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2009-10 ANNUAL REPORT



THE MANITOBA COUNCIL FOR INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION (MCIC)

is a coalition of 40 organizations involved in international development. An independent non-profit organization, MCIC has responsibility for distributing Government of Manitoba funds designated for international development and emergency relief and rehabilitation. MCIC also works within Manitoba to build understanding and engagement on international issues.

OUR VISION:

Manitobans – Working Together as Global Citizens.

OUR MISSION:

MCIC is a coalition of organizations involved in international development, who are committed to:

- respect, empowerment and self-determination for all peoples;
- development that protects the world’s environment; and
- global understanding, cooperation and social justice.

MCIC’s mission as a coordinating structure is to promote public awareness of international issues, to foster member interaction, and to administer funds for international development.

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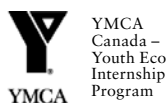
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Working Together for a Better World

A Message from MCIC's President and Executive Director

MCIC BEGAN THIS YEAR with the creation the Global Citizens: Manitobans Working Together for a Better World exhibit. Developed in celebration of MCIC's 35th Anniversary, the exhibit has toured a number of locations in Manitoba this year. In celebrating the achievements of Manitoba organizations in international development, the exhibit gives us a chance to reflect on what we do and those who make our work possible.

MCIC is thankful for the partnerships we have built with our members, the provincial government and the federal government. This year, MCIC's 40 members benefitted from an increase in the Manitoba Government Matching Grant Program (MGMGP) to \$1 million, the highest in its history. The Government of Manitoba was also very quick to provide additional funds for Relief and Rehabilitation in the aftermath of this year's devastating natural disasters in The Philippines, Haiti and Chile. In total, MCIC distributed an unprecedented \$1.4 million to 60 projects in 31 countries.

The Government of Canada, through the Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA), has also been a vital supporter of MCIC's work. Their assistance with our public engagement and communications efforts has allowed MCIC to directly engage 14,600 Manitobans in 46 communities throughout the province, as well as thousands of others through events, campaigns and our empowerment of other Manitobans to take on these issues. MCIC has become a go-to source for public engagement programming in Manitoba. Our relationships with the Canadian Council for International Cooperation, and the Provincial/Regional Councils through the Inter-Council Network have made our work even stronger.

MCIC also benefits from a team of passionate and dedicated volunteers who serve on our committees and Board of Directors. Transferring this vision into action is our creative and hardworking staff who make up MCIC's fun and supportive culture.

We have designed this annual report to coordinate with the look and spirit of our Global Citizens exhibit. It is a celebration of Manitoba's role in the global community and a reminder of why our work is important. We invite you to take a look at the impact we have made in our work together as global citizens.



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Manitoba Government Matching Grant Program (MGMGP)

THIS YEAR, the MGMGP touched an unprecedented number of lives around the world. Altogether, MCIC distributed \$1.4 million to 60 international development and relief projects in 31 countries.

Established in 1975 by the Government of Manitoba, the MGMGP funds international development projects delivered by Manitoba organizations and their overseas partners. As Manitobans, we are proud that our province is one of the few that contributes annual funds for this purpose. Projects are selected through a peer review process carried out by committees made up of representatives from MCIC member organizations and the international development community. MGMGP funds are distributed in four funding areas: the Development Fund, the Theme Fund, the Community Solidarity Fund and the Relief and Rehabilitation Fund.

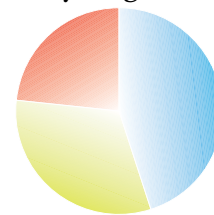
This year, the MGMGP base funding was increased to \$1 million. In addition, the Government of Manitoba contributed an additional \$400,000 for relief and rehabilitation in the aftermath of natural disasters in The Philippines (\$100,000), Haiti (\$200,000) and Chile (\$100,000). At a time when many around the world needed emergency assistance, the Government of Manitoba was quick in answering the call to action. Relief funds have gone toward medical care, shelter, sanitation, food provisions and other post-disaster emergency initiatives.

The Community Solidarity Fund was increased this year to \$50,000, which allowed MCIC to fund ten projects. Due to this increase MCIC established a separate review committee for this fund. Made up of MCIC board members and past fund recipients, the five-person committee reviews projects coming from non-members and affiliate members of MCIC. Training sessions are offered by MCIC staff for those who wish to apply to the fund.

Manitobans have great reason to be proud. Thanks to the MGMGP, projects around the world are addressing major development issues – changing and improving the lives of those in the Global South. This generosity is matched by Manitobans themselves, who have proven they are the most charitable people in the country. Last year, MCIC member agencies reported that they raised over \$23 million in the province for their international development work. This year, we saw the continuation of this generosity in the staggering amount of funds raised in Manitoba following the earthquakes in Haiti. Gestures like this show that Manitobans care about those beyond our borders and realize that they can make a world of difference in other people’s lives. 

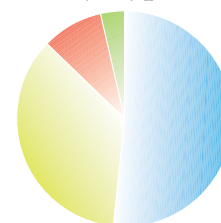


Projects by Region:

