



# ONTARIO HARNESS HORSE ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER

Fall 2012

## OHHA ACTION IN RESPONSE TO THE CANCELLATION OF THE SLOTS-AT-RACETRACKS PROGRAM

**F**or the past six months OHHA has been working tirelessly following the shocking news that the slots-at-racetracks program will end next March.

Shortly after the Liberal Government announced the end to this mutually beneficial program, OHHA launched an aggressive campaign to make the government, our membership and residents across the province aware of what the government's decision will do to our industry and the over 60,000 people in Ontario who rely on horse racing for a living.

To say that our industry will be devastated is an understatement. Although most of our members understood the adverse effect the cancellation will have on the province, not everyone appreciated its full impact. This was compounded by the Liberal Government's propaganda that preceded the announcement, calling the slots-at-racetracks program a "subsidy".

OHHA reacted immediately to explain to the government that the 20% of the slot revenue received by the horse racing industry because of an existing partnership is not a "subsidy". To the contrary, in reality the slots-at-racetracks program generates over a billion dollars for the province each year.

Within weeks, we organized an information rally at Queen's Park. For the first time in the history of horse racing in this province, over a thousand of our members converged on Queen's Park in hopes of saving our industry. Horsepeople from as far away as Ottawa, Sudbury, Windsor, Clinton, Woodstock, Hanover, Peterborough, Barrie, Flamborough and Kingston took the time to attend because they realized what was at stake. At the same time OHHA representatives had, and used, the opportunity to meet with members of the legislature - from all parties - to tell our side of the story. The rally received extensive coverage in national and local media, including all the major daily newspapers as well as CTV, CBC, CHCH, Global and CITYTV.

Until that point, the government had not made any effort to discuss its decision to cancel the slots-at-racetracks program with the key stakeholder - the horse racing industry. Realizing that OHHA had become the leading voice for the industry, we continued our lobbying efforts.

OHHA executives held daily meetings with provincial and federal politicians, local mayors and councillors, bureaucrats, the lottery corporation and industry stakeholders. Among them: Ontario Finance Minister - Dwight Duncan, PC Leader - Tim Hudak, NDP Leader - Andrea Horwath, the Speaker of the House - Dave Levac, OLG Chair - Paul Godfrey, and OLG Senior VP - Beth Webster.

We organized support at the grassroots level, holding town-hall meetings in rural communities where our members live and work. We continued to contact local media, sharing the personal stories of the people whose livelihoods will be destroyed. Support for our case grew. Senator Bob Runciman publicly condemned the Liberal Government's decision and expressed strong support for our fight. OPSEU, CAW, Service Employees Union, Ontario Federation of Labour, Ontario Federation of Agriculture, Ontario Farm Labourers, Canadian Farmers Association and Ontario Equine Practitioners, among others, wrote letters of support and/or met with MPPs pleading the case; all fully aware of the far-reaching negative impact this decision will have if not rescinded.

We have been fighting hard and we will not stop now. We must work even harder to save our jobs, families and our horses. The devastating reality must be shared with, and explained to, those outside of the industry. OHHA values your support and we need you to help get the message out. We strongly encourage you to contact your local MPP, mayor, councillors and local media outlets to let them know that the Liberal Government's decision to cancel the slots-at-racetracks program is wrong and the consequences will be severe. All indications are that the horse-racing industry, as we know it, will be destroyed - there is no doubt about it.

## OHHA SEEKS LEGAL OPINION

The Ontario Harness Horse Association has retained the services of Ruby Shiller Chan Hasan, Barristers, to investigate the potential for legal action in response to the provincial government's decision to end the revenue-sharing agreement with the horseracing industry known as the slots-at-racetracks program.

The cancellation of this program has, without doubt, already harmed the industry. The question is whether or not there are any legal grounds to seek recourse.

Messrs. Clayton Ruby and Nader Hasan have met with members of our association to get a preliminary overview of the case and are currently reviewing the facts and assessing the industry's options.

