



ANNUAL REPORT **2011** **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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*Cover: Painting created by Sarah Pollock for the International Development Week Campaign entitled I am Making a Difference
(Photo credit: Heather McPherson)*

*Left: Change Your World Youth Leadership Participants listen to Stephen Lewis at the ACGC AGM
(Photo credit: Duncan Purvis)*

Message from the Chair of the Board & the Executive Director



The past 12 months have been a very exciting and challenging year for the staff, board and members of the Alberta Council for Global Cooperation. During the year ACGC was able to accomplish a tremendous amount of successful programming targeted at increasing the effectiveness and capacity of our member organizations as well as at increasing the knowledge, understanding and engagement of the general public, particularly youth, in Alberta.

One of the primary goals of the council is to support the work of its members through networking, leadership, information sharing, training and coordination, and to represent their interests when dealing with government and others. Over the past year ACGC has met this goal through a wide range of activities and initiatives, including our Annual General Meeting and gala event which saw Stephen Lewis address a crowd of over 500 enthusiastic Albertans as he shared his insights into civil society engagement in working towards the achievement of the Millennium Development Goals. ACGC also organized a highly successful International Development Week campaign, Lunch & Learn capacity building seminars, member networking meetings, media campaigns, newsletters and other communication tools, and continued our successful partnership with CIDA through the nation-wide Kaleidoscope Video Challenge youth video contest. Other activities have been accomplished this year that aim to increase the support and value the council provides to its membership. Many of these activities, and the activities briefly touched upon above, can be read about in more detail in this Annual Report.

The Council also promotes greater Albertan participation in learning about and assisting international development and cooperation efforts. We are engaging Albertans in international development and cooperation in a myriad of ways, looking at engagement that impacts broad audiences, engagement that impacts deeply, and engagement that is innovative and targets new audiences, bringing people further along a continuum of understanding, regardless of their starting point.

Some of the public engagement and global citizenship work ACGC has done this year is outlined in this report. Take a moment to learn about our Development in a Box project, which contains ACGC member resources and is projected to be in 600 schools across the province by 2012. Or learn about the *Change Your World* tour which saw 5 high school students from

BOARD MEMBERS – 2010-2011

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<i>Past Directors</i>	Margo Purcell – RESULTS Canada

throughout Alberta visit ACGC member projects in Ethiopia and then share their experiences through the subsequent creation of a video documentary, a podcast series, and an Alberta school tour that had the 5 youth share their experiences with over a 1000 students across Alberta.

However, despite what ACGC achieved in 2010-2011, the year was certainly not without its challenges and struggles for the Council and the sector as a whole. Uncertainty with funders, changes in the Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA) and the new Partnering with Canadians Branch, and many other factors which strongly impact the international development and cooperation sector have affected the work of ACGC and our members, partners, and colleagues significantly this year.

As organizations and individuals engaged in international development and cooperation, it is becoming increasingly important that we learn how to work within the new realities we are faced with and rise to the challenge to critically analyze where improvements can be made and what can be done to be more effective, relevant, and creative in how we look at development and how we support our Southern partners in their work. The new realities of funding relationships with traditional funders will need to be examined and creative solutions that explore new sources of funding will be both necessary and recommended. Such new funding opportunities may require more collaboration with organizations within the sector and those groups traditionally not determined to be international development organizations. The organizations and individuals that need to be involved for continued sustained, appropriate rights-based development will need to come from many arenas. It is acknowledged that true change requires involvement from those working in environmental care, human rights, peace-building, indigenous rights, legal empowerment of the poor, emergency humanitarian aid, public engagement, private sector, and others. ACGC welcomes the opportunity to collaborate with these groups and look forward to the innovation and reinvention of development practices and theory that will ensue.

Finally, ACGC welcomes several new members this year, both individual and organizational. We are excited to see the Council grow and are thrilled with the increasing recognition of the importance of working together as a sector! Collaboration and cooperation is vital to the continued improvement and renewal of our sector and we encourage all Council members to get involved in the work of the Council through participation in capacity-building initiatives, taking advantage of networking opportunities, involvement in Council governance through board and committee involvement, and by working with the Council to engage Albertans and Canadians in global poverty reduction and social justice. It is important to remember that we are truly stronger when we work together!

As always we want to recognize the many contributions of staff, board of directors, and ACGC members who work so hard to make the Alberta Council for Global Cooperation the thriving organization it is today!

Sincerely,



Vlad Gómez – ACGC Chairperson, Board of Directors



Heather McPherson – Executive Director



STAFF MEMBERS – 2010-2011

Executive Director –
Heather McPherson

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Coordinator –* Julia Price

*Project Coordinator and
Administrative Officer –*
Connor MacDonald

*Kaleidoscope Video Challenge
National Coordinator –*
Rose Yewchuck

*Kaleidoscope Video Challenge
Regional Coordinator –* Hans Olson

*International Development Week
Coordinator –* Vanessa Kohut

Bookkeeper – Shaun Devine

Development in a Box

Development in a Box, ACGC's educational public engagement initiative, has maintained a steady momentum this year. In keeping with Alberta Education's focus on global citizenship, *Development in a Box* was created to provide educators in Alberta with a practical resource to incorporate global citizenship and international development issues into regular classroom practice, with clear connections to the Alberta Program of Studies. To expand the reach of the program and encourage frequent use of the box, all resources are available on the ACGC website.