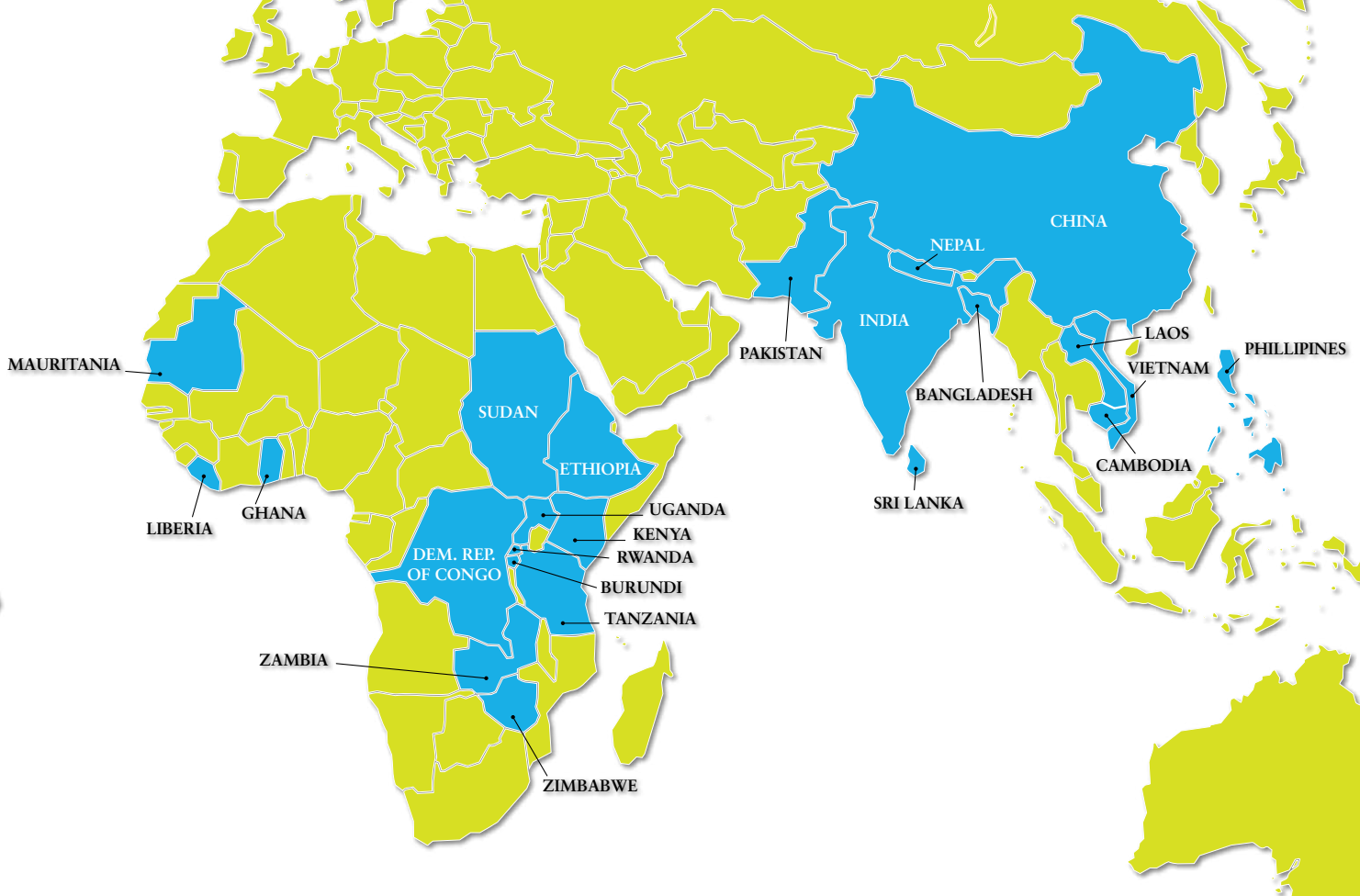


- ▲ Africa: 27
- ▲ Asia: 19
- ▲ Latin America and the Caribbean: 14

Projects by Type:



- ▲ Development Fund \$724,380, 51.7%
- ▲ Relief & Rehabilitation Fund \$500,000, 35.7%
- ▲ Theme Fund \$125,620, 9%
- ▲ Community Solidarity Fund \$50,000, 3.6%



DEVELOPMENT FUND

MCIC defines development as a long-term process promoting community involvement in designing strategies to correct and improve chronic and structural problems in all areas of individual and community life. The majority of the MGMGP funds are used for this purpose. MCIC supports development projects that include:

- Partnership and local control
- Popular participation and self-reliance
- Respect for all persons, with special attention to gender issues, and persons with disabilities
- Sustainable development and the environment
- Addressing the causes of poverty rather than the symptoms
- Appropriate technology
- Accountability



Africa

Accountable Development Works

BURUNDI

The **Burundi Project** includes the construction of a youth resource centre in the town of Gasenyi where war-affected youth will be fed, educated and provided with a safe home environment. An additional 40 youth living with families in the community will also receive food, school fees and school uniforms.

\$9,414

CHF

SUDAN

The **Sustaining Peace and Enhancing Livelihoods in Southern Sudan** project will target communities and assist them in mitigating the effects of conflict, while improving and sustaining livelihoods. This will be carried out through training local people to survey communities on their livelihood and peace-building asset needs. This project will also introduce locally appropriate technology to increase communities' food production.

\$8,304

Canadian Multicultural Disability Centre (formerly ACDCA)

ZIMBABWE

This project, which includes the **Use of Small Indigenous Drought-Resistant Grains to Mitigate the Adverse Effects of Climate Change**, will assist twenty families that include people with disabilities in Mashonaland, Zimbabwe. Modern farming techniques will be used to plant small grains such as sorghum and rapoko, which will help these families attain food security and contribute to their local economies.

\$6,857

Canadian Physicians for Aid & Relief

TANZANIA

The **Farmers First** project will use the “Farmer Field Schools” program to prepare trainers to meet with farmers to improve their production methods from planting to harvesting. Farmers will be encouraged in these “schools without walls” to build on their existing knowledge through experimentation and discovery. Approximately 1,500 households will benefit from this project (especially women, children and those living with HIV/AIDS) in Karatu and Bunda.

\$10,357

CODE

TANZANIA

In **Support of a More Literate Environment**, this project will provide local children, their families and communities with literacy skills for a brighter future. The goal is to ensure development through education that empowers children to learn.

\$8,408

Engineers Without Borders

GHANA

The **Agriculture as a Business** project will increase farmers’ income on a sustainable basis by strengthening their capacity and creating an environment that enables them to take a business approach to farming. Engineers Without Borders will work with targeted communities on creating local linkages and developing the ability to share market information.

\$8,168

HOPE International Development Agency

SUDAN

The **Tapping a Southern Solution** project will provide clean, reliable water to 4,000 men and women. Using Southern and Canadian expertise, HOPE International will also provide capacity building to their Sudanese partner organization to increase the knowledge, skills and confidence of its development personnel.

