



# Afterword & Forward, Appendices



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### From VOICES

When former residents started this Journey to Light there were only a few who travelled along with us. We were committed to this journey because we wanted to make sure there was no further harm and that no one else will go through what we went through. Our experiences at the Home and when we came forward to tell our stories have shown us that we, as a society, need to do better for young people in need of love and care, for those who experience harm and abuse within systems of care, and for African Nova Scotian families and communities that continue to face challenges and struggles caused by systemic racism.

We knew this would require a different way forward. It required people to support one another in doing better – in being better together. This is why VOICES invited others to join in our journey. So that we can travel together and support one another on the road ahead.

As former residents who have been a part of this Restorative Inquiry we have been humbled and amazed by the response to our invitation. We did not imagine at the beginning how many others would join us on this path. We have found others who have been harmed by racism and who experienced lack of care and abuse. We have also been joined by those within systems and communities who have seen and felt the need for a different way for a long time. We learned that when we invite people in and make it safe and possible them to be part of the journey we find allies we did not know we had. We heard voices that were previously silenced.

Our commitment to each other as former residents, was to “do not further harm” and “leave no one behind.” This has been our way with each other, but it has also been the way we have come into this work of the Inquiry with others. Our way has not been about naming, blaming or shaming. It has been to extend an invitation for those who have been harmed and those who have responsibilities related to that harm, and others who hold responsibilities for the future, to come together, committed to help and do no further harm.

When we came together with others to design the Inquiry, we named ourselves after the Africentric principle Ujima, meaning collective work and responsibility. All who come in this spirit are welcome on this journey – we will leave no one behind who is committed to building and maintaining a community of shared responsibility and who will work to learn and understand and solve our problems together.

Through this Inquiry we have shown how, if we work together, we can move forward from isolation to connection, from silence to dialogue, and from darkness to light. This is what we need to keep doing as we continue to travel forward from this Inquiry on this journey to light.

The former residents' voices have been heard, and through this Inquiry it is no longer just our voices we hear calling for a different way forward. We have broken down barriers and found new ways of talking and listening and now our voices are joined with others amplifying the commitment to the journey to light as a way forward for all of us.

Through the Inquiry we have prepared the way for the change that is needed to make a real difference for the future. The Inquiry has shifted our understanding of what matters about what happened in the Home and through the process the ways we relate to one another. We must all now play our part in the journey to shift how we work and live together in the future.

We write this Afterword to the Report as the work of the Restorative Inquiry comes to an end and we hope it serves as a foreword for the work to come. The journey to light is no longer ours to travel alone. Through this process many other voices have joined in a chorus that will rise to the challenges ahead on the journey to light for young people who need care, and for families and communities across Nova Scotia. We need to continue to travel forward together in this different way.



## APPENDIX A: Contributors List

List of individuals who made contributions in support of the Restorative Inquiry's Work

Note that this list does not include individuals who participated in the processes and activities of the Inquiry. As discussed in the Report these individuals (and they were many of them) made significant contributions to the work and outcomes of the Inquiry. We have decided in keeping with our commitments to those who participated in this way not to name them individually.

This list reflects those who contributed in other ways to directly support the operations and work of the Restorative Inquiry.

Commissioners/Members of the Council of Parties

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**Gerry Morrison** is a former resident of the Home for Colored Children and cofounder and co-chair of VOICES. He was a member of the UJIMA design team for the terms of reference for the Restorative Inquiry, as well as a member the Reflection and Action team of the Restorative Inquiry.

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**George Gray** is a retired teacher/principal from the Halifax Regional School Board, a past Moderator of the African United Baptist Association of Nova Scotia (AUBA) and past President of the Canadian Baptists of Atlantic Canada (CBAC). He is also a member of the Board of Directors of the Akoma Family Centre/Akoma Holdings.

