

ANNUAL REPORT 2010 **ACGC** 

Alberta Council for Global Cooperation



# ACGC Mission and Objectives

The Alberta Council for Global Cooperation (ACGC) is a coalition of voluntary sector organizations located in Alberta, working locally and globally to achieve sustainable human development.

We are committed to international cooperation that is people-centred, democratic, just, inclusive, and respectful of the environment and indigenous cultures. We work towards ending poverty and achieving a peaceful and healthy world, with dignity and full participation for all.

Members of the Council pursue these goals through supporting global citizenship programs and participatory projects with international partners.

The Council's goal is to support the work of its members through networking, leadership, information sharing, training and coordination, and represents their interests when dealing with government and others. The objectives of the Council are to promote and mobilize greater Albertan participation in assisting international development.

The objectives are to be achieved in the following ways:

- to consistently reflect in all ACGC policies, activities and services, the principal philosophies embodied in the Council's Mission and Development Principles;
- to facilitate effective member networking and capacity building both internationally and domestically;
- to coordinate and support members' activities in an effective manner;
- to provide leadership on issues of concern to members;
- to provide members with relevant and effective services;
- to be an effective advocate and representative to government agencies and the public for international development concerns on behalf of the membership and to keep member organizations informed as to important shifts in Canadian foreign policy.

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## Letter from the Chair

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On behalf of the Board of Directors of the Alberta Council for Global Cooperation I would like to extend a big welcome to the organizations that joined the council this past year! These organizations are now part of an incredibly active and engaged Provincial collation of international development practitioners!

This year, amidst challenges for the sector, ACGC was able to provide meaningful capacity building opportunities for our member organizations with the ever popular Lunch and Learns which included training on working with the media training, fund diversification, as well as facilitating the delivery of CIDA specific Results Based Management, Gender Equity and Voluntary Sector Fund workshops.

The staff and board of ACGC continued our work reaching out to schools and communities across Alberta with the creation and sharing of Development in a Box

teacher resource kits. Development in the Box is now in over 164 schools across the province, including many rural communities which are often underrepresented in public engagement programming. ACGC also hosted and supported International Development Week Activities in Edmonton and Calgary and several municipalities also proclaimed International Development Week in their communities. Keeping in line with CIDA's focus on Youth, the Council developed a campaign focusing on youth engagement called "Be Bold, Be Yourself, Be the Change". The campaign profiled eight individual youth and a grade 9 global leadership classroom of 22 youth, all representing a wide variety of interests and experiences from across the province. These youth were nominated by teachers and peers for their global citizenship and active participation in their schools and communities. Building on the commit-

ment to youth by ACGC and our member organizations, ACGC launched the Change Your World Youth Leadership tour which selected Alberta youth participants to visit ACGC member projects in Ethiopia.

This is the final year of ACGC's current agreement with CIDA and we look forward to continuing our relationship with CIDA in ensuring organizations in Alberta can receive capacity building and support in the planning and implementation of international development projects.

In my third year as a board member, I am looking forward to working with staff and member organizations in building ACGC's role and presence in engaging Albertans in International Development as well as promoting the great work and commitment of Albertans already contributing to International Development around the world. I would like to end by acknowledging and congratulating the staff and volun-

teers at ACGC for all their hard work and initiative in another successful year for the council.

Vladimir Gómez



#### **BOARD MEMBERS – 2009-2010**

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## From the Executive Director

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As the Alberta Council for Global Cooperation heads into the third year of a three-year funding agreement I would like to take a moment to reflect on the wonderful things ACGC and its member organizations have accomplished since this funding cycle began!

To begin with, the Council's staff has increased considerably over the past couple years. The Council now employs 3 full time staff people and has had the opportunity to work with Community Service Learning Students, Human Ecology Practicum students and various contractual employees.

As the staff capacity grow so does our ability to meet more of the needs of our members! This is increasingly important as our membership numbers continue to increase each year. ACGC membership has seen 18 % growth over the past two years. This is in part due to our increased capacity to engage the international development sector and our increased position in Alberta and Canada as a source of knowledge regarding international development.

As an ongoing focus of the Council's work ACGC continues to provide learning opportunities for our members, focusing on topics identified by our members. Some of these opportunities are our Lunch and Learn training sessions, CIDA training initiatives that make accessing CIDA funds less mysterious, and our capacity building workshops' offered throughout the year.

In addition to member capacity building opportunities offered by the Council,



ACGC is increasingly seen as a communication hub for international development resources, public engagement expertise, and information about member activities and events throughout the province. The *ACGC Update*, our newsletter, is produced three times a year, goes to hundreds of people and we send out our bi-weekly E-Bulletin to over 500 organizations and individuals. The number of visits to our website, Facebook page and YouTube channel continue to steadily rise as educators, government, media and the general public increasingly reach out to ACGC when looking for information about international development issues.

To increase the ability of our member organizations to share their messages and inform Albertans about the great work Alberta international development organizations are doing, ACGC displays member resources and materials at Teacher's Con-

ventions, NGO fairs and numerous other events throughout the year. We have also created several ACGC publications including our Speaker's Resource guide and a directory of Alberta International Development and Cooperation organizations that we share with a variety of stakeholders throughout the Province.

As a coalition of international development organizations striving to meet the needs of all our member organizations, ACGC has a complicated and delicate balancing act to accomplish as ACGC continues to grow as an organization. As ACGC moves into the future the board and staff will continue to strive to meet the needs of our members as closely as we can with the resources available to us!

Heather McPherson



#### **STAFF MEMBERS – 2009-2010**

*Executive Director* Heather McPherson

*Membership and Promotions Coordinator*

Diana Coumantarakis

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Julia Price

*Bookkeeper* Shaun Devine

# Development in a Box

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Development in a Box kits ready for delivery

In keeping with Alberta Education's focus on global citizenship, Development in a Box was created to provide grades 7 – 12 educators in Alberta with a practical resource that integrates international development issues into the Alberta Program of Studies. ACGC compiled educational resources created by ACGC's member organizations into a toolkit divided into six themes, based on the Millennium Development Goals: Poverty, Economics, Human Rights, Environmental Sustainability, Peace Studies and Taking Action on Global Issues. To encourage educators to utilize it on a frequent basis, a resource book including a table of contents, lesson descriptions, applicable Alberta curriculum links and a description and contact information for each of our member organizations is also provided. All the resources are available on the ACGC website in digital form as a way to increase access to this excellent and

highly successful resource.

While Development in a Box is an excellent tool for junior and senior high school educators to utilize in fostering engaged global citizens, it continues to be a fabulous opportunity to increase the profile of ACGC and its member organizations throughout Alberta. By combining the experience and knowledge of ACGC and its member organizations, Development in a Box is able to engage educators and students with many issues related to international development.

Throughout the creation process and implementation of Development in a Box, ACGC has received amazing feedback that illustrates the positive response coming from the educational community in Alberta.

Over the course of the year it has become evident that Development in a Box is a great way for ACGC member organizations to increase their visibility in the educational sector, while working to bring the collaborative effort of positive social change into Alberta classrooms.

#### Teacher Review Committee

Development in a Box is an accessible and constructive resource for educators to apply to their daily lessons, we organized and implemented Teacher Review Committees in the early stages of the creation of Development in a Box. Teacher Review Committee meetings were held in Edmonton and Calgary. Valuable feedback came out of these meetings and helped guarantee that Development in a Box would meet the needs of educators while contributing to a greater understanding of international development, the MDGs and Canada's role

in international cooperation.

