

AUTISM SOCIETY CANADA
Financial Statements
Year Ended December 31, 2020

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Members of Autism Society Canada

Qualified Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Autism Society Canada (the Society), which comprise the statement of financial position as at December 31, 2020, and the statements of changes in net assets, revenues and expenditures and cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

In our opinion, except for the possible effects of the matter described in the *Basis for Qualified Opinion* section of our report, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Society as at December 31, 2020, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations.

Basis for Qualified Opinion

In common with many not-for-profit organizations, the Society derives revenue from fundraising activities and donations, the completeness of which is not susceptible to satisfactory audit verification. Accordingly, verification of these revenues was limited to the amounts recorded in the records of the Society. Therefore, we were not able to determine whether any adjustments might be necessary to fundraising revenue, excess of revenues over expenses, and cash flows from operations for the year ended December 31, 2020, current assets and net assets as at December 31, 2020. Our audit opinion on the financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2019 was modified accordingly because of the possible effects of this limitation of scope.

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 Society 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 those requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our qualified audit opinion.

Responsibilities of Management and Those Charged with Governance for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations, and for 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 Society's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters relating to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the Society or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the Society's financial reporting process.

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT *(continued)*

Auditor's Responsibilities 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 Society'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 Society'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 Society 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 those charged with governance 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.

London, Ontario
May 27, 2021

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Statement of Financial Position
December 31, 2020

	2020	2019
ASSETS		
CURRENT		
Cash	\$ 413,034	\$ 178,011
Marketable securities	83,688	73,288
Accounts receivable	29,102	43,912
Harmonized sales tax recoverable	2,962	13,323
Prepaid expenses	2,660	2,660
	\$ 531,446	\$ 311,194
 LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS		
CURRENT		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ 12,635	\$ 33,007
Deferred revenue (Note 3)	138,952	28,999
	151,587	62,006
 NET ASSETS		
Unrestricted	375,067	244,396
Internally restricted	4,792	4,792
	379,859	249,188
	\$ 531,446	\$ 311,194

ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD



Dermot Cleary, Chair



Tim Berry, Treasurer

AUTISM SOCIETY CANADA
Statement of Changes in Net Assets
Year Ended December 31, 2020

	Unrestricted	Internally Restricted	2020	2019
NET ASSETS - BEGINNING OF YEAR	\$ 244,396	\$ 4,792	\$ 249,188	\$ 238,638
Excess of revenues over expenditures	130,671	-	130,671	10,550
NET ASSETS - END OF YEAR	\$ 375,067	\$ 4,792	\$ 379,859	\$ 249,188

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Statement of Revenues and Expenditures
Year Ended December 31, 2020

	2020	2019
REVENUES		
Grants (Note 3)	\$ 313,902	\$ 306,866
Donations	200,635	229,976
Canada Emergency Wage Subsidy	67,148	-
Events	19,806	6,000
Investment income	4,615	1,257
Merchandise sales	-	600
Supporting membership dues	-	75
	<u>606,106</u>	<u>544,774</u>
EXPENDITURES		
Salaries and wages	327,609	318,453
Project expenses	72,728	139,571
Professional fees	36,466	10,300
Office	21,444	32,002
Advertising and promotion	6,919	4,712
Website	4,922	4,228
Insurance	3,262	3,013
Travel	859	15,188
Interest and bank charges	347	483
Training	343	170
Consulting	324	4,816
Advocacy	200	-
Meals and entertainment	12	788
Advisory council and committees	-	156
Translation	-	344
	<u>475,435</u>	<u>534,224</u>
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES	<u>\$ 130,671</u>	<u>\$ 10,550</u>

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Statement of Cash Flows
Year Ended December 31, 2020

	2020	2019
OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Excess of revenues over expenditures	\$ 130,671	\$ 10,550
Item not affecting cash:		
Gain on market value of marketable securities	(4,412)	-
	<u>126,259</u>	<u>10,550</u>
Changes in non-cash working capital:		
Accounts receivable	14,810	(11,150)
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	(20,372)	21,044
Deferred revenue	109,953	28,999
Harmonized sales tax payable	10,361	(10,092)
	<u>114,752</u>	<u>28,801</u>
Cash flow from operating activities	<u>241,011</u>	<u>39,351</u>
INVESTING ACTIVITY		
Purchase of marketable securities	(5,988)	(22,662)
INCREASE IN CASH FLOW	235,023	16,689
Cash - beginning of year	<u>178,011</u>	<u>161,322</u>
CASH - END OF YEAR	\$ 413,034	\$ 178,011

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DESCRIPTION OF OPERATIONS

Autism Society Canada (the "society", operating as Autism Canada) was founded in 1976 and incorporated without share capital under the Canada Corporations Act. On May 28, 2015 the Society amalgamated with Autism Canada Foundation under Section 208 of the Canada Not-for-profit Corporations Act.