\$13,482

Mennonite Central Committee

UGANDA

In **Support of Peace Building Work**, this project will build capacity for Ugandan victims of conflict. The project is part of a larger program that provides holistic non-violence and conflict transformation through training and mediation in Uganda and in other conflict regions.

\$45,000

People to People

TANZANIA

This project will **Support Rural Female Producers; Creating an Association with Women in Agriculture in Ukiriguru, Tanzania**. In working with 18 women’s groups in the Lake Zone district, the aim of this project is to strengthen communication, expand training, enhance leadership and extend efforts at micro-enterprise and value-added agricultural processing.

\$2,000

Osu Children’s Library Fund

GHANA

The **Madina Community Library** project involves the construction of a two-story library in Madina, an under-served community in Accra, Ghana. This library will act as a community meeting place and recreation centre, as well as a centre for learning and literacy.

\$9,859

SIM Canada

ETHIOPIA

The **Medan Addis Ababa HIV/AIDS** project will provide holistic and comprehensive health care in collaboration with other agencies in the area. The goal is to reduce HIV through a Home-Based Care program which provides health monitoring, treatment, palliative care, nutritional support, low-input food production education, counseling and education on transmission and HIV social stigma.

\$13,361

UNICEF Canada

KENYA

This **Girls Education in Kenya** project includes a **Scholarship Program to Send Girls to Secondary School**. It provides girls from rural, nomadic communities in northeastern Kenya with equal opportunities to compete for placements in universities and other post-secondary training.

\$30,000

UNICEF Canada

LIBERIA AND RWANDA

The **Spread the Net – Malaria Prevention** project will support the purchase and distribution of 500,000 long-lasting insecticide-treated bed nets in Liberia and Rwanda. MCIC funds will contribute to the purchasing and distribution of the nets, along with education on their use and effectiveness to prevent malaria in targeted areas.

\$24,876

World Vision Canada

DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF CONGO, MAURITANIA, RWANDA, TANZANIA

The **Governance, Ecosystems and Livelihoods** project will provide coping strategies that will assist communities in withstanding ecosystem shocks, stresses, trends and seasonality. MCIC funds will be used for capacity building in household income/assets, local decision making processes and ecosystem health.

\$120,000

Asia

Co-operative Development Foundation

PHILIPPINES AND SOUTH-EAST ASIA

The **Strengthening Entrepreneurship Management and Governance of Worker Co-ops of Persons with Disabilities** project promotes decent and productive work with differently abled men and women in the growth and development of sustainable micro-enterprises. Capacity building is provided to targeted individuals through new business development, management and entrepreneurship support and networking.

\$16,602

Canadian Lutheran World Relief

INDIA

This project includes the **Strengthening of Democratic Processes that Support Poverty Reduction with Environmental & Gender Focus**. In 170 beneficiary communities, Strategic Action Groups – 50% men, 50% women – are being trained to train others in legal issues, business management, vocational endeavours, credit development, income generation, agricultural production, health, sanitation and water.

\$27,498

International Development Enterprises

VIETNAM

IDE is working to increase the annual incomes of 600 farm families by **Creating Income Opportunities Through Pig Raising**. Components of the project include training in techniques, promotion in the private sector market, and provision of the inputs necessary to meet demand.

\$23,848

MATCH International

NEPAL

The **Empowering Women Through Women's Cooperative Networks** project will assist lower caste women working in rural areas to earn a living and improve their health, as well as that of their family.

\$5,820

Mennonite Central Committee

BANGLADESH

The **Research and Extension Activity Partnership** project will support agriculture and food security in Bangladesh. It provides training assistance to local partners and capacity building in research for environmentally friendly technologies among the rural beneficiaries. Stakeholders will have an increase in income and access to basic needs through the agricultural technology being developed.

\$75,000

Primate's World Relief and Development Fund

SRI LANKA

This project will assist in **Facilitating Resettlement of Returnees through Sustainable Community Development** by providing holistic and comprehensive health care. The goal is to reduce HIV through a Home Based Care program which provides health monitoring, treatment, palliative care, nutritional support, low-input food production education, counseling and education on transmission and stigma.

\$20,488

United Church of Canada

PHILIPPINES/PERU

The **Indigenous Rights and Capacity Building** project will enable communities in Peru and the Philippines to gain a better understanding of human rights and engage local governments in effective collaboration.

\$28,879

USC Canada

NEPAL

The **Agro-Biodiversity Project** will work toward securing local seed stocks, rebuilding degraded soil and biodiversity resources, and reaching out with sustainable agriculture support to farming communities in Humla, thereby reducing hunger and environmental deterioration.

\$9,534

World Relief Canada

CAMBODIA

The **Credit 2007 - 2010** project will focus on microfinance services to the poor and marginalized in Cambodia. The project ensures that these individuals will have the opportunity to develop their livelihoods and experience full and productive lives.

\$15,661





Latin America and the Caribbean

Canadian Crossroads International

BOLIVIA

The **Reducing the Risk: Improving Financial Services for Vulnerable Populations** project supports the delivery of microfinance services for women and rural producers in Bolivia by improving risk management and client protection measures. Funds for this project will help to increase the sustainability and impact of its microfinance programs with underserved populations.

\$2,983

Christian Reformed World Relief Committee

HONDURAS

This project will work toward **Improving Food Security & Natural Resource Conservation in Rural Communities** through training and equipping local extension personnel. It will focus on developing solutions to the unique agricultural challenges of targeted Honduran families.

\$10,165

International Child Care

HAITI

This **Maternal Health Project** assists women of reproductive age in a remote, rural region of Haiti. MCIC funds will be used to provide preventive health care, counseling, treatment and follow-up in relation to childbirth, HIV/AIDS and other situations that affect women's morbidity and mortality.

\$9,494



Mennonite Economic Development Associates

PERU

The **Integrating Environmental Rehabilitation and Livelihoods** project will increase production of Black Clams to rebuild depleted stocks and increase the sustainability of the targeted communities' income source. This will be done via introduction of new re-productive technology. The project will also promote local acceptance of an 'offseason' for local extractors through education and identifying alternative economic activities.