#### Teachers' Conventions

Teachers' Conventions plays a fundamental role in gaining support for Development in a Box. ACGC displayed and presented at four separate Teachers' Conventions this past year- Greater Edmonton Teachers' Convention Association, Calgary City Teachers' Convention Association, Social Studies Council Conference and Global Environmental and Outdoor Education Council Teachers' Convention. ACGC took this opportunity to display Development in a Box and present workshops to junior and senior high school educators on how to utilize this excellent resource. The workshops engaged educators, community members, and families in activities taken from Development in a Box and received a great response.

*“Thanks for creating such an amazing resource. So many times I get great ideas from outside organizations but it takes too much time to develop them and create concrete lessons out of these ideas. This has allowed me to take great ideas, and actually use them. You have done all the leg-work for us and I appreciate the time and effort it must have taken!”*

# Development in a Box

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*“I received the resource box a few weeks ago and have had the chance to go through it! I LOVE IT!!!!  
You must be teachers – it is so well thought out! Organized, complete, and ready to go!”*



## Student Selection

Participating Development in a Box schools were provided with the opportunity to nominate one student in their school who they believed displays exceptional global citizenship and a dedication to international development issues, to participate in the Change Your World Youth Leadership Tour. The goal of this educational tour was to provide youth from across Alberta with the opportunity to visit ACGC members' international projects in order to gain first-hand knowledge of Alberta's development efforts overseas. With many outstanding nominations submitted, the task of selecting five youth to participate in the tour was a challenging one. Representatives from participating ACGC member organizations, ACGC staff, ACGC board members and community members sat on a selection committee to review the nominations and select participating students. After careful

review and consideration the following five youth were chosen to participate on a tour to Ethiopia:

- Nimo Omar- Harry Ainely Composite High School, Edmonton- Grade 12
- Steven Crowchild- Tsuu T'ina Junior/Senior High School, Tsuu T'ina- Grade 12
- Ashley Gartner- High Park School/Memorial Composite High, Stony Plain- Grade 11
- Madeleine Pawlowski- Ecole Secondaire Sainte Marguerite d'Youville, St. Albert- Grade 11
- Christopher Ross- St. James Junior High School, Calgary- Grade 9

## Member Selection - Tour

Through an application process, one ACGC member organization was selected to host the Youth Leadership Tour. Similar to the selection of youth, the process of selecting a host organization was difficult

as there were a number of outstanding nominations. The selection committee was asked to take into consideration the programming, health and safety, and logistics proposed by each organization.

After a thorough examination and deliberation, the selection committee chose Canadian Humanitarian Organization for International Relief, based out of Medicine Hat, and its partner organizations in Ethiopia to participate as the host for the 2010 Change Your World Youth Leadership Tour. The mission of Canadian Humanitarian is to break the cycle of poverty by providing orphaned and vulnerable children and their families with access to health-care, education, vocational training and the basic necessities of life such as nutrition and shelter. Canadian Humanitarian works toward this goal through community development and orphan rescue. Canadian Humanitarian provided the youth with the

wonderful opportunity to meet and interact with youth in Ethiopia.

### **Change Your World Youth Leadership School Tour**

As part of their involvement in the Youth Leadership Tour, the youth have committed to traveling across Alberta to share their experiences with schools and community groups in fall 2010. This great opportunity for the youth to engage their peers and the general public in issues related to international development through the sharing of stories, will also increase the awareness and knowledge of ACGC member organizations within the Alberta education sector.

Through Development in a Box and the associated Change Your World Youth Leadership Tour, the collaboration between educators and ACGC member organizations has greatly increased. The proj-

ect has provided an excellent opportunity for Alberta educators to become aware and knowledgeable of the increasingly important work that Albertan NGOs do in Alberta and abroad.

*“I just picked up the Development in a Box resource kit and all I can say is WOW! What a fabulous surprise... just in time for second semester. I can hardly wait to put it to good use in my Social 10-2 class!”*

# International Development Week

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The Alberta Council for Global Cooperation was able to implement another year of fantastic International Development Week activities in 2009! In line with CIDA's focus on youth engagement, ACGC hosted a youth campaign entitled "Be Bold, Be Yourself, Be the Change". The campaign profiled eight individual youth and a grade 9 global leadership classroom of 22 youth, all representing a wide variety of interests and experiences from across the province. The youth were nominated by teachers and peers for being models of civic engagement and global citizenship.

The idea behind the campaign was to raise awareness about youth engagement in Alberta, focusing on how youth are actively responding to social justice and international development issues, locally and globally. The campaign also served to highlight the work of Canada's international development community and to



International Development Week Youth Leaders pose with ACGC staff

garner support for the work being done by Albertan and Canadian organizations both in Canada and abroad.

ACGC received over 40 nominations of outstanding youth. A selection committee compiled of representatives from ACGC

member organizations evaluated each nomination, selecting youth based on the work they have carried out in their communities to raise awareness about global poverty, social justice, and inequality and human rights issues.



*Above left: ACGC staff present youth awards. Left: Charles Parker (CIDA) chatting with an interested Albertan. Above: Gala event at Edmonton City Hall.*

Following the nomination and selection process, ACGC created a video production of the selected youth, written profiles, mounted double-sided posters, and postcards. The posters were displayed as part of a poster exhibit in Edmonton City Hall,

the Calgary City Hall and the Telus Centre at the University of Alberta during the University of Alberta International Week, as well as at two gala celebrations in Edmonton and Calgary. The postcards were distributed to ACGC members, government

officials, media, educators and the general public to create awareness and recognition of Alberta's youth. At the end of International Development Week, ACGC organized two gala celebrations in Edmonton and Calgary to recognize and celebrate the work of Alberta youth and Alberta organizations engaged in international development. The selected youth were presented with an engraved and framed copy of their posters and the video profiles were screened.

In addition, three major Alberta cities (Edmonton, Calgary and Grande Prairie) as well as several smaller municipalities proclaimed International Development Week in their communities.

ACGC hopes to engage youth, its members, and the general public in such an exciting event on an annual basis, to recognize and celebrate the amazing international development work being done by youth and the non-profit sector.

# Capacity Building

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Over the past year, ACGC continued to recognize the need to continue to increase the capacity of the NGO sector in Alberta. The capacity building needs of ACGC members relates to both public engagement initiatives as well as the development and strengthening of organizational structures (for example, governance issues, insurance requirements, project monitoring/evaluation, media relations, advocacy, and accessing stable and sustained funding). ACGC's 2009-2010 programming provided a number of initiatives aimed at increasing the capacity of its members in these areas.

## Lunch and Learn Series

The Council continued its successful Lunch and Learn series that was originally instituted in 2006. Throughout the 2009-2010 year ACGC hosted six training sessions, located in both Edmonton and Calgary. Participation in these sessions continue to grow as member organizations gain a growing appre-

ciation of the valuable information and capacity building opportunities that these Lunch and Learns represent. Due to their short duration (2-3 hours) these sessions are more accessible to those working in the NGO sector. Topics for the Lunch and Learn sessions are identified by the membership. This year's topics were How to Use the Results from the Perceptions of Global Poverty Poll (June), Engaging Policy Makers- Advocacy (January), and Media Event Training (March). Both June sessions saw 15 participants. 10 people participated in the January session in Calgary and 16 in the Engaging Policy Makers session in Edmonton. 25 people participated in the March Media Event Training session in Calgary and 17 in the same session in Edmonton.