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**Jennifer Llewellyn** is the Yogis and Keddy Chair in Human Rights Law at the Schulich School of Law, Dalhousie University. She has written and published extensively on the theory and practice of a restorative approach. In 2015 she was awarded the National Ron Wiebe Restorative Justice Award and in 2018 was the recipient of the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council National Impact Award the highest award for research achievement and impact in Canada.

**Michael Dull** is a civil litigation lawyer in Halifax, with a focus on class proceedings. He worked as class counsel for the former resident of the Nova Scotia Home for Colored Children in helping achieve a class action settlement. Wherever possible, he practices restorative justice in his legal practice.

**Jean Flynn** was appointed as a Commissioner to the Inquiry representing the Provincial Government. She has been with the Nova Scotia Government since 2009. Over the past two decades she has worked in the fields of gender-based violence, social justice and policy development.

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## APPENDIX B

The following list of Board Members was compiled from available information contained within the NSHCC Fonds and other sources. It is provided for information purposes and has not been verified by the Restorative Inquiry.

Early Decades: 1915-1961			
Anderson, M.L. Rev.	Davis, George W.	MacDonald, J.L.M., Dr.	Stevens, B.D.
Bailey, William J.	DeCosta, W.F.	MacKeen, H.P. Mrs.	Stevens, D.D.
Ball, D.S., Col.	Dennis, W.H.	Majors, Charles S. Treasurer (Hon.) 1927-1940	Strickland, C.N.S.
Barss, William de W.	Duff, Wm. Hon.	Mitchell, A.B. Treasurer 1921-1926	Weir, H.V.
Bauld, D.S.	Evans, A.W.	Mullane, Thomas W. Secretary 1940-1955 Treasurer 1937-1955	
Bauld, Henry G President 1917-1948	Grayson, A.D.	Murphy, John E.	
Blackador, C.C.	Hart, G.H.	Murray, R.G., Prof.	
Blakeney, Byron A. Vice-President 1940-1955	Hart, George R. Treasurer 1917-1919	Murray, Robert H, Judge Vice-President 1921-1926; 1928-1931 Secretary 1917-1919	
Blenus, Victor W.	Hudson, Elliott, Judge	Piercy, W.D.	
Blois, Ernest H.	Jackson, Julia	Puryear, Moses, Rev.	
Blois, H.H.	Johnson, Thomas O.	Ross, Fraser Vice-President 1955-1961	
Burgoyne, W.P. Secretary 1955-1960 Treasurer 1960-1961	Johnson, Thomas P.	Ross, John F.	
Carrigan, L.P.	Kinney, James A.R. Jr. Secretary 1961-1967	Savage, A.G.	
Climo, Charles H.	Kinney, James A.R. Sr. Secretary 1921-1927; 1928-1940 Treasurer 1927-1928	Scriven, W.R.	
Cummings, Melville. Dr. President 1948-1966	Leverman, Fred D. Jr.	Smith, George A. Treasurer 1931-1937	
Dally, H.V.	MacDonald, J.D.N. Rev. Dr.	Stairs, W.J. Vice-President 1927-1928; 1931-1940	