“I've been trying to collect resources like these for years and haven't ever come even close.”

As the *Development in a Box* program continues, it has proven to be an excellent resource for educators in fostering global citizens, as well as a great opportunity for ACGC members to increase their profile within the Alberta education sector. ACGC continues to receive extremely positive feedback from educators regarding this initiative.

- “It's great that everything is available online to peruse on my own time. ACGC is a spectacular resource for designing a program, it would be nice if more programs existed already...” – Teacher, Calgary City Teachers' Convention
- “I spent some time going through the 'box' and it looks fantastic. It is the collection of so many topics with all the necessary resources. I've been trying to collect resources like these for years and haven't ever come even close.” – Teachers, St. James

Teacher Conventions

ACGC continues to work with educators and administrators, developing strong ties to the formal education sector in Alberta. One of the key ways ACGC maintains this important relationship is by participating in teacher's conventions throughout the province. Over the past year

ACGC has attended 5 teachers' conventions, including the Global, Environmental & Outdoor Educators Council (GEOEC) Conference, the Social Studies Teachers' Convention, the Calgary City Teachers' Convention, the North Central Teachers' Convention, and the Greater Edmonton Teachers' Convention. Prior to teachers' convention ACGC staff work closely with member organizations to have the most comprehensive and up-to-date information on what member organizations are doing and where they are working in order to share their most current projects and opportunities with the public. ACGC staff also prepare, facilitate and evaluate workshops outlining available ACGC curriculum resources, teaching materials, speakers, and other opportunities for teachers to become better global citizen educators.

In addition to the above-mentioned teachers' conventions, ACGC has displayed at 56 other community events, symposiums and festivals including the following:

- Alberta Teachers Association Symposium on International Assistance
- Centre for Global Citizenship Education Research Speaker Series
- Calgary Board of Education *My World Youth Conference*
- University of Alberta *Involvement Week* Panel
- Canadian Council for International Cooperation *Public Engagement Forum*
- Global Visions Film Festival Panel

ACGC staff visits individual schools regularly to speak about global citizenship, youth engagement and a variety of related topics.

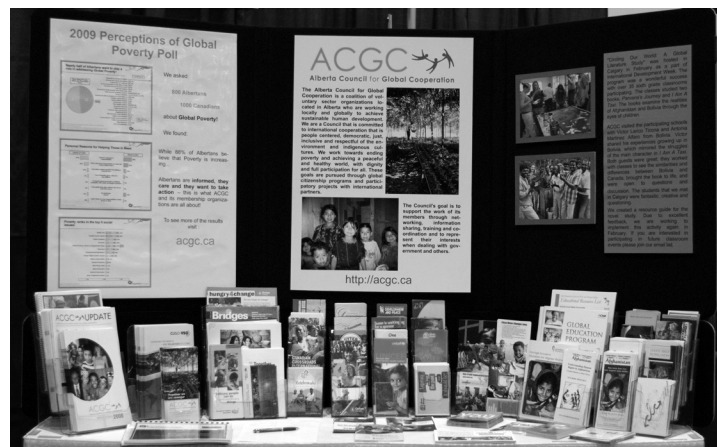
Change Your World Youth Leadership Tour - Ethiopia

At the beginning of the 2010 academic year, participating *Development in a Box* educators and schools were presented the opportunity to nominate one student from their school who they believed displayed exceptional dedication to international development and social justice issues, to participate in the ACGC *Change Your World Youth Leadership Tour* to Ethiopia.

The goal of this educational tour was to provide youth from across Alberta with the opportunity to experience international development first-hand, by visiting ACGC's member organizations southern projects and partners. A selection committee was created with representatives from participating ACGC member organizations, staff, and board members, as well as community members, to review the nominations and select students. After careful review and consideration, five youth were chosen to participate on a tour to Ethiopia.

Through a similar application process, one ACGC member organization was selected to host the Youth Leadership Tour. After a thorough deliberation from the selection committee, Canadian Humanitarian Organization for International Relief, based out of Medicine Hat, and its partner organizations in Ethiopia were chosen to participate as the host for the *Change Your World Youth Leadership Tour*. After selecting Canadian Humanitarian, ACGC contacted other members working in the region to coordinate visiting their partners as well.

Before flying to Ethiopia, the youth participated in a two-day pre-departure and orientation training workshop. This training provided the youth with the opportunity to be introduced to one another, while engaging in a series of activities involving issues of culture shock, the creation of a team charter, health and wellness awareness, introduction to the host organization and country and learning how to become a videographer. With two days to prepare as a team, ACGC recognized the potential transformation that can take



ACGC display used during public engagement events
(Photo credit: Diana Coumantarakis)

place when experiencing international development first-hand.

The *Change Your World Youth Leadership Tour* took place July 5-17, 2010. During their time in Ethiopia, the youth participated in a variety of activities; meeting Ethiopian youth, educators, international development workers and community members. The seven international development projects they had the opportunity to visit each focused on CIDA's priorities of increasing food security and securing the future of children and youth.

