

**Financial Statements** 

Spinal Cord Injury Ontario

March 31, 2023

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# Independent Auditor's Report

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To the Members of Spinal Cord Injury Ontario

#### **Qualified Opinion**

We have audited the financial statements of Spinal Cord Injury Ontario ("SCIO"), which comprise the statement of financial position as at March 31, 2023, and the statements of operations, changes in net assets and cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information. In our opinion, except for the possible effects of the matter described in the *Basis for Qualified Opinion* paragraph, the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of SCIO as at March 31, 2023, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations.

#### **Basis for Qualified Opinion**

In common with many charitable organizations, SCIO derives revenues from donations from the public and other fundraising activities, the completeness of which is not susceptible to satisfactory audit verification. Accordingly, our verification of these revenues was limited to the amounts recorded in the records of SCIO. Therefore, we were not able to determine whether any adjustments might be necessary to revenue, excess of revenue over expenses, and cash flows from operations for the years ended March 31, 2023 and 2022, current assets as at March 31, 2023 and 2022, and net assets as at April 1, 2022 and 2021 and March 31, 2023 and 2022. Our audit opinion on the financial statements for the year ended March 31, 2022 was modified accordingly because of the possible effects of this limitation in scope.

We conducted our audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements* section of our report. We are independent of SCIO in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in Canada, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our qualified opinion.

# Responsibilities of Management and Those Charged with Governance for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error. In preparing the financial statements, management is responsible for assessing SCIO's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to a going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate SCIO or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative to do so.

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Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing SCIO's financial reporting process.

#### Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to
  fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit
  evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not
  detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as
  fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of
  internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of SCIO's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on SCIO's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause SCIO to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

Grant Thornton LLP

Toronto, Canada June 7, 2023

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# Spinal Cord Injury Ontario Statement of Operations

Year ended March 31	2023	2022
Revenue		
Grants (Note 3)	\$ 4,318,820	\$ 4,425,618
Donations and other public support (Note 4)	2,413,762	1,856,789
Fees for service	150,435	89,736
Recognition of deferred capital contributions (Note 6)	 5,592	 36,990
	 6,888,609	 6,409,133
Expenses		
Staff salaries and benefits (Note 7)	4,892,403	4,496,286
Purchased services	837,500	798,934
Office	507,205	511,496
Payments on behalf of clients	198,853	276,153
Direct fundraising costs	196,513	49,410
Medical research grants (Note 8(b))	110,540	107,316
Travel	96,605	42,900
Miscellaneous	24,074	42,351
Amortization of property and equipment	17,956	27,550
Professional development	6,134	26,349
Loss on disposal of property and equipment	 -	 28,147
	 6,887,783	 6,406,892
Excess of revenue over expenses	\$ 826	\$ 2,241

# Spinal Cord Injury Ontario Statement of Changes in Net Assets

Year ended March 31	0				2023	2022
	pr	nvested in operty and equipment	Ur	nrestricted - operating	 Total	 Total
Net assets, beginning of year	\$	53,234	\$	179,017	\$ 232,251	\$ 230,010
(Deficiency) excess of revenue over expenses		(12,364)		13,190	 826	 2,241
Net assets, end of year	\$	40,870	\$	192,207	\$ 233,077	\$ 232,251

See accompanying notes to the financial statements.

### Spinal Cord Injury Ontario Statement of Financial Position

As at March 31	2023	2022
Assets		
Current		
Cash	\$ 13,370	\$ 355,959
Accounts receivable (Note 3)	119,540	193,693
Due from Ontario Paraplegic Foundation (Note 9)	574,964	251,450
Prepaid expenses	 <u>97,941</u>	 82,906
	805,815	884,008
Property and equipment (Note 11)	 62,647	 80,603
	\$ 868,462	\$ 964,611
Liabilities Current		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ 452,558	\$ 315,573
Deferred revenue	71,466	282,055
Deferred contributions (Note 5)	 89,584	 107,363
	613,608	704,991
Deferred capital contributions (Note 6)	 21,777	 27,369
	 <u>635,385</u>	 732,360
Net assets		
Invested in property and equipment	40,870	53,234
Unrestricted - operating	 <u>192,207</u>	 179,017
	 233,077	 232,251
	\$ 868,462	\$ 964,611

Commitments (Note 8)

On behalf of the Board

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See accompanying notes to the financial statements.

