

Message from CEO Robert Byers



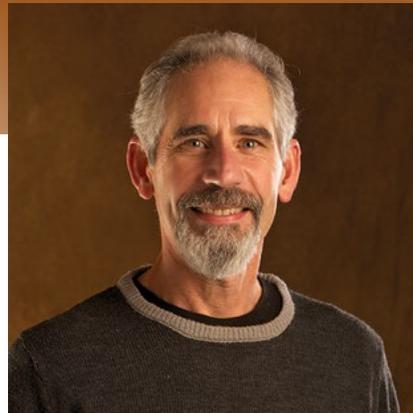
Happy New Year from our team at Namerind. We have started what is shaping up to be another exciting year with various projects gearing up to begin, and the continued progress and success of others already underway.

Our growing team was happy again to participate in our Holiday Hampers campaign where we are able each year to support families at Christmas. It's a great way of extending Namerind's core mission of supporting our community by providing safe, affordable housing to families in need. We are always looking for ways to support our community and this holiday campaign has become a mainstay at our office thanks to the support of our wonderful contractors and staff who donate funds, organize and deliver the baskets.

As always, ideas, questions and comments are welcome. Call or stop by our office anytime to learn more or to share your thoughts.

We wish you a happy and healthy 2017,
Robert Byers

SPOTLIGHT ON BOARD OF DIRECTORS: LADD FOGARTY



Ladd Fogarty joined the Namerind Board of Directors two years ago after retiring as a high school teacher specializing in visual arts and having years of involvement in Regina's Indigenous community. After a career of supporting students in and outside of the classroom, he began to apply that support to Namerind's team and projects. Ladd is particularly focused on the Namerind Place development, given the possibilities it presents to display original indigenous artwork and provide programming for the community, including young people.

"Having the ability to be involved with this organization and seeing how everyone involved is really here to make a difference has been an honour

for me. I've enjoyed being able to tour some of Namerind's properties to see firsthand the difference the staff here make in people's everyday lives. I continue to be impressed with everything that happens at Namerind and am happy to do anything I can to support this wonderful organization and its mission."

Ladd has assisted in garnering funds for Namerind Development Corp's Namerind Place development and actively supports youth programming in Regina.

Holiday Hampers 2016

This year, Namerind's Holiday Hamper campaign provided hampers to 40 families, marking the most successful year to date. Families received all of the food needed for their Christmas dinner as well as board games and activities to use to spend time together as a family over the holidays. The campaign has become a passion of the Namerind staff who work to collect funds and then items and assemble the baskets, delivering them to families to see the joy they bring at what can be a difficult time of year. This year, Namerind was also able to make a donation to the North Central Community and Inner City Project in Regina.



Thank you to the following contractors and staff who participated in this year's campaign:

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Meet our Staff



Name:

Colina Paul,
Executive Assistant to Robert Byers

Describe a typical day for you at work:

My role at Namerind is a supportive role to our President and CEO. I assist Robert in achieving his goals and ensuring that things are organized and prepared for all deadlines to be met and day-to-day items to get done. This includes managing Robert's calendar, making travel arrangements and preparing reports for Robert to attend conferences or speaking opportunities. Each week, Robert and I review his schedule and I try to help wherever I can by taking as many things as I can off of his plate to lighten the load.

What is your favourite thing about working at Namerind?

I enjoy the energy of our office. When I started, everyone was very welcoming and Namerind continues to be a place where everyone is open to ideas and achieving our mission in creative ways. It's very invigorating to be able to share ideas and have them really be listened to and considered. I was specifically looking for an opportunity in the not-for-profit sector, so I very much enjoy working at a not-for-profit organization that does such important work in our community. It's important that my time away from my family is making a real difference. I know that at Namerind, people are not just trying to make a difference – they are – and that is work worthwhile.

Outside of work, what are some of your favourite ways to spend time?

I have a large family with seven children – 5 sons and 2 daughters, so depending on the day, I spend time being a line cook, shuttle driver, teacher, nurse, cheerleader, and fan – all part and parcel of being a mom. I used to enjoy playing sports and am now involved in my children's multiple sports as the momager, #1 fan and sometimes coach. As you can imagine, we play hard, so we always take a break in the summer. We like to go camping and unplug with no phones or devices and just spend time together as a family. I think my role as momager at home has prepared me well to be an Executive Assistant and anticipate needs at the office.

Colina has been part of Namerind's team for five months.