The youth were able to visit the Canadian embassy in Addis Ababa where they had the opportunity to meet with CIDA's representative and partake in an engaging conversation regarding international development issues.

In August 2010, a debriefing of the *Change Your World Youth Leadership Tour* took place where the youth were able to share their experiences, thoughts and ideas for the future. During this time, youth were also guided through a workshop to create a presentation to be shared with Alberta schools during the Fall tour.

Change Your World Youth Leadership Tour - Video Production

During their time in Ethiopia the youth spent their evenings reflecting and sharing their thoughts with each other and a video camera. The youth brought along the video cameras when visiting the international development projects, capturing moments of personal interactions and individual interviews throughout the tour.

Upon returning home to Canada ACGC hired a video production company to take care of the editing and creation of a 12 minute film that could be shared with Alberta schools across the province. The youth, with ACGC staff, worked with the video production company to create a touching and real encounter of the *Change Your World Youth Leadership Tour*. This video was shared with over 15 schools and 35 classes throughout the Alberta school tour as well as through various social media outlets.



Students at LiGA Primary School, Ethiopia (Photo credit: Heather McPherson)

Change Your World Youth Leadership - School Tour

As part of their involvement in the *Change Your World Youth Leadership Tour* the youth committed to traveling across Alberta to share their experiences in Ethiopia and international development with schools and community groups in the Fall of 2010. More than 15 schools and community groups participated in this great opportunity to learn from their peers about issues related to international development. The youth shared their experiences through the use of the video and a series of stories about the projects they visited and partners they met. The Fall Tour increased awareness and knowledge about the work ACGC members are doing with the education sector as well as a more in-depth understanding about international development and social justice issues. Altogether over 1000 students were able to hear the stories shared by the *Change Your World Youth Leadership Tour*.

Through ACGC's public engagement programs, the connection to the Alberta education sector has flourished. These wonderful initiatives have provided educators with tools to foster global citizenship in the classroom, as well as largely increased the profile of the great work ACGC members are taking part in both locally and globally.

ACGC continues to receive a very positive response to this initiative.

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- “This presentation opened my eyes about different issues, and gave me more knowledge about the subject.” – Student, Spruce Grove Composite High School
- “I learned that I have the power to help in my community.” – Student, Spruce Grove Composite High School
- “I was so inspired to change the world! Please continue going to other schools and spreading your powerful message!” – Student, Leduc Composite High School
- “I was really impressed with the enthusiasm, composure, confidence, and eloquence of the youth representatives. They not only advocated for their cause, but by their example, they advocate for youth in general.” – Parent, Social Justice Tour
- “It was an inspiring talk and I am very encouraged to go forward with community work!” – Student, Social Justice Tour
- “I like having students our age teach us about the issues...” – Student, St. James
- “Watching the video of the experiences the people in Ethiopia face was my favourite. It's great to see change happening.” – Student, St. James

International Development Week

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The Alberta Council for Global Cooperation implemented another year of fantastic International Development Week activities in 2011! ACGC designed a youth campaign entitled *I Am Making a Difference*, which was held during and surrounding International Development Week (IDW) February 6-12, 2011. The campaign profiled how eight Albertan youth are making a difference internationally and locally.

The campaign was used as a catalyst to increase youth engagement and understanding of international development issues amongst the general public, with a specific focus on youth. The campaign also served to highlight the work of Canada's international development community and garner support for the work being done by Albertan and Canadian organizations both in Canada and abroad.

Following the full-day discussion/workshop the youth spent the second day drawing and incorporating ideas from the previous day's work into the creation of several pieces of art which were subsequently shown across Alberta prior to, during and after International Development Week. The youth were able to use art to further explore and express their views of international and local issues. The process proved to be a rewarding one for all the youth involved. Albertan youth, Zachary Berg, said the following about the paintings and the weekend: "All of the paintings look fantastic; the beautiful result of a beautiful weekend!" Sarah Pollock, another Alberta youth was quoted as saying "It was an amazing and inspiring experience working with ACGC. Thanks!"

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To ensure the project had an international focus, ACGC partnered with Fundacion de Apoyo al Arte Creador Infantil or FUNARTE; a highly regarded southern partner of two ACGC member organizations; Change for Children Association and Canada World Youth. FUNARTE selected eight Nicaraguan youth to participate in the project.

The campaign's initial objective of engaging and profiling these youth began with a two-day workshop. The nominated Albertan and Nicaraguan youth participated in facilitated discussions on international issues, the importance of engaging youth, how to better enable youth involvement, and the production of art pieces which were based on identified local and global issues.

ACGC worked with an experienced film crew to capture the experiences of each of the youth as they worked throughout the weekend. Each Albertan youth was interviewed about the weekend workshop and was asked to provide additional information about how they, as youth, have made a difference, and what they think are obstacles and opportunities for youth engagement in Alberta and around the world. The interviews were combined with the footage from the weekend, and additional images from the youth to produce eight youth video profiles.

