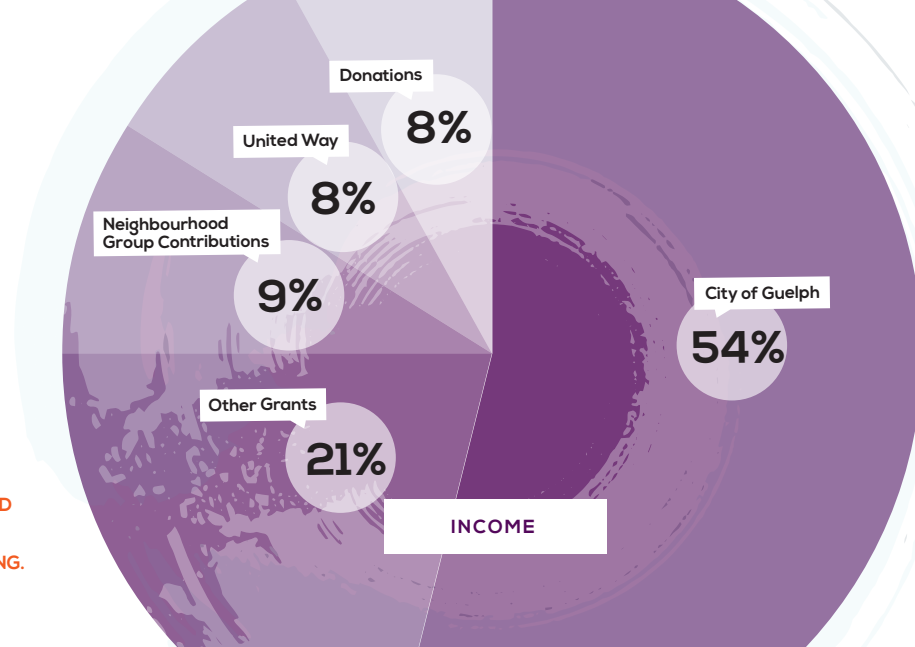


# neighbourhood support coalition

OUR MISSION IS TO SUPPORT NEIGHBOURHOOD GROUPS THAT ARE INCLUSIVE, ENGAGING, RESPONSIVE AND BUILD A SENSE OF BELONGING.

## EXPENSE

Neighbourhood Group and Program Salaries	GNSC Administration Salaries	Parent Child Program (GCHC)	Rent, office, insurance, financial admin	Program Expenses	Neighbourhood Group non-salary support	Marketing/Website
56%	19%	10%	5%	6%	3%	1%



## A LOOK AT 2016

In 2016...

**1511** volunteers contributed **37,133** hours to Guelph neighbourhoods.

**262** programs were delivered.

The value of volunteerism at Living Wage (\$16.50/hour) was **\$612,694.**

Community Leadership to Nurture Neighbourhoods

## THE POWER OF VOLUNTEERING

**Volunteering with the GNSC has had a profound influence on my life and the lives of my children.** With their incredibly kind staff and volunteers that provide such a welcoming space, they are more an extension of our family not only to me but my children as well. We don't have immediate family in Guelph, so it is absolutely lovely to have this organization feel like family and see their dedicated and heartfelt support to so many individuals, neighbourhoods, and partner organizations. I can't stress how important that is; it is what matters most. People make a difference and I am deeply inspired and find it extremely refreshing to see their people-first approach alongside their dedication in challenging existing structures and breaking down barriers to make Guelph more equitable and inclusive. It's not just what we do, but how we do it that matters.

— Jeetha





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How can Neighbourhood Groups do so many incredible things with the limited resources they have? Is there a secret potion or spell that helps create the magic that they pull off?

The answer is much simpler but no less magical: Volunteers.

Amazing people sharing their time, knowledge, skills, enthusiasm and passions with their community. Without them our work would not happen. From helping out at a BBQ to running a free yoga program to sitting on our Board of Directors, volunteers are the engine that drives the coalition. The numbers of volunteers and the hours they donate are truly extraordinary. Behind the numbers is the powerful story of how our community cares deeply about their neighbours, that what we are all doing together matters, that every act of kindness and caring changes lives, and that giving has a ripple effect that is contagious.

We often begin volunteering because we are asked or have something we really need to share. But volunteering quickly becomes so much more. It becomes a reciprocal relationship where the line between 'giver' and 'receiver' is blurred and fluid. We become both simultaneously. Volunteering creates new connections, new perspectives and a greater sense of belonging. The truth is that we are not solitary creatures. We need love and connection. We need to belong. Volunteering is an example of the best that we can be. It is what creates the opportunities for us to share and celebrate. It builds healthy, safe, inclusive and resilient communities.

Heartfelt and deep thank you to all of the volunteers in the coalition. You make all the difference.

In gratitude,

Brendan Johnson  
Executive Director



Neighbourhood Groups

Brant Avenue NG  
Grange Hill East NG  
Two Rivers NG  
Exhibition Park NG  
North Riverside NG  
Saint George's NG  
Rickson Ridge NG  
Hanlon Creek NG  
Kortright Hills NG  
University Village NG  
Onward Willow NG  
Parkwood Gardens NG  
The Junction NG  
Downtown Neighbourhood Association



Connected...

Welcoming...

Inclusive...

Resilient...

Safe...

Fun COMMUNITIES!



Program Partners

City of Guelph  
Family & Children's Services  
Guelph Community Health Centre  
Guelph Police Service  
WDG Public Health  
Canadian Mental Health Association WWD  
Upper Grand District School Board  
Wellington Catholic District School Board  
Immigrant Services Guelph-Wellington  
County of Wellington

LEVEL 1



LEVEL 2



Human Resources and Skills Development Canada

Ressources humaines et Développement des compétences Canada



United Way  
Guelph Wellington Dufferin



LEVEL 3

Second Chance Employment and Counselling Services  
TD Employment Grant  
Greater Toronto YMCA  
Canadian Mental Health Association Waterloo-Wellington-Dufferin  
Guelph Police Services Board  
The OAKTREE Project  
The Elevator Project

THANK YOU  
to our  
fantastic  
volunteers!

