

# Annual Report 2009

WORLD ACCORD



## *President's Message*

In this past year World Accord began navigating a critical transition process unlike anything it has experienced before. Two years ago, founding Executive Director, Terry Fielder, asked the World Accord Board of Directors to begin preparing for his retirement, which he publicly announced in February 2009. The Board invested several hundred hours in the ensuing search process: defining World Accord's needs and criteria; reviewing more than 60 applicants; interviewing candidates from Canada, Asia and Africa; assessing candidates against the needs and criteria; and finally making the decision to appoint David Barth as Executive Director, effective July 2009.

David brings experience, skills and passion to this leadership role in World Accord. His engineering and MBA degrees, his experience as a consultant, teacher, and entrepreneur all complement his ten years of working at World Accord. David's business interests and expertise, fund raising skills and contacts, and relationships with our Partners were all key factors in his selection.

World Accord moves on. New challenges await us. New staff members bring new perspectives and see new opportunities. Through all these changes our commitment to working through Partners remains. Continually improving how we support our Partners and forge relationships with a broader base of donors is still our first priority. We thank our Partners for sharing their lives with us and thank you, our donors, for supporting us in the work that we do alongside our Partners. You are making an incredible difference in the lives of many people!

Sincerely,

Steve Capling, President of World Accord

## *Our Mission*

**World Accord brings people together. Affirming the sacred worth and dignity of each person, we respond as partners to opportunities that nurture the basic well-being of all.**





## Programming Highlights By Country

**Country:** Rwanda  
**Partners:** World Partners  
**Sources of Funding:** World Accord Donors  
 2009 program funding included \$5,309 to build a water storage and distribution system for a village in Rwanda. This was a volunteer led initiative.

**Country:** Afghanistan  
**Partners:** South Asia Partnership-International  
**Sources of Funding:** World Accord Donors  
 2009 program funding included \$5,035 to support a mission to Afghanistan to investigate possibilities there for a World Accord program.

**Country:** India  
**Partner:** CORDI Women's Shelter  
**Sources of Funding:** World Accord Donors  
 2009 programming included \$50,000 in support of Gender & Development, Education, Community Building and Health initiatives.

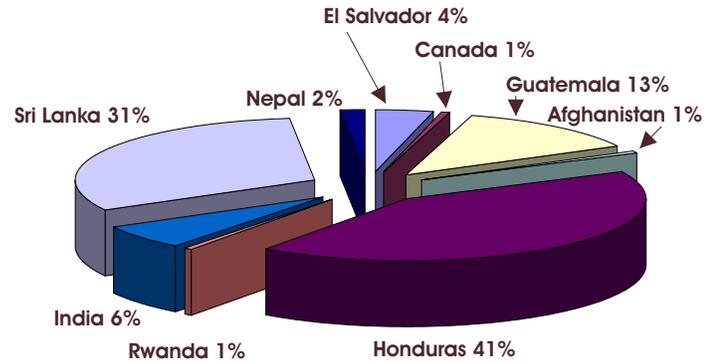
**Country:** Guatemala  
**Partner:** Women in Action (MeA)  
**Sources of Funding:** World Hunger Fund and World Accord Donors  
 2009 programming included \$100,209 in support of Children's Rights, Community Building, Education, Environment, Micro Enterprise & Micro Credit and Sustainable Agriculture & Food Production initiatives.

**Country:** Honduras  
**Partners:** Rural Reconstruction Program (PRR)  
**Sources of Funding:** World Hunger Fund and World Accord Donors  
 2009 programming included \$331,735 in support of Community Building, Education, Environment, Development Education, Micro Enterprise & Micro Credit, Sustainable Agriculture & Food Production initiatives as well as Construction Expeditions.

