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Celebrating our Successes

Past, Present and Future
November 28, 2005

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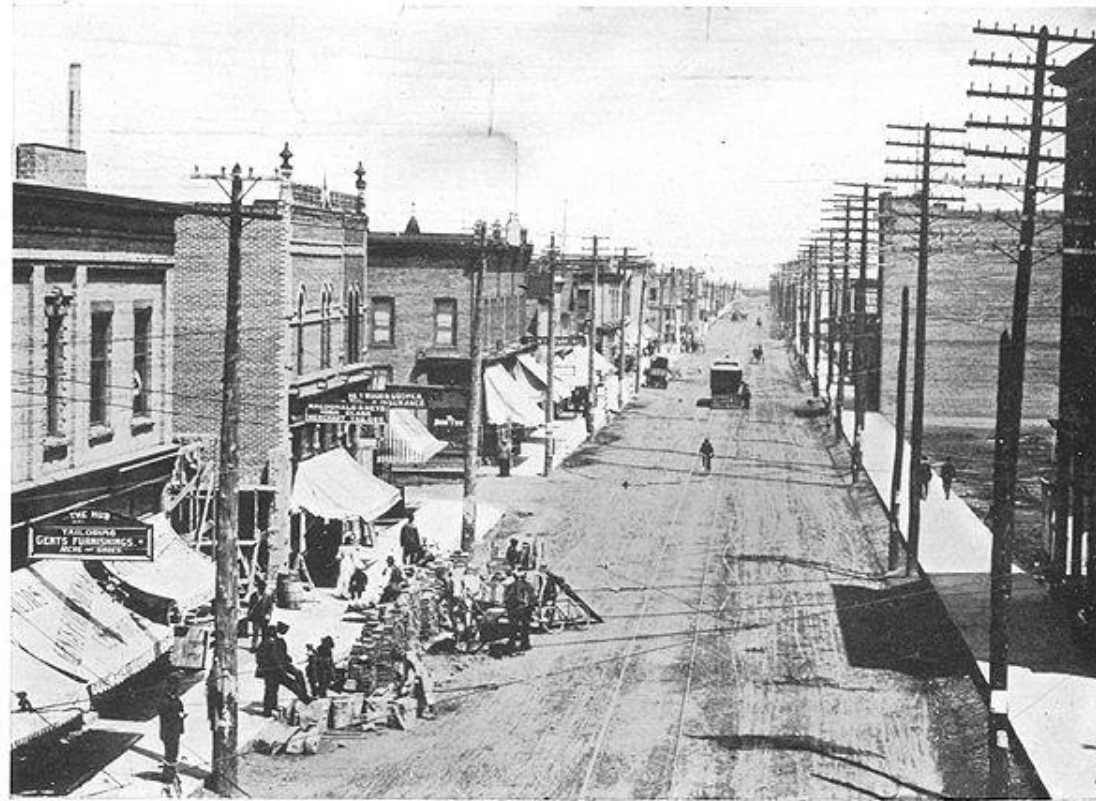
MILES ST



Simpson Street – Thunder Bay



**ANC Offices
500 Simpson St.**



SIMPSON ST., FORT WILLIAM

The Contribution Agreement

United Way Thunder Bay agreed to coordinate the undertaking of strategic action research to facilitate improved living conditions for Simpson-Ogden area.

Two key elements were to be pursued to achieve this single priority:

- *Build the capacity of individuals, families and neighbourhoods*
- *Strengthen the responsiveness of policy and program strategies addressing personal security, substance abuse, health, housing stability, learning and skills development and literacy.*

ANC Activities

-Select neighbourhood-completed

-Development of a neighbourhood vision

-Creation of an neighbourhood plan (to be determined by the neighbourhood).

-Implementation of the plan to the greatest degree possible by March 2006

Planning and Visioning

January 14, 2006

*Planning and Visioning Meeting
at the Ogden Community Centre
600 McKenzie Street*

Proposed outcomes:

- 5 priorities outlined to inform the projects the project pool \$80,000 will fund
- Draft vision for each of the priorities
- Neighbourhood committee forms
- Next steps determined by the neighbourhood

Volunteers

- Residents
- Block Leaders
- Steering Committee
- Policy Validation Group
- Students
- United Way Board Members
- United Way Staff



ANC Steering Committee

Cameron Nicolson

Anne LeSage

Brenda Reimer

Maria Albizurez

Neil Nelson

JoAnne Zamparo

Harold Lindstrom

ANC Staff Team

Jodi Carlson

Sandra Albertson

Lorraine Alarie

Alice Sabourin

Donnalee Morettin

Trudi Jones

Meryl Smith

ANC Steering Committee

- Chairperson, Cameron Nicolson
- Estimated \$30,000 or 600 hours of donated hours to the project
- Depth of expertise guided the ANC team to be a star performer

