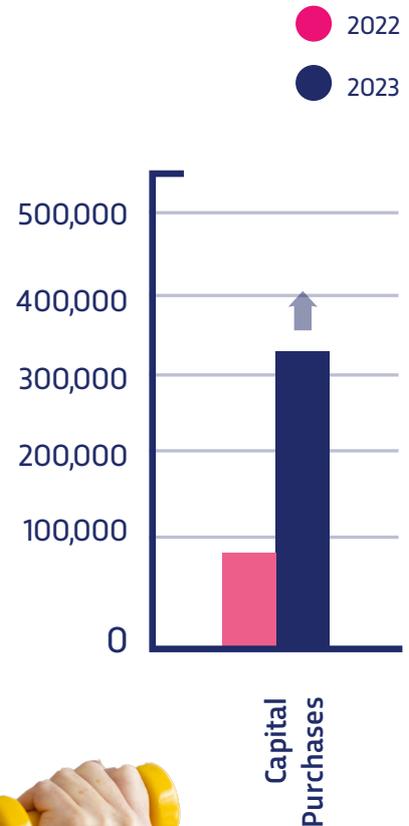
## Capital Revenue

CAPITAL REVENUE	2022	2023
Partnership Contributions	\$93,133	\$324,300
Donations	0	\$122,900
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$93,133</b>	<b>\$447,200</b>



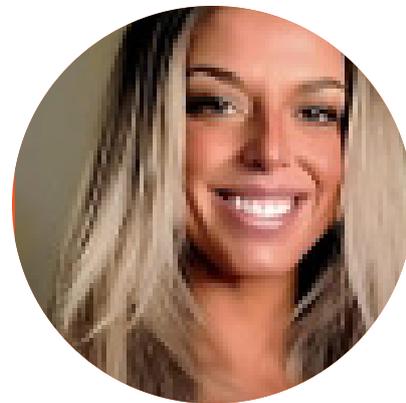
## Capital Purchases

CAPITAL PURCHASES	2022	2023
Capital Purchases	\$93,133	\$447,200
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$93,133</b>	<b>\$447,200</b>



# Staff Profile

## CHRIS KAY



### How long have you worked at?

It will be 16 years in September at the TLC.

### What inspired you to pursue a career in Aquatics?

I started working at the TLC in high school, so I didn't want to have a job where I wouldn't enjoy what I was doing, where I wasn't learning anything and where I couldn't grow. This was the perfect spot, and I have always loved swimming. I was a kid that you could never get out of the pool. I spent most of my summers at the Stony Pool. It was also a good career choice for getting myself through university. Very flexible.

### In the 16 years, how has your role evolved?

I started as a lifeguard/instructor when I was in high school and after I completed university. I decided I wanted to take on more leadership roles, so I applied for a part-time leadership position and then applied for a full-time position when the opportunity came up. I applied for that, and I got it.

So that was great. I was a full-time shift leader for five years. (Maybe a little longer) During my role as a full-time shift leader, I also had the opportunity to work as a scheduler, which was a nice challenge. That was definitely different from being on the pool deck and dealing with the public.

I was also always very passionate about instructing, so I constantly talked to Donna McKeen, discussed lessons, and got into teaching leadership courses like WSI because that's where my passion really was.

When Donna went on medical leave, I took her spot for a few months while she was away, and I really liked it. I applied for the role when she was retiring. And here I am.

### Do you ever get to go out and instruct anymore?

I can do leadership courses. It's been a little busy right now since I had this position. I haven't had the opportunity to teach. But while I was working as a shift lead, I was still teaching a lot. But in the last year, I haven't had the time.

### Are you going to try to balance that somehow?

Eventually, I plan to return to teaching more leadership courses once everything is settled.

### How long have you been in the current role of your aquatic program coordinator?

It will be one year, on June 30th.

### What are the key responsibilities and duties you oversee in your role?

In my role, I am in charge of programming lessons and deciding what lessons we will be running and if there are programs we should tweak. Also, all the instructors report directly to me, so I make sure that they're getting the guidance that they need, that they feel ready to teach, and try to figure out any sort of things that I can do to help them be their best at instructing.

### What is the most rewarding part of your job here at the TLC?

When I go out on the pool deck and watch lessons, I see all the participants' smiling faces and how much they're enjoying their lessons. Also, listening to the instructors and saying how they love this class or how this kid really improved is the most rewarding part. That's really why I took this job: I wanted to see that growth in the instructors and in the community.



# Board Member Profile

## ROB HAGG



### How long have you lived in the region?

I have lived in the Blueberry area of Parkland County just west of Stony Plain for the past 25 years.

### What are some of your favourite activities to do at the TLC?

I workout in the fitness centre somewhat regularly and have made many friendships over my 20 years of membership. I enjoy playing pickleball in the gym or field house and like playing hockey at the TLC (great dressing rooms!).

### Why did you decide to become a TLC board member?

The TLC has provided so much to me and my family as my two sons learned to swim in the pool and learned to skate and played much of their minor hockey in the facility. My boys played lacrosse, soccer, badminton and inline hockey as well and my wife's ringette home ice was at the Centre so I wanted to give back because of everything the TLC has done for me and my family.

### What have you enjoyed most during your time on the board?

Meeting and getting to know the members of the board and seeing their commitment to the TLC has been very rewarding. Discussing the perspectives of the board members representing the three municipalities and coming to decisions that reflect the values of our organization contribute to making the TLC an amazing facility.

### What event or events do you look forward to at the TLC?

I really enjoy walking into the TLC when large youth sport tournaments are being hosted as it's very busy with families cheering on their kids and the young athletes laughing and reliving their games as they come off the fields or ice. There is an excitement or buzz in the facility that I really enjoy feeling.

### What personally or as a board member did you learn this year?

I have learned about the different job positions and duties of many of the staff and see their passion and dedication to fulfilling the mission of the TLC. I have also learned financial terms that are new to me, such as actuarial valuation and accrual accounting.

### What do you hope the future will bring for the TLC?

I hope that the TLC continues to be a hub of activities for our three municipalities and that it improves the health and wellness of our community members.



# STAFF LONG SERVICE AWARDS

We are pleased to celebrate the success of our dedicated staff. Congratulations to the following TLC team members who received long-time service awards in 2023.

## 5 YEAR Service Awards

Huber, Leanza  
Paananen, Amie  
Breitkreuz, Leah  
Crooks, Ashley  
Boutin, Pamela  
Hayward, Martha  
Carter, Jennifer  
Richer, Lenny  
Kisiloski, Kody  
Skolseg, Colson

## 10 YEAR Service Awards

Bass, Beatta  
Nickerson, Denise  
Hill, Trevor  
Puhov, Josephine  
Woloszyn, Adrienne

## 15 YEAR Service Awards

Kay, Christine  
Saunders, Kristal

## 20 YEAR Service Awards

Gabel, Gwen  
Hintz, Angela  
Whiffin, Joanna



# CORPORATE SPONSORSHIP

The TLC believes that a strong and vibrant business community fuels the growth of healthy, active communities. We are thrilled to have tremendous relationships with a variety of local businesses that truly value community health and wellness. Corporate

sponsorships are vital to allowing the TLC to engage with the broader community and to partner with like-minded organizations in the promotion of healthy, active living.





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