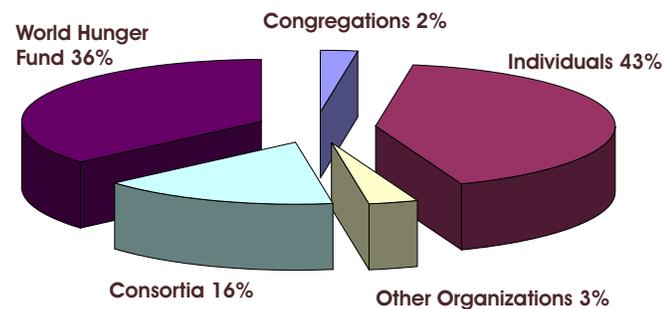
**Country:** El Salvador  
**Partner:** ADCASMUS (formerly PERC)  
**Sources of Funding:** World Hunger Fund and World Accord Donors  
 2009 programming included \$30,000 in support of Community Building, Education and Micro Enterprise & Micro Credit

**Country:** Sri Lanka  
**Partner:** SAP - Sri Lanka  
**Sources of Funding:** World Hunger Fund, SAP - Canada and World Accord Donors  
 2009 programming included \$247,077 in support of Community Building, Leadership Training and Women's Enterprise Development

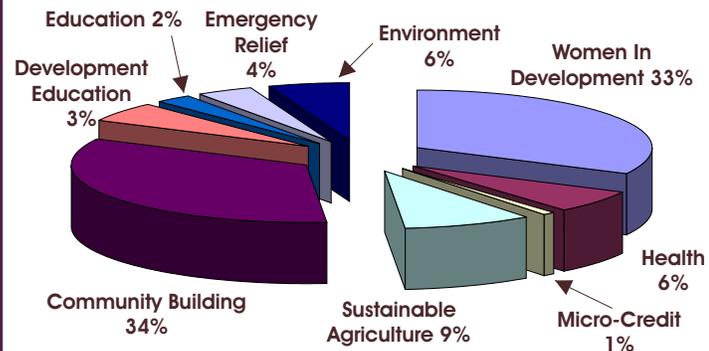
## Program Expenditures by Country



## Total Income by Source



## Expenditures by Program Activity



Stand Up for Peace at Fastathon

## *Executive Director's Message*

Ah retirement! I can't believe it's here already. It seems like just yesterday I took my first trip to Haiti. As I look back over the past 25 years, I am filled with mixed emotions but mostly I am proud. Proud of the accomplishments of our partners as they helped many thousands of people in their respective communities raise themselves from abject poverty to live productive and hopeful lives. I am proud of the many volunteers it takes to do this kind of work and proud of the supporters who have held steadfastly to their belief in World Accord, our approach and our partners in the field.

Over the years, I have seen tremendous progress made where World Accord has been active over longer periods of time. In the early years it was a chore just to visit our partners, PRR, in Honduras. We had to hike for several hours carrying our bags in the tropical heat to reach La Buena Fe. There was no road from the highway connecting the major cities of Tegucigalpa and San Pedro Sula. There were no schools. All the homes had thatched roofs and were made of sticks and stones, plastered with

mud. Water was carried from some distance away and there were no latrines in the villages. People lived in a way that was similar to how we used to go camping in remote areas in my youth. Conditions were certainly unsanitary and the child mortality rate was high (more than 60/1000).

How things have changed! Today the town has roads, electricity, running water, more modern housing and an up-to-date highschool. Child mortality rates are down to less than half the national average of 26/1000.

One has to look further afield to find extreme poverty - so that is what we do. The work carries on and our partners find other communities to assist with their development. We have done so much and yet there is still much to do. The people are changing but the nature and cause of poverty remains. With your help, I am confident World Accord will continue to help change the lives of countless deserving people in the years ahead.

*Terry Fielder, World Accord Executive Director*

## *World Accord Construction Expeditions*

**Construction Expeditions are a volunteer led activity. Participants raise money to travel to one of our project areas in Central America and help local people with a building project. In the process they learn of the issues facing our partners and have the opportunity to develop kinship bonds with many local people. Last year builders raised more than \$204,000 to help with construction projects in Honduras and Guatemala. Volunteers Al Wigood, Richard Kirsh and Jens Schoenrank are key to this program.**



**WORLD ACCORD**



# Our Vision

*We have a vision of world accord - the flourishing of well-being for all.*

- ✓ where basic human needs are met
- ✓ where every person has the opportunity to fulfill their potential
- ✓ where diverse people live peacefully in global community
- ✓ where care of earth and love of neighbour shape our life together.