Top: International Development Week 2011 I Am Making a Difference murals created by Nicaraguan youth participants. (Photo credit: Scott Portingale)

Above left: Youth participants at FUNARTE in Esteli, Nicaragua create murals as part of the International Development Week 2011 I Am Making a Difference campaign. (Photo credit: Scott Portingale)

Above right: International Development Week 2011 I Am Making a Difference Alberta youth participants. (Photo credit: Heather McPherson)

ACGC Update Newsletter

Three *ACGC Update* newsletters were produced and distributed to ACGC member organizations and individuals, government officials, media, educators and administrators, and a variety of groups and individuals interested in international development and cooperation and the work done by the Council and ACGC members. Newsletter distribution increased by 49% over the past 3 years with *ACGC Update* newsletters being distributed to our mailing list of over 350 individuals or organizations. Additionally, over 100 newsletters were distributed to educators and administrators at teachers' conventions throughout the province and to members of the general public at the various events ACGC attended this year.

In 2010 ACGC began soliciting requests for paper-less versions of the newsletter to be sent electronically to individuals and organizations concerned about their environmental footprint. In 2010, ACGC implemented a new newsletter format that reduced the paper required by envelopes, and increased the recycled content of the paper used, and the efficiency with which the newsletter was created and mailed.

E-bulletins

E-bulletins were distributed to the ACGC List Serve bi-weekly throughout the year to an increasing number of organizations and individuals. The e-bulletin has been an excellent way to inform the ACGC membership and the members of the listserve about immediately upcoming events, activities, and ways to become involved as global citizens. It is also a way to share what is being done in other fields such as environmental care, human rights, community development, etc.

The e-bulletin subscriber list has exceeded the targeted growth of 10% and is now forwarded to over 713 individuals, with an estimated impact of reaching over 1500 people through forwarding of the e-bulletin to other individuals and lists. In addition, it is believed that many more individuals access the e-bulletin through the ACGC website, the ACGC Facebook page, and the through the ACGC Twitter feed.

Website

The ACGC website is an important point of information for Albertans interested in international development issues. Over 10,000 people access our website each year! 2010 saw ACGC launch the new ACGC website, which provides more accessible ways to learn about international development work in Alberta.

The ACGC website is where media, educators, government and the general public go to find out about organizations in Alberta doing international development work around the world. The new website makes it easier for people to access information about ACGC member organizations and learn more about the important contribution the international development sector makes in Alberta and around the world.

The new website has a Members' Only section that allows members to share up-to-date information with the public, and work with other members to share information, build capacity and collaborate. 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 allows the Council

to increase our ability to promote both the Council and member public engagement activities that, in turn, lead to increased awareness in Alberta.

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. It is expected that these tools will continue to provide significant impact in reaching Albertans in the coming years. Take a moment to visit and register with our Facebook page, Twitter feed and YouTube channel.



The Who's Who in International Development public engagement campaign was developed to increase the profile of Alberta based international development organizations. ACGC members were surveyed about the impacts their organizations were making around the world. The results were compiled and shared with Albertans via newspaper advertisements and public transportation advertising opportunities. It was a successful way to inform Albertans about the important work being done by Alberta non-profit organizations around the world.

FACT: 161,085
STUDENTS ARE ABLE TO
ATTEND SCHOOL BECAUSE
OF ALBERTA NON-PROFIT
ORGANIZATIONS.

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WWW.ACGC.CA

FACT: 87,182 WELLS OR
WATER SYSTEMS
HAVE BEEN CONSTRUCTED GLOBALLY BY ALBERTA NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS.

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ACGC and its member organizations have identified a 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/strengthening of their organizational structure (for example, governance issues, insurance requirements, project monitoring/evaluation and accessing stable and sustained funding). By contributing to the increased capacity of the NGO sector in Alberta the Council has leveraged the existing reach of its membership to increase citizen engagement in international development issues. This in turn will increase support for international development work abroad and will substantially improve the ability of Albertan organizations to reduce poverty in developing countries.

As a result of member surveys, large public polls, member meetings, networking opportunities and informal discussions held throughout the year, the Council has been able to accurately identify those components of our programming that are highly successful in increasing the capacity of our member organizations to reduce poverty around the world. In addition, ACGC is able to note areas where improvements to capacity building and collaboration can be increased. The following activities represent the most highly successful components of our programming from previous years with additional activities developed through member brainstorming activities, membership surveys and during member meetings in response to needs identified by the sector and the general public.

Lunch and Learn Series

ACGC instituted its Lunch and Learn Seminar series in 2006 and the series has increased in popularity every year since its inception. Participation in these sessions continue to grow as participants gain an appreciation of the valuable information and capacity building opportunities that these Lunch and Learn sessions contain. Recent Lunch & Learn sessions have exceeded available participation numbers and the necessity of waiting lists has arisen. Due to their short duration (2-3 hours) these sessions are more accessible to our members.

Results from evaluations received after



*Charles Parker, CIDA; Heather Harden, World Vision; Beverly Carrick, CAUSE Canada
(Photo credit: Heather McPherson)*

participation has indicated a high level of satisfaction with the speakers, topics, content, and relevance for organizational capacity growth. Participation in the Lunch and Learn sessions continue to grow and ACGC members continue to be actively engaged in this programming aspect of the Council.

