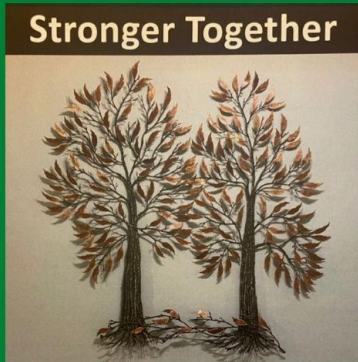




Square One Community Inc.

AGM

Jan. 1, 2024- Dec. 31, 2024



To help adults who are housing in-secure by building, coordinating, and strengthening the continuum of supports.



Dedicated to
CHRISTINE BOYCZUK
♥ **WITH ALL OF OUR LOVE** ♥
December 17, 1946-February 10, 2025

The Board of Directors, Staff, and Friends of Square One Community Inc. are mourning the loss of one of our Directors, dear Christine Boyczuk, whose untimely passing has saddened and shocked us and our community. Christine was one of the Founding Members of Square One Community and we will be forever grateful for the leadership, guidance, and mentorship she displayed while working to build this organization. Though diminutive in physical size, Christine's presence and her heart were HUGE. She was very responsive to community member needs and recognized the plight of individuals who faced housing insecurity.

Many in the community will join us in grieving the loss of Christine, as she had numerous connections in the community through service clubs, her faith community and organizations. A recipient of numerous community and provincial awards, including 2018 Citizen of the Year, Queen Elizabeth II Golden Jubilee medal (2002), Saskatchewan Centennial Medal (2005), the Business Women of Moose Jaw 2016 PRISM Lifetime Achievement, Saskatchewan Volunteer Medal (2019). Christine is well-known and respected for her contributions and gift for mobilizing community. Through all her accomplishments and awards, Christine remained very humble and would consistently give credit to the teams and others with whom she worked.

Christine led through example and her demonstration of citizenship and service to others. Her love for children and her heart for vulnerable groups was evident in her work and life. Our hearts and thoughts are with Christine's family and many friends during this difficult time.

She has left a tremendous legacy in the Moose Jaw community and we will all share in the loss of an exceptional light in this world.

Mary Lee Booth
Square One Community President



ANNUAL General Meeting Agenda

Square One Community Inc.

Wednesday, April 16, 2025

2:00 pm- 138 Fairford St. W.

Attendees:

Regrets:

Treaty 4 Land Recognition

Dedication to Christine Boyczuk (1946-2025) – A Founding Member of Square One Community

1. Call to Order and Opening Remarks

Motion: To appoint Anne-Marie Ursan as Chair for the Annual Meeting of Square One Community.

1.1: Introduction of Current Directors:

President-

Vice President – Anne-Marie Ursan

Secretary- Della Ferguson

Treasurer-Paul Wilder

Directors: Terry Hutchinson, Bernie Doepker

2. Approval of Agenda – Motion

3. Approval of April 17, 2024 Minutes of AGM (included in Annual Report) Motion:

4. President's Report (submitted by M. L. Booth)

5. GM Report-(M. Eckstein)

6. Financial Report (P. Wilder)

6.1 Motion: to approve the 2024 financial statements

6.2 Bank Signing Authority for 2024-25

Motion: that the Bank signing authority for 2025-2026 be two of the following: Paul Wilder, Della Ferguson and Bernie Doecker

6.3 Review Engagement (Paul Wilder)

6.4 Appointment of Auditor (Paul Wilder)

That MWC be the auditor, if required.

MOTION

Committee report submissions:

6.5 Fundraising (Della)

6.6 Executive – (Mary Lee)

6.7 Communication (Della)

6.8 Grants (Mary Lee)

6.9 Human Resources/Policy- (Terry)

6.10 Supportive Housing – (Anne-Marie)

Motion: That the committee reports be accepted as circulated.

7. Election of the Board of Directors 2025-26 (Motion: that the slate of officers as presented be approved

President: 1 year term-Della Ferguson

Vice-President: 2 year term-Bernie Doecker

Secretary: 1 year term-

Treasurer: 2 year term-Paul Wilder

Director: 2 year Term- Dave Stevenson

Director: 2 year Term-James Zick

Director: 2-year Term-Crystal Lockyer

9. Adjournment:

Recording Secretary: Della Ferguson

President



2023 ANNUAL General Meeting Minutes

Square One Community Inc.

Wednesday, April 17, 2024

4:15 pm- 138 Fairford St. W.