# Spinal Cord Injury Ontario Statement of Cash Flows

Year Ended March 31		2023		2022
Increase (decrease) in cash				
Operating	•		•	
Excess of revenues over expenses Items not involving cash	\$	826	\$	2,241
Recognition of deferred capital contributions		(5,592)		(36,990)
Amortization of property and equipment		17,956		27,550
Loss on disposal of property and equipment				28,147
		13,190		20,948
Change in non-cash working capital items				
Accounts receivable		74,153		(11,977)
Due from Ontario Paraplegic Foundation		(323,514)		(71,673)
Prepaid expenses		(15,035)		(10,865)
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities		136,985		28,853
Deferred revenue		(210,589)		(96,787)
Deferred contributions		(17,779)		7,177
		<u>(342,589</u> )		(134,324)
Investing				
Purchase of property and equipment				(6,757)
Net decrease in cash		(342,589)		(141,081)
Cash, beginning of year		<u>355,959</u>		497,040
Cash, end of year	¢	13,370	¢	355,959

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### 1. Description of the organization

Spinal Cord Injury Ontario ("SCIO") is dedicated to delivering and championing excellence in service, support and advocacy for and with people with spinal cord injury.

SCIO's unique expertise is built on over seven decades of experience serving the spinal cord injury community since our founding by veterans who returned from battle and began the fight for full and fair lives regardless of their injuries.

SCIO is incorporated under the laws of Ontario as a corporation without share capital.

SCIO is a registered charity under the Income Tax Act (Canada) and, as such, is exempt from income taxes.

SCIO provides the following programs and services:

**Regional services** connecting experienced and knowledgeable navigators to help people negotiate the health system, achieve their goals and gain independence after a spinal cord injury and providing essential equipment and mobility aids to those who cannot afford them.

Employment services preparing and connecting workers and employers.

**Peer support services** connecting peer mentors with lived experiences, to help the newly injured individuals, and their families, to overcome the social, psychological and physical challenges of living with a disability.

**Research and partnerships** support for research that improves the lives of people with spinal cord injury.

**Knowledge exchange** promoting independence and awareness by acquiring, curating and sharing current knowledge and best practices through SCIO's social enterprise Cortree Disability Education Centre and other platforms.

**Public policy** assisting government and NGOs in creating and implementing public policy that improves accessibility for people with spinal cord injury and other physical disabilities.

#### 2. Summary of significant accounting policies

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations ("ASNPO"). ASNPO requires entities to select policies appropriate for their circumstances from choices provided in the specific standards. The following are details of the choices selected by SCIO and applied in these financial statements.

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#### 2. Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

#### **Revenue recognition**

SCIO follows the deferral method of accounting for contributions which include donations and grants.

Under the deferral method, externally restricted contributions are deferred and recognized as revenue in the year in which the related expenses are incurred.

Unrestricted contributions are recognized as revenue when received or receivable if the amount to be received can be reasonably estimated and collection is reasonably assured.

Fees for service are recognized when the services have been provided.

#### **Deferred capital contributions**

Externally restricted contributions received for property and equipment are recognized in revenue over the same terms and on the same basis as the recognition of the amortization of related property and equipment.

#### Contributed goods and services

Contributed goods and services are not recognized in the financial statements.

#### **Property and equipment**

Purchased property and equipment are recorded at cost. Contributions of property and equipment are capitalized at fair market value at the date of contribution. Property and equipment are amortized on a straight-line basis over their estimated useful lives as follows:

Leasehold improvements	over the term of the lease
Office equipment	10 years
Computer equipment	4 years

#### **Employee future benefits**

Contributions to a defined contribution pension plan are expensed when due.