\$30,000

Nicaraguan Children's Fund

NICARAGUA

This project will promote **Community Development and Civic Participation in Poor Barrios in Nicaragua** through developing strong cultural participation, strengthening community organization and building leadership among marginalized citizens. This will be accomplished through capacity building via programs supporting education, community events, workshops, group discussions and training.

\$7,979

Plan Canada

BRAZIL

The **Protecting Children and Youth Against Sexual Abuse Exploitation** project will address online sexual exploitation of children through the use of communications technology by raising awareness, involving youth and their families in prevention and policy responses, and creating a Guarantee of Rights system.

\$120,000

YMCA-YWCA of Winnipeg

MEXICO

The **Helping Marginalized and Vulnerable Populations** project will provide migrant or deported youth and children located in Tijuana, Baja California with shelter, food, clothing, security, reunification with families and medical attention.

\$10,343

**THEME FUND:
ADAPTATION TO THE EFFECTS
OF CLIMATE CHANGE**

The Theme Fund is intended to encourage MCIC member agencies to take a broader view of development projects by responding to current issues of international concern reflected in a bi-annual theme. The 2008 – 2010 theme was *Adaptation to the Effects of Climate Change*.

**Canadian Multicultural
Disability Centre
(formerly ACDCA)**

ZIMBABWE

This project will **Train and Assist 30 Families with People with Disabilities to Establish Vegetable Gardens and Apply Drip Irrigation Techniques**. It will allow targeted families to cope with climate change and experience increased food security.

\$13,485

Engineers Without Borders

ZAMBIA

The **Rent-to-Own Scheme** project will kick-start a local business serving 4,000 people in the Chiawa district of Zambia. The micro-leasing scheme (rent-to-own) will assist local farmers with access to irrigation equipment. Ultimately the project will aid the local community in coping with climate change, improving the local economy, increasing production and food security.

\$17,780

**International
Development Enterprises**

GHANA

As part of the **Smallholder Irrigation for Climate Change Adaptation** project, IDE will bring its expertise in micro-irrigation technology and value chains to smallholder farmers. The project involves the training of 200 farmers in subsistence farming practices and will provide access to affordable irrigation technologies, addressing the increasing need to adapt to the effects of climate change.

\$25,000

**Canadian Crossroads
International**

BOLIVIA

The **Mitigating Risk, Improving Livelihoods** project will enable Bolivian quinoa producers to build their resilience and adapt to climate change. The project supports local partners in their ongoing work with producers to develop and implement new approaches to risk management, thereby supporting better decision-making and risk mitigation.

\$18,608

Canada World Youth

KENYA

This project will work toward **Promoting Community Action to Adapt to Climate Change** through creating awareness. Adaptive measures generated from the community will be put into action to address gaps in knowledge and appropriate responses. The focus will be on agriculture, the main economic activity within the community.

\$16,922

USC Canada

NEPAL

The **Landrace Rescue and Enhancement** project will address crop yield losses in the high-altitude Himalaya district of Rasuwa. MCIC funds will be used for rescue, enhancement and dissemination of local food crops. Ultimately, this project aims to assist the local community to mitigate against local seed loss and enhance diversity of local landraces.

\$13,825

Marquis Project

TANZANIA

The **Time for Action** project addresses **Gender and Climate Change Adaptation in Rural Areas** through engaging women and youth groups in strategic practices in resource management. This will be done via agroforestry, domestic fuel efficiency and micro-enterprise development in the Misungwi and Tabora regions of the country.

\$20,000

**COMMUNITY
SOLIDARITY FUND**

The goal of the Community Solidarity Fund is to make MGMGP funding available to Manitoba not-for-profit, community-based and charitable groups involved in development projects overseas. The fund is available to non-members and affiliate members of MCIC.

**Association Kasaienne
du Manitoba**

DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF CONGO

This project will oversee the **Rehabilitation of Three Primary Schools** in order to facilitate educational access to disadvantaged students. The rehabilitation of these schools will increase the number of students attending and create job opportunities for teachers. In addition, beneficiaries will receive 20 French books, 20 math books and 50 school benches.

\$5,000

**Brandon University Students
Union /YWCA Brandon
(lead agency)**

KENYA

The **Food Security, Nutrition and Income Generation** project will support an existing fish and poultry farming project. Women and their families in Nyanza province will see an increase in food security and income generating opportunities.

\$5,000

**Crossing Communities
Art Project**

NEPAL

The **Looking In, Speaking Out: Nepal/Winnipeg Public Engagement** project will support women and youth in producing, screening and responding to online videos about issues of importance to them. These videos will be shared with Manitobans.

\$5,000

Canadian Humanitarian Organization for International Relief

ETHIOPIA

The **Gindo Town Support Centre** project involves the construction of a resource centre for orphaned and vulnerable children living in Gindo Town, Oromo province. This centre will reach out to children and families in the community who lack access to basic necessities.

\$5,000

Gimli Youth Community Partnership, Inc/ Rural Municipality of Gimli (lead agency)

TANZANIA

The **Youth Education on Water Quality Protection of Lake Victoria** project will raise awareness on water conservation in local communities near Lake Victoria. This project will also connect youth in the Mwanza District of Tanzania with youth in Gimli so they can share their experiences with conservation relating to Lake Winnipeg.

\$5,000

Kildonan East Collegiate/ River East Transcona School Division (lead agency)

TANZANIA

The **2010 Clean Water Access** project will provide rainwater harvesting tanks to schools in Karatu. Students from Winnipeg will also travel to Tanzania to gain firsthand knowledge of development issues in the country.

\$5,000

Operation Eyesight Universal

TANZANIA

The **Eye Health Promotion and Blindness Prevention** project will include the collaborative design of instructional materials for community development programs related to eye health and blindness prevention in urban slums and rural villages.

\$5,000

School for Kids in Laos, Inc.

LAOS

The **Building of a Primary School for the Children of Ban Non Somboun** will give children the opportunity in a rural village to learn basic reading and writing skills for many years to come. Ban Non Somboun consists of 94 families with low literacy levels who make their living via subsistence agriculture.