## Transition Years: 1962-1978

Adams, Wayne	Fairfax, Donald E, Rev. President 1974-1977 Vice-President 1972-1980	McCarthy, Gerald	Ross, Joyce
Anderson, M.L. Rev.	Forsythe, Ian K, Dr.	McCurdy, George	Savage, John P, Dr. Vice-President 1975-1980
Barton, Bradford	Grayson, A.D. Treasurer 1962-1973	McInnes, Donald	Skeir, Donald D. Rev. President 1977-1978 Treasurer 1973-1974
Bauld, D.S.	Grindley, J. Eldridge	McInnes, Donald, Mrs.	Smith, Churchill
Best, Carrie	Hudson, Elliott, Judge	McInnes, Elizabeth	Smith, Donna
Blenus, Victor W. Vice-President 1963-1972	Hunter, Anna Lee, Rev.	Moffett, Maizie	Stevens, Amos
Blois, H.H.	Johnson, Josephine	Oland, Donald	Stevens, B.D.
Brindley, James E. Secretary 1974-1979	Johnson, Paul, Prof.	Oliver, Jules R.	Symonds, Calvin, Lic.
Butler, Bob	Johnston, Alma	Oliver, W.P. Rev. (Dr.)	Wedderburn, H.A.J. (Gus)
Clayton, W. Rev.	Johnston, P.A. Dr.	Paris, Cherry M. Secretary 1968-1973	Williams, Eugene
Cox, Harlan	Johnstone, Paul Anthony (Tony)	Paris, Mary	
Crawley, Iona	Kelsie, Wayne	Piercey, W.D.	
Croft, Alice President 1966-1973 Treasurer 1975-1980	Kinney, James A.R. Jr.	Shaw, Lloyd	
Croft, R.F. Mrs.	Leverman, F.G. Jr.	Provo, Portia	
Cummings, Melville, Dr.	MacDonald, Rev.	Romkey, L.M.	
Davis, G.W.	Mack, Joseph C. Rev.	Romkey, Lee, Dr.	
Earle, Gordon	MacKeen, H.P. Mrs.	Ross, Fraser	

## New Home Years: 1979-1989

Adams, Wayne	Fairfax, Donald E, Rev.	McFarlane, Malcolm	Thomas, Carolyn
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Bates, Ben	Godin, Roger	Mills, Frances	Thomas, Matthew
Beals, Sheila R.M. Secretary 1985-	Gray, Darcy	Mills, Frances, Mrs.	Tynes, Gertrude E. Vice-President 1983-1984 President 1984-
Bernard, Wanda Thomas	Grosse, Twila Treasurer 1983-1984	Oppong, Andrew	Wedderburn, H.A.J. (Gus)
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Brindley, James E.	James, Alan	Paris, Percy	Williams, Eugene
Brookbank, Roy	James, Connie Secretary 1984-1985	Parris, Yvonne	Williams, Howard
Carvery, Linda	Johnson, Carol	Parsons, Helen Secretary 1981-1982	Wilson, William
Clayton, Willard, Rev.	Kelsie, Wayne President 1982-1983 Treasurer 1984-1985	Ross, Joyce	Wright, Ivan
Croft, Alice	King, Gordon	Sameuls-Stewart, Victrene	Zahn, Maxine
Darrell, Bryan O.	MacDonald, Beverley	Shephard, Maxine Vice-President 1981-1984	
David, Clinton	MacInnis, Tom, Hon.	Smith, Donna	
DeRoche, Ray	Manning, M. John.	Smith, Rodger, G.J.	
Downey, Susan	Mansfield, Michael	Sparks, Corrine E. Secretary 1983-1984	
Earle, Gordon President 1980-1981	Marsman, Veronica	States, Marvin	
Earle, Jane	Maxwell, Ann	Steele, Corrine	