In October 2009, ACGC collaborated with Canadian charity lawyer Mark Blumberg to provide an afternoon training session to members on CRA's New Proposed Guidance on Activities Outside of Canada for Canadian

Registered Charities. 19 representatives from member organizations attended this event.

## Members Meetings/Networking Opportunities

In order to provide opportunities for members' voices to be heard and a space for networking, ACGC hosts several member meetings and networking opportunities each year. These events provided the membership with opportunities to share ideas and best practices, learn from each other's successes and challenges, gain information and tools to further their capacity building and public engagement efforts, provide feedback on past programming, and offer suggestions for the future. Participation in Members Meetings/Networking Opportunities has increased over previous years and with Member Meetings / Networking Opportunities scheduled in 2010-2011 it is anticipated that attendance and participation at these exciting events will continue to grow.



Maude Barlow chats with Change for Children staff members, Lorraine Swift and Fiona Cavanagh

### **AGM/Capacity Building Event**

Last year ACGC held a two-day AGM and Capacity Building event in Canmore, Alberta. This highly successful event consisted not only of the Annual General Meeting of the Council but also a Public Engagement Cafe, a Fair Trade Wine and Cheese Reception, a keynote presentation by Maude Barlow, as well as a Public Engagement workshop for ACGC members. The Public Engagement Cafe and Fair Trade Wine and Cheese Reception provided a fantastic opportunity for ACGC members to showcase their work and

collaborate with other Alberta NGOs and the general public. Maude Barlow offered great insight in her presentation *The Global Fight for the Right to Water*. This event was attended by over 100 people. The workshop during Saturday's business meeting was facilitated by a representative from ACGC's membership and an ACGC staff member, as a way of sharing experiences and expertise. This event not only provided an opportunity for networking amongst members, but also the opportunity for members to share ideas and suggestions for future public engagement initiatives. As ACGC continues to expand upon this activity, outside speakers will continue to be invited to complement the experience and expertise of members and to share knowledge and expertise.

### **CIDA Training- VSF, RBM, Gender**

Over the 2009-2010 year, the Council partnered with CIDA to offer training sessions on the Voluntary Sector Fund (VSF),

Result-Based Management for the Intercultural and Multi-stakeholder Context (RBM), and Advancing Equality between Women and Men. The Voluntary Sector Fund training session was offered in August in Edmonton for 30 organizational representatives and provided NGO participants with background knowledge on CIDA's Voluntary Sector Fund. In October, ACGC hosted the Results-Based Management training session in Calgary to 27 participants. This workshop provided NGO representatives with the opportunity to walk through the results-based management application/proposal process. The Advancing Equality Between Women and Men training session was offered in Canmore in March to 18 participants. This session worked with representatives to translate CIDA's Policy on Gender Equality into appropriate measures and actions at all stages of their project/program life cycle.

# Communications

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## ACGC Update Newsletter

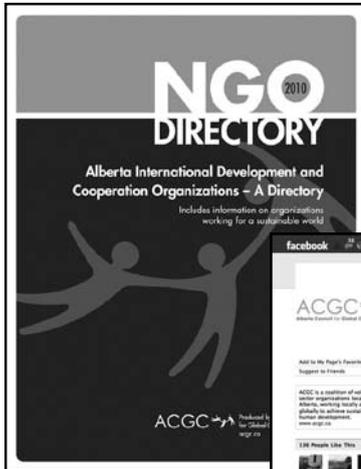
Throughout the 2009-2010 fiscal year, the Council produced the “ACGC Update” newsletter three times. Primarily comprised of member submissions, the newsletter has become an important communication tool for the Council and its members. As the newsletter highlights the work of ACGC members as well as issues related to international development, it is also a vital component of ACGC’s public engagement programming. The newsletter is currently mailed directly to over 200 subscribers, emailed electronically to a handful of people, and distributed widely to educators and administrators at teachers’ conventions throughout the province and to members of the general public at the various community events ACGC attends each year. In addition, through sharing and accessing the newsletter through the ACGC website, the reach of the newsletter

as a tool to promote ACGC members and increased understanding of international issues is significant.

## E-bulletins

The ACGC e-bulletin is one of the most successful and cost-effective methods of communication utilized at the council. The e-bulletin allows the council to inform Albertans about ACGC initiatives and upcoming events, member activities, job/internship/volunteer opportunities, and ways Albertans can increase their engagement in international development issues. ACGC sends out bi-weekly e-bulletins to over 580 individuals, with an estimated impact of reaching over 1500 people through forwarding of the e-bulletin to other individuals and lists.





## Website

The ACGC website is an important point of information for Albertans interested in international development issues. On average, over 4000 people access our website each month! The Council is currently in the process of working with a designer to launch a new ACGC website that will increase accessibility for member organizations and the general



public. A database on the new website will provide an easily accessible map for the public to search and view ACGC member organizations, countries of work, and projects. This will allow the Council to increase their ability to promote both the Council and member public engagement activities which, in turn, leads to increased awareness in Alberta.

A members' only space on the website will allow further opportunities for ACGC members to network with other member organizations and register for events online.

## NGO Directory

The updated version of ACGC's NGO Directory was developed this year. The Directory focuses on Albertan non-governmental organizations working in international

development, including pertinent information on organizations working for a sustainable world. This resource was mailed out to various post-secondary institutions and libraries and distributed widely to educators and administrators at teachers' conventions and members of the general public at the various community events ACGC attends each year.

## Social Media

With an increasing emphasis on social media as a means to create awareness and knowledge of one's organization, ACGC has created accounts with Facebook, YouTube, and Twitter. These tools have provided ACGC with the opportunity to engage the general public through regular updates on what is happening with ACGC and its member organizations as well as videos produced during International Development Week.

# ACGC Display

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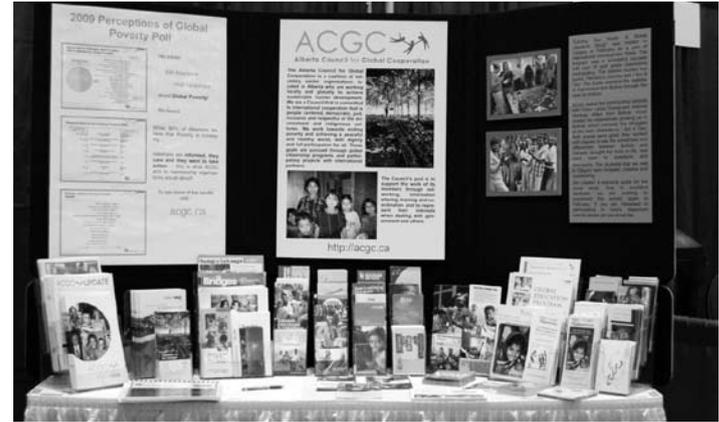
An important element of ACGC's outreach with educators is participation in annual teachers' conventions that are held in Alberta throughout the year. While these conventions are an incredible opportunity for NGOs to outreach to teachers, the cost of participation (ie. having a display/information table, registration, accommodation, travel, etc.) is prohibitive for many ACGC members. This past year, ACGC participated in 4 teachers conventions (Calgary City Teachers Convention; Greater Edmonton Teachers Convention; Global, Environmental and Outdoor Educators Convention; and the Social Studies Teachers' Convention). This involvement included displaying an information table containing outreach materials from the majority of ACGC member organizations as well as ACGC workshops where Development in a Box was shared and promoted.