Highlights

- Only site to have a steering committee
- Designed the project roll out
- Provided timelines, goals and priorities to the staff
- Kept the UW Board informed

United Way Thunder Bay

Primary Contributions to ANC:

- Excellent ANC coordination and management
- Financial and community accountability
- Media and communications assistance
- Reputation
- Sense of possibility and humour
- Mentoring of skills, knowledge, and expertise

Lakehead University Students

- Social Work students have assisted with:
 - Focus groups with neighbourhood businesses and seniors
 - Policy planning activities
 - “Change Over time Study”
 - ANC Successes powerpoint presentation
 - Dr. JoAnne Zamparo, member of ANC Steering Committee
- Political Science Department:
 - Karen Morrill and Josh Kolic produced a four poster series for display in Ottawa (shown in slides).
 - Photographed and researched the situation with derelict homes in the neighbourhood to share with city officials and residents who are interested in making changes.
 - Doug West, Professor of Political Science, coordinating student learning opportunities and member of the Policy Validation Group. Furthermore, volunteer attendee at the Policy Forum in Ottawa.



NOT JUST A NEIGHBORHOOD PROBLEM...



SOLUTIONS EXTEND MUCH FURTHER.



**DILAPIDATED BUILDINGS...
DECLINING PROPERTY VALUES...
AND BUSINESSES CLOSING.**

Community Volunteers

- Giant Block Party
- *Downtown Now*, Diane Petryna presenting to business
- Discussion Group hosting and facilitating
- Ottawa Policy Forum attendees
- Block Leaders (developed November 2005)
- Telephone assistance
- Graphics
- Policy Validation Group
- Networking
- Idea generation

Discussion Groups and Individual Interviews Asking:

- What are the assets ?
- Who are the leaders?
- What are the issues?
- What are the solutions?
- What two solutions would you direct investment of time or money to?



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BUSINESS OWNER SETTING A GREAT EXAMPLE!

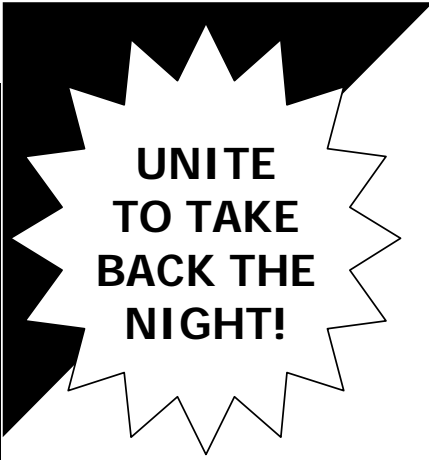


Ceramic Tile Centre located at 325 Simpson Street Thunder Bay

"It was time to paint," was what Mr. Jerry Urbanski gave as his reason for the great looking exterior painting and sign upgrades at his business. The work was completed with the help of good weather and Mr. Urbanski's determination to have his business look its best. This business has been owned by Mr. Urbanski since 1982. He was encouraged while painting by the honking of passing motorists and community goodwill. Action for Neighbourhood Change Staff have heard so much about how good this building looks we had to highlight this as an example of how heritage buildings add to the image of the Simpson-Ogden neighbourhood.

PHOTOS AVAILABLE

Shown are Mr. and Mrs. Saxberg. They owned and operated a store on Simpson St. in Fort William, Ontario. This is one of many historical photos that can be found online. Photo November 9, 2005 from: <http://community.Webshots.com/>



FRIDAY NOVEMBER 25
6:45 PM
OGDEN COMMUNITY CENTRE
600 MCKENZIE STREET

This year, the Take Back the Night Rally will consist of three key campaigns.
The Clothesline Project
The White Ribbon Campaign (WRC)
Take Back the Night March
 Women will walk together holding candles to protest the ways in which violence permeates the lives of women world wide.

See page 2 for more details

If you are interested in joining a strong league of women for the Take Back the Night Rally email: gic@lakeheadu.ca or call 343-8879 or ANC at 626-1765



Take Back the Night

- ANC co-sponsored this event with the Genders Issues Centre at Lakehead University
- A world-wide movement protesting violence against women
- Nov. 25th @ Ogden Community Centre
- Attendees to come from throughout the city



