

**Co-Chair's Report to the 2023 AGM**  
**held in person and by Zoom March 28, 2023**

**In 2022 we completed 597 low-income tax returns, including 14 home visits, plus 41 returns in Passmore and 21 in Creston. We also advocated for 8 seniors. 4 clients were helped with Personal Advance Planning, including wills and powers of attorney.**

**The Elder Abuse Prevention Program did 2 presentations to 87 people, as well as helping 20 individuals. They volunteered 957 hours.**

**The enthusiastic volunteers of Cycling Without Age gave trishaw rides to 354 less mobile community members a joyous ride on their special trishaws enabling them to be outside in the fresh air and experience scenic surroundings.**

**TEETH, the low-income dental clinic, has not been open since the fire February 21, 2022. Renovations are finally taking place and staff hired in anticipation of opening this spring.**

**We facilitated 35 seniors to access healthy fresh local food at our Farmer's market.**

**Our Office Manager assisted an average of 8 people a day to find appropriate resources in order to get the services they need.**

**I am very happy that for the first time since 2021 we are enjoying the continuing presence of our Office Manager, Linda Winje, hired last May. We hope to keep her services into the ongoing future.**

**We appreciate enormously the work of all our committees and programs, which are completely run by volunteers, supported by our part-time Office Manager.**

**We received \$8,675 from BC Gaming for 2023. Our other loyal local donors were Nelson District Credit Union, Benevity, Nelson Lions, Nelson Legion, Nelson Eagles, IG Charitable Giving and the City of Nelson, plus numerous individuals.**

**We are always looking for more volunteers, so talk with any Board member if you could donate some time to help Nelson area seniors and other vulnerable people.**