



OTTAWA CHINATOWN

A multicultural village with an Asian flavour

2018 Annual Report

The Somerset Street Chinatown BIA was established in 1989 by the City of Ottawa. Chinatown is spread over an area of 8 city blocks on Somerset Street West: from Bay Street to Preston Street. A Board of Management governs the BIA. Members of the BIA consist of 120 property Owners and business owners in the area.

The mandate of the BIA includes:

- Maintenance, beautification and enhancement of public area
- Support and enhancement of public safety
- Promote and market local business/tourism
- Encourage and support all business development and economic revitalization efforts

2018 Annual Highlights:

- Supported by a grant from the City of Ottawa, new murals were added to 22 planters on the street. The new murals give the street attracting features while responding to the challenge of limited space.
- Organized the annual Chinese New Year Parade and winter lighting project. Supported the annual Asian Night Market event with continuing success.
- Maintain the same level of level with a balanced budget
- Carried out one research projects
- Conducted Chinatown arch detailed inspection which is due every 4 years.
- Completed board election with a new board

2017 Audited Financial Statement:

Please see the attached.

2018 Strategic Direction:

- Continue to carry out events to increase the attractiveness of our commercial district



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- Respond to and provide service to BIA members
- Organize meaningful activities to promote Chinatown as a destination
- Increase lighting on the street
- Maintain the same level of budget

Board of Management

Peter So	Property Owner	
Sonia Del Rosario	Property Owner/Business Owner	del Rosario Financial Services
John Maiorino	Property Owner/Business Owner	Professional Barber Shop & Hairstyling
Beibei Chang	Business Owner	Kowloon Market
Kenny Giang	Business Owner	Oriental Charm Houseware & Gifts
Peter Yeung	Property Owner	
Terry Cheng	Property Owner	
Fay Meng	Business Owner	MobileNet Plus
Kristen Mikkelsen	Manager	Kelly funeral Home
Staff: Executive Director	Grace Xin	
Executive Coordinator	Shirley Fang	