\$5,000

University of Winnipeg Global College, Institute for Children Affected by War

UGANDA

This project will provide **Educational and Psychological Support for Children Affected by War** through the development and implementation of resources and programs to help teachers work effectively with war-affected children. In collaboration with Makerere University in Kampala, secondary school teachers' workshops will be held and resources will be piloted in schools.

\$5,000

Winnipeg Chinese Lutheran Church and Fazhan International Program, Inc.

CHINA

The **Migrant Workers' Community Health Initiative** will address the needs of rural migrant workers who have few rights and little access to education and health in China. Health examinations and referrals for treatment for 400 children of migrant workers will be provided through a migrant workers school.

\$5,000

RELIEF AND REHABILITATION

The primary purpose of the Relief and Rehabilitation Fund is to bridge the gap between the effects of a disaster and the continuation of long-term development. Projects funded under this category are often part of larger international relief efforts. In these cases, MCIC seeks to direct funding to specific components that are part of a wider effort. This helps ensure direct impact and visibility of the support provided by Manitobans.

HOPE International Development Agency

PAKISTAN

This project provided emergency medical support for four mobile medical clinics serving up to 25,000 families displaced by military action in the Swat Valley, Pakistan.

\$20,000

HOPE International Development Agency

SUDAN

This project provided emergency relief for internally displaced people and included the distribution of items such as food and cooking utensils, plates, cups, sleeping mats, mosquito nets, blankets, seeds and tools.

\$21,000

PLAN International Canada

SRI LANKA

This project provided an emergency response in the Northern Province of Sri Lanka, addressing the health, water and sanitation needs of children and 25,000 families living in internally displaced persons camps. It included the construction of temporary latrines, management of waste disposal, and provision of water facilities.

\$25,000

SPECIAL R&R:
In Response to Flooding Following
Typhoon Ketsana in The Philippines

Cooperative Development Foundation

PHILIPPINES

This project provided relief for Persons with Disability Worker Cooperatives in the form of food, clothing and medicine, and income replacement due to lost work time.

\$20,000

HOPE International Development Agency

PHILIPPINES

This project provided food relief to over 10,000 families affected by the typhoon.

\$25,000

PLAN International Canada

PHILIPPINES

This project provided emergency assistance to people affected by the floods, especially children and youth, by providing water and sanitation, psycho-social support, educational assistance and basic social infrastructure in one of the hardest hit areas near Manila.

\$24,000

Primate's World Relief and Development Fund for Canadian Churches in Action

PHILIPPINES

Canadian Churches in Action brings together Canadian Lutheran World Relief, Christian Reformed World Relief Committee, Mennonite Central Committee, Primate's World Relief and Development Fund and the United Church of Canada. Construction materials for the repair of houses damaged in the typhoon were purchased so that families could move out of evacuation shelters, live at home and work toward rehabilitation.

\$31,000

SPECIAL R&R:
In Response to the January 2010
Earthquakes in Haiti

CHF

HAITI

This project focuses on restoring livelihoods for poor women through issuing micro-credit loans. These loans will be used to start up income generating businesses once the recovery stage in Haiti has been completed.

\$20,000

Canadian Lutheran World Relief for Canadian Churches in Action

HAITI

This emergency relief project, which includes the participation of Canadian Lutheran World Relief, Christian Reformed World Relief Committee, Primate's World Relief and Development Fund and the United Church of Canada, is aiming to ensure the survival and enhance the living conditions of the most vulnerable groups impacted by the earthquake. MCIC funding was used in the construction of shelters in the communities of Gressier, Leogane and Ti Goave.

\$89,000

Hope International Development Agency

HAITI

This emergency support project provided medical attention to those injured in the earthquake.

\$50,000

Plan International Canada

HAITI

This project provided emergency support for earthquake affected children and their families in Jacmel by supplying clean water, hygiene kits, shelter and household kits and child-friendly spaces.

\$50,000

World Relief Canada

HAITI

This project focused on the protection and needs of the most vulnerable through the distribution of food, water, tarps, blankets and other essentials. It also covered the medical team costs to address the immediate needs of the sick and injured.

\$25,000

SPECIAL R&R:
In Response to the February 2010
Earthquake in Chile

United Church of Canada for Canadian Churches in Action

CHILE

This project, which brings together Canadian Lutheran World Relief, Christian Reformed World Relief Committee, Mennonite Central Committee Canada, The Primate's World Relief and Development Fund, the United Church of Canada and others, is attending to the needs of vulnerable groups affected by the earthquake. These funds are going toward the reconstruction of houses to earthquake resistant standards for 100 families in Concepción, Talca and Curico. In addition, immediate relief support was provided to the earthquake's victims.

\$100,000



Connecting Manitobans to Global Issues

MCIC DIRECTLY ENGAGED over 14,600 Manitobans in 46 communities with our public engagement programming this year. Thousands of others were reached through our public events, Global Citizens exhibit and our empowerment of others to take on global issues in their own communities.



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 - Scanterbury
 - Selkirk
 - Shoal Lake
 - East St. Paul
 - Steinbach
 - Stony Mountain
 - Strathclair
 - Teulon
 - The Pas
 - Virden
 - Waywayseecappo
 - Whitemouth
 - Winkler
 - Winnipeg
 - Winnipeg Beach
 - Woodlands



MCIC's Global Citizens exhibit has been on the road since June 2009.

- The Manitoba Legislature
- The Forks Market
- New Iceland Heritage Museum (Gimli)
- Mennonite Heritage Village (Steinbach)
- The Sam Waller Museum (The Pas)
- The University of Manitoba
- The Mennonite Heritage Centre Gallery
- The Millennium Library
- The University of Winnipeg

The exhibit is still on tour! Watch for future locations at www.mcic.ca.

This exhibit was created with the support of the Winnipeg Foundation and the Culture Heritage and Tourism-Heritage Grant Program of the Government of Manitoba.