Pursuit of such action will obviously require funding. A number of deeply concerned and highly motivated industry participants have already indicated their desire to contribute to these efforts. In order to accommodate their initiative, OHHA has established a bank account which allows any concerned party to contribute their financial assistance to this, maybe final, undertaking to sustain the industry.

Cheques are to be made payable to OHHA - Ontario Racing Fund and may be sent c/o the Ontario Harness Horse Association, 35 Crawford Crescent, PO Box 429, Campbellville, ON L0P 1B0.

If you or your company would like to contribute to this fund, and require further details, please contact the OHHA office.

## ASSOCIATIONS CHALLENGE ORC LICENSING

Recently the Ontario Racing Commission chose to license horsepeople's associations as a condition of approving them for Canadian Pari-Mutuel Association requirements. The ORC licensed the associations and made subsequent orders against the associations despite the fact that none of the associations had requested licensing. All six horsepeople's associations that were affected by this decision collectively pursued their legal options. OHHA, along with the HBPA, COSA, NCRHHA, NHA and QROOI chose to challenge the decision to the Divisional Court.

On June 12, 2012 we received the decision on the judicial review application. There was a 2-1 split in the decision amongst the 3 judges. The majority allowed the application on one ground: that the ORC was offside in issuing the actual licensing order against the associations, and quashed that order, but dismissed the other 3 grounds of review (i.e. the majority upheld the new licensing rules). The single dissenting judge's opinion was that the licensing rules were also invalid and therefore he would have quashed them as well.

The associations are currently working with the ORC to develop criteria to establish the representation of the horsepeople and the requirements for licensing.

## OHHA CHALLENGES ORC ORDER

On December 19, 2011 the Ontario Harness Horse Association successfully defended against an order made by the Ontario Racing Commission's Executive Director, John Blakney, to pay \$100,000 as a purse account manager. This order came as a result of an investigation into the affairs of OHHA that was conducted in and around 2004.

Even though it was determined there had been no violation of any ORC rules, OHHA was required to accept conditions in order to maintain the purse account manager's licence. One of the conditions was to pay \$100,000 toward the cost of the investigation. OHHA decided not to accept this condition and therefore never renewed the purse account manager's licence.

The ORC panel determined that: *"The imposition of the \$100,000 charge for the investigation requested under section 18 (3) of the Act was a term that OHHA did not accept. There was no acceptance of the letter contract terms by OHHA. The terms for the 2005 PAM licence were not consented to and this failure to accept by OHHA therefore ended the claim by the ORC for the charge of \$100,000 for costs for the application renewal. In the opinion of the Panel the determinative factor was that OHHA did not give its consent to the proposed terms."*

The Panel ruled on the case on May 31, 2012.

# OHHA PRESENTATION TO STANDING COMMITTEE

June 11, 2012

Standing Committee on Finance and Economic Affairs  
Committee's Branch  
99 Wellesley Street West  
Room 1405 Whitney Block  
Toronto, ON M7A 1A2

Dear Committee members:

Re: Bill 55 Strong Action for Ontario Act

Mr. Chair, honorable members of the committee, thank you for the opportunity to contribute to the democratic process by appearing before you today for this important consultation.

My name is Brian Tropea, General Manager of the Ontario Harness Horse Association (OHHA), and it is my pleasure to speak to Bill 55, Strong Action for Ontario Act.

Mr. Chair, OHHA is the largest horsepersons' organization in Ontario representing the Standardbred industry. The association was formed in 1961 to represent the interests of those who are involved in the Standardbred racing industry. We currently have approximately 3,500 members and are comprised of a board elected by our members.

Given the full schedule of your committee and our time constraints, I shall speak directly to the question at hand: how will the proposed budgetary changes to the slots-at-racetrack program affect the standardbred industry and our members?

The economic impacts of our industry have been well documented in multiple reports, some commissioned by the government and some by industry organizations. We have provided the clerk of the committee with copies of various reports for your perusal. Without going through the reports in detail, they are consistent in their findings that the racing industry's contribution to the provincial economy is measured in billions of dollars.