## Later Years: 1990-2015

Adekola, Moses Rev.	Edmonds, Susan	Kelsie, Arthur, Rev.	Smith, Donna President 1991-1993
Akindoju, Yemi	Emodi, Thomas	Knockwood, Noel	Smith, Marilyn
Aylward, Carol	Fashan, Shelly Secretary 2000-2003	Lucas, Matthew, Rev.	Smith, Rodger G.J. President 1993-1996
Banaissad, Esmail	Francois, James A.	Lucas, Nancy	Smith, S.
Bartolo, Richard Treasurer 1995-	Fraser, Rose	MacNeil, John F. (Jack)	Southwell, Rustum
Barton, Bradford	Graham, Roger	Mansfield, Michael Vice-President 1997- President 2000-2003	Sparks, Nancy Vice-President 2003-
Barton, Howard	Grant, Roger	Millar, Harvey, Prof.	Thomas, Carolyn
Bates, Ben	Gray, Darcy	Moriah, Lionel, Rev. Dr.	Thomas, Kendrick
Benton, Winnie	Gray, George	O'Brien, Barbara Ann	Thomas, Velma
Bernard, Sherleen	Greenlaw, Beverly	Paris, Doreen	Thurber, Darrell Treasurer 2003-
Boudreau, R. Gerald Secretary 2003-	Hendsbee, David	Parris, Brian	Tolliver, Althea Director 1997-
Boyd, Ken	Hoyte, Shawna	Parris, Sylvia	Tupper, Muriel
Buchhoiz, Andrea	Jackson, Wilfred	Parris, Yvonne	Tynes, Gertrude
Crooks, Allen	Johnson, Beverly Secretary 1995-	Parson, Chester Treasurer 2000-2003	Upshaw, Cedric
Cyrus, James Pemberton, Dr. Treasurer 1993-	Johnson, Carol President 1995-	Perkins, Nathalie	White, Elaine
Darrell, Bryan O. President 1989-1991	Jones, Lynn	Roberts, Gail	White, Lorne Dr. Vice-President 2000-2003 President 2003-
Douglas, Kendrick	Jones-Darrell, Janis Vice-President 1997-	Saunders, Alfred	White, Ronald
Earle, Douglas	Jordan, George W.	Skeir, Grace	Williams, Michelle

## Dates Not Indicated

Adams, Nina (No Date)	Douglas, Earle	Hunter, Anna, Rev.	Pulsifer, Wanda
Barton, Allister	Ellsworth, Gail	Jacobson, Elliot	Romkey, Leland
Beals, Archie	Fanning, Allan, Mrs.	James-Moffett, Maisie	Seymour, Russell
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## APPENDIX C

The Restorative Inquiry conducted a quantitative review of all available former resident case files in the Home Fonds from its opening until the end of operations of the NSHCC. The raw data is available as part of the Inquiry records held at the Nova Scotia Archives. The charts below offer some of the findings most relevant as context for this Report.

### Gender

	Frequency	Percentage
Female	1003	46.3%
Male	1161	53.7%
Total	2164	100

### Age at Admission (mean age = 12 years; median age = 14 years)

	Frequency	Percentage
0-5 years	264	12.8%
6-10 years	244	11.9%
11-15 years	1200	58.3%
16 years & over	350	17%
Total	2058	100

### Age at Admission (over phases)

	Early Decades (1921-1961)	Transition Years (1962-1978)	New Home (1979-onwards)
0-5 years	59.2%	33.7%	1.5%
6-10 years	23.4%	39%	3.7%
11-15 years	14.9%	25.7%	72%
16+ years	2.5%	1.7%	22.7%
Total Count	201	362	1495

### Length of Stay (in Years)

	Frequency	Percentage
Less than 1	1509	82.5%
1	111	6.1%
2	62	3.4%
3	37	2%
4	23	1.3%
5	22	1.2%
6	18	1%
7	21	1.1%
8	6	0.3%
9	2	0.1%
10	2	0.1%
11	2	0.1%
12	5	0.3%
13	3	0.2%
14	1	0.1%
15	1	0.1%
16	1	0.1%
17	2	0.1%
Total	1828	100

### Length of Stay (in months)

	Frequency	Percentage
Less than 1	607	33.2%
1	341	18.7%
2	167	9.1%
3	114	6.2%
4	66	3.6%
5	57	3.1%
6	47	2.6%
7	22	1.2%
8	27	1.5%
9	28	1.5%
10	22	1.2%
11	11	0.6%
Total	1509	82.5%

### Average Length of Stay in months (over Phases)

	Early Decades (1921-1961)	Transition Years (1962-1978)	New Home (1979-onwards)
Average length (in months)	43.13	17.07	3.46
Number of files	174	311	1329

### Average Length of Stay in months (over decades)

	1930s	1940s	1950s	1960s	1970s	1980s	1990s	2000s	2010s
Length of Stay	170	129	37.6	16.2	25.43	3.54	3.3	3.24	-
Number of files	2	14	96	283	102	626	452	217	2