Attendees: Della Ferguson, Bernie Doepker, Anne-Marie Ursan, Paul Wilder, Mary Lee Booth, Sue Karner

Regrets: Terry Hutchinson, Christine Boyczuk, Crystal Lockyer, Noreen Edmondson

Treaty 4 Land Recognition- Della

- 1. Call to Order and Opening Remarks** – The 2023 AGM was called to order at 418 pm. Della welcomed all in attendance, explained that the AGM reports cover January 1- December 31 2023. Introductions were made.

Motion: To appoint Della Ferguson as Chair for the Annual Meeting of Square One Community. Sue/Anne-Marie. Carried.

1.1: Current Directors:

President-Della Ferguson

Secretary-Mary Lee Booth

Treasurer-Paul Wilder

Members-at-Large: Christine Boyczuk, Crystal Lockyer, Anne-Marie Ursan

- 2. Approval of Agenda – Motion:** That the agenda for the 2023 AGM is approved. Paul/Sue. All in favor. Carried.
- 3. Approval of April 12, 2023 Minutes of AGM** (included in Annual Report) **Motion:** That the Minutes of the 2022 AGM are approved. Sue/Bernie. All in favor. Carried.
- 4. President's Report (D.Ferguson) MOTION:** That the President's report is approved. Anne-Marie/Paul. Carried.
- 5. Bylaw Changes (M.L. Booth)**

Article V, Section 2 amendment: Each newly elected member of the Board must provide the Association with a Criminal Record check within thirty (30) days of their election. Individuals interested in serving on the Board will undergo an application and vetting process.

Article VI, Section 4 (moved from Article VI, Section 3): File necessary documents with the Corporations Branch of the Ministry of Justice

Article VII, Section 1 amendment: Finance, Executive, Grants, Communications, Human Resources/Policy, Fundraising

Article VII, Section 3 remove: Nominating Committee tasks are now under Executive Committee

Article IX, Section 1 amendment: No officer, or member of the Board of Directors, without Board authority, may individually instruct the Management Position or any other employee.

MOTION: that the amendments to the Square One Bylaws be approved. Sue/Anne-Marie. Carried.

ACTION: Della will submit the revised bylaws to ISC and post to website.

6. Election of the Board of Directors 2024-25 (D. Ferguson)

President: 2-year term-Mary Lee Booth

Vice-President: 1 year term-Anne-Marie Ursan

Secretary: 2 year term-Della Ferguson

Treasurer: 1 year term-Paul Wilder

Motion: That the slate of Officers is accepted as approved. Bernie/Sue. Carried.

Member-at-Large: 1 year Term- Christine Boyczuk

Member-at-Large: 2 year Term- Terry Hutchinson

Member-at-Large: 2 year Term- Bernie Doepker

Nominations from the floor- none

Motion: That the slate of Directors is accepted as approved. Anne-Marie/Sue. Carried.

7. Financial Report (P. Wilder) –

7.1 The books were reviewed by Sheila Roy and Paul reviewed highlights from the report. **Motion:** To approve financial report for 2023. Paul/Sue. Carried.

7.2 **Bank Signing Authority for 2024-25. Motion:** That the Bank signing authority for 2024-2025 be two of the following: Paul Wilder, Della Ferguson and Mary Lee Booth. Anne-Marie/Sue. Carried. **ACTION:** Della will need a copy of the minutes and Mary Lee will go to the bank to provide signature.

7.3 **Appointment of Auditor** (Paul Wilder)

MOTION: That SN Roy and Associates be the Auditor for Square One Community if required. Sue/Bernie. Carried.

8. Committee reports-

8.1 **Fundraising (Della)**—Della expressed huge gratitude for the awesome job that the Fundraising committee has and continues to do.

8.2 **Communication (Crystal)**

8.3 **Advocacy/Grants (Christine)**

8.4 **Partnerships (Della)**

Motion: To accept reports as presented. Sue/Bernie. Carried.

9. Committees for 2024-25:

- Finance
- Executive
- Grants
- Communications
- Human Resources/Policy
- Fundraising

Motion: That the committee structure be received as presented Sue/Paul. Carried.

9. Adjournment: Della expressed thanks to Crystal Lockyer, who is an outgoing Board member, for her great work on the communications.

Adjourned: 4:32 pm

Recording Secretary: Mary Lee Booth

President: Della Ferguson



President's Report – 2024

2024—What an amazing year! I want to start by acknowledging the hard work of all our Board, committee members, General Manager, Maxton Eckstein, and volunteers. When I look back to 2024, I am blown away with all the progress Square One Community has made as an organization. Hats off to all who have worked collaboratively to make this happen!