In the coming year, ACGC will continue

to collaborate with members to maintain a collective information display, which will provide NGOs with the ability to outreach to teachers in a very cost-effective manner. ACGC provides educators in Alberta, including those in rural areas and smaller centers, with access to information about member organizations, curriculum resources, NGO directory, and speaker lists through this initiative.

In addition to Teachers' Conventions, ACGC has displayed at numerous other events around the province, including Global Visions Film Festival, VITALIZE 2010 Provincial Voluntary Sector Conference, International Week at the University of Alberta, International Develop-

ment Week at City Hall in Edmonton and the IDW gala presentation in Calgary, The Joint Stakeholders Committee on Children and Poverty, and events at various schools such as Dance for Darfur at St. Marguerite d'Youville Secondary. The display is a great opportunity to share what we are doing with each other and the general public.



# Inter-Council Network (ICN) | Canadian Council for International Cooperation (CCIC)

## Inter-Council Network (ICN)

The Inter-Council Network (ICN) is comprised of the seven Regional/Provincial Councils:

- Atlantic Council for International Cooperation (ACIC)
- L'Association Québécoise des Organismes de Coopération Internationale (AQOCI)
- Ontario Council for International Cooperation (OCIC)
- Manitoba Council for International Cooperation (MCIC)
- Saskatchewan Council for International Cooperation (SCIC)
- Alberta Council for Global Cooperation (ACGC) and
- British Columbia Council for International Cooperation (BCCIC)

Over the past several years, this network has strengthened its collaboration and structure. The ICN has completed its

second year of a 3 year agreement with CIDA, and as a result the Inter-Council Network was able to work together to develop common positions on issues of interest to our members, contribute to the design and implementation of CIDA's Voluntary Sector Capacity Building Program, collaboratively write a position paper on public engagement and work together to identify and disseminate best practices in international development and cooperation.

The position paper entitled "Effective-ly Engaging Canadians as Global Citizens" identifies 4 recommendations for the sector and has been referenced in CIDA's new information on Public Engagement.

The ICN, while building on the common strengths of the Councils, recognizes the regional diversity that exists and values this difference in the work of the ICN. This collaboration has been extremely important to ACGC and has enabled the Council

to more effectively meet the needs of its members.

## Canadian Council for International Cooperation (CCIC)

The Canadian Council for International Co-operation is a coalition of Canadian voluntary sector organizations working globally to achieve sustainable human development. CCIC seeks to end global poverty, and to promote social justice and human dignity for all. The Alberta Council for Global Cooperation values its connection with CCIC. This collaboration allows ACGC a greater opportunity to have the voice and experience of Albertan NGOS heard at the national level and provides member organizations with easier access to information and policy analysis.

# Financial Statements

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## AUDITOR'S REPORT

We have audited the statement of financial position of Alberta Council for Global Cooperation as at March 31, 2010 and the statements of operations and net assets and cash flows for the year then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Council's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that we plan and perform an audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the ac-

counting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation.

In our opinion, the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Council as at March 31, 2010 and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian generally accepted accounting principles.

### **SVS Group LLP Chartered Accountants**

Edmonton, Alberta  
July 8, 2010

*The information on the following page was taken from audited financial statements. Complete financial statements can be obtained from the ACGC office.*

**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION***as at March 31, 1010*

|   | 2010             | 2009             |
|---|------------------|------------------|
| <b>ASSETS</b>                               |                  |                  |
| <b>CURRENT</b>                              |                  |                  |
| Cash  | \$ 26,280        | \$ 62,900        |
| Accounts receivable                         | 32,957           | 13,014           |
| Deposits                                    | 300              | -                |
|   | <u>\$ 59,537</u> | <u>\$ 75,914</u> |
| <b>LIABILITIES</b>                          |                  |                  |
| <b>CURRENT</b>                              |                  |                  |
| Accounts payable and<br>accrued liabilities | \$ 10,843        | \$ 13,830        |
| Deferred revenue*                           | 25,913           | 41,281           |
|   | <u>36,756</u>    | <u>55,111</u>    |
| <b>NET ASSETS</b>                           |                  |                  |
| <b>NET ASSETS</b>                           | <u>22,781</u>    | <u>20,803</u>    |
|   | <u>\$ 59,537</u> | <u>\$ 75,914</u> |

**STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS AND NET ASSETS** *for the Year Ended March 31, 1010*

|  | 2010             | %            | 2009             | %            |
|--|------------------|--------------|------------------|--------------|
| <b>REVENUE</b>                         |                  |              |                  |              |
| CIDA grants                            | \$ 298,086       | 95.7         | \$ 209,012       | 86.0         |
| Membership and registration fees       | 7,483            | 2.4          | 5,704            | 2.3          |
| Special project income                 | 5,798            | 1.9          | 28,408           | 11.7         |
|  | <u>311,367</u>   | <u>100.0</u> | <u>243,124</u>   | <u>100.0</u> |
| <b>EXPENSES</b>                        |                  |              |                  |              |
| Administration                         | 25,702           | 8.3          | 20,626           | 8.5          |
| Angus Reed Survey                      | 3,893            | 1.3          | 23,276           | 9.6          |
| International Development Week         | 22,371           | 7.2          | 11,202           | 4.6          |
| Professional fees                      | 3,616            | 1.2          | 6,039            | 2.5          |
| Programming                            | 29,920           | 9.6          | 21,400           | 8.8          |
| Promotions and publicity               | 8,862            | 2.8          | 13,562           | 5.6          |
| Public engagement project              | 73,433           | 23.6         | 18,541           | 7.6          |
| Salaries and benefits                  | 98,434           | 31.6         | 89,599           | 36.9         |
| Video challenge project                | -                | -            | 10,811           | 4.4          |
| Voluntary Sector Fund                  | 43,158           | 13.9         | 26,981           | 11.1         |
|  | <u>309,389</u>   | <u>99.5</u>  | <u>242,037</u>   | <u>99.6</u>  |
| <b>EXCESS OF REVENUE OVER EXPENSES</b> | 1,978            | 0.5          | 1,087            | 0.4          |
| <b>NET ASSETS, beginning of year</b>   | 20,803           |              | 19,716           |              |
| <b>NET ASSETS, end of year</b>         | <u>\$ 22,781</u> |              | <u>\$ 20,803</u> |              |

# ACGC Members

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## **Action International Ministries**

ACTION is an evangelical, nondenominational missionary-sending agency that works in Asia, Africa, Europe, and Latin America. They currently have over 225 missionaries in 22 countries. ACTION missionaries run programs that specialize in reaching the poor to provide spiritual and practical needs-based resources.

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## **Aga Khan University (AKU)**

Aga Khan University's objective is to promote human welfare in general and the welfare of the people of Pakistan in particular, by disseminating knowledge and providing training, research and service in the health sciences, education and such other branches of learning as the University may determine. AKU is an international University with 11 teaching sites spread over 8 countries – Pakistan, Kenya, Tanzania, Uganda, the United Kingdom, Afghanistan, Syria and Egypt.

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Tel: 403.204.1421 Web: [aku.edu](http://aku.edu)

## **Altamas for Peace and Development**

Altamas for Peace and Development Association is a non profit association that started its operation in November of 2006. Its mission is to bring together tribes and communities in the Altamas Region, through medication, peace building and development projects. Altamas is the area between South Kurdofan and Northern Baher-algazal in Sudan.