MCIC Celebrates 35 Years

2009 MARKED MCIC's 35th Anniversary year. The celebration kicked off with MCIC's *Looking Back, Moving Forward* Annual General Meeting on June 9, 2010. As part of the meeting, MCIC hosted international guests Gustavo Diez de Medina, Director of Foncresol, a Bolivian micro-finance organization working with Canadian Crossroads International and Antoinette Fall Correa Executive Director of the Biblioteque Lecture Developpement in Dakar, Senegal, a partner of CODE. The meeting was preceded by the launch of MCIC's Global Citizens: Manitobans Working Together for a Better World exhibit.



Global Citizens Exhibit

AS PART OF OUR 35TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS, MCIC created an exhibit to highlight Manitoba's role in the global community. The Global Citizens: Manitobans Working Together for a Better World display features the international development work of MCIC member organizations. Inspiring stories of change and progress are told through photographs, text and video.

The Global Citizens exhibit was launched at the Manitoba Legislature on June 9, 2009 by Manitoba Premier Gary Doer. Representatives from organizations profiled in the display spoke about their projects - including Abigail Elisha, a visitor from Ghana who was being hosted in Canada by the Osu Children's Library Fund. Since the launch, the exhibit has been seen by thousands of people all over Manitoba. Visitors are asked to share their commitment to global citizenship on paper dolls provided at the exhibit.



MCIC's school programming reached students in over 50% of school divisions in Manitoba.

Youth Engagement

MCIC WORKS WITH YOUTH all over the province, engaging them in global issues. Our main focus is to empower young people to take action on these issues and do their part in creating a better world for all.

Generating Momentum for Our World: Appetite for Change

THIS YEAR, MCIC ENGAGED 270 Middle Years student leaders as part of the Generating Momentum for Our World conferences delivered in Morden, Beausejour, Gimli, Strathclair, Winnipeg and Brandon. The theme, *Appetite for Change*, got students learning about and discussing global food issues including food security, trade systems and adaptation to climate change. As part of the conference, youth were empowered to raise awareness in their school and community on these issues, thereby expanding the reach of MCIC programming to hundreds of other students around the province. Juan Raul Junay, a Canadian Foodgrains Bank intern from Guatemala, participated in each of the conferences by sharing his experiences related to mining and food security with the students.



A Lasting Impact: After the Generating Momentum for Our World conference on fair trade in 2007, students at Centennial School in Lac du Bonnet formed a Fair Trade Committee to promote ethical consumption in their school. Three years later, the committee is still incredibly active and receives regular coverage by the media for their efforts!



“Engaging, interactive, true to life simulation. Thought-provoking and inspiring”

- Tracy Maksymchuk, Teacher at Minitonas School

Global Citizenship Award

MCIC'S GLOBAL CITIZENSHIP AWARD recognizes graduating Grade 12 students who are helping to create a more just and sustainable world. In 2009, the inaugural year of the award, three recipients were chosen based on their involvement in meaningful global citizenship activities. These awards were presented at the schools' respective award ceremonies.



JORDAN GUIBOCHE

Helen Betty Osborne
Ininiw Education
Resource Centre,
Norway House

“A global citizen is someone who tries their hardest to make positive change, whether it be on a small or large scale. It entails a responsibility to teach others, but also a responsibility to practice what you preach.”



JUSTIN MONTON

Maples Collegiate,
Winnipeg

“Everybody is a global citizen and everybody has their own role and responsibility, it's just a matter of how one individual acts towards his/her duties as a citizen of the world.”



MICHELLE CIELEN

Sisler High School,
Winnipeg

“A global citizen is someone who is a leader themselves, but also supports the leadership of others.”



‘I Hear Your Voice’ Music Video Project

IN THE FALL OF 2009, MCIC embarked on a search for young, talented High School students to participate in a music video project about fair trade. We chose eight students from around the province who came together over three days to learn about fair trade issues and work with industry professionals in creating the ‘I Hear Your Voice’ music video. The video was launched during International Development Week in February and quickly attracted a viral following on the Internet. To date, the video has been viewed over 2,000 times on YouTube and MCIC’s website.

Top of Page (from left to right):
Damian Johnson, Major Pratt School (Waywayseecappo First Nation);
Melissa Langdon, Westwood Collegiate (Winnipeg); Alyssa Paskaruk, College Pierre Elliot Trudeau (Winnipeg);
John Peters, Gillam School (Fox Lake Cree Nation); Dale Camuyong, West Kildonan Collegiate (Winnipeg);
Christopher Gusnoski, Gillam School (Gillam); Mai-Lee Ritchot, College Beliveau (Winnipeg); Bequie Lake (MCIC staff); Katrina Brooks, John Taylor Collegiate (Winnipeg)



“I learned a lot during the process of this project! I learned about ethical consumerism which I had no idea of what it was about, and I learned a lot more about fair trade and how easy it is to make such a difference especially in my generation. I hadn’t realized how powerful our voices can be !”

- John Peters, Music Video participant from Gillam, Manitoba.

In May 2009 MCIC partnered with the New Iceland Heritage Museum in Gimli to deliver school programming around the ‘Stolen Dreams’ photography exhibit on child labour. Hundreds of students from the Interlake and Winnipeg gathered at the museum to take part in interactive learning sessions led by MCIC public engagement staff.



MCIC had the opportunity this year to provide input for the new Government of Manitoba “Going Green” website. This site is a resource for those working in government and other large institutions (regional health authorities, school divisions, municipalities, campuses) to access green, ethical and fair trade products and services for their offices, meetings and events. A public access version of this site will soon be on-line.

Fair Trade Manitoba

MCIC’S FAIR TRADE MANITOBA PROGRAM has become known as the go-to source for fair trade information and resources in the province. Based on the success of last year’s programming and the interest generated, MCIC has kept the ‘Engaging Manitobans on Fair Trade’ program active through public engagement and connecting with Manitobans seeking to make positive change in our world.

Gimli - A Fair Trade Town

On July 1, 2009 Gimli officially became the Prairies’ first Fair Trade Town, as designated by Transfair Canada. Gimli’s Town Council passed a resolution to ‘Go Fair Trade’ in collaboration with town residents, businesses, Youth Community Partnership in Gimli and representatives from MCIC’s Fair Trade Manitoba program. In order to become a Fair Trade Town, Gimli had to meet several requirements, including the formation of a Fair Trade Town Committee, the involvement of community groups in supporting fair trade, the inclusion of fair trade products in a number of stores and restaurants and the support of the local media in promoting fair trade.