#### **Financial instruments**

SCIO considers any contract creating a financial asset, liability or equity instrument as a financial instrument.

SCIO's financial instruments comprise cash, accounts receivable, due from Ontario Paraplegic Foundation and accounts payable. Cash is measured at fair value and accounts receivable and accounts payable are measured at amortized cost.

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#### 2. Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

#### Use of estimates

Certain items in the preparation of these financial statements require management's best estimate. Management determines these estimates based on assumptions that reflect the most probable set of economic conditions and planned courses of action. These estimates are reviewed periodically and adjustments are made to the excess of revenues over expenses as appropriate in the year they become known. Management also reviews the carrying amounts of items in the financial statements at each statement of financial position date to assess the need for revision or any possibility of impairment.

3. Grants	 2023	 2022
Toronto Central Local Health Integrated Network Ontario Ministry of Labour, Immigration,	\$ 3,541,497	\$ 3,491,488
Training and Skills Development	569,473	539,398
Ontario Ministry of Community and Social Services	188,511	206,352
Canadian Emergency Wage Subsidy	-	178,074
Canada Summer Student Program and Other	 <u> 19,339</u>	 10,306
	\$ 4,318,820	\$ 4,425,618

SCIO has a service contract with the Ontario Ministry of Children, Community and Social Services to provide specified services under the Ontario Disability Supports Program. Funding is in respect of a blended performance based and expense recovery model for fiscal year 2023 due to the Pandemic. Over-delivered services is reflected in the financial statements as a receivable in the amount of \$5,846 (2022 - \$6,704). It is noted that this is an estimate based on available data as at March 31, 2023 as the Ministry does not close off their records until July and the receivable amount may change.

#### 4. Donations and other public support

The donations and other public support balance is calculated as follows:

	 2023	 2022
Donations and other public support Net support from Ontario Paraplegic	\$ 1,080,124	\$ 1,107,790
Foundation (Notes 9 and 10)	 1,333,638	 748,999
	\$ 2,413,762	\$ 1,856,789

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### 5. Deferred contributions

Deferred contributions are donations received in support of client needs to transition to community or stay in community by enhancing client independence. The changes in the deferred contributions balance are as follows:

	 2023	 2022
Balance, beginning of year Recognition of contributions in support of clients Contributions received for support of clients	\$ 107,363 (127,817) <u>110,038</u>	\$ 100,186 (133,085) <u>140,262</u>
Balance, end of year	\$ 89,584	\$ 107,363

### 6. Deferred capital contributions

The changes in the deferred capital contributions balance are as follows:

	 2023	 2022
Balance, beginning of year Recognition of deferred capital contributions	\$ 27,369 (5,592)	\$ 64,359 <u>(36,990</u> )
Balance, end of year	\$ 21,777	\$ 27,369

#### 7. Pension plan

SCIO offers a defined contribution pension plan to its employees. SCIO matches an amount of 4% of each eligible employee's gross salary to the plan. During the year, contributions of \$116,223 (2022 – \$111,766) were expensed in staff salaries and benefits in the statement of operations.

#### 8. Commitments

(a) SCIO has commitments under office premises, equipment, and other leases expiring in 2027. Commitments for the next four years as follows:

2024 2025	\$ 94,107 75,462
2026 2027	65,964 24,568

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#### 8. Commitments (continued)

(b) SCIO has undertaken to participate in a research partnership with the University Health Network Foundation. Under this arrangement, an amount of \$70,000 per year with annual cost of living increases will be contributed for up to 20 years to support a post-doctoral fellowship in the field of spinal cord injury research. This arrangement commenced in September 2002. In fiscal 2023, medical research grants of \$110,540 (2022 – \$107,316) were made and expensed in the statement of operations. The organization has now fulfilled its commitment and no further contributions are to be made on this agreement starting April 2023.