The highlight of the year was the hiring of Maxton Eckstein in June as a Special Projects Coordinator. What a blessing!! Max came to us with many years of front line and supervisory experience working with unhoused individuals. His initial tasks were based on goals/objectives from SOC's Strategic Plan, developed in 2023. Specifically, Max worked on a Systems Map to identify current services and gaps in service for individuals experiencing housing insecurity; developed contacts and terms of reference for a Moose Jaw Social Housing Advisory committee; and participated in the organization of a Point in Time (PiT) count. In October, the Board of Directors unanimously voted to amend Max's title to General Manager.

Also highlighted in 2024 were the many strong partnerships that were developed, including but not limited to Moose Jaw Non-Profit Housing Corporation (Supportive Housing program for residents at William Milne), John Howard Society (Willow Lodge and My Place programs), Community Connections, and Hope Ministries. We saw the community come together to fill meal offering gaps left when Riverside Mission ceased operations, initially temporarily for two weeks in August, then permanently in September.

Another noteworthy partnership involved Square One Community, Willow Lodge staff and Rogers Communication. A local documentary, "A Home To Call My Own", examined several myths about homelessness in Moose Jaw and featured the stories of individuals with lived experience in homelessness. To date there have been almost 6500 views on YouTube since the film premiered in November 2024.

We are grateful for the many media coverage opportunities offered to Square One Community this past year, as well as invitations to promote awareness and education through presentations. We were also able to participate in a public meeting on Community Wellness and Safety at the Moose Jaw Event Centre on July 29, again to promote awareness and to advocate for services in the downtown area for unhoused individuals.

With more than 50 volunteers, and in partnership with Community Connections, My Place program and Willow Lodge staff, we participated in Moose Jaw's second Point in Time (PiT) count in October. The volunteer teams surveyed 77 unhoused individuals and identified 44 other individuals who were observed as possibly unhoused. Thank you to Cathy Fieldgate for helping to coordinate this successful event and developing a manual to provide ease for future PiT counts.

While there have been many highlights, our biggest challenge remains seeking and securing sustainable operational funding. Square One Community would not be existence if not for the kind generosity of community members, service clubs (particular shout out to Moose Jaw Wakamow Rotary club) and businesses.

Our organization has met with and diligently submitted briefing notes and grant applications to our local MLAs and the Honorable Lori Carr, Minister of Mental Health and Addictions. We have been in contact with and sent in our funding application to the three Ministries involved in the Provincial Approach to Homelessness (PATH) plan. We recognize and appreciate the support from our MLAs Megan Patterson and Tim McLeod, who advocate on behalf of our organization. We want to express our appreciation to Mayor Murdock who wrote a support letter on our behalf and to Councillor Chris Warren who submitted a resolution to SUMA, requesting recognition of the needs of smaller urban centres who have community members experiencing homelessness.

Where will we go in 2025? We will work with Willow Lodge staff to identify individuals who experience long term stays at the emergency shelter and we will enter Phase two of our Supportive Housing program to secure housing and wraparound supports for these individuals. While we are waiting to hear news on sustainable government funding, we will work with a Consultant to develop a Fundraising Strategy. And.....we will continue to advocate for the right for vulnerable individuals to be safely housed.

Thank you to the many supporters of Square One Community for working alongside with us to “Make Homelessness History”.

Mary Lee Booth,

President- Square One Community Inc.



General Manager Report by Maxton Eckstein

Systems Map

- Formed a committee with Square One, Rom Jukes from the SHA, 211 the City of Moose Jaw and Sask Polytech to develop the project, meeting frequently.
- The Map is to be hosted on the City of Moose Jaw webpage and on Sask 211. Square One took on the role of Data Steward for social housing.

Meeting with partner Agencies

- I met with 27 organizations across the city to share the work of Square One Community, and search for gaps in the continuum of support from their perspectives.
- Supportive Housing was the largest identified gap among responders.

Social housing Advisory Committee

- I formed the Moose Jaw Social Housing Advisory Committee, Committee consisting of 13 organizations with a part to play in social housing.
- Meeting regularly, it allows organizations to work together and to collaborate on strengthening supports and the flow of service for unhoused citizens.
- This new entity now also stewards the Asset Mapping and PiT count projects.

Program Fund Sourcing

- I participated and engaged in every major push for sustainable funding for the program including provincial PATH funding, RQHR Addictions funding, Reaching Home, the McConnel Foundation, and JGL.