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.

In addition to member participation during such opportunities, Members of Parliament, Members of the Legislative Assembly for the Province of Alberta, and regional CIDA staff were also in attendance and took the opportunity to meet and share ideas and information with ACGC members. In February, Mr. Darren Schemmer joined the members of ACGC to share information regarding the changes to Partnering with Canadians Branch and answer questions regarding those changes and the effect

they may have on the sector, particularly in Alberta.

The cumulative total attendance of members at ACGC member meetings and networking opportunities is over 450 individuals from a variety of organizations. This number does not include participation in a variety of other events ACGC organizes, participates in, or collaborates with other organizations to offer our members. Some examples of the additional activities offered by the Council include International Development Week activities, Civil Society Organization effectiveness roundtables, and workshops on charity law. In addition many activities accomplished by the Council have member networking opportunities imbedded within the agendas and programming.

AGM/Capacity Building Event

For the first time in 2009, ACGC included a large public engagement event hosting a keynote address by Maude Barlow during the AGM weekend that was used to encourage more Albertans to become engaged with international development issues and to highlight the importance of international development and profiled the work of organizations in Alberta.

ACGC continued to increase the impact of our AGM and gala event in 2010. The keynote address was provided by Stephen Lewis who shared thoughtful insight into the international development agenda as

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 first 3 year agreement with CIDA and has received funding for another 3 years. As a result the ICN 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 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. ACGC 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.

being driven by the MDGs (Millennium Development Goals). Fresh from attending the UN MDG Summit in New York, Stephen Lewis provided a graphic sweep of international affairs, concentrating especially on the goals relating to gender equality, poverty and disease. He discussed the importance of an active and engaged Canadian civil society, especially with the participation of youth, in fighting for social justice and equality. There was a fair trade wine and cheese reception which showcased some of the amazing international work being done by many Alberta-based non-profit organizations. 426 individuals from the general public were in attendance for this event with 49 ACGC members participating as well.

Prior to Mr. Lewis' keynote address ACGC arranged to have 15 youth participants speak with Mr. Lewis during an informal dinner and roundtable event. The participants ranged in age from 15 -30 and were selected for their commitment to social justice and global citizenship. The selected youth were able to reflect the role of youth in civil society, ways to increase the impact of youth engagement, and the barriers to youth engagement. Mr. Lewis willingly shared his significant knowledge on civil society and the role of all Canadians in ensuring global justice.



Stephen Lewis discussed the importance of an active and engaged civil society, especially with the participation of youth, in fighting for social justice and equality.

Left: ACGC Gala Event featuring Stephen Lewis (Photo Credit: Duncan Purvis)



Albertans see what Albertan organizations are doing around the world to reduce global poverty. (Photo Credit: Duncan Purvis)

AUDITOR'S REPORT

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Alberta Council for Global Cooperation, which comprise the statement of financial position as at March 31, 2011, the statement of operations and changes in net assets and statement of cash flows for the year then ended and a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with Canadian generally accepted accounting principles, 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.

Auditors' Responsibility

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 comply with ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditors' judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditors consider internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements 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 the entity's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of **Alberta Council for Global Cooperation** as at March 31, 2011, and its financial performance and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian generally accepted accounting principles.

SVS Group LLP
Chartered Accountants
Edmonton, Alberta
August 17, 2011

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

Financial Statements

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

as at March 31, 2011

	2011	2010
ASSETS		
CURRENT		
Cash	\$ 9,293	\$ 26,280
Accounts receivable	45,233	32,957
Prepaid expenses and deposits	503	300
	<u>\$ 55,029</u>	<u>\$ 59,537</u>
LIABILITIES		
CURRENT		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ 3,504	\$ 10,840
Deferred revenue (Note 5)	40,348	25,913
	<u>43,852</u>	<u>36,753</u>
NET ASSETS		
NET ASSETS	<u>11,177</u>	<u>22,784</u>
	<u>\$ 55,029</u>	<u>\$ 59,537</u>

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS AND CHANGES IN NET ASSETS

for the Year Ended March 31, 2011

	2011	%	2010	%
REVENUE				
CIDA grants	\$ 257,444	60.2	\$ 298,086	95.7
Membership and registration fees	16,705	3.9	7,483	2.4
Interest income	349	—	4	—
Annual General Meeting fees	10,637	2.5	5,798	1.9
Kaleidoscope Video Challenge	142,706	33.4	—	—
	<u>427,841</u>	<u>100.0</u>	<u>311,371</u>	<u>100.0</u>
EXPENSES				
Administration	29,708	6.9	27,204	8.7
Angus Reed Survey	—	—	3,893	1.3
Kaleidoscope Video Challenge	142,706	—	—	—
International Development Week	18,391	4.3	22,371	7.2
International Student Leadership Tour	41,212	9.6	—	—
Networking	2,819	0.7	1,054	0.3
Professional fees	6,864	1.6	3,616	1.2
Programming	50,217	11.7	27,366	8.8
Promotions and publicity	9,257	2.2	8,862	2.8
Public engagement project	44,992	10.5	73,433	23.6
Salaries and benefits	93,282	21.8	98,434	31.6
Voluntary Sector Fund	—	—	43,158	13.9
	<u>439,448</u>	<u>69.3</u>	<u>309,391</u>	<u>99.4</u>
EXCESS OF REVENUE OVER EXPENSES	(11,607)	30.7	1,980	0.6
NET ASSETS, beginning of year	22,784		20,804	
NET ASSETS, end of year	\$ 11,177		\$ 22,784	