The society is a hub of knowledge and understanding about autism spectrum disorders, and its mandate is to work collaboratively with provincial and territorial organizations to champion priorities and advocate for Canadians living with autism; curate the exchange of information between individuals with autism spectrum disorders, families, professionals, researchers, governments and the public; and, share best practices and programs.

The society is a registered charity and accordingly, is exempt from income taxes.

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of presentation

The financial statements were prepared in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations.

Revenue recognition

Autism Society Canada follows the deferral method of accounting for contributions.

Restricted contributions are recognized as revenue in the year in which the related expenses are incurred. Unrestricted contributions are recognized as revenue when received or receivable if the amount to be received can be reasonably estimated and collection is reasonably assured.

Contributed services

Volunteers contribute a significant amount of their time each year. Contributed services are only recognized in the financial statements when a fair value can be reasonably estimated and when the services are used in the normal course of the organization's operations and would otherwise have been purchased.

Internally restricted net assets

The society has internally restricted net assets. The internally restricted awards are comprised of funds received to award bursaries in the memory of Warren Lowe and scholarships in memory of Dr. Peter Zwack, former president of the society. These funds are restricted for the award of bursaries and scholarships to persons with autism, and are not otherwise available to be used in the operations of the society.

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1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES *(continued)*

Measurement uncertainty

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 amount of assets and liabilities, disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenditures during the period. Such estimates are periodically reviewed and any adjustments necessary are reported in operations in the period in which they become known. Actual results could differ from these estimates.

Marketable securities

Investments for which there are quoted prices in an active market are carried at fair value. Unrealized gains or losses are reported as part of excess of revenues over expenses.

2. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

The society is exposed to various risks through its financial instruments and has a comprehensive risk management framework in place to monitor, evaluate and manage these risks. The following analysis provides information about the society's risk exposure and concentration. There have been no significant change to the nature or concentration of these risks from the prior year, unless otherwise noted.

In the opinion of management, the society is not exposed to significant credit, liquidity, currency, or other price risks arising from its financial instruments.

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. The society is exposed to market risk with its marketable securities.

Interest rate risk

Interest rate risk is the risk that the value of a financial instrument might be adversely affected by a change in the interest rates. In seeking to minimize the risks from interest rate fluctuations, the society manages exposure through its normal operating and financing activities. The society is exposed to interest rate risk primarily through its marketable securities.

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3. DEFERRED REVENUE

The society received a \$135,000 (2019 - \$116,000) government grant to be spent on Performance and Accountability Framework Operating Funding project. To date, revenue totalling \$94,500 (2019 - \$87,000) has been recognized and is included in the grant revenue. The remaining funds of \$40,500 (2019 - \$29,000) will be spent and recognized as revenue in the subsequent year.

The society received a \$104,864 government grant to be spent on Covid-19 Pandemic Response and Support program. To date, revenue totalling \$17,923 has been recognized and is included in the grant revenue. The remaining funds of \$86,941 will be spent and recognized as revenue in the subsequent year.

The society received \$171,255 government grant to be spent on the Search and Rescue New Initiatives Fund. To date, revenue totalling \$159,743 (2019 - \$216,262) has been recognized and is included in the grant revenue. The remaining funds of \$11,511 will be spent and recognized as revenue in the subsequent year.

4. COVID-19

The outbreak of Coronavirus Disease 2019, or COVID-19, has spread across the globe and is impacting worldwide economic activity. This global pandemic poses the risk that the Society or its donors, employees, contractors, suppliers, and other partners may be unable to provide services for an indefinite period of time. While it is not possible at this time to estimate the impact that COVID-19 could have on the Society's services, the continued spread of COVID-19 and the measures taken by the federal, provincial, and municipal governments to contain its impact could adversely impact the Society's services, financial condition or results of operations.

Specifically, the Society has so far experienced some reduction in donations from its donors. As a result the Society may experience a reduction in revenue in fiscal 2021. To offset a possible revenue decrease, the Society has reviewed its expenses, and deferred or reduced those expenses where possible. The Society also applied for the government programs and subsidies for which it qualified.

The extent to which the COVID-19 outbreak impacts the Society's future financial results will depend on future developments that are highly uncertain and cannot be predicted, including new information that may emerge concerning the spread of the virus and government actions.
