

Thanks to the generosity of individual donors and volunteers, along with the support of funders and sponsors, 358 LITE jobs were created during 2017-2018.

At a time when core funding is becoming increasingly sparse, and when charitable donations are decreasing across the sector, we know that being able to report this job number (the most ever!) is extraordinary. Thank you, again, to all our supporters and volunteers for making jobs and HOPE possible.

We know that people living far outside the labour market are given few chances to earn a living and give back to society. We thank the 20 community-based organizations and social enterprises we worked with to create our short-term, seasonal, part-time and even "emergency" jobs. Together, we give people the opportunity to earn money and open pathways to employment, entrepreneurship, and community service. We are proud to report we have developed a volunteer program providing people with barriers to employment experience in administration as well as communications. Over the next year, our goal is to welcome volunteers working in these sectors to join us in breaking down job barriers via micro-mentorships. This follows our belief that EVERYONE can get involved in making the labour market truly open and diverse.

We are happy to now serve as the local branch of Buy Social, a Canada-wide project to certify and support social enterprises as they scale up to meet the buying needs of institutional purchasers. With government being the ultimate beneficiary of work integration social enterprises in terms of social and health spending reductions, we look forward to working toward growing a sector whose time is overdue.

Doug Forbes and Janelle Whitley, Co-Chairs Tyler Pearce, Executive Director



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Bright futures made possible with **146 volunteers** contributing 1,300 hours + **1,072** gifts from faith-based groups, businesses, and individual donors. **Thank you!**

*Grant program created 198 jobs; Social purchasing, including hamper program, star blanket program and Wild Blueberry Pancake Breakfast created 129 jobs; Buy Social created 31 jobs.

Support our vision: Everyone can attain employment to better our communities.

Support our mission: LITE breaks down barriers to employment through capacity building and job creation.

Contact us at lite.mb.ca to get involved!



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