A good extent of our growth since 1998 is as a direct result of the slots-at-racetracks program. The 10% of the revenue that the horsepeople receive goes directly into purse pools, or the money that the horses compete for.

This increase in purse pools results in an increased demand for horses, which in turn drives the demand on Ontario breeding farms allowing them to expand and invest. Our sire stakes program requires horses that are bred in Ontario. It is generally accepted that the Ontario program has become the global model; this further enhances our breeding industry. As more horses are bred and raced in Ontario, it expands the economic envelope to include Ontario farmers who supply the industry with hay, grain, straw and other necessities. There is increased work for farriers, blacksmiths, grooms, trainers, drivers and many other related occupations. There are increased opportunities for vets and for manufacturers of racing equipment, from harness to jog carts and race bikes. There is increased demand for vehicles including trucks and trailers manufactured here in Ontario. The businesses that benefit from racing include local saw mills, who supply saw dust and wood chips for bedding, boards for fencing, and materials for stables and other structures. The list of occupations and businesses that rely on horse racing is exhaustive and this is only a short summary as there are too many to list. As a result of this increased economic activity, the economic envelope widens again to encompass the small town merchants who rely on this economic activity to sustain their enterprises.

The 32,000 full time jobs (60,000 in total), as happen mainly in rural Ontario, are an economic pillar for rural Ontario and make use of and create the pastoral landscape that has a direct connection to our tourism product.

I also want to speak of the intangible benefits; it is a way of life that has been part of our history and culture for generations. While it may not be everyone's ideal vocation, it is for the tens of thousands of individuals who rise at dawn and often only rest well after dusk to care for and raise these magnificent horses. While debating Bill C-7 an act to amend the criminal code as it relates to pari-mutuel betting in 1989, Don Mazankowski, then the Deputy Prime Minister, President of the Privy Council and Minister of Agriculture had this to say: *"The horse racing industry is labour intensive. It employs many skilled and unskilled workers, many of them in rural areas. As I said earlier, there is a commitment to this industry by many people and a love of the industry on the part of those that are involved in it. To them, it is more than simply a job. These jobs would be extremely difficult to replace if ever lost. As I said earlier, we are not only providing the potential for the creation of new jobs but we are in fact ensuring the preservation of existing jobs. We believe that the creation of teletheatres will protect these existing jobs as well as create new employment within the industry. As I said earlier, we are not only preserving an industry but indeed promoting it.*

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*We are helping it along and providing the assurance that jobs will be maintained and created. As well, in strengthening this industry, we are in fact preserving a bit of Canadian culture, something that is quite fundamental to Canadian life."*

There is not a day goes by where our members are not relaying conversations they have had with people in the rural parts of the province who fail to understand the logic behind the government announcement concerning the industry. People are very concerned - afraid is not too strong a word - of the uncertainty that this policy announcement has created. Will they have a job? Will they be able to pay their bills? Can they pay the mortgage? Will they have to depend on government social programs to sustain their families?

When the slots-at-racetrack program started OHHA was at the table. We fully understood that this would be increased competition for our industry. But, we are more than a horsepersons' organization; we are also productive responsible citizens of Ontario. We understand that governments face fiscal challenges in providing public services that all citizens desire and rely on; such was the case when the program was introduced. There was not majority public support for additional gaming venues outside of racetracks that were seen by the public to be acceptable places for slots because of decades of pari-mutuel wagering. Realizing our increased competition from slots we were partners to the agreement that would see 10% of the slot revenue go to horse people to supplement our purses. The original agreement also had the goal of increasing economic activity in rural Ontario through the growth of our industry. The revenue generated for the horse-racing industry is largely earned by Ontarians and reinvested in Ontario. This agreement has been beneficial to all parties, including the Provincial Government.

Mr. Chair, we believe it is important for your committee to understand this. This was a partnership that we agreed to as a means to support the growth in government revenues. This was not a subsidy to our industry.