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. 3015 A 21st St. NE, Calgary, AB T2E 7T1 403.204.1421 www.actioninternational.org

Alberta Public Interest Research Group (APIRG)

The Alberta Public Interest Research Group (APIRG) is a student-run, student-funded, non-profit organization dedicated to research, education, advocacy, and action in the public interest. APIRG provides students with resources to be active citizens. They also facilitate opportunities for skill development through internships, educational events, public campaigns and partnerships with community organizations. 9111 - 112 St. NW, HUB Mall, University of Alberta, Edmonton, AB T6G 2C5 780.492.0614 www.apirg.org

Altamas for Peace and Development Association

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 403.274.5568 www.altamas.ca

Association of Canadian Peacemakers International

The vision of Christian 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 Ave., Edmonton, AB T6K 0Z3 780.462.6234 www.cpi-cpf.ca

Awaso Canadian Academy Foundation

Box 6911 Drayton Valley, AB T7A 1S2 780.621.3381

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.

PO Box 81 Stn Main, Lethbridge, AB T1J 3Y3 403.380.3844 www.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 1.800.605.3526 www.cwy-jcm.org

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 community 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 403.202.0673 www.capdcalgary.org

Canadian Catholic Organization for Development and Peace

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.

8421 - 101 Ave., Edmonton, AB T6A 0L1 780.424.1557 www.devp.org

Canadian Crossroads International (CCI)

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 St., Suite 201, Toronto, ON M5V 2P2 416.967.1611 www.cciorg.ca

Canadian Department of Peace Initiative (CDPI)

Canadian Department of Peace Initiative Edmonton Chapter is a small not-for-profit and non-partisan group who takes pride that their supporters represent four of the major political parties across Canada. The Edmonton Chapter falls under the National Campaign to establish a Canadian Department of Peace. CDPI National is a founding organization of Global Alliance for Ministries & Departments of Peace. CDPI works towards building a connection between government departments to promote a culture of peace in Canada and around the world. The hope is that the government will bring together 3 major components of peace & security: peace-making, peace keeping, and peace building. 9442 - 144 St., Edmonton, AB T5R 0R9 780.454.7505 www.cdpiedmonton.ca

Canadian Humanitarian

The mission of Canadian Humanitarian is to provide 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 St. SE, Medicine Hat, AB T1A 0K6 403.527.2741 www.canadianhumanitarian.com

Canadian Women for Women in Afghanistan

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 403.244.5625 www.cw4wafghan.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.

43 Sunflower Crt. SE, Calgary, AB T1B 2H6 403.529.6296 www.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
403.678.3332 www.cause.ca

CEIBA Association

The CEIBA Association was founded in August of 2010 by a small group of Project HOPE alumni. For ten years Project HOPE operated within Grant MacEwan University, allowing over 100 students to fundraise for and participate in international development initiatives. In the summer of 2010, it was decided that Project HOPE would no longer be organized by the University, and Ceiba was born. Maintaining the connections and relationships that Project HOPE had built over the years, both locally and abroad, Ceiba now looks towards a new future in international development and youth activism.
Suite 1, 10011 - 115 St., Edmonton, AB T5K 1S8
780.448.1505 www.ceibaassociation.com

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 Ave. NE, Calgary, AB T2A 6K4
403.243.3285 www.cawst.org

Centre for Global Citizenship Education and Research (CGCER)

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, University of Alberta, Edmonton, AB T6G 2G5
780.492.4879 <http://cgcer.wordpress.com>

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 Flr., 10808 - 124 St., Edmonton, AB T5M 0H3
780.448.1505 www.changeformchildren.org

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 St., Ottawa, ON K1N 7Z2
613.237.0180 www.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
403.923.2987 www.covenantint.org

CUSO-VSO

CUSO-VSO is a civil society development agency that works through volunteers. CUSO-VSO sends Canadians and Americans abroad to work on collaborative development projects in Africa, Asia, Latin America and the Caribbean. CUSO-VSO places people of all ages who have the hands-on know-how and perspectives needed to work with organizations working to overcome poverty.
1460 Howe St., Vancouver, BC V6Z 1R8
604.566.3368 www.cuso-vso.org

Engineers Without Borders - Canada

Engineers Without Borders creates opportunities for rural Africans to access clean water, generate

an income from small farms, and have improved access to the services and infrastructure they need to improve their lives. They harness the problem-solving approach and creative pragmatism of the Canadian engineering sector to address the root causes of poverty in rural Africa.
Calgary Place, RPO Box 20364,
Calgary, AB T2P 4J4
National Office: Suite 302,
312 Adelaide St. W, Toronto, ON M5V 1R2
403.619.5958 <http://ewb.ca>

Four Worlds Centre for Developing 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
403.932.0882 www.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 St. NE, Calgary, AB T1Y 5E4
403.270.9351 www.ghostriverrediscovery.com

Global Centre for Outreach Foundation

Global Centre For Outreach Foundation is a registered Canadian non-profit organization with the objective to alleviate human suffering through education and awareness campaigns on poverty, illiteracy and diseases.
#104, 10630 - 114 St., Edmonton, AB T4H 3J9
780.802.4384 <http://globalcentrefoundation.org>

Global, Environmental, and Outdoor Educators Council (GEOEC)

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 - 113B St., Edmonton, AB T6E 0S5
780.438.4818 www.geoec.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.