23, 401 Grier Ave NE, Calgary, AB T2K 5S7  
Tel: 403.274.5568

## **Bishop Budka Charitable Society**

The Bishop Budka Charitable Society is an organization based in Edmonton, Alberta that provides economic, cultural, and environmental assistance to countries in need, such as Brazil and Ukraine.

11717 - 97 Street, Edmonton, AB T5G 1Y3  
Tel: 780.71.4477 Web: [bishopbudka.ca](http://bishopbudka.ca)

## **Bridges of Hope International Network of Development Agencies**

Bridges of Hope exists to promote poverty relief and community empowerment amongst the poorest nations on earth. This work is done through enhancing the capabilities and productivity of indigenous organizations, leadership and through people who are committed to poverty relief and community empowerment.

Box 81 Stn Main, Lethbridge, AB T1J 3Y3  
Tel: 403.380.3844 Web: [bridgesofhope.ca](http://bridgesofhope.ca)

## **Canada World Youth**

CWY provides young people from Canada and around the world with the opportunity to travel, live and work in different communities, to learn about local and international development, and to gain important job skills for the future. CWY's mission is to increase the ability of people, and especially youth, to participate actively in the development of just, harmonious and sustainable societies.

2330 Rue Notre-Dame Ouest, Montreal PQ  
H3J 1N4 Tel: 1.800.605.3526 Web: [cwy-jcm.org](http://cwy-jcm.org)

### **Canadian Aid for Fire Services Abroad**

Canadian Aid for Fire Services Abroad (CAFSA) is a volunteer, non-profit, international, and non-governmental humanitarian aid foundation. CAFSA collects used personal protective equipment and supplies from Canadian Fire Departments and redistributes that equipment to developing countries. They also assist in training and educating fire fighters and communities to increase safety and awareness during emergencies.

46 Montcalm Crescent, St. Albert, AB T8N 2C9  
Tel: 780.458.7917 Web: cafsa.net

### **Canadian Association for Participatory Development**

CAPD was founded in 2002 to facilitate inclusion of people with disabilities in Latin America by strengthening their organizations and their connections within their communities. We use participatory methods to accomplish our goals mindful that we are playing a supportive and not a leadership role in the process of community development. Our work with our commu-

nity partners focuses on helping them develop the skills required to advocate for people with disabilities in their own communities. Through experience-based learning, leadership skills are enhanced, creativity is unleashed and self confidence is augmented. Our long-term relationships with our partners are based on trust and mutual learning.

44 Scanlon Place NW, Calgary, AB T3L 1V8  
Web: capdcalgary.org

### **Canadian Catholic Organization for Development and Peace (CCODP)**

The Canadian Catholic Organization for Development and Peace is the official international development organization of the Catholic Church in Canada and the Canadian member of Caritas Internationalis. It is a membership-based organization founded in 1967 by Canada's bishops, laity and clergy to fight poverty in the countries of the South, and to promote greater international justice. During the past 40 years, Development and Peace has provided \$500 million to finance 15,000 projects in 70 countries

in Africa, Asia and Latin America; \$92 million of this amount has been allocated in emergency aid.

8421 - 101 Avenue, Edmonton, AB T6A 0L1  
Tel: 780.424.1557 Web: devp.org

### **Canadian Crossroads International**

Canadian Crossroads International is an international non-profit organization that works to create a more equitable and sustainable world by engaging and strengthening individuals, organizations and communities through mutual learning, solidarity and collective action.

49 Bathurst Street, Suite 201, Toronto, ON  
M5V 2P2 Tel: 416.967.1611 Web: cciorg.ca

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## **Canadian Humanitarian Organization for International Relief**

The mission of Canadian Humanitarian is to provide the basic necessities of life such as nutrition, shelter, health care, and education to disadvantaged children everywhere. They work toward this goal through community development and orphan rescue.

476 - 4 Street SE, Medicine Hat, AB T1A 0K6

Tel: 403.527.2741

Web: [canadianhumanitarian.com](http://canadianhumanitarian.com)

## **Canadian Moravian Mission**

The Canadian Moravian Mission Society was established in Alberta to promote the mission work of the Moravian Church and foster outreach and connection within the Moravian congregations. As part of the Worldwide Moravian Unity it works to support work in Central America, Tanzania, South Africa, Kenya, India, Nepal, Peru and Sierra Leone.

8008 - 161 Street, Edmonton, AB T5R 2K6

Tel: 780.486.2283 Web: [moravian.ca](http://moravian.ca)

## **Canadian Peacemakers International**

The vision of Canadian Peacemakers International is to develop and demonstrate a model of peacemaking and peacebuilding that can be emulated by others to address the structural causes of conflict in Central America (CA). The ultimate goal is to reduce the likelihood of more war in CA.

8107 - 44 Avenue, Edmonton, AB T6K 0Z3

Tel: 780.462.6234 Web: [cpi-cpf.ca](http://cpi-cpf.ca)

## **Canadian Red Cross**

The Canadian Red Cross mission is to improve the lives of vulnerable people by mobilizing the power of humanity in Canada and around the world.

9931 - 106 Street, Edmonton, AB T5K 1E2

Tel: 780.423.2680 Fax: 780.428.7092

Web: [redcross.ca](http://redcross.ca)

## **Canadian Women for Women in Afghanistan (CW4WAfghan)**

Canadian Women for Women in Afghanistan (CW4WAfghan) is a volunteer solidarity network founded in 1996. CW4WAfghan began as a small volunteer network of women in Canada committed to supporting the empowerment of Afghan women and girls. There are now fourteen volunteer chapters and affiliated groups working in solidarity across Canada to support rights and opportunities for Afghan women and girls.

Marda Loop Box 86016, Calgary, AB T2T 6B7

Tel: 403.244.5625 Web: [w4wafghan.ca](http://w4wafghan.ca)

## **Caro-Canadians Reaching out to the World's Children Foundation**

This foundation is dedicated to partnering with international communities in need for the improvement of the lives of impoverished, disabled and abandoned children, their families and communities.

231 Ross Glen Road, Medicine Hat, AB

T1B 3C5 Email: [caro@carocanada.ca](mailto:caro@carocanada.ca)

### **CAUSE Canada**

Founded in 1984, CAUSE Canada is an International Relief and Development Organization which strives to empower communities and individuals in disadvantaged regions to overcome poverty and improve quality of life. Working in West Africa and Central America, the development priorities of CAUSE include: Primary health care; water and sanitation; reforestation; gender-specific development initiatives (women's projects); and micro-enterprise projects.

Box 8100, Canmore, AB T1W 2T8  
Tel: 403.678.3332 Web: cause.ca

### **Centre for Affordable Water and Sanitation Technology (CAWST)**

The mission of CAWST is to provide technical training and support in water and sanitation services for those who serve the poor in developing countries. In particular, CAWST is the centre of expertise and distribution for the Biosand concrete water filtration technology, a low-cost water treatment technology specially

designed for use by the poor in developing countries. These household filters are made by local people using materials commonly found in most parts of the world.

Bay 12, 2916 5th Avenue NE, Calgary, AB  
T2A 6K4 Tel: 403.243.3285 Web: cawst.org

### **Centre for Global Citizenship Education and Research**

The Center for Global Citizenship and Research is an initiative of the Department of Educational Policy Studies that seeks to link research, teaching and social action through creating collaborative partnerships that serve the public and the education community. The Center is active in developing a critical research culture of collaboration, creativity, and compassion by bringing together local and global researchers, higher education practitioners, in-service and pre-service teachers, and community educators to work towards social change and justice.

