



Annual Report

Wednesday, April 29, 2020

1:00 p.m.

Seafarers' Centre

100 Main St. Thunder Bay, ON

Our Mission is to promote the spiritual, moral and physical well-being of Seafarers and their families world-wide.



Caring for seafarers
around the world

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Snapshot of Services

	2019	2018
Seafarers transported	1043	940
Seafarer visitors to the Centre	359	382
Ocean-going ships visited/served	105	98
Volunteers	26	29

Goals

Direct Ministry

- ⇒ Provide ministry to seafarers and port personnel who request our services.
- ⇒ Visit seafarers aboard ocean-going ships in the Port of Thunder Bay.
- ⇒ Transport seafarers to shopping, the Seafarers' Centre and upon request to worship or for a tour of city.
- ⇒ Operate the Seafarers' Centre as a welcoming place where seafarers are provided with an opportunity to connect with volunteers and relax. Seafarers are offered free of charge:
 - ◆ communications facilities to contact their family;
 - ◆ Bibles in various languages; and
 - ◆ warm clothing.
- ⇒ Deliver Christmas Gift Bags to crew on ocean-going ships in December.
- ⇒ Offer an annual Blessing of the Fleet service for local mariners.



Providing Resources to Minister to Seafarers

- ⇒ Educate the community about seafarers and enhance the profile of the Mission in the community.
- ⇒ Attract, train and retain volunteers.
- ⇒ Fund raise to operate the local station and provide for capital improvements.
- ⇒ Work with Mission to Seafarers: Canada (MTSC) and the North American Ministry Association (NAMMA) in order to share practises and information so that the Thunder Bay station maintains standards of ministry consistent with other MTS stations.

Treasurer's Report

In 2019, our total income was about \$82,000, which included a bequest of \$20,000. This still showed an increase of about \$5,000 over the previous year. The rest of this Income came from:

Individuals	47.6%
Parishes	20.8%
Corporations & Service Clubs	23.1%
Fundraising	6.8%
Net Sales	.8%
Other	.8%

Expenses rose about \$2,500 to about \$62,000. This was shared,

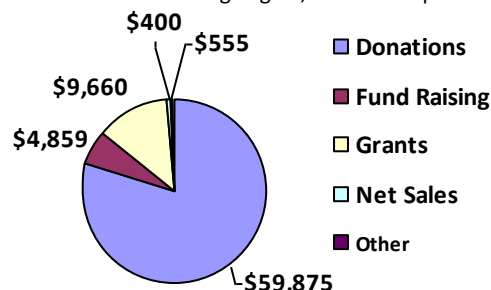
Administration	2.8%
Aid to Seafarers	2.4%
Seafarer Centre	12.7%
Community Building	5.0%
Staff	64.7%
Van	12.3%

The bequest was put into Capital Fund. During the last few months, we have had some major expenses. In December, during a strong wind storm several shingles were blown off. The Board decided that we needed to re-shingle the whole roof. That work was completed and paid for in January. Most of the cost was covered by insurance. During the cold spell in January, the furnace started to show its age again, so it was replaced. The financial details of these repairs will be reported at next year's meeting.

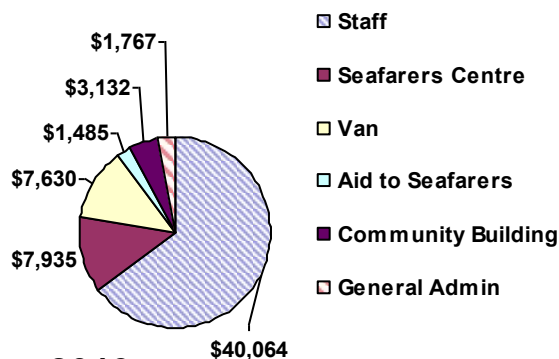
We thank you for your past support and pray for your continued support

Brad Yeo
Treasurer

Income 2019



Expense 2019



Chair of the Board Report

2019 was again a very busy year for us. The MTSC Conference was held in Thunder Bay in May. In response to the increased traffic in December, we prepared over 300 gift bags for distribution aboard ships. A huge thank you goes to all of those who knitted items, provided candy, dental items and donated money to provide what was needed and to those who helped to fill the bags.

I sincerely thank our Master Donors: the Anglican Diocese of Algoma, Port of Thunder Bay, and International Sailors' Society of Canada for your continued generosity. The success of our work depends on your support.

I want to extend my heartfelt appreciation to all those who volunteered at the Centre, supported our events, knitted items, baked cookies, dropped off clothing and magazines and so much more. The MTS Port of Thunder Bay continues to be a dynamic and caring organization because of all of you.

Our Fund-raising Dinner has been postponed until October 23 and our Meat Sale is rescheduled: an order collection date of June 29 with orders packed on July 8 for distribution. Canon Ed is sending regular communications to keep everyone up to date with events. Thank you to Canon Ed for your leadership and to Board Members and Volunteers for your commitment.

Janet Pike
Chair Board of Directors

Board of Directors 2019/2020

Chair	Vice-Chair	Secretary	Treasurer (non-voting)
Janet Pike	Suzy Thornes	Cecily Hewitt	Brad Yeo
Directors			
Ingrid Koropeski		Dorothy Playle	Ingrid Price
The Reverend Charlene Scriver		David Stephens	Suzy Thornes
Barbara Williams			
Non-voting		Ex-officio	
The Reverend Canon Ed Swayze		The Venerable Deborah Kraft	

Chaplain's Report

This past year we had a good season. The number of ocean-going ships in port was up and we provided service to 92% of them. I completed a Ship Welfare Visitor course so that I could train our volunteer ship visitors.

We face many challenges providing services to seafarers under the current restrictions due to COVID 19 and are abiding by social distance policies.

Thank you to our volunteers and those who support us with your prayers and financial support.

The Rev'd Canon Ed Swayze
Chaplain