2024 34 Ave. SW, Calgary, AB T2T 2C3
403.291.9812 www.hytes.org

HIV Edmonton

HIV Edmonton's vision is to work with the whole community, in a global context, ensuring: There are no new HIV infections; People living with HIV live longer, healthier lives, free of stigma; Everyone affected by HIV gets the services they need without barriers or discrimination. HIV Edmonton's education and research initiatives aim to bridge the gap between local and global HIV/AIDS issues.

9702 111 Ave., Edmonton, AB T5G 0B1
780.488.5742 www.hivedmonton.com

Innovative Canadians for Change (ICChange)

Innovative Canadians for Change is a Canadian NGO composed of experts and students from all across Canada, who are putting their diverse skills and talents together for the common goal of improving the quality of life and security of vulnerable populations. This organization will act as an umbrella for projects like the Kenya Ceramic Project and other exciting new efforts we are implementing worldwide, new technologies we are developing and new relationships we are fostering with other non-profits, universities, UN and governments.

9127 - 84 Ave., Edmonton, AB T6C 1E5
780.289.8915 www.icchange.ca

John Humphrey Centre for Peace and Human Rights

Named after the late John Peters Humphrey, the principal drafter of the United Nations Declaration of Human Rights, the Centre's mission is to advance the universal implementation of human rights through teaching education of all people, with a specific focus on children and youth. A commitment to human rights, it is envisioned, will move us towards a sustainable peace and human development, locally and internationally.

7723 - 85 St., Edmonton, AB T6C 3B4
780.453.2638 www.johnhumphreycentre.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.

PO Box 34199, 126 Kingsway Mall,
Edmonton, AB T5G 3G4
780.454.2474 www.keiskammaCanada.com

L'Institut Indo-Canadien 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, University of Calgary, 2500 University Drive, Calgary, AB T2N 1N4
403.220.7467 www.sici.org

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
403.214.7780 www.lifelinemalawi.com

Light Up the World Foundation

The Light up the World Foundation brings ultra-efficient, durable and near permanent White Light Emitting Diodes (WLED) lighting solutions powered by renewable energy to the world's poor in ecologically sensitive and remote rural areas. Since inception, LUTW has lit up more than 14,000 homes in 42 countries. LUTW's goal of reaching the approximately 2 billion people worldwide without access to adequate lighting is ongoing.

244 - 13 Ave. SW, Calgary, AB T2R 0K2
403.266.5004 www.lutw.org

Maharashtra Seva Samiti Organization (MSSO)

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.

508, 330 - 26 Ave. SW, Calgary, AB T2S 2T3
403.252.9686 www.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. Its goals include fostering awareness and understanding of injustices and indignities suffered by many in our world, telling stories of hope in action, facilitating conversations around justice, views of the world, essential questions, and the greater common good. 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
403.240.2975 www.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 St. NE, Calgary, AB T1Y 6J7
403.275.6935 www.alberta.mcc.org

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 St., Edmonton, AB T6B 2H3
780.465.3500 Ext. 8070 www.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.

7954 - 84th Ave., Edmonton, AB T6C 1C5
780.433.3342 www.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
403.283.6323 www.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.

4 Parkdale Cresc NW, Calgary, AB T2N 3T8
403.670.2619 www.givingsight.org

Oxfam Canada

Oxfam Canada believes Canadians and other citizens of the world can end poverty and injustice by working together in solidarity to assert their basic human rights. Oxfam Canada supports 28 countries around the world to secure basic human rights, combining support to long-term development and humanitarian responses with research, advocacy and campaigning against the root causes of poverty and injustice. Their programs are located in the Americas, the Horn of Africa, Southern Africa, and South Asia.

416 21st St. E, Saskatoon, Sask. S7K 0C2
306.242.4097 www.oxfam.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 St. SW, Edmonton, AB T5T 5Z3
780.930.2101 <http://shelterwakadogo.org>

Racecourse Community School Fundraising Initiative

The Racecourse Community School Fundraising Initiative raises awareness and funds for the Racecourse Community School for orphans and vulnerable children in Zambia. The Racecourse Community School is a primary school for over 1700 children who cannot afford to attend government run schools. The funds that they send go towards budget items such as teachers's allowances and training, school supplies for students, building maintenance, and sponsorship of graduates.

