



*Communicating through Puppetry*

## 2018 Annual Report

The Concerned Kids Charity of Toronto





# A Message from Ryan & Daven

2018 was an exciting year at the organizations. The concerned kids reached a total of 12,787 students through 389 performances in 56 schools in the Greater Toronto Area. We presented on a range of topics including bullying prevention, safety lesson, healthy eating, and understanding differences.

This year we also saw the development of several new programs- autism and understanding consent. These were in response to community needs.

In 2018, we held the Lebovic Golf Tournament in support of The Concerned Kids. A fun day on the course that helped us raise funds to support our ongoing school-based programs.

In 2018, we also said good-bye to Tinda Holland. We want to thank Tinda for her leadership over the past five years.

In September 2019 we will celebrate our 30th Season. We are excited to launch new programs, services, and expand the reach and deepen the impact of our work. For more information on TCK, please visit us online at [www.theconcernedkids.com](http://www.theconcernedkids.com).

Ryan Duffy, Board Chair & Daven Seebarran, Executive Director

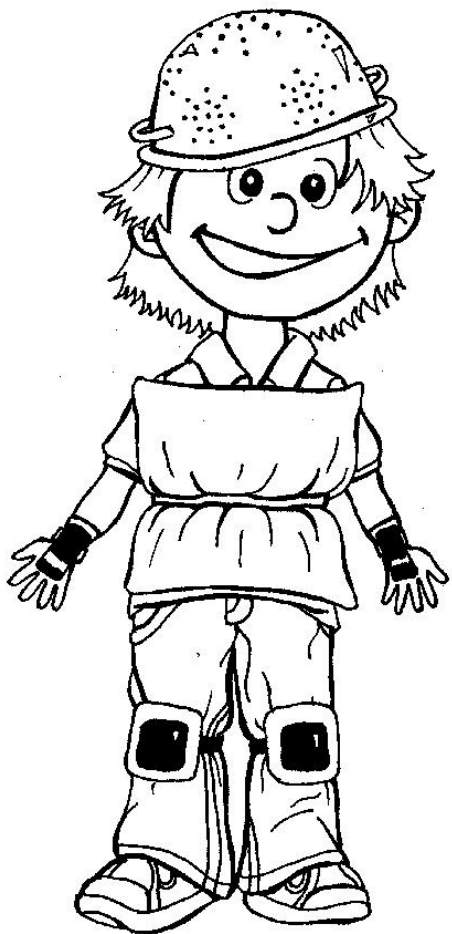


# Who We Are



- The Concerned Kids educates children through the uniquely engaging art of puppetry, empowering young people to make smarter and kinder choices, and further enabling schools and communities to become safer places to live, learn and play.

# Our Team



Tinda Holland, Executive Director (retired December 2018)

Daven Seebarran, Executive Director (November 2018)

Douglas Hurst, Program Manager

Courtney Lammanas, Puppeteer

## **Board of Directors**

Ryan Duffy, Richard Borins, Razvan Trambitas, Joanna Tryon,  
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56  
SCHOOLS  
SERVED

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“The way it was presented captured the students’ attention. I like the way you involved the students. The topics covered were very relevant for this age group. I like the way you got the kids’ involved and thinking. It was a great and educational performance that spoke to the kids! Thanks for coming.” Lucy Dascale, Grade 4/5 Teacher, Santa Maria CS,



389  
PERFORMANCES

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The performance with the puppets was very inviting and the children felt empowered to make suggestions about how to make their school safe. Reporting was a powerful concept for the students to understand. The focus on not using violence and that it doesn't solve problems, but that we need to get involved is an important concept, but they don't usually understand how to do this. The hardest concept to teach and reinforce is “walking away”, as well as how we become by-standers and reinforce the violence. With primary children, they don't realize they are bullies, mostly they are re-acting to being excluded or not getting their own way and often have poor social skills. They are often excluded because they don't share, are bossy, and hurtful with others when they don't get their way.

Liga Miklasevics, Principal, Victoria Village PS



12,787  
STUDENTS SERVED

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I learned today that some kids have some problems like ADHD or Depression. The most important part is that you shouldn't make fun of ADHD or Depression because these are serious problems. The best part was how they [puppet characters] taught us about these problems, but they [puppet characters] made it funny at the same time”.

Abdillahi, Grade 5 student



# Statement of Operations

	2018	2017
<b>Revenue</b>		
Donations	\$ 41,208	\$ 191,902
Performances	7,780	4,750
Nevada	6,716	7,164
Fundraising	-	56,400
	<b>62,692</b>	<b>267,033</b>
<b>Expenses</b>		
Charity Event Expenses	741	-
Employee Benefits	3,214	997
Salaries	62,848	38,725
Golf Tournament	94,403	-
Insurance	4,090	4,017
Interest & Bank Charges	2,702	3,909
Nevada Expenses	6,083	8,905
Non-Refundable Expenses	4,023	6,565
Office & General	4,054	1,442
Professional Fees	250	145
Rent	12,498	9,534
Telephone & Utilities	1,479	1,476
Trillium Expenses	4,442	64,280
	<b>200,831</b>	<b>139,995</b>
Excess of (expenses over revenue)	(138,139)	127,038
Net Assets, end of Year	\$60,855	\$198,994





# Supporters in 2018

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