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Annual Report

Community Development



for the fiscal year ended

March 31, 1996

The purpose of the Alberta Foundation for the Arts is to help all Albertans participate fully in the cultural life of the province.

Key Activities

The Foundation continued to provide a wide range of financial programs to support the development of the literary, performing and visual and media arts in Alberta. The board reviewed 1,891 grant applications from Alberta artists and organizations from across the province and distributed \$15.6 million in funding.

Throughout the year, board members continued to meet with members of the arts community, including two public meetings in Grande Prairie and Edmonton. The board also continued its active participation as a founding member of the Alberta Performing Arts Stabilization Fund.

In order to establish stronger provincial arts organizations, the Foundation actively encouraged existing provincial arts service organizations to amalgamate into discipline-based organizations. Ongoing discussions with the major professional arts organizations were also held to develop a new approach to providing operational support.

As a pilot project to determine the feasibility of devolving grant programs where appropriate, the Writers' Guild of Alberta administered Literary Arts Project Grants, in partnership with the Foundation.

After consultations with the arts community, art purchase procedures were changed from selection by board members to a juried slide acquisition process. The Foundation lent 2,505 of its artworks to 249 venues throughout the province.

To comply with the Ministry business plan and reduce administrative costs, the number of Foundation staff was reduced by 50 percent, to three full-time equivalent positions.



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Financial Information

Summary of Ministry Revenue (Note 1)

For the Year Ended March 31, 1996

(in thousands of dollars)

	1996		1995
	Budget	Actual	Actual
Department			
Refund of Expenditures	\$ 5	\$ 532	\$ 13
Cultural Facilities and Historical Resources	2,235	2,236	3,261
	<u>2,240</u>	<u>2,768</u>	<u>3,274</u>
Funds			
Community Development Revolving Fund	740	1,022	1,141
Historic Resources Fund	5,220	3,780	3,391
	<u>5,960</u>	<u>4,802</u>	<u>4,532</u>
Affiliated Agencies, Boards and Commissions			
Alberta Sport, Recreation, Parks and Wildlife Foundation (Note 2)	18,843	17,962	19,391
The Alberta Historical Resources Foundation	6,778	8,407	6,900
Alberta Multiculturalism Fund	2,265	2,353	2,270
Glenbow-Alberta Institute	6,214	9,477	9,207
Alberta Foundation for the Arts	16,530	16,724	17,237
The Government House Foundation	29	30	28
	<u>50,659</u>	<u>54,953</u>	<u>55,033</u>
Sub-total	<u>58,859</u>	<u>62,523</u>	<u>62,839</u>
Consolidation Adjustments			
Elimination of Intra-Ministry Transactions	(3,850)	(3,388)	(3,780)
TOTAL REVENUE	<u>\$55,009</u>	<u>\$59,135</u>	<u>\$59,059</u>

Summary of Ministry Expense
For the Year Ended March 31, 1996
(in thousands of dollars)

	1996		1995
	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Actual</u>
Department			
Departmental Support Services	\$ 3,607	\$ 3,581	\$ 3,172
Community Services - Management and Operations	9,252	9,066	9,067
Community Services - Financial Assistance	17,289	17,232	15,328
Cultural Facilities and Historical Resources	15,526	15,519	16,087
Individual Rights and Citizenship Services	3,817	3,769	3,656
Alberta Seniors Benefit (Note 3)	149,946	147,231	113,850
	<u>199,437</u>	<u>196,398</u>	<u>161,160</u>
Funds			
Community Development Revolving Fund	670	950	969
Historic Resources Fund	5,363	3,486	4,203
	<u>6,033</u>	<u>4,436</u>	<u>5,172</u>
Affiliated Agencies, Boards and Commissions			
Alberta Sport, Recreation, Parks and Wildlife Foundation (Note 2)	19,723	17,192	17,866
The Alberta Historical Resources Foundation	6,777	9,767	6,111
Alberta Multiculturalism Fund	2,265	1,735	2,063
Glenbow-Alberta Institute	6,214	7,063	7,053
Alberta Foundation for the Arts	16,661	16,586	20,935
The Government House Foundation	11	7	12
	<u>51,651</u>	<u>52,350</u>	<u>54,040</u>
Other			
Settlement of the net liabilities of the Tourism, Parks and Recreation Revolving Fund (Note 4)	---	---	188
Cost of dissociation of Glenbow-Alberta Institute (Note 5)	---	22,406	---
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Sub-total	<u>257,121</u>	<u>275,590</u>	<u>220,560</u>
Consolidation Adjustments			
Elimination of Intra-Ministry Transactions	(3,825)	(3,388)	(3,780)
TOTAL EXPENSE	<u><u>\$253,296</u></u>	<u><u>\$272,202</u></u>	<u><u>\$216,780</u></u>