We received grants from the Trillium Foundation, London Community Foundation, Mary Court Club of London, RBC Dominion in support of the Community Mental Health Program and the Intern Training Program.

The Ministry of Children and Youth Services provided capital funding to renovate Cottage 3 and to put a new roof on the school building.

We were (re-)accredited with Children’s Mental Health Ontario. We were a pilot site for the new program standards. We achieved 100% of the essential standards and 98% of the defining standards. The accreditation committee “Vanier is a very delightful site review. The staff was welcoming and very well prepared for accreditation. Everyone took the process seriously. We met with a committed and talented staff group. The leadership, at all levels of the organization, was impressive.”

We implemented a comprehensive cultural diversity strategy including an interagency approach, staff training, cultural competency survey, physical environment enhancement.

The Ministry of Children and Youth Services released a children’s mental health policy framework “A Shared Responsibility” and acknowledged that Vanier’s dedicated and competent multidisciplinary staff provide a broad range of high quality services to the children and families they serve.

Phase 2 of the Outdoor Therapeutic Environment had been completed with the help of Thames Secondary School students in building the gazebos and doing the plantings.

We received a research grant from the Provincial Centre for Excellence in Children’s Mental Health to study the effectiveness of continuous feedback in family therapy.

We planned for the closure of three day treatment classrooms. Our thanks go to the staff and W.D. Sutton teachers for their dedication to these programs over the years and for keeping the children’s needs foremost as they struggled through this difficult transition.

We closed the satellite office in Stratford. Thank you to the staff for coping with this transitional period, as well as for making the additional services we have developed a new “Community Mental Health Services” team.

We developed a new strategic plan and reorganized the Committees of the Board.

We celebrated Children’s Mental Health week with a “drumming” event.

This has been a year of challenges, opportunities and change. The main challenge we faced this year was the deficit created by years of steadily increasing costs and inadequate funding. We calculated that we had received a net of between 3% and 4% of living increases since 1990, during the time that we were living and consumers prices index had increased by over 35%.

We had experienced a significant erosion in our capacity to provide core services (out-patient, day treatment and residential services). In December, 2006, the Board was faced with a tough decision. After much deliberation, we chose to maintain a focus on quality of our programs and service delivery and, by necessity, reduce the range of services provided. We announced the planned closures of three day treatment classrooms and the satellite services in Stratford.

The Ontario Government had recently released the new policy framework for children’s mental health, A Shared Responsibility – Ontario’s Policy Framework for Child and Youth Mental Health, but had not yet committed to any policy framework for children’s mental health services are underfunded.

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Our Treatment Philosophy

Our strategic planning activities have also led to a revision to our Mission and Vision statements.

We would like to acknowledge the excellent work of the staff and the continued excellent guidance of the Board of Directors in their governing role.

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We foster a climate of accountability through ethical decision making, effective and efficient use of resources, professional development and continuous improvement.

We strive to deal with problems as early as possible building resilience to help children reach their full potential regardless of their vulnerabilities, building on strengths to help families reach their own goals.

We demonstrate leadership in the community, region and Province, through advocacy, public education, professional learning and collaboration with other agencies and communities.

We value and promote the needs of children and families, including the right of children to receive necessary mental health treatment.

We provide individualized programs which are flexible and responsive to the needs of each child and family.

We embrace the diversity that exists within families including differences in culture, ethnicity, religion, sexual orientation and provide our services without discrimination.

We respect the integrity of our clients and their right to make decisions that affect their lives.

We involve parents as active partners in all levels of the organization, from the treatment process to volunteering and governance.
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