Pit Count 2024

- Assisted in operating and planning the 2024 Moose Jaw Pit Count, which found 74 distinct individuals experiencing homelessness, with another 44 observed.

Public Education and Advocacy

- Regularly published in up to six different media outlets to influence the hearts and minds of the community of Moose Jaw on their sentiments to the unhoused.
- Participated in Public Meetings and Events to raise the profile of Square One and the needs of the unhoused population.
- Volunteered formally for various community agencies to enhance the reach and influence of Square One Community and support our partners.
- Participated in the documentary “A Home to Call my Own”

Engagement with Political Figures

- Engaged with all three branches of government regularly to enhance the influence of Square One Community, and advocate for the need for an improved continuum of support.
- Met with MP Fraser Tolmie, MLA Megan Patterson, Minister Tim McLeod, Mayor Tolley and Murdock, Moose Jaw City Council, Minister Lori Karr. (Some frequently)

Launched Square One's Supportive Housing Phase One

- Officially launched case management of 6 individuals living at William Milne who were at risk of eviction, and all 6 have been successfully maintained in the building.
- Worked with the supportive housing committee to design and launch front line programming.

Submitted by Maxton Eckstein

Square One Community General Manager

SQUARE ONE COMMUNITY INC.

Financial Statements

Year Ended December 31, 2024

RESPONSIBILITY FOR FINANCIAL REPORTING

The financial statements of Square One Community Inc. have been prepared in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations. When alternative accounting methods exist, management has chosen those it deems most appropriate in the circumstances. These statements include certain amounts based on estimates and judgments which have determined based on a reasonable basis in order to ensure that the financial statements are presented fairly in all material respects.


The integrity and reliability of the Square One Community Inc.'s reporting systems are achieved through the use of formal policies and procedures, the careful selection of employees and an appropriate division of responsibilities. These systems are designed to provide reasonable assurance that the financial information is reliable and accurate.

The Board of Directors is responsible for financial reporting and is ultimately responsible for reviewing and approving the financial statements. The Board meets periodically to review significant accounting, reporting, and internal control matters. The financial statements are approved following the Board's review of the financial statements and discussions with the Independent Practitioner. The Board also considers, for review and approval by the members, the waiver of an audit and the engagement or re-appointment of the external Independent Practitioner.

The financial statements have been reviewed on behalf of the members by MWC Chartered Professional Accountants LLP, in accordance with Canadian generally accepted standards for review engagements.



President



Treasurer

Moose Jaw, SK
March 18, 2025



INDEPENDENT PRACTITIONER'S REVIEW ENGAGEMENT REPORT

To the Directors of Square One Community Inc.

We have reviewed the accompanying financial statements of Square One Community Inc. (the Corporation) that comprise the statement of financial position as at December 31, 2024, and the statements of operations, changes in net assets and cash flows for the year then ended, and a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

Management's Responsibility 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 (ASNPO), 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.

Practitioner's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express a conclusion on the accompanying financial statements based on our review. We conducted our review in accordance with Canadian generally accepted standards for review engagements, which require us to comply with relevant ethical requirements.

A review of financial statements in accordance with Canadian generally accepted standards for review engagements is a limited assurance engagement. The practitioner performs procedures, primarily consisting of making inquiries of management and others within the entity, as appropriate, and applying analytical procedures, and evaluates the evidence obtained.

The procedures performed in a review are substantially less in extent than, and vary in nature from, those performed in an audit conducted in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Accordingly, we do not express an audit opinion on these financial statements.

Emphasis of Matter - Comparative Information

We draw attention to Note 1 to the financial statements which describes that Square One Community Inc. adopted ASNPO on January 1, 2024 with a transition date of January 1, 2023. These standards were applied retrospectively by management to the comparative information in these financial statements, including the statements of financial position as at December 31, 2023 and January 1, 2023, and the statements of operations, changes in net assets and cash flows for the year ended December 31, 2023 and related disclosures. Our conclusion is not modified in respect of this matter.

We were not engaged to report on the comparative information, and as such, it is neither audited nor reviewed.

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An asset to our clients, not an expense

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Independent Practitioner's Review Engagement Report to the Directors of Square One Community Inc.
(continued)

Basis for Qualified Conclusion

In common with many not-for-profit organizations, the Corporation derives revenue from donations, the completeness of which is not susceptible to us obtaining evidence we considered necessary for the purpose of the review. Accordingly, the evidence obtained for donation revenue was limited to the amounts recorded in the records of the Corporation. 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, 2024, current assets and net assets as at December 31, 2024.

