

# ANNUAL REPORT 2017-2018



## **MESSAGE FROM THE CEO**

PISE achieved several milestones in 2017-18 as we continue to build on our purpose of transforming lives in our community through healthy activity and sport. Most notably PISE achieved charitable status in health and education on April 1, 2017. This provided us with the opportunity to become a consideration, and possibly the charity of choice, for individuals in a position to make donations to PISE, thus contributing to the impact we make on many lives.

We continued to build our relationship and partnership with indigenous communities, highlighted by the successful pilot and subsequent start of our Fuelling Youth Performance program for indigenous youth. This program is a natural progression from the extensive physical literacy programs we deliver within indigenous communities. It provides an excellent platform for indigenous youth to not only build their skills and pursue their dreams, but also help build their capacity to become role models for their peers in healthy activity and wellness.

PISE continues to enhance our outstanding facility by adding new elements this year including a new sport floor in the movement studio that our good partners, Camosun College and Canadian Sport Institute Pacific, can use to grow their programs while also creating more opportunities for all users from the community.

Many thanks to our dedicated Board of Directors and our outstanding team on a most successful year. We are excited to continue to build upon our vision of making a positive impact in the health and well-being of individuals in the South Vancouver Island region, B.C. and Canada.

Robert Bettaur, CEO

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### **ACTIVE FOR LIFE PROGRAMS**

**Indigenous** 

**Traditional Games & Teacher Mentorship** 

13 **Teachers** 

Education **Assistants**  **200 Kids** 



**EARLY** YFARS **PROJECT** 

Learn to Play Project

enriched programming





\$16,000

Project #1

Weekly program for age

11 to 16 in the indigenous community

Project #2

**Formed** 





408

**Early Childhood Education (ECE)** caregivers

### **Appetite to Play**

**Embedded Professional Development for** 

**6** ECE centres

**SUMMER CAMP LEADER TRAINING** 

> **organizations** 104. leaders

Symposium

8 schools

106 teachers

**TEACHER MENTORSHIP** 



over 2300 kids





### FOR COMMUNITY HEALTH

780 program clients

**1400** members

78 personal training clients

Stewardship partner of



Physical activity for people of all ages and abilities



1150

people



36 organizations



40 stations



Partnered with Medisys

## **Delivered** over



300 occupational

tests for Seaspan employees

## **Community Events Supported**

PRESENTED
1 DAY OF

**HOSTED** 

QUEEN'S BATON RELAY





LED
ACTIVITIES FOR
150 KIDS



Our son, Ethan, is a curious, bright and sweet 4-year-old boy. Like other children his age, he likes to make crafts, play games, watch cartoons and especially loves to adventure. Ethan explores his world with his power wheelchair because he has a disease called Nemaline Myopathy, which causes his muscles to be weak resulting in him being unable to walk or stand independently. Breathing, swallowing and just moving are extremely difficult for him. Luckily, his beloved wheelchair has opened up his world and his independence, and he lights up the moment he starts moving.

Our world isn't always the most wheelchair friendly place and we have a difficult time finding activities for him that he can do in his wheelchair. That is why we were so happy to get involved in PISE's Power Physical Literacy program. When Ethan first started coming to the program, he was extremely shy and hesitant to join in with the



activities. He is an only child who hasn't had the opportunity to play in big groups as we had to be very careful with his health in his first couple years of life and spent a lot of time in and out of hospital and therapy appointments. Over time, he grew to trust his instructors and enjoy the games. He loves being around other kids in wheelchairs too and his confidence has grown so much from participating in this program.

Ethan always looks forward to playing with his friends at PISE. When he's there, he knows he is always going to have a fun time with people who encourage and play with him. As his parents, we absolutely love watching him play and thrive in a program that is completely accessible, works around his limitations and supports him so he can have fun and just be a kid!

In the PISE Power Physical Literacy program children ages 3-7 learn to improve their driving skills of their power chairs each week through fun games and play.