11526 - 76 Ave., Edmonton, Alberta T6G 0K7
780.263.2552 www.racecourseshool.com

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 St., Westlock, AB T7P 1H7
780.349.5631 www.rainbowfff.org

Rainbow of Hope for Children

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
780.842.6091 www.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 St., Ottawa, ON K1N 1H5
613.562.9240 <http://results-resultats.ca>

Sahakarini Inter-World Education and Development Association

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

PO Box 1685, Camrose, AB T4V 1X6
403.672.8222 www.sahakarini.org

Samaritan's Purse - Canada

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
403.250.6565 www.samaritanpurse.ca

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 parts of Northern Somalia. They have also launched a campaign to promote the importance of education and rural development for Somalia's future development.

12052 Fort Road, Edmonton, AB T5B 4H1
780.491.0233 www.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. Sombrilla also partners 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
780.988.2976 www.sombrilla.ca

Stop TB Canada

Stop TB Canada initiative is part of a global movement to accelerate social and political action to stop the unnecessary spread of tuberculosis around the world.

Email: anne.fanning@ualberta.ca

The Canadian Moravian Mission Society

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 St. NW, Edmonton, AB T5R 2K6
780.486.2283 www.moravian.ca

The 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
780.430.6994 www.hdfcanada.org

The 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 St., Richmond Hill, ON L4B 1J3
905.886.2885 www.leprosy.ca

The 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. The development work is focused on the education of children and youth and the basic health needs of the community. The society raises funds and collaborates with partners in Sierra Leone to determine the needs of the community, provide initial funding for start-up/self-help and maintenance of basic education and health care and enable the community to reach some form of local sustainability of basic needs through local entrepreneurship.
PO Box 78170, RPO Callingwood,
Edmonton, AB T5T 6A1
780.993.1062 www.tamaraneh.org

Tools for Schools Africa Foundation (TFS-A Fdn.)

Tools for Schools Africa works to improve the quality of life in the Northern Region of Ghana by enhancing educational opportunities for girls. We are based in Damongo and presently have 44 bright and motivated girls on scholarship, most at the junior and senior high levels. In the past year we built a boarding house for junior high girls and this year are publishing a children's ABC Book about Northern Ghana. We also have a registered NGO in Ghana, and plan to ship a container fall 2011. If anyone is interested in a one on one relationship with a girl and agrees to help sponsor post secondary education, please contact us. This can cost as little as \$1,000 a year.
4757 - 56 St., Red Deer, AB T4N 2K2
403.340.3889 www.tfs-africa.org

Trickster Theatre

Trickster Theatre has been working in Alberta schools for 30 years, providing a popular Residency Program to schools for over 20 years. Nearly 500 schools have held Trickster Residencies. These have covered all grade levels. Currently the

focus is on Kids Go Global where student theatre performances are based on global issues. Kids Go Global aims to build connections between NGOs and schools.

Suite 980 105-150 Crowfoot Cres. NW
Calgary, AB T3G 3T2
403.288.9393 www.trickstertheatre.com

True Vision Ghana

True Vision Ghana (TVG) is a Ghanaian-run not-for-profit organization that works with disadvantaged groups in Northern Ghana on HIV/AIDS issues. They currently work with AIDS orphans in Northern Ghana through their Care and Aid Program, ensuring that the orphans are receiving basic needs such as food, medicine and education. True Vision Ghana also works with rural junior high schools to discuss sexual health issues and prevention as well as works with caregivers of orphans supported in the Care and Aid Program.

14735 Deer Run Drive SE Calgary, AB T2J 5Z1
403.874.6588 www.truevisionghana.org

UEnd Foundation (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.

#200, 5716 1st St. SE, Calgary, AB T2G 1H8
866.629.0516 www.uend.org

Unisphere Global Resource Centre

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.

101 - 6th St. SE, Medicine Hat, AB T1A 1G7
403.529.2656
<http://nonprofit.memlane.com/unisphere>

United Nations Association in Canada - Edmonton Branch (UNAC)

The Edmonton Branch of UNAC is part of a nationwide 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.

Grant MacEwan College, 10700 - 104 Ave.,
Edmonton, AB T5J 4S2
780.439.6292 www.edmonton.unac.org

University of Alberta International

Driven by its vision to connect with the world, UAI works to support the creation of an internationally vibrant learning and research environment. UAI's broad suite of services assists students, staff and community in virtually every aspect of international engagement at the U of A.
3 - 657 Enterprise Square, 10230 Jasper Ave.,
Edmonton, AB T5J 4P6
780.492.5962 www.international.ualberta.ca

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
780.707.5431 www.weif.org

World Fit For Children- Alberta Chapter

World Fit For Children (WFFC) is a non-governmental, non-sectarian, international children's organization governed by a volunteer Board of Directors. WFFC believes strongly that as a children's organization, 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.

10835 - 84 Ave., Edmonton, AB T6E 2J1
780.690.1492 www.worldfitforchildren.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.

PO Box/ CP 3000 Stn/Succ. C (1404 Scott St.),
Ottawa, ON K1Y 4M8
613.798.7477 www.wusc.ca

World Vision

World Vision is a Christian relief, development and advocacy organization dedicated to working with children, families and communities in over 100 countries, to overcome poverty and injustice.

1 World Drive, Mississauga, ON L5T 2Y4
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