Qualified Conclusion

Based on our review, except for the possible effects of the matter described in the *Basis for Qualified Conclusion* paragraph, nothing has come to our attention that causes us to believe that the financial statements do not present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Square One Community Inc. as at December 31, 2024, 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 (ASNPO).

Other Matter

We were not engaged to report on the financial statements of Square One Community Inc. for the year ended December 31, 2023 nor were they reported on by another Chartered Professional Accountant and therefore are considered unreviewed and are presented for corresponding figure purposes only.



Chartered Professional Accountants

Regina, Saskatchewan
March 18, 2025


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The financial statements have been reviewed on behalf of the members by MWC Chartered Professional Accountants LLP, in accordance with Canadian generally accepted standards for review engagements.



President

Treasurer

Moose Jaw, SK
March 18, 2025

SQUARE ONE COMMUNITY INC.

Statement of Operations Year Ended December 31, 2024

	2024	2023 <i>Unreviewed</i>
REVENUES		
Donations	\$ 289,156	\$ 44,739
Grant revenue	38,886	20,560
Fundraising	26,709	47,234
Investment earnings	4,890	6
	359,641	112,539
EXPENSES		
Food risk relief meals	39,659	829
Salaries and benefits	37,294	15,558
Rent	24,000	18,000
Point-in-time count	11,075	-
Professional fees	9,116	2,209
General and administrative	7,186	2,261
Insurance	3,665	3,865
Donations	1,936	-
	133,931	42,722
EXCESS OF REVENUES (EXPENSES)	\$ 225,710	\$ 69,817

Statement of Changes in Net Assets Year Ended December 31, 2024

	2024	2023 <i>Unreviewed</i>
NET ASSETS - BEGINNING OF YEAR	\$ 100,575	\$ 30,758
EXCESS OF REVENUES (EXPENSES)	225,710	69,817
NET ASSETS - END OF YEAR	\$ 326,285	\$ 100,575

See accompanying notes to financial statements

SQUARE ONE COMMUNITY INC.

Statement of Cash Flows Year Ended December 31, 2024

	2024	2023 <i>Unreviewed</i>
OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Excess of revenues (expenses)	\$ 225,710	\$ 69,817
Item not affecting cash:		
Reinvested earnings on investments	(2,901)	-
	<u>222,809</u>	<u>69,817</u>
Changes in non-cash working capital:		
Accounts payable	4,165	-
Deferred revenue	5,000	-
Wages payable	634	-
	<u>9,799</u>	<u>-</u>
Cash flow from operating activities	<u>232,608</u>	<u>69,817</u>
INVESTING ACTIVITY		
Purchase of investments	(76,989)	(50,256)
INCREASE IN CASH FLOW	<u>155,619</u>	<u>19,561</u>
CASH - BEGINNING OF YEAR	<u>50,319</u>	<u>30,758</u>
CASH - END OF YEAR	<u>\$ 205,938</u>	<u>\$ 50,319</u>

See accompanying notes to financial statements

SQUARE ONE COMMUNITY INC.

Notes to Financial Statements Year Ended December 31, 2024

1. FIRST TIME ADOPTION OF ACCOUNTING STANDARDS FOR NOT-FOR-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS

During the year the Corporation adopted Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations (ASNPO). These financial statements are the first prepared in accordance with these standards. The changes have been applied retrospectively, resulting in no changes to beginning net assets, assets or liabilities.

2. PURPOSE OF THE CORPORATION

Square One Community Inc. (the "Corporation") is a not-for-profit organization of Saskatchewan. The Corporation operates to help adults who are housing in-secure by building, coordinating, and strengthening the continuum of supports.

As a registered charity the Corporation is exempt from the payment of income tax under Subsection 149(1) of the Income Tax Act.

3. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of presentation

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

Revenue recognition

Square One Community Inc. follows the deferral method of accounting for contributions, which include donations and grant revenues.

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. Endowment contributions are recognized as direct increases in net assets.

Fundraising revenue is recognized in the period the amounts are deposited into the bank account. Investment earnings are recognized in the period earned.

Financial instruments

Financial instruments are recorded at fair value when acquired or issued. In subsequent periods, financial assets with actively traded markets are reported at fair value, with any unrealized gains and losses reported in income. All other financial instruments are reported at amortized cost, and tested for impairment at each reporting date. Transaction costs on the acquisition, sale, or issue of financial instruments are expensed when incurred.

