

2021 ANNUAL REPORT



Mission: To enhance the quality of justice in the communities we serve through restorative measures

An Overview of 2021

2021 was a year in which the organization continued to adapt and evolve, facing unique and extraordinary circumstances presented by the pandemic. The organization persistently exercised its adaptive qualities to ensure operations ran swiftly and the Society fulfilled its mandate of enhancing restorative measures in the communities. CERA strived during this period, not simply conducting operations, but finding new approaches to build efficiency.

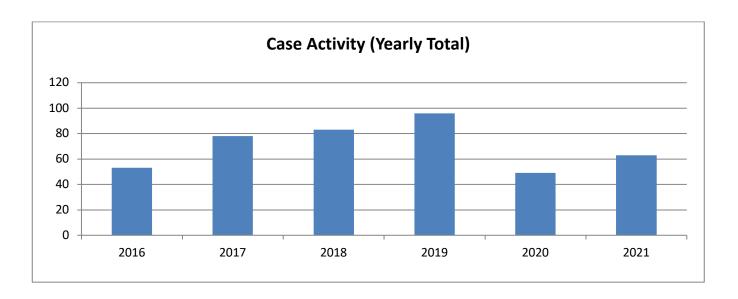
Considering the environment presented by COVID-19, CERA applied a number of methods, including online tools to connect with parties and allow for communication that works towards repairing harm and reaching resolutions. While committing to establishing new approaches can be challenging, they also allow for branching out into new territory. The organization found itself addressing cases from a distance and working with partners to address issues swiftly.

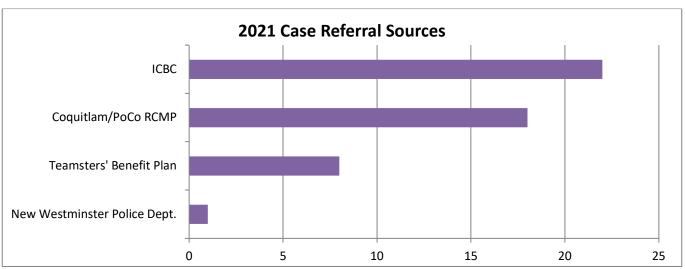
CERA's relationship with its police partners, primarily the Coquitlam/Port Coquitlam RCMP, New Westminster Police Department, and Port Moody Police Department remains staunch, and the relationship with Crown is strong. The organization is very pleased that together with School District 43 and 40 it is looking into new spaces in which restorative justice can be incorporated to build safer schools. Furthermore, CERA's relationship with ICBC has proven to be an excellent one, leading to a notable increase in cases from ICBC in recent years, a trend the organization is confident will only continue.

Our sincere appreciation to all our funders, partners, staff, Board, volunteers and supporters. It is our collaboration that builds safer neighbourhoods and more harmonious communities

C.J. (Greta) Airhart Chair, Board of Directors Gurinder Mann Executive Director

Operational Activity

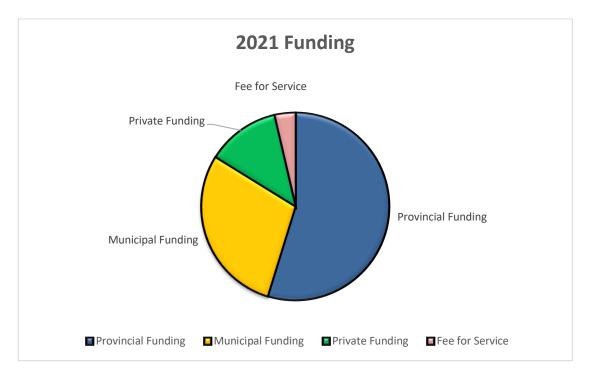




^{**}Some files involve multiple offenders, hence, multiple referrals

CERA's Presence in Schools

CERA continued to play an active role in School District 40 and 43. The organization played an important role in conducting restorative justice processes within schools. In addition, CERA applied its preventative approach in schools, by educating classes on the benefits of restorative approaches. Exercising its creativity, the CERA also employed its online tools in reaching classrooms that proved to be effective during the pandemic environment.



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