

**2020/2021 Annual Report
of the
A.C.T.I.O.N. COMMITTEE
(Active Community Through Integrating Others Now)**

Chairpersons: Donna Martin and Joan Winter

Members: Mia Berg, Marlene Campbell, Sharon Creighton, Robert McFarlane, Frank Moore, Mike Murdoch, Eleanor Parent and Louis Thauvette

Resource: Rosemary Foran and Judy Sinclair

It goes without saying, Covid-19 has had a significant impact on what, how and where services were delivered in the last year. The Committee is proud of the dedication of staff for their persistent efforts in providing quality supports during these unprecedented times.

Committee members, volunteers, individuals supported and staff had to quickly adapt to the new technology that presented itself, in order to gain some control in holding meetings to make crucial decisions.

The objectives of the A.C.T.I.O.N. Committee are to support public education initiatives which provide awareness of the Agency's Vision; promote Agency membership and coordinate/organize events to raise funds to benefit individuals accessing services.

This past year, the ACTION Committee, was unable to host/plan for any of the regular events and fundraising projects due to the COVID-19 Pandemic. Regulations/restrictions put in place for the safety of all involved, prevented the Committee to proceed with hosting events. These yearly events normally would have provided entertainment, social time, awareness and monetary resources that allow the Board to approve funding requests from those in need of assistance.

The INSIGHT newsletter distributed two issues this past year - September 2020 and January 2021. The INSIGHT newsletter is printed and distributed to members of CL-CH, individuals supported, staff, and community members. Input is received from people supported, sharing fun stories & goals they have achieved. Also staff updates; fundraising events of the Board and Agency Programs; upcoming events; etc. are all featured, as time and space permits. We encourage articles and pictures that are of interest to our Membership. The newsletter issues are available on our website @ clch.ca, and for the CL-CH Membership and staff via email or regular mail.

This is the 23rd year for the Staff Recognition Program which acknowledges staff for their years of service with Community Living-Central Huron. Congratulations to this year's recipients! A total of 12 Staff will be recognized at the Annual General Meeting on Wednesday, June 23rd, 2021.

May is Community Living Month. CL-CH has submitted articles/pictures to appear in the local papers, flags and decorative lighting have been installed at the Admin. location at 267 Suncoast Dr. E., Goderich.

If we all continue to do our part by preventing the spread of COVID-19, someday we can look forward to participating again in the Community. We would like to thank Committee Members, people supported, volunteers and staff for their commitment and support during this very difficult year. And last but not least, the Community in which we campaign throughout the year, must be commended for their generosity and commitments.

Respectfully submitted: Donna Martin and Joan Winter Co-Chairs