

**Amelia Rising Sexual Assault Centre of Nipissing/Centre d'agressions sexuelles de Nipissing
AGM 2017-2018**

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Mission Statement

The Board Members, Volunteers and Staff of Amelia Rising Sexual Assault Centre of Nipissing will work to empower and provide a voice for Women and the communities in which they live to:

- Eliminate violence against women and children
- Create social change regarding issues of equality and justice
- Develop, apply and increase awareness of anti-oppressive approaches
- Provide healing from sexual violence

Our Values

Inclusiveness – Respect – Accessibility – Empowerment – Feminism – Authenticity – Anti-Racism/Anti-
Oppression

Our Board of Directors 2017-2018

Meg Ramore, *Chair*

Barb Laverock, *Vice-Chair*

Karl Neubert, *Treasurer*

Jeanette Miron, *Secretary*

Siobhan O'Leary

Jessica Beaton*

Shawn Devine

Mair Greenfield *

Stephanie Boomhour*

*Denotes retirement

Our Staff

Brigitte Lebel, Executive Director

Nancy Chivers, Counsellor

Meghan Trussler, Bilingual Outreach Counsellor

Adèle Landry, Office Administrator

Jennifer McCarthy, Volunteer Coordinator/Intake

Whitney Cramer, Group Counsellor

Mary White, Public Educator/Client Advocate

**Amelia Rising Sexual Assault Centre of Nipissing
Annual General Meeting 2018**
101 Worthington St E, Suite 11

Monday, November 19, 2018
6:30pm

1. Call to Order, Introductions and Welcome – Brigitte Lebel
2. Approval of Agenda
3. Approval of Minutes from November 14, 2017 AGM
4. Auditor's Report
 - 4.1 Appointment of Auditors for the year 2017-2018
 - 4.2 Presentation of Audited Financial Statement
5. Chairperson's Report – Meg Ramore
6. Executive Director's Report
 - 6.1 Volunteer Perspective – Connie Hoffman
7. Election of Directors
 - 7.1 Introduction of Board of Directors
 - 7.2 Election of Executive
10. Presentations
11. Adjournment

Executive Director's Report

It is my pleasure to present the AGM Report for the past year at Amelia Rising Sexual Assault Centre of Nipissing.

I am honoured to be the new Executive Director at Amelia Rising as of May 2018. I have a strong vision for the Centre and plan to bring some new ideas while also tending to the foundational services that we offer. Now more than ever, we need to offer safe and effective services to women survivors of sexual violence. With the rise of the #MeToo movement and the backlash that has followed, the time is now to increase our community presence and to strengthen our services so that we can meet the increasing demands of our community.

This year we welcome Whitney Cramer (Group Counsellor) and Mary White (Public Educator) to our team. They have both been hired to fill contracts and have been such a great addition to the Amelia Rising Team. Welcome Whitney and Mary!

We also say goodbye to Brenda Quenneville after 6 years of service to Amelia Rising as Executive Director; to Teri Solomon Gravel (Counsellor); and to Amy Raymond (Public Educator/Special Project Coordinator) who filled some short-term contracts over this past year. We are sad to see them go and thank them for their service!

We currently have 35 volunteers for our Crisis Line, our Clothing Bank, and for Office Administration Replacement. We value our volunteers and are so proud of the hard work that they do. Without them, we would not be able to staff our 24/7 Crisis Line and we would struggle to keep our Clothing Bank open.

Connie Hoffman is one of our longest standing volunteers who gives so much of her time each and every week. The women who access our services know her as the kind woman who tends to the Clothing Bank. The staff at Amelia Rising also know her as the lifesaver who is always willing to help out with Office Replacement should we need coverage. We are so lucky to have her and appreciate her dedication to Amelia Rising.

This past year, the amount of crisis calls that we received has increased significantly from 97 calls last year to 161. We served 271 survivors in Individual Counselling and 51 women in Group Counselling. We also provided Advocacy and Accompaniment to 65 women and provided 98 Public Engagement and Education Events on Sexual Violence.

Amelia Rising continues to participate in important work in our community such as the North Bay Police Victim Advocate Review Committee, and Northeastern Ontario Research Alliance on Human Trafficking (NORAHT). This year we join the OPP Regional Collaborative Review Committee to review unfounded cases on a regional level.

We welcome 2 new Board Members this year: Alexandra McDermid and Lauren Asher. We also say goodbye to one of our longest standing Board Members Jessica Beaton. Jessica has been on

our Board for over 20 years. On behalf of the staff at Amelia Rising, we would like to thank you Jessica for your unwavering dedication and support to our agency.

I look forward to growing in my role and becoming a strong leader for my staff. It is part of my mission to ensure that each and every one of them feels valued and acknowledged for the difficult work that they do. It's not always easy, but together we make a great team and are here to support each other through the hard times.

Last, I want to acknowledge the survivors from our community who access services at Amelia Rising. Your courage to come forward and the resiliency that you demonstrate on your journey is what keeps us here, "fighting the good fight". We stand behind you, we support you, and most of all: *we believe you.*

Sincerely,

Brigitte Lebel

AMELIA RISING
SEXUAL ASSAULT CENTRE OF NIPISSING
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
AS AT MARCH 31, 2018

(With comparative figures as at March 31, 2017)

	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>
<u>ASSETS</u>		
Current		
Cash	\$ 92,964	\$ 62,887
Term deposit (Note 2)	31,984	31,636
Accounts receivable (Note 3)	7,272	8,929
Prepaid expenses	2,494	2,457
	<u>134,714</u>	<u>105,909</u>
Capital assets (Note 4)	<u>584</u>	<u>1,352</u>
	<u>\$ 135,298</u>	<u>\$ 107,261</u>
<u>LIABILITIES</u>		
Current		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities (Note 5)	\$ 11,101	\$ 8,887
Government remittances payable	8,251	7,522
Deferred revenue (Note 6)		5,000
	<u>19,352</u>	<u>21,409</u>
<u>NET ASSETS</u>		
Internally restricted - invested in capital assets	584	1,352
Unrestricted	83,378	52,865
Internally restricted (Note 9)	31,984	31,635
	<u>115,946</u>	<u>85,852</u>
	<u>\$ 135,298</u>	<u>\$ 107,261</u>