Financial assets including cash and investments are reported at amortized cost.

Financial liabilities including accounts payable and accrued liabilities are measured at amortized cost.

4. INVESTMENTS

Investments consist of term deposits that earn interest of 4.12% and mature June 2025 (2023 - 3.40% - 3.95% and matured June 2024)



Executive Committee Report for 2024

Members: President (Mary Lee Booth), Vice-President (Anne-Marie Ursan), Secretary (Della Ferguson) and Treasurer (Paul Wilder)

Executive Committee met on two occasions during this time period: July 16, 2024 and December 3, 2024

Tasks of Executive Committee included:

- Financial matters including review and revision of SOC's 2025 Operational budget and Grant budgets
- Review and revision of Square One Community Inc. Board workplans, including overarching goals and objectives.
- Memorandum of Understanding documents with partner organizations

All items from Executive Committee are referred to the next SOC Board of Directors monthly meeting for broader discussion and Motions.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mary Lee Booth,

President



Square One Community Inc.

Communications AGM Report: Jan. 1 2024-December 31, 2024

Chair: Della Ferguson

Members: Mary Lee Booth, Max Eckstein

“The Communications Committee was developed from the Square One Community Inc. Board, for the purpose of raising awareness through print and social media regarding Square One Community’s work to reduce homelessness in Moose Jaw. In addition, this committee will promote Square One Community events and fundraising projects to the public.”

The following Platforms are utilized for Square One Community communication:

Social Media: Facebook/Instagram; and LinkedIn

Website: Squareonehousingmoosejaw.com website, is updated to keep current with News articles/Events/Meal offerings and warming spaces/ Donation opportunities and more. The site is a source used by community members/grant providers/ media/funders and more as an information source on SOC status.

Discover Moose Jaw/Moose Jaw Today: GM Maxton Eckstein wrote regular articles for the local media July through October’s end to raise awareness regarding realities of those living with food and housing insecurities, and highlighting SOC initiatives.

Radio and TV interviews: Max and Mary Lee were interviewed regularly by Media outlets regarding, the Moose Jaw Anti-Trespassing initiative by downtown Businesses and MJPS; Supportive Housing Updates; the closing of Riverside Mission; the Point in Time Count for 2024; and SOC events.

Story Board & Brochures: an SOC Story Board and brochures were created for the Rotary Convention May 10,11. These are updated and shared at speaking engagements and events.

Speaking Engagements: SOC was invited to speak at: Wakamow Rotary International convention and their local club; PEO; Providence Place and the Community Safety meeting.

“A Home to Call My Own” Video Production: In partnership with Rogers/Shaw and Willow Lodge, Square One Community produced a 30-minute video production that de-mythed myths regarding those living with housing insecurity and homelessness. As well, it featured the stories of those with lived experiencing. The video can be viewed at: <https://youtu.be/YjKH3TphZEU>

Submitted by Della Ferguson Communications Chair



Grants Committee AGM Report

2024 Grants Committee Members: Christine Boyczuk (Chair); Anne-Marie Ursan; Paul Wilder

Our deepest gratitude for the work that Christine Boyczuk, as Chair of the Grants committee for 2024, did this past year (and previous years) to secure grant funds for Square One Community's operations. Christine was truly a wizard at identifying funding sources and she worked tirelessly to write grant proposals on Square One Community's behalf. She will be missed on the SOC Board.

For the year of 2024:

- We were successful in obtaining
 - a Moffat (South Saskatchewan Community Foundations) grant of \$15,000 for Supportive Housing Initiative
 - \$20,000 from Reaching Homes for the Point in Time (PiT) Count.
 - \$1000 from Sask Energy for the 2025 Walk for Warmth
- An application was submitted to Reaching Homes in July 2024 but was not successful. Square One Community applied again to Reaching Homes in December 2024 and received approval on a one-year grant for \$308,153 to start April 1, 2025. We are thrilled and thankful for this opportunity as it gives this organization the ability now to move ahead with hiring additional staff for the expansion of our Supportive Housing program.
- Applications were sent to Community Initiatives Fund (CIF) and other South Saskatchewan Community Foundation (SSCF) grants (Murray and Edna Forbes; Lorne and Evelyn Johnson; Moffat) but were not successful.
- Applications were submitted to SaskTel, Sask Power, Nutrien, Walmart, and NICHI but were not successful.
- Max Eckstein and Bernie Doecker attended the SSCF Friendraiser event in August 2024 which showcased organizations that have been recipients or are applying for SSCF grants.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mary Lee Booth