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Reports

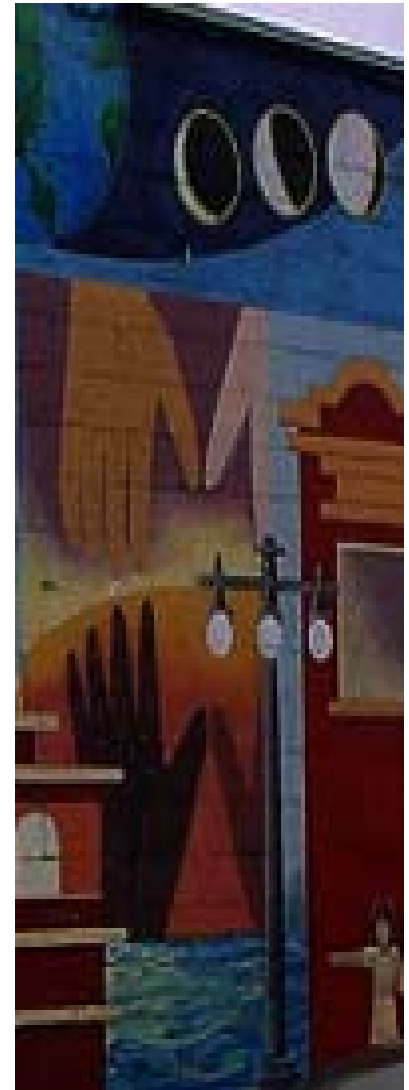
- A comprehensive list of 300+ names of agency, volunteer contacts, and resident contacts
- Monthly progress and financial reports
- Quarterly reports
- Mid-term reflection and sustainability
- Neighbourhood Story
- Demographic
- Summary of discussion groups (*Jan 2006*)
- Evaluation December 2006 –Case Study

Outreach

- **Nishnawbe-Aski Nation presentation November 28th**
- **Thunder Bay Economic Justice Committee Poverty Forum**
- **Aboriginal Interagency Council- Associate Member**
- **NorWest BBQ**
- **Neighbourhood policing Town Hall Meeting**
- **Ward Meeting with Councillor Tuchenhagen**
- **Cop-n-Tea**
- **School of Social Work – summer and agency days**
- **Interagency Meeting of United Way**
- **Festival of Services –Aboriginal Interagency Council**
- **Aboriginal Health Conference**
- **Ogden Community School -playground dedication**
- **Metis Nation of Ontario – Youth Coffee House**

Communications

- 5 newspaper articles
- 2 television bits shown
- 6,000 flyers and 4,000 newsletters (community input and content)
- 60+ meetings with stakeholders
- 14 discussion groups
- Online Idea Bank (Jan 2006)
- Online Event Calendar (Jan 2006)
- Simpson-Ogden Website (Jan 2006)
- www.anccommunity.ca
- 3 musical acts booked



The Giant Block Party



- Giant kick-off party with participation by nearly 400 neighbourhood residents and 30 ANC volunteers
- Information booths and participation from neighbourhood businesses

The Giant Block Party-Neighbourhood fun!



10/07/2005

Community Knowledge Transfer

- Hearing All Voices-The Power of Community and Working Together to Effect Change
- Discussion Group Training
- Consensus Building Training
- Presentation by Diane Petryna, "Downtown Now" to area business stakeholders
- Phone out and calendar of events
- Block Leaders being organized
- Policy Validation Group recruiting residents
- \$80,000 fund for neighbourhood initiatives
- Student placements
- Art activities
- Research findings

Ogden Community Centre Satellite Office

- Neighbourhood meeting place
- Evening and weekend hours
- Student placement-office space
- Increased visibility
- Enhanced meeting space
- Collaboration with building partners
- Sense of neighbourhood ownership