We believe the original objectives have been partially achieved as they relate to the growth of the industry and the growth of the economy in rural Ontario. There is ample evidence in the reports we have provided and one only has to take a drive in rural parts of the province to see the reinvestment by horsepeople in farms, training centres, and other aspects of industry infrastructure. The horse-racing share of revenue has been reinvested back into the Ontario economy. OHHA struggles to understand how allowing international casino companies to run gaming and take profits out of the province could compare with the obvious benefits of the current model.

Is the program ideal? In our opinion, the answer is no. As an organization, we stated such in response to the Sadinsky report commissioned by the government in 2008. The report, that OHHA asked government to conduct, called for significant change to the role of racetracks and the Ontario Racing Commission (ORC), the body that regulates the sport in Ontario. We had concerns then, as we do now, about the role of the ORC and the obligation of the racetracks to live up to the terms of the original agreement. The Sadinsky panel, Stan Sadinsky Q.C, Jane Stewart and William McDonnell, met with all interested stakeholders during their preparation of the report. They reviewed the roles and operations of all organizations and made specific recommendations to address what they determined were flaws in the way that racing was being conducted and managed at the time. OHHA has continued to lobby for the implementation of the recommendations made by the Sadinsky Panel - to no avail. OHHA believes that the panel offered an opportunity for the industry to be in greater control of its future while at the same time offering more transparency to Government on the use of funds generated by the slots-at-racetracks program. *The Sadinsky Panel had this observation: "The Panel fully supports the continuation of the Slots at Racetracks Program at a minimum level of 20% of the revenue generated from slot machines at the racetracks. However, we also recommend that the Program be adjusted to better meet the objectives of enhancing wagering on Ontario product and enhancing the breeding of Ontario racehorses."*

The panel also had this to say: *"Now, the time has come for the government of Ontario to reaffirm its commitment to the industry but not just in economic terms. With the creation of this Panel, the province is seeking assistance for the industry once again by mapping a vision and direction for a Strategic Plan designed to ensure the industry's long-term viability and sustainability. In our view what is required is a new framework for governance, regulation, economic success, innovation and social responsibility."*

And finally the panel observed that: *"Ontario is home to a world-class horse racing and breeding industry. It is the largest horse racing jurisdiction in Canada and the third largest in North America. It is an industry of which the province is justifiably proud. A significant reason for this pride is the valuable and considerable impact the industry has on the Ontario economy, most particularly the province's rural economy."*

Racetracks have the responsibility under their site holder agreements to refurbish the infrastructure of racing and market and promote the sport. Many racetracks have reduced live racing opportunities for horsemen, and collectively have not met the obligation to refurbish infrastructure. Despite the requirement under the site holder agreements for benchmarks to be developed through Ontario Lottery and Gaming, to be able to review and assess the program on an annual basis, these benchmarks were never developed. OHHA views this as a major flaw in the original agreements.

When Mr. Drummond in his report asked that the program be reviewed from a value for money perspective, he did not say to scrap the

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investment in the industry. In subsequent remarks following the release of the report he was very clear in this regard.

Does OHHA believe a review is warranted? Absolutely. We believe a thorough review of the industry and the economics surrounding the industry will demonstrate the importance of working with the industry to ensure its long-term sustainability. While a review should be a healthy exercise, let's not destroy an industry and a way of life until that review has been completed. This is not what Mr. Drummond recommended and we believe this is not what this committee and our elected representatives want.

Our industry has become an economic pillar in those parts of rural Ontario where it is prevalent, contributing to tens of thousands of jobs and generating billions in economic activities for the treasury of the province.

I want to leave you with one final quote from the Sadinsky report and it states: *"In summary, the industry makes a critical and vital contribution to the economic and employment health of rural Ontario. Ensuring its preservation and continued development makes good economic sense for the province as a whole."*

Let's work together to form a new partnership for our industry in Ontario to ensure its sustainability and continued economic contribution to our great province.

Mr. Chair and Honorable members thank you for your time. I would be happy to entertain any questions you may have and I am at your disposal anytime to discuss our industry.

Yours truly,



Brian Tropea  
General Manager

### APPOINTED TO THE BOARD

OHHA elections for the Board of Directors are held each year on the second Tuesday in December.