On behalf of the Grants committee



Square One Community Inc

Board Report for Human Resources - Policy Committee

Jan 1 – Dec 31, 2024

- Committee held its first meeting with Bernie Doecker agreeing to be secretary and Terry Hutchinson agreeing to be chair. Other committee members are Anne Marie Urgan and Mary Lee Booth
- Position for Special Project Coordinator was posted, interviewed for and filled by Max Eckstein, with his title later being changed to General Manager. Max started with Square One on June 10, 2024
 - Salary, Benefits, hours of work and probationary period determined
- Required training programs for staff were decided
- Work plan and priorities were identified for Max based on Square One's Strategic Plan
- Established a Board liaison/Supervisor for Max (Terry Hutchinson)
- Weekly meeting schedule developed with Max
- Throughout the year a number of policies were developed/amended with the focus on workplace safety, client safety and risk management
- The HR Committee undertook development of Operations protocols and infrastructure to enable Square One Community to move in the direction of direct client services.
- The HR Committee developed Terms of Reference for the start of the Moose Jaw Social Housing Committee
- Cathy Fieldgate was hired on a short contract to support the work around the PIT count

Submitted by Terry Hutchinson

HR & Policies Chairperson



Square One Community Fundraising Report for 2024

Members: Bernie Doecker, Noreen Edmondson, Sue Karner, Leigh Landry, Fran Millar

Chair: Della Ferguson

The Fundraising Committee was developed from the Square One Community Inc. Board for the purpose of raising funds to develop, maintain and grow the Programming for Square One Community Inc.

The Fundraising Committee aims to host a minimum of six fundraising efforts a year (2 larger and 4 smaller in nature). This committee will oversee and manage the Fundraising projects and details, doing so by building community partners in the spirit of integrity and collaboration.

2024 fundraising events included:

Walk for Warmth Mar. 14, 2024, raising: \$8208.00

Bobby's Fish Fry May 8, 2024 raising: \$950.00 (supper profit) + 250 (50/50) + \$270.00(donations)=\$1470.00

Summer Vibes Raffle: Profit: \$986.00

Empty Bowls-Nov. 16, 2024 raising:

Soup Tickets:	\$2820.00
Silent Auction:	1505.00
Staycation Raffle:	2869.00
Sponsorships:	3050.00
Donations:	<u>600.00</u>
Total:	\$10,844.00

Stronger Together with Bill & Laurette Keen at Circle Medical Centre

We are so very grateful to Bill and Laurette Keen for the incredible support they have continued to offer through the Stronger Together initiative where people give donations of \$300.00, \$200.00 and \$100.00 respectively for gold, silver or bronze leaves to be placed on the Stronger Together metal art that is currently housed at Circle Medical Centre. This year the initiative raised: \$ 6,648.40.

A HUGE shout out to the volunteers on our SOC Fundraising committee who give of themselves so fully for the mission. Your every effort makes a difference. And thank you to everyone who has contributed to our fundraising initiatives.

Respectfully submitted,

Della Ferguson, SOC Fundraising Chair



Supportive Housing Committee

ANNUAL REPORT 2024

The Supportive Housing Committee was developed for the purpose of overseeing and making recommendations to the Board of Directors related to the development and implementation of a supported housing program for vulnerable and housing insecure adults in the community.

This committee met twice in the 2024 year.

The committee developed and reviewed terms of reference; determined intake process and required documentation; recommended policy and identified funding requirements; planned meetings with provincial and municipal representatives and addressed policy requirements.

In 2024, this committee undertook developmental work with the pilot project funded through Moose Jaw Non-Profit Housing Corporation. Application for increased funding was submitted to Reaching Home.

Anne-Marie Urgan

Chair,

Supportive Housing Committee

2024-A Year at a Glance

Square One Community Inc.
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MEDIA RELEASE FOR JUNE 10, 2024
ANNOUNCEMENT: SPECIAL PROJECTS COORDINATOR SQUARE ONE COMMUNITY INC.
Contact: Mary Lee Booth, Chair (306-630-2056)
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Square One Community Inc. is very pleased to announce the hiring of a Special Projects Coordinator, Maxton Eckstein, to start with our non-profit, charitable organization on June 10, 2024. Max will assist Square One Community Inc. to advance our mission to help adults who are housing-insecure by building, coordinating, and strengthening the continuum of supports. This includes providing leadership for future PIT (Point in Time) counts, creation of a service (asset) map including community agencies who serve vulnerable populations, and coordinating a Community Housing Advisory group. Max will work in collaboration with community partners to advocate for services and supports for housing insecure individuals and promote awareness of issues related to housing insecurity.