### PERFORMANCE PATHWAY

1000 athletes

**Free Fitness** Centre access 155

**INDIVIDUALS** in performance training programs & services

### **TEAM CANADA**



**Invictus 2017 Training Camp**  FUELLING YOUTH **PERFORMANCE** 

FOR INDIGENOUS ATHLETES



**ATHLETES** 

**COACHES** 

AND VISIT FROM THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE

**Performance Programs** 

**Performance** Baseball **Program** 

20 athletes successes

**Performance** 



**Program pilot leading TO NAIG 2017** 

**18** YOUTH

Sponsorship by **IslandSavings** 

**ENABLED SEPTEMBER 2017 START** 

HOSTED MEN'S VOLLEYBALL **NATIONALS** 

**Performance CLIMBING Training** 

athletes



SOCCER **Program** 

27 athletes



## **SHAUNTELLE**

Even though 16-year-old Shauntelle Dick-Charleson played an active role as a youth representative in the Songhees Nation's bid to host the 2020 North American Indigenous Games (NAIG), she is not disappointed that the Games are not coming to Victoria for this next round. Halifax, NS, or K'jipuktuk as it's called by the Mi'kmaq, has been chosen to be the host city; this marks the first time NAIG will take place in the Maritimes. The event will draw more than 6000 athletes and spectators from 756 Indigenous nations across North America. Shauntelle is thrilled to represent the Hesquiaht and Songhees Nations along with her women's soccer team and is excited to have the opportunity to see the East Coast of Canada.

Competitive sport is second nature – and third generation – for Shauntelle. Her father and grandfather played for the T-Birds Soccer Club in Victoria. Her father urged Shauntelle to channel her strong will and competitive spirit towards the soccer pitch. As she began to excel in the sport, he encouraged her to draw inspiration from the world's best soccer players by watching archival footage on YouTube and paying close attention to their technique. From Messi, Argentina's star player, she was inspired to learn to play skillfully with both feet. From Pele, the legendary Brazilian player, Shauntelle was inspired that his humble roots from an impoverished nation ignited his drive to hone his skills to become the best footballer in the world.

Shauntelle, or "Shauntizzle" as she is called by her coach and teammates, is enrolled at the Centre for Soccer Excellence at Reynolds High School. This specialized program merges soccer training with academic pursuits, and focuses on sport science, fitness, nutrition, strength training, sport physiology, sport psychology, time-management, goal setting, leadership skills, coaching philosophies, and rules of the game. Shauntelle also crosstrains in other sports like football, frisbee, basketball and volleyball.

She also commits to additional weekly strength and conditioning in PISE's Fuelling Youth Performance<sup>1</sup> program for indigenous youth. She credits her trainers Lindsay and Chris for helping her to rehabilitate from a calf muscle tear that sidelined her last season. At PISE she has also improved the efficiency and effectiveness of her strength-training, adopting a new motivation to push through when things get tough. Never the biggest fan of push-ups, now she approaches her sets in terms of small victories – "just 5 more" she tells herself when she wants to take a break.

Shauntelle isn't just a burgeoning soccer star. She is also a slam poet who has competed in local competitions over the past several years. The confidence she has cultivated on the soccer pitch is the same she accesses when sharing her perspectives on First Nations issues that are close to her heart – the legacy of residential school, status cards, pipeline construction through First Nations land, and inclusivity in the Canadian anthem.



Soccer, however, will always be her first love. Shauntelle calls soccer her "drug" – what she turns to when she needs motivation and inspiration, where she goes when she wants to work out what is bugging her. Watch for Shauntelle in the 2020 North American Indigenous Games. Beyond that, she has her sights set on earning a place on the Canadian Women's Soccer Team.

~submitted by Andrea Ting-Letts | Brand Your Bliss

The Fuelling Youth Performance program is proudly presented by Island Savings, a Division of First West Credit Union. This program provides specialised strength & conditioning training to indigenous youth athletes through collaboration with I-SPARC, Songhees Wellness Centre and local nations.

### **FACILITY**







### **MOVEMENT STUDIO UPGRADE**

New rubberized floor and enhanced strength & conditioning equipment



### **SUSTAINABILITY**

**PISE Active Communities Fund** 

PISE establishes endowment with



VICTORIA FOUNDATION

\$15,000

**LIZ ASHTON NAMES PISE** 



BENEFICIARY OF ENDOWMENT

ANNUAL SCHOLARSHIPS FOR ATHLETES TO TRAIN AT PISE





\$10,000

# **STATUS**

April 1<sup>th</sup> 2017

1<sup>st</sup> Annual Campaign

THE GIFT OF P.L.A.Y

GOAL OF \$5000

RAISED \$30,000!





# **TONY** | Paying It Forward

Tony Zarsadias knows first hand how the support of a sponsor can propel your career in sport. In the late 1990s, Tony envisioned his place amongst Canada's elite road cyclists. He identified his goal: to compete with a team of Canadians in the European road cycling circuit which included prestigious races like the Tour de France and the Giro d'Italia. But before Canada launched Own the Podium in preparation for the 2010 Vancouver Winter Olympics, the route towards pursuing a career as a professional athlete was somewhat elusive. Tony knew where he wanted to go but was unclear about the path to take to get there.