7-104 Education North, UofA  
Edmonton, AB T6G 2G5

### **Change for Children Association (CFCA)**

Change for Children promotes action for systemic change and sustainable development through solidarity and partnership, by nurturing community, and by maintaining an integral, vital and stable organization. CFCA's mandate is to support the poor in their own process of organizing to achieve an increased, active role in promoting peace, democracy, human rights, and improved living conditions, accomplished through: growth in understanding of unfair structures and the growing popular resistance to those structures; learning from people with whom we partner to accompany them in the struggle for justice; and acting in development with a sense of urgency and commitment.

2nd Floor, 10808 – 124 Street, Edmonton, AB  
T5M 0H3 Tel: 780.448.1505  
Web: changeforchildren.org

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## **CHF**

CHF is a non-profit organization dedicated to enabling poor rural communities in developing countries to attain sustainable livelihoods. Their goal to deliver effective, sustainable and transformational development solutions is being realized via the Sustainable Livelihoods Approach. In over 40 years, CHF has implemented over 800 projects in more than 40 countries.

323 Chapel Street, Ottawa ON K1N 7Z2  
Tel: 613.237.0180 Web: [chf-partners.ca](http://chf-partners.ca)

## **Covenant International Ministry**

Covenant International is a faith based multifaceted development organization. It was established to facilitate and inspire transformation in its fullest extent in the nation of Ethiopia and in due time in other countries at the community level.

PO Box 744, STN Main, Calgary AB T2P 2J3  
Tel: 403.923.2987 Web: [covenantint.org](http://covenantint.org)

## **CUSO-VSO**

CUSO-Voluntary Service Overseas is the North American member of the VSO Federation. The Federation is a worldwide partnership of Voluntary Service Organizations based in the U.K., the Netherlands, Kenya and the Philippines, as well as Canada. Volunteers are also recruited from the United States, India, Ireland, Australia, Latin America & the Caribbean, and from within many countries with VSO programs. These VSO agencies make up the world's largest non-governmental, international development organization that works through volunteers. CUSO-VSO works in 43 countries on Education, HIV and AIDS, Disability, Health and Social Well-being, Secure Livelihoods, Participation and Governance, Environment and Natural Resource Management.

1825 West 13th Ave., Vancouver, BC V6J 2H4  
Tel: 604.566.3368 Web: [cuso-vso.org](http://cuso-vso.org)

## **Edzinkulu**

Edzinkulu is an Edmonton-based charity dedicated to providing support to children impacted by HIV/AIDS in Ndawana, in the KwaZulu-Natal province of South Africa.

10649 - 69 Street, Edmonton, AB T6A 2S9  
Tel: 780.908.1149 Web: [edzinkulu.org](http://edzinkulu.org)

## **Four Worlds Centre for Development Learning**

The Four Worlds Centre for Development emerged out of Indigenous peoples' community healing and development efforts in North America in the early 1980s. Since then, the Four Worlds Centre has worked extensively in rural and urban settings in every corner of North America, as well as in Africa, Southeast Asia, the Pacific, the former Soviet Union and Latin America. It is well known for its culturally based approach to development work, for its participatory and trans-disciplinary approach, and for its down-to-earth articulation of principles and models to guide human and community transformation.

Box 395, Cochrane, AB T4C 1A6  
Tel: 403-932-0882 Web: fourworlds.ca

### **Ghost River Rediscovery**

Drawing on the strengths of Indigenous culture, the wisdom of the Elders, with the philosophy of love and respect for the Earth and all peoples, Ghost River Rediscovery aims at empowering people of all ages and cultures to discover the natural world, the worlds between cultures and the worlds within themselves.

Suite 164, 3359 - 27 Street NE, Calgary, AB  
T1Y 5E4 Tel: 403.270.9351  
Web: ghostriverrediscovery.com

### **Global, Environmental, and Outdoor Educators Council**

Global Environmental and Outdoor Educators Council is one of 23 specialist Councils of the Alberta Teachers' Association. Their mission is to promote quality professional development for teachers in the area of global, environmental, and outdoor education.

5720 113 B Street, Edmonton, AB T6H 3L3  
Tel: 780.438.4818 Web: geoec.org

### **Global Visions Film Festival**

The Global Visions Film Festival (GVFF) is an annual, one of a kind, Edmonton based festival which celebrates the work of passionate, accomplished documentarians from Canada and around the world. Through the work of Canadian and international filmmakers, GVFF celebrates the passion of film and the diversity, joy, and responsibility of being a global citizen.

301, 9664 - 106 Avenue, Edmonton, AB T5H 0N4  
Tel: 780.414.1052  
Web: globalvisionsfestival.com

### **HELP (Society for Helping Lives in Poverty)**

Established in 1995, HELP seeks to address poverty, dispossession and injustice faced by social groups who have been marginalized by the process of modernization.

3251 - 27 Ave, Edmonton, AB T6T 1P8  
Tel: 780.434.5513 Web: helpcanada.org

### **Helping Youth through Educational Scholarships (HYTES)**

Helping Youth Through Educational Scholarships (HYTES) is a Canadian not-for-profit organization that has no affiliation with any government or religion. They raise funds in Canada to provide scholarships in developing nations. Their current focus is on paying for secondary tuition costs for community minded and financially challenged students in Kenya, Tanzania, Uganda, Zambia and Guatemala.

4676 Quentin Street, Calgary AB T2T 6E1  
Tel: 403.291.9812 Web: hytes.org

### **HIV Network of Edmonton**

HIV Edmonton works with the whole community, in a global context ensuring that there are no new HIV infections, that people with HIV live longer, healthier lives, free from stigma and that everyone affected by HIV gets the services they need without barriers or discrimination.

300, 11456 Jasper Ave, Edmonton, AB T5K 0M1  
Tel: 780.488.5742 Web: hivedmonton.com

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## **Human Development Foundation of North America**

Human Development Foundation provides primary Education, Primary Health and Community development by Social Mobilization in remote rural areas of Pakistan. We believe in the motto of SELF HELP and practice it with full participation of communities we serve.

4208 Ramsey Road, Edmonton, AB T6H 5R2  
Tel: 780.430.6994

## **John Humphrey Centre for Peace and Human Rights**

The John Humphrey Centre for Peace and Human Rights (JHC) is a non-profit organization located in Edmonton, Alberta, named after the principal drafter of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights. With a vision of a world manifesting in a culture of peace and human rights in which the dignity of every person is respected, valued and celebrated, the JHC's mission is to advance that culture through edu-

cation programs and activities, community collaboration and relationship building guided by the principles of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights. The JHC undertakes initiatives such as public events, conferences and training programs, including our popular Rights in the Sun summer camp program, to facilitate community building and human rights learning.

7723 - 85 Street, Edmonton, AB T6C 3B4  
Tel: 780.453.2638 Web: [jhcentre.org](http://jhcentre.org)

## **Keiskamma Canada Foundation**

Keiskamma is a non-profit that is dedicated to supporting the work of the Keiskamma Trust in South Africa by raising awareness and funds for their health and art projects. They have a long-term commitment to building relationships in efforts to restore lives devastated by the AIDS pandemic.