### 9. Ontario Paraplegic Foundation

SCIO controls the Ontario Paraplegic Foundation (the "Foundation"), which was established in March 2000 and receives bequests and other donations from supporters of SCIO. The Foundation is incorporated under the Corporations Act (Ontario) and is a registered charity under the Income Tax Act (Canada). SCIO appoints the majority of the Foundation's Board of Directors and, according to the Foundation's bylaws, all resources of the Foundation must ultimately be used for the benefit of SCIO's programs or for research supported by SCIO.

The Foundation has not been consolidated into SCIO's financial statements. Separate financial statements of the Foundation are available on request. A financial summary of the Foundation as at March 31, 2023 and March 31, 2022 and for the years then ended is as follows:

Financial position	2023	2022
Assets Investments, at market value Other	\$    7,494,732 1,184	\$ 8,418,340 2,731
	\$ 7,495,916	\$ 8,421,071
Liabilities Due to SCIO Other	\$     574,964 <u> </u>	\$ 251,450 <u>15,782</u> <u>267,232</u>
Fund balances General Fund Internally Restricted Fund Restricted Research Fund	6,673,816 230,924 	7,797,234 268,014 <u>88,591</u>
	<u>6,904,740</u>	8,153,839
Total liabilities and fund balances	\$ 7,495,916	\$ 8,421,071

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### 9. Ontario Paraplegic Foundation (continued)

Results of operations		2023	 2022
Donations and bequests Change in value of investments Grants to SCIO (Notes 4 and 10) Other expenses (Note 10)	\$	579 185,510 (1,333,638) <u>(101,550</u> )	\$ 215 968,205 (748,999) <u>(93,468</u> )
Excess of revenue over expenses	\$	(1,249,099)	\$ 125,953
Cash flows			
Cash flows from operating activities Cash flows from investing activities	\$	(1,109,118) <u>850,000</u>	\$ (744,310) 1,000,000
Net (decrease) increase in cash		(259,118)	255,690
Cash, beginning of year	_	261,361	 5,671
Cash, end of year	\$	2,243	\$ 261,361

#### 10. Related party transactions

Transactions during the year with related parties are as follows:

	 2023	 2022
Ontario Paraplegic Foundation Operating and research grants received from		
the Ontario Paraplegic Foundation (Notes 4 and 9)	\$ 1,333,638	\$ 748,999
Staff costs recovered by SCIO from the Ontario		
Paraplegic Foundation	40,737	37,205
SCI Canada		
Income distribution to Federation members received		
from SCI Canada	8,625	29,216
Membership fees paid to SCI Canada	8,625	26,148

SCIO provides office space at no cost to the Ontario Paraplegic Foundation.

Amounts due from the Ontario Paraplegic Foundation are non-interest bearing and due on demand.

SCIO is a member of SCI Canada Federation and must abide the by-laws set out by them.

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#### 11. Property and equipment

	 Cost	ccumulated	<u> </u>	2023 Net ook Value	 2022 Net <u>Book Value</u>
Leasehold improvements Office equipment Computer equipment	\$ 115,407 89,753 74,908	\$ 78,358 64,429 74,634	\$	37,049 25,324 274	\$ 42,989 31,396 <u>6,218</u>
	\$ 280,068	\$ 217,421	\$	62,647	\$ 80,603

### 12. Operating line of credit

SCIO has an operating line of credit of \$190,000 bearing interest at the bank's prime rate of 6.70% plus 1% (7.7% as at March 31, 2023; 3.7% as at March 31, 2022). The credit facility is secured by the granting of a security interest in the personal property of SCIO. As at March 31, 2023, \$Nil (2022 - \$Nil) was utilized.

### 13. Financial instruments and risk

Transactions in financial instruments may result in an entity assuming or transferring to another party one or more of the financial risks described below.

#### Credit risk

Credit risk is the risk that one party to a financial instrument will cause a financial loss for the other party by failing to discharge an obligation. SCIO's main credit risks relate to its accounts receivable and amounts due from Ontario Paraplegic Foundation.

#### Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that SCIO will encounter difficulty in meeting the obligations associated with its financial liabilities. SCIO is exposed to this risk mainly in respect of its accounts payable. SCIO reduces exposure to liquidity risk by ensuring that it maintains adequate cash reserves to pay trade creditors.