SQUARE ONE COMMUNITY INC.

2024 WALK FOR WARMTH
A walk to raise funds for the development of a Supportive Housing Hub at the Square One Community Centre to serve members of our community struggling with housing insecurity.

Thursday, March 14, 2024
7pm-9pm
Start at Zion United Church steps and
Wind-Up at St. Andrew's Social Hall.

Walk as an individual...walk as a Team!
Raise pledges as an individual...raise pledges as a Team.
GIVE HOPE AS AN INDIVIDUAL...GIVE HOPE AS A TEAM.

To register and receive your pledge forms
and walk information,
please visit:
<https://www.squareonehousingmoosejaw.com/walkforwarmth>
#mjwalkforwarmth

JUST WANT TO DONATE?



Square One Community Inc.
Presents:

EMPTY BOWLS EVENT
Fri. November 15, 2024
Zion United Social Hall

Doors Open at 11am
• Silent Auction
• Raffle Draw
• Soups (created by Local Restaurant Chefs
AND you get to keep the bowl!)
Served: 11:30am-1:00pm
Speaker at 12:00pm

**Tickets: \$20.00 Cash at door or buy ahead by
emailing communitysquareone@gmail.com**
All proceeds will go toward the staffing and programming
for Square One Community's Supportive Housing Initiative.

E-transfer with name, number of Empty Bowls tickets and the
word "Bowls" to communitysquareone@gmail.com

Square One Community Signs Formal Partnership with Moose Jaw Non-Profit Housing Corporation, Securing the Use of William Milne for Supportive Housing

Maxton Eckstein
Square One Community Inc.
General Manager

October 18th, 2024



Board Members of Square One Community and Moose Jaw Non-Profit Housing Corporation meet to sign a partnership agreement. From left to right: Heather Shepherd, Christine Boyczak, Paul Wilder, Mary-Lee Booth, Mary Jones, Heather Eckstein, Brenda Wilson-Basson, Bernice Douglas, Josh Houghton and Della Ferguson.

Board Members from Square One Community Inc. and the Moose Jaw Non-Profit Housing Corporation met on October 15th, 2024, to enter into a formal partnership. The agreement guarantees the use of the historic William Milne building in downtown Moose Jaw for Square One Community's new supportive housing project. The project will meet the mission of Square One and MUNPHC to provide supportive housing to both vulnerable unhoused community members and current tenants who are at an imminent risk of experiencing homelessness in the immediate future. With an agreement signed, Square One could potentially be housing their first program participants before Christmas.

Square One Community announced back in August they were shifting direction to become a direct service provider of supportive housing to Moose Jaw's unhoused and housing insecure population. While the project has been in its developmental stage for several months, a key component to initiating services was securing safe, accessible housing units. While talks had been taking place on and off for some time about the viability of William Milne's fifteen units being the initial location for the new supportive housing program, the partnership between the two organizations opens a notable opportunity to have a significant positive impact on the continuum of supports for Moose Jaw's unhoused and tenuously housed population.

The Premiere of...

A Home to Call My Own
A Rogers TV Production

Exploring the Myths of Homelessness
with those who have lived its realities.

Sunday, November 17th 2024
2pm
Moose Jaw Public Library Theatre

2024 Point-in-Time Homelessness Count Moose Jaw
October 1, 2024

IF YOU OR SOMEONE YOU KNOW:

- Has no place to live
- Has no housing
- Can't afford rent
- Is stuck with no where to go
- Can't afford care
- Is couch surfing
- Has no permanent housing
- Is living in their car
- Is sleeping in a tent or camper
- Is sleeping on the street or in a shelter

HELP US to HELP YOU!

- We want to advocate for better support and services for you
- Secure additional shelter
- Secure funding for affordable housing in Moose Jaw

TO DO THAT
We need to understand better how many people are struggling
at what roadblocks you are experiencing.

COMPLETE A SURVEY!
Our surveys will take 10-15 minutes.

WHERE TO FIND US:

Main Site: Come for a Meal & More! (See Below)

Other Places:
Public Library
Crescent Park
Food Bank
Saturday: Arroyo
Main St. Pharmacy
Walking Downtown

Look for Volunteer Badges with this Logo

We'll be wearing Yellow Vests

Come and Be Counted!