14027 - 106 Ave., Edmonton, AB T5N 1B3  
Tel: 780.454.2474 Web: [keiskamacanada.com](http://keiskamacanada.com)

## **Leprosy Mission**

The Leprosy Mission Canada was formed in Guelph in 1892. Since then, they have supported those affected by this terrible disease. In 1892 there was no cure - our work consisted of prayer and support. When a cure was found, the work became diagnosing and bringing the cure to as many as possible. The Leprosy Mission's work now still includes these things - and so much more. It includes rehabilitation, small business loans, training, running self help groups and teaching people to live with the effects of leprosy.

100, 100 Mural Street, Richmond Hill, ON  
L4B 1J3 Tel: 1.888.537.7679 Web: [leprosy.ca](http://leprosy.ca)

## **Lifeline Malawi**

Lifeline Malawi Association is an independent Canadian humanitarian medical relief and development organization headquartered in Calgary. It is dedicated to providing medical aid without discrimination to the people of developing

countries. It works to provide excellence and leadership in health care through community based health centres, outreach programs, partnerships and capacity building initiatives.

210, 1289 Highfield Cres SE, Calgary, AB

T2G 5M2 Tel: 403.214.7780

Web: lifelinemalawi.com

### **Light Up the World**

Light Up The World provides affordable, renewable energy and highly efficient lighting systems to our world's most underserved communities who lack access to these essential tools for opportunity and development. Since inception, LUTW has facilitated the installation of over 26,000 lights in homes, schools and health centers. More than 900,000 people in 51 countries have benefited from Light Up The World's renewable energy and lighting programs.

224 13 Ave SW, Calgary, AB T2R 0K2

Tel: 403.266.5004 Web: lutw.org

### **Maharashtra Seva Samiti Organization**

MSSO was established in 1984 by immigrants from the Maharashtra State in India. It is a volunteer based registered charity which helps grassroots volunteer groups in India implement projects that are locally deemed appropriate to better the lives of the people there. MSSO assistance priorities are in vocational training, health care and family planning, water and sanitation, and sound environmental development.

4 Strathbury Circle SW, Calgary, AB T3H 1P7

Tel: 403.288.0048 Web: mssoonline.org

### **Marda Loop Justice Film Festival**

The Marda Loop Justice Film Festival is a documentary film festival and a hub of global citizen engagement promoting understanding of justice issues and advocating for the well being of local and global neighbours. It's goals include, fostering awareness and understanding of injustices and indignities suffered by many in our world and tell stories of hope in action, fa-

cilitating conversations around justice, views of the world, essential questions, and the greater common good. Through the festival it offers opportunities to get involved in the issues raised, primarily through the activities of local advocacy groups and non-government international development organizations. The Festival collaborates with other justice film festivals, community institutions of learning, civil society, faith, media, government and business to establish projects that achieve shared goals of justice awareness and public engagement.

56 Glenview Dr. SW, Calgary, AB T3E 4H5

Tel: 403.240.2975 Web: justicefilmfestival.ca

### **Mennonite Central Committee – Alberta**

Mennonite Central Committee – Alberta is an NGO that works with national and international programs for relief, development, peace and education.

210, 2946 - 32 Street NE, Calgary, AB T1Y 6J7

Tel: 403.275.6935 Fax: 403.275.3711

Web: mcc.org/alberta

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## **Micah Centre at King's University College**

The Micah Center at King's University College advances student awareness of justice issues and creates opportunities for experiential learning opportunities around the world through internships.

9125 - 50th Street, Edmonton, AB T6B 2H3  
Tel: 780.465.3500 Ext. 8070  
Web: micahcentre.ca

## **One Child's Village**

One Child's Village is a non-governmental, non-religious, not-for-profit Society of volunteers who are united in values and who seek to enhance the quality of life for all members of the global community, especially those who are poor, suffering or are otherwise disadvantaged. The emphasis in their work is placed on supporting orphans affected by or infected by HIV/AIDS. They are currently working with a partner in Kenya to support the needs of HIV/AIDS orphans in the Western Busia District.

7954 - 84th Avenue, Edmonton, AB T6C 1C5  
Tel: 780.433.3342 Web: onechildsvillage.org

## **Operation Eyesight Universal**

Operation Eyesight is an international development organization dedicated to treating and preventing blindness in the developing world. Since 1963, their programs have restored sight to more than two million people and treated 33 million others for a variety of potentially blinding eye problems.

4 Parkdale Crescent, Calgary, AB T2N 3T8  
Tel: 403.283.6323 Web: operationeyesight.com

## **Optometry Giving Sight**

Optometry Giving Sight is an initiative that specifically targets the prevention of blindness and impaired vision due to uncorrected refractive error – the need for eye glasses to see. At least 670 million people around the world are blind or vision impaired simply because they do not have access to an eye examination and a pair of glasses. Optometry Giving Sight funds the solution by supporting programs that offer not only eye exams and glasses in countries with little or no access to them, but that establish the infrastructure and human resources required for

sustainable, quality vision care. 85% of every tax receiptable donation goes directly to primary eye care programs in the developing world. Optometry Giving Sight currently operates in Australia, the UK, USA, Canada, and Norway.

4 Parkdale Cresc NW, Calgary, AB T2N 3T8  
Tel: 403.670.2619 Web: givingsight.org

## **Plan Canada**

Plan is one of the world's largest international, child-centered development organizations. They work in more than 45 developing countries where, worldwide, their long-term community programs benefit 1.5 million children and impact the lives of 15 million people. Plan has no religious, political or government affiliations.

1001 - 95 St. Clair Avenue West, Toronto, ON M4V 3B5  
Tel: 416.920.1654  
Web: plancanada.ca

### **Project Shelter Wakadogo**

Project Shelter Wakadogo is trying to raise awareness for the plight of the children of northern Uganda. Since its creation it has grown and evolved into an internationally recognized charitable organization. We call it Project Shelter Wakadogo, which means “for the little ones” in Swahili.

36, 9520-174 Street NW, Edmonton, AB T5T 5Z3  
Tel: 780.930.2101 Web: shelterwakadogo.org

### **Rainbow for the Future**

Rainbow for the Future is a Canadian development agency dedicated to the organization and integration of sustainable relief efforts throughout Africa. Some of their current projects include literacy programs for girls in Ethiopia and irrigation projects.

10712 - 101 Street, Westlock, AB T7P 1H7  
Tel: 780.349.5631 Web: rainbowfff.org

### **Rainbow of Hope for Children (ROHFC)**

Rainbow of Hope for Children is an Alberta-based NGO working for human development in Brazil, Central America, the Philippines, and Africa. ROHFC works with their international partners in the areas of education, political awareness, health and wellness, life skills, women’s capacity building, land reform, agriculture, and marketing techniques. At home, they provide education services to schools, communities and church groups through experienced speakers and their publication, NEXUS.

PO Box 2883, Wainright, AB T9W 1S7  
Tel: 780.842.6091  
Web: rainbowofhopeforchildren.ca

### **Results Canada**

RESULTS CANADA is a national network of volunteers. We are committed to creating the political will to end hunger and the worst aspects of poverty in Canada and around the world, and to demonstrating that individuals do make a difference.

103, 153 Chapel Street, Ottawa, ON K1N 1H5  
Tel: 613.562.9240 Web: results-resultats.ca

### **Sahakarini**

Sahakarini exists to promote, encourage and assist international aid and development and to assist, encourage and foster development education activity.

