



British Isles Family History Society of Greater Ottawa

Goals for 2024–2026

With BIFHSGO's vision, mission and values in mind, the Board has established the following goals for 2024 to 2026:

Education:

- Assist members with their research skills.
- Offer new member orientation.
- Take advantage of technology.

Partnerships and Outreach:

- Increase partnerships with other genealogy organizations to share information.
- Increase BIFHSGO's visibility in the community.

Research and Projects:

- Improve the accuracy and completeness of the British Home Children (BHC) databases in BIFHSGO's Name Index.
- Continue research and projects in support of the Library and Archives Canada (LAC) 2006 MOU by publishing new data through LAC and the Name Index, and by fostering the relationship with LAC and other cultural organizations.
- Complete the descriptive inventory listing of the John Sayers' files and records and develop a plan for its management.
- Encourage the development of new projects, and support project leads and their volunteers.
- Highlight BIFHSGO's volunteers through the Program Spotlight for the 30th Anniversary in February 2025 and through other means.
- Develop training and Q&A sessions for current and new volunteers to learn about BHC and other research topics.
- Improve access to results in the Name Index.

Connecting Members:

- Increase opportunities for members to connect in person.
- Consult members to assess demographic changes, preferences for programming, awards, etc.
- Celebrate our 30th anniversary, June 2024 to June 2025.

Website:

- Ascertain if, and how, members use the website and solicit ideas for improvement.
- Develop website design and implementation guidelines.



In order to achieve our goals, the Board must keep BIFHSGO strong and ensure that we have the capability to deliver them. To that end the following objectives have been established.

Capacity to deliver goals:

- Increase Board training and orientation.
- Develop a succession plan.
- Entice more members, particularly non-members who regularly attend monthly meetings.
- Reorganize how the Program is determined and delivered.
- Ensure continuation of the Anglo-Celtic Roots (ACR) quarterly journal and its profile.
- Recognize volunteer contributions.