The existing Bylaw No.4 (article 8 – clause 8.05) dictates that the number of directors in a given district is determined by the number of members in the district. The by-law allows appointment of any member as a director to fill any existing vacancies (article 8 – clause 8.12) and appointment of up to three additional directors (directors-at-large) for a one-year term (article 8 – clause 8.13).

Mr. Anthony Haughan had expressed his interest in serving on the board and, after due deliberation, the board, by unanimous decision, at its January 11, 2012 meeting, appointed him to serve as a director-at-large. Mr. Jody Jamieson, whose previous term as a director-at-large had expired on March 2, 2012, and who subsequently had indicated his continued commitment to serving the horse-people of Ontario, was re-appointed as a director-at-large on May 9, 2012. On the same date, Mr. Brian Cassell, who had conveyed his desire to fill an existing vacancy in District 1, was appointed to the board in that capacity. His term will expire on December 31, 2012.

### 2011 SLOTS /PURSES COMPARISON

Track	Slots to Standardbred	Purses
Clinton	\$1,300,000	\$1,709,400
Dresden	\$1,300,000	\$1,502,100
Flamboro	\$12,300,000	\$15,676,450
Georgian	\$12,700,000	\$11,907,199
Grand River	\$4,400,000	\$6,816,600
Hanover	\$2,300,000	\$2,492,870
Hiawatha	\$3,000,000	\$3,087,600
Kawartha	\$6,600,000	\$7,211,500
Mohawk	\$7,700,000	\$36,422,087
Rideau	\$14,300,000	\$16,493,325
Sudbury	\$5,100,000	\$4,423,650
Western Fair	\$10,400,000	\$10,875,000
Windsor	\$4,000,000	\$6,938,600
Woodbine	\$30,100,000	\$37,958,357
Woodstock	\$2,600,000	\$1,565,800
Total	\$118,100,000	\$165,080,538
WEG	\$37,800,000	\$74,380,444
Total other	\$80,300,000	\$90,700,094

## RRSP ESSENTIALS

### ANYONE CAN JOIN!

Anyone who is a Standardbred industry participant may join the plan. In order to qualify for the industry match-up, owners, trainers, drivers and breeders with over 24 starts in 2011 qualify for the match-up of \$700 deposited to their accounts. Grooms and assistant trainers who were employed full-time in 2011 and can provide proof in the form of a T4 or letter of employment, also qualify for the \$700 match-up.

Members must contribute a minimum \$100 to qualify for the industry match-up and submit reports from Standardbred Canada documenting their eligibility for the match-up. Of course, a person may contribute more, up to the limit set by Revenue Canada.

Full details of the conditions of eligibility for the industry contribution are available on the OHHA website or by contacting the OHHA office.

### CONTRIBUTIONS

Contributions to your plan must be made through the OHHA office, not directly to Manulife, so that OHHA can determine eligibility for the industry contribution to the member's account. Contributions are due in the OHHA office by December 1 each year. Contributions received after this date will not be accepted and will be returned.

### TERMINATIONS

Members who wish to withdraw funds from the plan must terminate their plan membership. They are excluded from the plan for four full calendar years, after which they may rejoin the plan as a new member. A second termination will permanently exclude them from the plan. An exception to this is made for members withdrawing funds through Canada Revenue's Home Buyers' Plan or Life Long Learning Plan.

Termination requests must be made through the OHHA office. Requests made directly to Manulife will not be processed.

Annual Contribution forms for current RRSP members, RRSP Enrolment forms for those wishing to join the plan, Conditions of Eligibility for the industry contribution, and more details on the plan are available on the OHHA website [www.ohha.ca](http://www.ohha.ca) or by calling Kathie Wilkinson, ext. 224 at the OHHA office.