PO Box 1685, Camrose, AB T4V 1X6  
Tel: 780.672.8222 Web: saharakini.org

### **Samaritan’s Purse**

Samaritan’s Purse is a nondenominational evangelical Christian organization providing spiritual and physical aid to hurting people around the world. Since 1970, Samaritan’s Purse has helped meet the needs of people who are victims of war, poverty, natural disasters, disease, and famine with the purpose of sharing God’s love through His Son, Jesus Christ.

20 Hopewell Way NE, Calgary, AB T3J 5H5  
Tel: 403.250.6565 Web: samaritanspurse.ca

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## **Shastri Indo-Canadian Institute**

The Shastri Indo-Canadian Institute is a unique binational organization that promotes understanding between India and Canada. To achieve this goal, the Institute funds a variety of academic activities and exchanges between these partner countries.

1402 Education Tower, 2500 University Drive,  
Calgary, AB T2N 1N4  
Tel: 403.220.7467 Web: [sici.org](http://sici.org)

## **Somali Canadian Education and Rural Development Organization (SCERDO)**

SCERDO is committed to promote crucial education and development needs for Somalis at home and around the world. SCERDO is currently working to promote education for peace and sustainable development in primary schools in some parts of Northern Somalia. They have also launched a campaign to promote the importance of education and rural development for Somalia's future development.

Plaza 120, 12052 Fort Road, Edmonton, AB  
T5B 4H1 Tel: 780.491.0233 Fax: 491.0212  
Web: [scerdo.org](http://scerdo.org)

## **Sombrilla Refugee Support Society**

Sombrilla is an Edmonton based NGO supporting development projects in South and Central America. Sombrilla works in partnership and solidarity with our partners in the South. We presently have projects in Peru and Guatemala with a focus on clean water, education and food security. We are also partnering with local youth such as Scouts and High School students to further awareness of global issues and to raise funds for our projects.

11424 - 77 Ave, Edmonton, AB T6G 0L8  
Tel: 780.988.2976 Web: [sombrilla.ca](http://sombrilla.ca)

## **Tamaraneh Society for Community Development and Support**

The Tamaraneh Society for Community Development and Support exists to support the basic human needs development of Ro-Mano Village in Sierra Leone, West Africa, which was ravaged

by civil war and is currently in the position of having to rebuild. Their work is focused on the education of children and youth, clean water and the basic health needs of the community. Box 78170 RPO Callingwood, Edmonton, AB T5T 6A1 Tel: 780.993.1062  
Web: [tamaraneh.org](http://tamaraneh.org)

## **The Water School**

The Water School is an international non-profit agency that focuses on clean water issues in the developing world. It empowers communities in Africa and other continents with education on proper health and sanitation practices combined with the SODIS water purification system. The process is easily understood, affordable and adopted by local communities. The Water School accomplishes its goals through appropriate partnerships with local and international organizations. Clean Water Changes Everything.

112 Lakeside Views, Strathmore, AB T1P 1Z7  
Web: [thewaterschool.org](http://thewaterschool.org)

### **Tools for Schools Africa**

Tools for Schools Africa works to improve the quality of life in the Northern Region of Ghana by enhancing educational opportunity for girls. 4757 - 56 Street, Red Deer, AB T4N 2K2  
Web: [tfs-africa.org](http://tfs-africa.org)

### **UEnd:poverty**

UEnd: empowers you to give a new kind of gift – one that helps eradicate extreme poverty and changes the way we think about giving through the redirection of a small portion of your gift spending. 4007 - 11 Street SE, Calgary, AB T2G 3H1  
Tel: 866.629.0516 Web: [uend.org](http://uend.org)

### **UNICEF Canada**

UNICEF is mandated by the United Nations General Assembly to advocate for the protection of children's rights, to help meet their basic needs and to expand their opportunities to reach their full potential. UNICEF in Alberta is involved in both advocacy and fundraising.

Advocacy activities include volunteer speakers, curriculum based educational resources for teachers and promotion of UNICEF programs through the media.

301 - 14th Street NW, Suite 140, Calgary AB T2N 2A1 Tel: 403.270.2857 Web: [unicef.ca](http://unicef.ca)

### **Unisphere Global Resource Centre**

Established in 1975 as one of the Global Learner Centres, the Unisphere Global Resource Centre is a community-based charity dedicated to global issues such as poverty, famine, and human rights issues. Unisphere educates individuals about global issues as well as issues that affect them locally. Unisphere works in local partnership with many organizations such as Amnesty International, KAIROS, and World Food day, along with many other organizations. Unisphere maintains a library of resources for the use of their members and educators.

101 - 6th Street SE, Medicine Hat, AB T1A 1G7  
Tel: 403.529.2656  
Web: [nonprofit.memlane.com/unisphere](http://nonprofit.memlane.com/unisphere)

### **United Nations Association in Canada – Edmonton Branch**

The Edmonton Branch of UNAC is part of a nation-wide group of voluntary, non-partisan United Nations organizations concerned with global affairs. It is comprised of interested Canadians in the greater-Edmonton area who seek solutions to world problems through the effective use of the UN, its specialized agencies, and other multilateral institutions. This branch is committed to promoting awareness of critical issues such as the environment, human rights, disarmament, and development.

MacEwan University, 10700 104 Avenue, Edmonton, AB T5J 4S2  
Web: [edmonton.unac.org](http://edmonton.unac.org)

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## **United Nations Association in Canada – Calgary Branch**

The United Nations Association in Canada engages the Canadian public in the work of the United Nations and the critical international issues which affect us all. We, the Calgary Branch, involve the Calgary community through volunteerism, raising awareness, and encouraging community partnerships.

Po Box 6593 Stn D, Calgary, AB T2Z 2M3  
Web: calgary.unac.org

## **Wildrose Global Poverty Funds Society**

The Wildrose Global Poverty Funds Society's objective is to relieve poverty and benefit communities in need in the country of Pakistan. They do this by offering assistance to the poor, regardless of religion, race, or ethnicity. These goals include providing financial and material relief, medicine, medical equipment and services.

Suite 316, 919 Centre Street NW, Calgary, AB T2E 2P6 Tel: 403.471.0943 Fax: 403.276.1877  
Web: wildroseglobalpovertyfunds.com

## **Women's Empowerment International Foundation (WEIF)**

WEIF's mission is to alleviate poverty in Central and South Asia, particularly among women and children. Our programs focus on four core social issues: education, infrastructure, economic development and health care.

132 Bainbridge Crescent NW, Edmonton, AB T5T 6B4 Tel: 780.486.3005 Web: weif.org

## **World Fit for Children**

World Fit For Children (WFFC) is a non-governmental, non-ectarian, international children's organization governed by a volunteer Board of Directors. WFFC believes strongly that as a children's organisation, the only way to help children is to ask them directly, as it is the children themselves who can best tell us what they need. Consisting of a group of volunteers, the Alberta Chapter advocates and organizes fundraising events for projects that take place in the developing world.

10715 - 76 Ave., Edmonton, AB T6E 1L8  
Tel: 780-690-1492 Web: wffcalberta.com

## **World University Service of Canada (WUSC)**

WUSC is a network of individuals and postsecondary institutions who believe that all peoples are entitled to the knowledge and skills necessary to contribute to a more equitable world. Our mission is to foster human development and global understanding through education and training.

1404 Scott Street, Ottawa, ON K1Y 4M8  
Tel: 613.798.7477 Web: wusc.ca



The Alberta Council for Global Cooperation (ACGC) is a coalition of voluntary sector organizations located in Alberta, working locally and globally to achieve sustainable human development.



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