Enter Bill Slater, an elite swimmer who competed for Canada in the 1956 and 1958 Commonwealth Games. Bill, the father of one of Tony's best friends, recognized that Tony possessed the talent, skill, and drive to compete with the world's best. He offered to sponsor Tony so that he could focus on his cycling career, freeing him from the anxiety of having to split his energy between earning a living and training for sport.



Bill acted also as Tony's mentor, urging him to hone his mindset as a competitor. At one international race, Bill urged Tony to take a closer look at his competitors as they prepared for the day's race. "Are you here for a vacation, or are you here to win?" Bill asked. This simple question inspired a profound transformation in Tony's relationship to his sport, inspiring him to streamline his goals and optimize his training.

Tony trained with Pacific Sport in Victoria, the pre-cursor to PISE. At Pacific Sport, Tony met his future wife Erinne Willock, who excelled in road racing, earning a silver medal at the 2006 Pan American Road and Track Championships and competing for Canada in the 2008 Beijing Olympics. Tony competed with Symmetrics Cycling, a professional team sponsored by an IT firm whose founders were passionate about road cycling. As he envisioned, Tony fulfilled his goal to travel around the world as a professional athlete.

Though Tony retired from professional racing in 2003, the impact he experienced as a recipient of sport sponsorship inspired him to pay it forward. He naturally gravitated towards mentoring kids in sport, and privately sponsored young athletes in rugby and soccer.

Fast forward to present day. Tony is a co-owner of The Condo Group, a successful real estate agency in Victoria, BC. He attributes his success as an athlete as a foundation for his business ethic – the ability to define and pursue goals, tenacity in the face of adversity, an agility to respond to the unexpected, the skill to cultivate confidence through any challenge. In fact, many of his team members also boast some history in competitive sport.

The Condo Group was the primary sponsor of PISE's Play Your Way Grant (formerly SportStart) in 2017, which provides kids and youth under 19 with funding to participate in PISE programs. Tony has maintained a special connection to PISE through his affiliation to sport. He felt that giving kids a kickstart towards participating in physical activities aligned perfectly with his passion and his own experience as the recipient of financial support. He sees this incredible program as an opportunity to "play it forward" to the next generation.

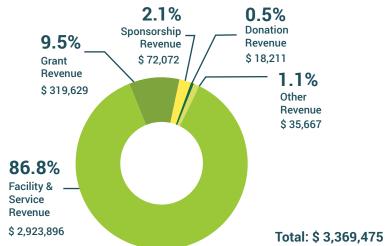
PISE considers the social and economic barriers facing the young person's family when determining eligibility for funding to participate in PISE programs or camps.



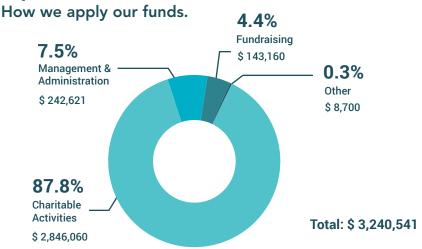
## FINANCE REPORT

## Revenues Where our funding comes from.

PISE generates revenue from lease agreements, program and membership fees, grant revenues (including Provincial and Federal Government), donations and sponsorships from a wide range of individuals and organizations who support our mission and vision.



### **Expenses**



Please refer to our full set of audited financial statements at **pise.ca**.

## **OUR TEAM**

#### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Deb Whitten Stephen Chang

Suzanne Weckend-Dill Bob Cameron

Randy Smith Sherri Bell

Angus Izard Colin Ewart – Chair

### **MANAGEMENT & LEADERSHIP**

Robert Bettauer

CEO

Elysia Atkinson

Personal Conditioning

Coordinator

Anjeline Sran

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**Amy Corkery** 

Human Resources Manager

Jodi Hensel

Facility Manager

Chris Hinton

Performance Coordinator

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Business Development Manager

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Community Program Manager

Will Sutherland

Youth & Adult Program

Coordinator

Alethea Wilson

Communications Manager

Chris Wright

Physical Literacy Coordinator

## **CELEBRATING OUR DONORS**

#### **ORGANIZATIONS**

CIBC Children's Foundation

**RBC** Foundation

Golf for Kids

TD Asset Management

Mackenzie Financial Corporation

### **INDIVIDUALS**

Liz Ashton Lindsay Player

Robert Bettauer Don Reed

Stephen Chang Jim Reed

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Heather Ferguson Chris Spicer

Lisa Hill Keith Wells

Angus Izard Deb Whitten

Stacey Lund

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## **Transforming lives**

through healthy activity and sport.







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