### TOTAL PURSES INCLUDING OSS AND TRILLIUM

Track	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
BAR	\$1,745,714	\$1,906,047	\$2,102,929	\$2,309,240	\$822,500			
BLVL	\$505,481	\$564,255	\$742,633	\$914,305	\$1,066,441	\$982,876	\$1,017,790	\$776,907
CLNTN	\$377,795	\$388,316	\$545,671	\$498,380	\$1,659,375	\$1,480,343	\$1,776,600	\$1,669,500
DRES	\$421,601	\$584,425	\$951,590	\$1,049,442	\$1,694,632	\$1,807,988	\$2,256,342	\$1,985,004
EMIRA	\$2,770,290	\$3,356,739	\$3,514,870	\$3,572,606	\$3,642,205	\$3,273,008	\$3,037,906	\$5,437,898
FLMD	\$8,755,827	\$10,333,231	\$10,065,778	\$10,652,911	\$16,304,365	\$20,664,586	\$22,338,613	\$20,438,735
GEODF					\$891,000	\$10,540,303	\$9,871,893	\$11,858,830
GRVR								
HNVR	\$643,372	\$697,702	\$730,238	\$818,210	\$2,117,997	\$1,985,192	\$2,000,994	\$2,019,444
KD F	\$551,450	\$1,232,203	\$1,455,293	\$5,172,878	\$7,454,385	\$7,060,514	\$7,813,898	\$8,177,198
LON	\$2,880,824	\$3,409,157	\$4,765,180	\$8,041,506	\$9,835,081	\$9,648,807	\$9,516,112	\$10,589,191
MOH F	\$19,496,834	\$15,603,904	\$29,017,066	\$43,993,604	\$31,790,324	\$36,854,220	\$40,803,646	\$27,219,669
RIDCF	\$3,258,291	\$3,454,165	\$3,898,114	\$9,372,378	\$13,565,090	\$13,075,253	\$12,789,149	\$13,774,060
SAR F	\$1,502,012	\$1,596,383	\$4,301,578	\$6,496,418	\$6,670,212	\$5,672,469	\$5,599,647	\$6,742,592
SUDBY	\$1,160,383	\$1,154,508	\$1,624,220	\$3,865,904	\$4,342,810	\$4,774,130	\$5,095,636	\$3,992,216
WDB S	\$24,572,270	\$28,468,173	\$23,822,790	\$29,190,349	\$51,189,624	\$55,973,782	\$46,581,349	\$59,115,810
WODSK	\$433,816	\$504,989	\$660,370	\$672,191	\$1,242,761	\$1,818,482	\$2,178,078	\$2,190,507
WR F	\$8,631,040	\$8,993,140	\$14,076,604	\$14,803,199	\$14,789,109	\$13,431,541	\$12,191,023	\$14,290,450
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$77,707,000</b>	<b>\$82,247,337</b>	<b>\$102,274,924</b>	<b>\$141,423,521</b>	<b>\$169,077,911</b>	<b>\$189,043,494</b>	<b>\$184,868,676</b>	<b>\$190,278,011</b>
WEG	\$44,069,104	\$44,072,077	\$52,839,856	\$73,183,953	\$82,979,948	\$92,828,002	\$87,384,995	\$86,335,479

## HANDS ON HORSES PROGRAM BACK FOR 2012

The successful Hands on Horses Program is back for another year. The program, originally started as the Ontario horse racing youth camps, has evolved into a very successful marketing tool which racetracks across Ontario enthusiastically utilize to get fans "up close and personal" with the horses and industry participants.

The camps' resources are further used during racetrack open houses where visitors have the opportunity to go for a jog around the raceway, race night events where selected fans have that same opportunity, as well as during visits at local campgrounds, fairs and exhibitions across the province. Camp co-ordinator, Stacey Reinsma, is once again assisted by Natalie Elliott and Ken Ellis and the trio have already logged many hours bringing the excitement of horse racing to the people.