Since becoming a Fair Trade Town, Gimli Town Council has expanded their international focus. In early 2010, the Rural Municipality of Gimli, together with Youth Community Partnership, applied to MCIC’s Community Solidarity Fund for a project in Tanzania. The project, which was awarded \$5,000 by MCIC, connects youth in Gimli with those in Mwanza District, Tanzania so that they can share knowledge on lake conservation practices. In June, Gimli Town Council will consider a resolution to twin their community with Mwanza.



MCIC thanks the Manitoba Liquor Control Commission for its support of the goals of our Fair Trade Manitoba program. Twenty Fair Trade Certified wines, from Argentina, Chile and South Africa, are now available in Manitoba Liquor Marts - the most of any province in Canada!




The One-Month Challenge

In 2010, over 700 Manitobans took the One-Month Challenge by pledging to consume only fair trade brands of coffee, tea and chocolate for 30 days. The challenge provides an opportunity for people to learn about fair trade, alter their shopping habits and raise awareness about fair trade issues in their school, workplace or community. Participants are asked to sign up online to pledge their commitment. When surveyed at the beginning of the One-Month Challenge, only 30% of participants claimed they always consumed fair trade coffee. By the end, nearly 50% of all participants stated they were committed to buying only fair trade brands of coffee in the future.

Several other organizations also took up the One-Month Challenge campaign and encouraged their supporters to take part. Ten Thousand Villages promoted the One-Month Challenge at a large store event that was well-attended and covered by radio station HOT 103 as part of a live broadcast. One-Month Challenge activities were funded with the help of Assiniboine Credit Union. ☞

International Development Week

FOR INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT WEEK 2010, MCIC engaged youth across the province in the *Be Yourself, Be Bold, Be the Change* campaign.

With the help of our member organizations, MCIC found eight extraordinary Manitoba youth who are taking action as global citizens and inspiring others to do the same. We interviewed these youth about their accomplishments and posted the videos on our website and YouTube. Those who viewed the videos were entered into a draw for a \$500 fair trade wardrobe. The videos also were shown at MCIC's International Development Week events and have been incorporated into our *Global Citizens: Manitobans Working for a Better World* exhibit. 

TITO DAODU (23): "Young People in Canada have so many options. They have the privilege to gain skills to help those who haven't had the same opportunities in life."

BREANNA WIEBE (19): "If young people use their talents and passion, doors will open for them. They have for me and I guarantee they will for you."

BRAD JOHNSON (18): "Giving young people a voice was a key thing for our community. It lets us know that we're being listened to and that our concerns matter."

SANÉ DUBE (24): "The skills I've gained in Canada are excellent. I think it's important for young Africans to return home and give back when they can."


DALE CAMUYONG (17): "Today we have more access to information about these things than ever before. There's no excuse not to be informed."

KATHY SEXSMITH (25): "I would like to see youth asking questions about the things they buy – how they are made and who makes them."



Making a Fashion Statement

MCIC KICKED-OFF International Development Week 2010 with the *Be Yourself, Be Bold, Be the Change Fair Trade Fashion Show*. Over 200 youth from Winnipeg High Schools gathered at the Park Theatre on February 8 to learn about ethical consumption, gather information on international opportunities and view the latest fair trade fashions, modeled by young global citizens. The event was hosted by HOT 103 radio personality and self-proclaimed global citizen Bubba B.


The *I Hear Your Voice* music video was also launched at this event. The video was created by a group of youth in Manitoba as a message to young exploited workers in the Global South – those who make many of the products we buy. The youth ask other Canadians to face the reality and look for alternatives to unfair labour practices. 

Global Justice Film Festival

MCIC ASSISTED in organizing the Global Justice Film Festival. This year's festival attracted 480 viewers to the University of Winnipeg on November 6 and 7, 2009. Jonathan Walls, director of the film *Playing for Change: Peace Through Music*, travelled to Winnipeg as the festival's guest speaker. He spoke at the showing of his film and visited two schools to share his experiences working on the project.



MCIC ON THE WEB: MCIC has been engaging a greater number of Manitobans through increasing our presence on the Internet. In 2009, the MCIC website was redesigned – making it more functional and easy to maintain. The new site incorporates opportunities for MCIC's members, including event listings, job postings and sections where MCIC funded projects are profiled.

MCIC has also increased its presence on YouTube. As part of the 2010 International Development Week campaign, MCIC posted video interviews of inspiring young Manitobans, as well as the *I Hear Your Voice* music video on our YouTube channel. These videos were also posted on MCIC's website. Altogether, MCIC's online videos have been viewed a total of 6,981 times. 

Manitoba Council for International Cooperation Audited Financial Statements

Statement of Operations

For the year ended, March 31, 2010

Revenues

Manitoba Government Matching Grant Program	1,400,000
CIDA – Canadian Partnership Branch (CPB)	239,921
CIDA – CPB – Communications – IDW Grant	20,000
CIDA – CPB – Voluntary Sector Capacity Building	13,442
Manitoba Education	5,000
Membership and Levies	150,407
Manitoba Culture, Heritage and Tourism	15,000
Winnipeg Foundation	20,324
Other income	91,444
Total Revenues	1,955,538

Expenses

Manitoba Government Matching Grant Program	1,400,000
Programming	186,651
Personnel	310,185
Operating Costs	59,656
Total Expenses	1,956,492

Net Income (954)

Statement of Financial Position

As of March 31, 2010

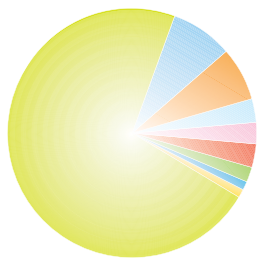
Assets

Current Assets	131,297
Capital Assets	1,648
Total Assets	132,945

Liabilities and Net Assets

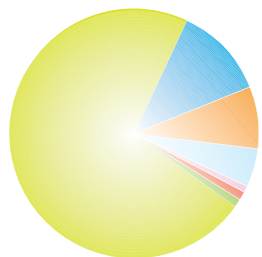
Current Liabilities	69,339
Net Assets	63,606
Total Liabilities and Assets	132,945