## Special Thanks to our Funders

**Community of Christ World Hunger Fund  
South Asia Partnership (SAP)- Canada  
Community of Christ Congregations  
First Unitarian Congregation of Toronto**

**A Special Thanks Also Goes to All our Donors and Volunteers. None of this work would be possible without your generous support.**

## Staff

**Terry Fielder, Executive Director  
David Barth, Resource Director  
Ann Meinzing, Office Administrator**

## Board Of Directors 2009

**Steve Capling, President, BC  
Lew Shepherdson, VP/Treasurer, ON  
Mary Jacks Dynes, C of C  
Rosilyn Coulson, BC  
Diana Hill, ON  
Tiona Taylor, ON  
Douglas MacArthur, AB  
Carley Cole, Secretary, AB**

## Key Volunteers

**Al Wigood  
Ruth Rosner  
Darlene Kent  
Richard Kirsh  
Sandra Fielder  
Jens Schoenrank  
Mary and Gord Burbidge  
Chad and Shannon Dailey**



## World Accord - International Development Agency Balance Sheet as at March 31, 2009

GENERAL FUND	2008	2009
<b>ASSETS</b>		
Current:		
Cash	\$486,953	\$756,928
Investments	\$133,467	\$114,957
Accounts receivable and prepaid expenses	\$66,417	\$3,861
Prepaid Expenses	\$585	\$270
	<b>\$687,422</b>	<b>\$876,016</b>
Office furniture and equipment	\$67,608	\$46,943
Accumulated amortization	\$46,198	\$31,956
	<b>\$21,410</b>	<b>\$14,987</b>
	<b>\$708,832</b>	<b>\$891,003</b>
<b>LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE</b>		
Accounts Payable	\$2,500	\$37,265
Deferred Revenue	\$483,183	\$636,303
General Fund Balance - unrestricted	\$76,739	\$98,138
General Fund Balance - Capital Assets	\$21,410	\$14,987
	<b>\$583,832</b>	<b>\$786,693</b>
<b>RESERVE FUND</b>		
<b>ASSETS</b>		
Cash	<b>\$125,000</b>	<b>\$104,310</b>
<b>FUND BALANCE- Unrestricted</b>	<b>\$125,000</b>	<b>\$104,310</b>

## Statement of Revenues and Expenses - General Fund for the Year Ended March 31, 2009

REVENUES	2008	2009	5 Year Average
Donations	\$614,106	\$569,463	
Grants from charitable organizations	\$619,318	\$470,061	
Investment and other income	\$20,237	\$11,477	
CIDA - Canadian Partnership Branch	\$132,427	\$0	
	<b>\$1,386,088</b>	<b>\$1,051,001</b>	<b>\$1,108,943</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>			
Administration	\$121,310	\$109,413	
Fundraising	\$78,921	\$91,185	
	<b>\$200,231</b>	<b>\$200,598</b>	
Less			
CIDA administrative grants	(\$14,996)	(\$0)	
Private core funding donations	(\$29,378)	(\$22,313)	
Core funding from organizations	(\$33,579)	(\$40,745)	
Operating Total	<b>\$122,278</b>	<b>\$137,540</b>	<b>\$135,022</b>
Programming			
Project development	\$95,819	\$63,815	
Education	\$50,871	\$48,549	
Project costs	\$1,117,038	\$786,121	
Programming Total	<b>\$1,263,278</b>	<b>\$898,485</b>	<b>\$959,949</b>
	<b>\$1,386,006</b>	<b>\$1,036,025</b>	<b>\$1,095,061</b>
EXCESS (Loss) FOR THE YEAR	\$82	\$14,976	
GENERAL FUND BALANCE - Opening	\$121,044	\$98,149	
Transfer to Reserve Fund	(\$22,977)	\$0	
GENERAL FUND BALANCE - Closing			
Operating Assets and Liabilities	\$76,739	\$98,138	
Capital Assets	\$21,410	\$14,987	
	<b>\$98,149</b>	<b>\$113,125</b>	

Net Overhead (Administration and Fundraising) 5 year running average  
Operating Total / Total Expenses = \$135,022/\$1,095,061 = 12.3%

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