For more information on how you can participate, or to find an event near you, go to [www.handsonhorsesprogram.com](http://www.handsonhorsesprogram.com)



## 15 YEAR COMPARISON OF ONTARIO HORSE RACING

Year	Purse	Races	Dates	Starts	Starters
1997	\$77,707,000.00	11944	1120	97107	7178
1998	\$82,247,337.00	12653	1192	101293	7370
1999	\$102,274,924.00	13066	1237	105137	7907
2000	\$141,423,521.00	14196	1306	118207	9108
2001	\$169,077,911.00	15236	1365	127193	9908
2002	\$189,043,494.00	16002	1396	133618	10300
2003	\$184,858,676.00	16002	1382	135097	10649
2004	\$190,278,011.00	16881	1426	140766	11027
2005	\$181,915,738.00	16668	1431	138171	10868
2006	\$184,753,263.00	16470	1440	134839	10463
2007	\$178,004,522.00	15449	1352	125756	9932
2008	\$176,560,169.00	15414	1328	127886	10230
2009	\$183,958,932.00	15958	1361	133026	10052
2010	\$167,900,624.00	15910	1356	132261	9634
2011	\$165,080,538.00	14867	1260	122625	9040
Decline					
10 vs 11	\$2,820,086.00	1043	96	9636	594

2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	Since 1997
							\$8,886,430
\$765,617	\$713,571						\$8,049,876
\$1,833,400	\$1,850,500	\$1,868,962	\$1,874,300	\$1,912,900	\$1,717,600	\$1,709,400	\$21,163,042
\$1,971,898	\$2,136,018	\$1,865,896	\$1,903,800	\$1,761,400	\$1,747,500	\$1,502,100	\$23,639,636
\$6,022,531							\$34,628,053
\$17,818,050	\$19,460,380	\$17,009,011	\$19,569,662	\$17,242,431	\$15,577,835	\$15,676,450	\$241,907,865
\$13,278,019	\$13,191,851	\$11,220,684	\$11,650,444	\$12,840,700	\$13,959,800	\$11,907,199	\$121,210,723
	\$6,397,932	\$5,884,027	\$6,538,598	\$7,276,000	\$6,592,100	\$6,816,600	\$39,505,257
\$2,406,610	\$2,407,220	\$2,590,034	\$2,718,600	\$2,785,300	\$2,602,500	\$2,492,870	\$29,016,283
\$7,912,761	\$7,223,741	\$8,404,995	\$8,081,994	\$7,454,900	\$7,377,700	\$7,211,500	\$92,585,410
\$10,439,302	\$13,400,819	\$13,654,657	\$13,413,934	\$13,103,426	\$11,787,200	\$10,875,000	\$145,360,196
\$34,971,059	\$32,659,132	\$43,414,490	\$45,253,164	\$45,894,557	\$37,268,439	\$36,422,087	\$520,662,195
\$13,404,191	\$14,462,187	\$15,668,829	\$16,167,109	\$16,445,792	\$17,317,550	\$16,493,325	\$183,145,483
\$4,286,285	\$4,063,124	\$4,579,550	\$3,629,100	\$3,958,650	\$3,632,100	\$3,087,600	\$65,817,720
\$4,088,250	\$4,986,965	\$4,867,821	\$4,254,446	\$4,971,000	\$4,896,900	\$4,423,650	\$58,498,839
\$49,142,595	\$50,578,625	\$36,477,976	\$32,325,946	\$38,804,869	\$34,676,200	\$37,958,357	\$598,878,715
\$1,890,500	\$2,249,755	\$2,764,642	\$2,589,000	\$3,081,300	\$2,564,500	\$1,565,800	\$26,406,691
\$11,684,670	\$8,971,443	\$7,732,948	\$6,590,072	\$6,425,707	\$6,182,700	\$6,938,600	\$155,732,246
\$181,915,738	\$184,753,263	\$178,004,522	\$176,560,169	\$183,958,932	\$167,900,624	\$165,080,538	\$2,375,094,660
\$84,113,654	\$83,237,757	\$79,892,466	\$77,579,110	\$84,699,426	\$71,944,639	\$74,380,444	\$1,119,540,910

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**OHHA OFFICES RELOCATED**

In November of last year the OHHA offices moved from 44 Crawford Crescent to 35 Crawford Crescent (all other contact information remains the same). Our current location is just across the street from the previous one and right behind the Trail Eatery. The decision to move was made as a cost-saving measure.



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