Expenses



▲ Manitoba Government Matching Grant Program	72%
▲ Public Engagement Programming	8%
▲ MCIC Governance	7%
▲ Generating Momentum Conferences	3%
▲ Global Citizens Exhibit	3%
▲ Operating Costs	3%
▲ Fair Trade Programming	2%
▲ International Development Week	1%
▲ Voluntary Sector Fund Training	1%

Revenues




▲ Manitoba Government Matching Grant Program	72%
▲ CIDA – Canadian Partnership Branch	12%
▲ Membership and Levies	8%
▲ Other income	5%
▲ CIDA – CPB – Communications – IDW Grant . . .	1%
▲ Manitoba Education	1%
▲ CIDA – CPB – Voluntary Sector Capacity Building .	1%

Auditor's Report

I HAVE AUDITED the statement of financial position of Manitoba Council for International Cooperation, Inc., as at March 31, 2010, and the statements of operations and cash flows for the year then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the organization's management. My responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on my audit.

I conducted my audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that I 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 accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation.

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

Gail Friesen, CGA
Professional Corporation
Winnipeg, Manitoba
April 26, 2010

Manitoba Council for
International Cooperation, Inc.
Audited Financial Statement

Paul LeJeune Volunteer Service Award




ROBERT (BOB) GRANKE was the recipient of the Paul LeJeune Volunteer Service Award for 2009.

A dedicated member of the international development community, Bob's involvement with MCIC has spanned four decades – including extended periods serving on MCIC's board in each decade. In addition, he was Board President from 1990-1992 and 2007-2008 and served on MCIC's Overseas Projects Committee throughout the 80s and 90s.

Bob worked for Canadian Lutheran World Relief in various capacities from 1977 – 1992. After this he worked for the Canadian Hunger Foundation in Ottawa, became the General Secretary for the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada, then moved to Geneva to work for the Lutheran World Federation as their World Service Director. Bob returned to Winnipeg in 2005 and took up his current position as the Executive Director of Canadian Lutheran World Relief.

This award was established in Paul LeJeune's name to recognize a volunteer that has contributed greatly to MCIC. The award, established in 2001, is given out at MCIC's Annual General Meeting.

Paul LeJeune was a powerful advocate for people with disabilities in Canada and internationally. He maintained a strong vision of what it means to live independently. He was a valued member of MCIC's Overseas Projects Committee from 1992 until his death in 1997. It was mainly due to Paul's insight that MCIC's guiding principles include a strong commitment to the inclusion of people with disabilities. 

MCIC Committee Members 2009-10

Finance

Stan Burton, Primate's World Relief and Development Fund
Bob Kroeker, Mennonite Economic Development Associates
Tony Rogge, Canadian Physicians for Aid & Relief, MCIC Board Treasurer
Janice Hamilton, MCIC Staff
Allyson Watts, MCIC Staff

Overseas Projects Committee

Mascilline Hama, WUSC, MCIC Board
Wayne Johnson, YMCA-YWCA
Deo Namwira, Mennonite Central Committee
Jo-Ellen Parry, Osu Children's Library Fund, MCIC Board
Krista Smith, Engineers Without Borders
Stu Taylor, International Development Enterprises, MCIC Board
Daniella Echeverria, MCIC Staff
Zack Gross, MCIC Staff

Community Solidarity Fund

Jill Cooper, former CSF Recipient, Community Member
Sané Dube, Community Member
Larry Paetkau, former CSF Recipient, Community Member
Susan Roe-Finlay, Primate's World Relief and Development Fund, MCIC Board
Ryan Sparkes, Engineers Without Borders, MCIC Board
Kirsten Earl McCorrister, MCIC Staff
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Membership and Bylaws Committee

Ashok Athavale, Save the Children Canada, MCIC Board
Alistair Riddell, People to People
Tony Rogge, Canadian Physicians for Aid & Relief, MCIC Board
Marilee Geller, MCIC Staff
Janice Hamilton, MCIC Staff

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Executive Director
Misty Belcourt
Youth Engagement Coordinator
Ginny Collins
Public Relations Coordinator
Daniella Echeverria
Environmental Research Coordinator (YEIP Intern)

Kirsten Earl McCorrister
Program Coordinator
Marilee Geller
Executive Assistant
Zack Gross
Outreach, Fair Trade and MGMGP Coordinator
Bequie Lake
Public Engagement Coordinator

Laura Power
Fair Trade Coordinator (until May 2009)
Michelle Schram
Environmental Public Engagement Coordinator (YEIP Intern)
Allyson Watts
Accountant

Public Engagement Group

Jennifer Chong, Lorie English, Canada World Youth – Jeunesse Canada Monde
Dave Colvinson, Canadian Foodgrains Bank
Duncan Farthing-Nichol, Engineers Without Borders
Megan Fultz, Oxfam Canada
Roberta Gramlich, Canadian Catholic Organization for Development and Peace
Daranne Harris, Canadian Lutheran World Relief
Joan Jarvis, United Church of Canada
James Kornelson, Canadian Foodgrains Bank
Brian Lorch, Canadian Lutheran World Relief
Joel Marion, Global College
Audrey McClelland, KAIROS
Ashleigh Mitchell, MCIC Board
Jennifer Montebruno, Canadian Red Cross Society
Colleen Moran, World Vision Canada
Nona Pelletier, International Institute for Sustainable Development
Todd Phillips, Engineers Without Borders
Cat Ross, UNICEF
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Zack Gross, MCIC Staff
Bequie Lake, MCIC Staff
Michelle Schram, MCIC Staff

Global Citizens Award Committee

Ashleigh Mitchell, MCIC Board
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Rob Pankhurst, Community Member
Benisia Whenzle, Community Member



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