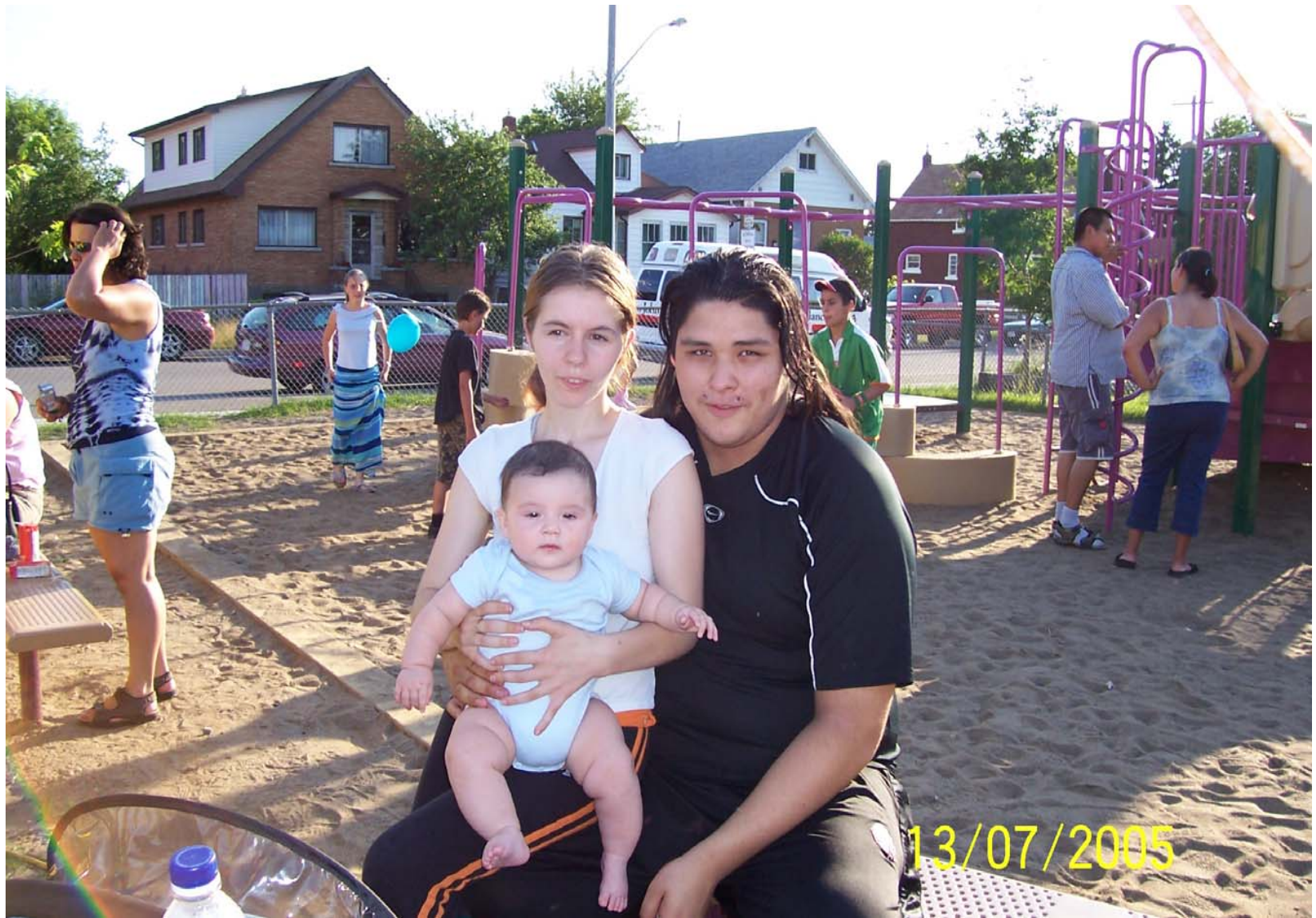


J.W. McConnell Foundation

- Lakehead University collaboration was chosen as 7 out of 29 applicants
- ANC has contributed significantly to this proposal
- The principal authors, Doug West and Connie Nelson, will request \$1 Million over 5 years for the Food Security Research and Service Exchange Network to advance our understanding of and commitment to food security issues such as:

“One area we would like to see research is the impact of high food costs in Remote First Nations. More specifically, how this, along with the lack of adequate/affordable housing, leads to an increase of migration from First Nations to urban centres. What then is the relationship to urban homelessness for First Nations people?”

Paul Capon, Matawa First Nations



Tamarack Institute for Community Engagement

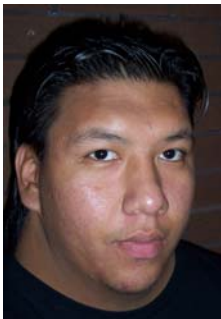
- Coaching around planning, project reviews and possible resource providers.
- ANC website Community Engagement Resource tools
- Training in facilitating focus groups and group meetings
- Assist with Neighbourhood selection and project workplan

Caledon Institute of Social Policy

- Developing and disseminating 3 policy papers
- Ottawa Policy Forum with 160 attendees
- Reflection Sessions
- Community Stories
- Policy Telephone Conferences (monthly)

National Film Board

- NFB's "short" *What Makes your Community your Home?* premiered Sept 8th at the United Way Kick Off Breakfast
- Videographers Amy Harris and Norman Semple documented David Pell's discussion group training session
- Film was produced from all five sites for the Ottawa Policy Forum



Norman Semple



Amy Harris



United Way
of Thunder Bay

**THANK
YOU!**



Funders

- National Secretariat on Homelessness
- Office of Learning Technologies
- National Literacy Secretariat
- National Crime Prevention Strategy
- Canada's Drug Strategy

Partners

- United Way Of Canada
- Caledon Institute of Social Policy
- Tamarack Institute for Community Engagement
- National Film Board Of Canada



THERE IS HOPE...



WITH HELP...



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