It is management's opinion that SCIO is not exposed to significant credit risk or liquidity arising from its financial instruments.

### Spinal Cord Injury Ontario Schedule of Expenses by Programs and Services

Year ended March 31

Schedule 1

The following table classifies expenses by programs and services. The salaries and benefits of certain employees, who perform a combination of program, fundraising and administrative activities, are allocated based on time dedicated to the activity. Other operating and general costs, including purchased services, office, travel, professional development and miscellaneous, are allocated based on the level of benefit received by each program and service. Such allocations are reviewed and updated annually.

			Allocated Costs									
				Staff salaries		Purchased						
		Direct costs		and benefits		services*		<u>Office</u>		<u>Other</u>		<u>Total</u>
2023												
Programs and services	•		•		•		•		•			
Regional services	\$	1,860,085	\$	392,990	\$	228,245	\$	72,008	\$		\$	2,499,797
Information and Cortree services		627,248		6,323		7,856		16,193		1,342		658,962
Employment services		582,188		29,498		12,806		27,226		1,195		652,913
Peer Program services Communications		419,521 324,382		149,261 3,794		12,353 4,828		19,144 10,725		1,789 868		602,068 344,597
Member services, advocacy		324,382 169,188		2,530		4,828 3,294		7,820		621		183,453
Research and partnerships		<u>110,540</u>		2,000				7,020				<u>110,540</u>
	-	110,040	-		-		-					110,040
		4,093,152		<u>584,396</u>		269,382		<u>153,116</u>		(47,716)		<u>5,052,330</u>
			-				-					
Support												
Administration		1,025,880		-		-		-		-		1,025,880
Resource development		746,221		11,383		13,914		27,139		2,291		800,948
SCI Canada (Note 10)	_	8,625	-	-	_		-	-	_	-	_	8,625
				44.000				07.400		0.004		
	-	1,780,725	-	11,383	-	13,914	-	27,139	_	2,291		1,835,453
	\$	5,873,877	\$	595,779	\$	283,296	\$	180,255	\$	(45,425)	\$	6,887,783
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2022	\$	5,566,202	\$	450,910	\$	257,238	\$	159,054	\$	(26,512)	\$ _	6,406,892
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\* Purchased services include consulting and professional fees.

# Spinal Cord Injury Ontario Schedule of Expenses by Programs and Services

Year ended March 31

			Allocated Costs									
		Direct costs		Staff salaries and benefits		Purchased services*		Office		<u>Other</u>		<u>Total</u>
2022												
Programs and services	\$	1 077 504	\$	250 645	\$	102 042	\$	CE 000	\$	(20.914)	¢	2 454 405
Regional services Information services	Ф	1,977,534 679,869	Ф	259,645 6,365	Φ	192,042 8,842	Ф	65,088 14,082	Φ	(39,814) 1,666	Φ	2,454,495 710,824
Employment services		558,290		26,675		16,042		23,734		3,601		628,345
Peer support services		379,199		140,403		15,600		17,216		3,391		555,809
Communications		309,407		3,819		5,407		9,500		1,045		329,178
Member services, advocacy		122,935		2,546		3,664		6,941		723		136,809
Research and partnerships		107,316		_,0 .0		-		-		-		107,316
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	_	4,134,550		439,453		241,600		136,561	_	<u>(29,388)</u>	_	4,922,776
Support												
Administration		796,781		-		-		-		-		796,781
Resource development		608,723		11,457		15,638		22,493		2,876		661,187
SCI Canada (Note 10)	-	26,148				-			-		_	26,148
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	-	1,431,652		11,457		15,638		22,493	-	2,876	-	<u>1,484,116</u>
	\$	5,566,202	\$	450,910	\$	257,238	\$	159,054	\$	(26,512)	\$	6,406,892
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2021	\$	5,316,148	\$	403,903	\$	170,131	\$	167,992	\$	23,415	\$	6,081,589
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\* Purchased services include consulting and professional fees.

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