



"It has been another exciting, challenging, and rewarding year for Volunteer Grandparents. The economic climate has presented all Non-Profit Organizations with funding challenges, and I am pleased to report that Volunteer Grandparents has been able to secure continued funding commitments from all of our principle funders.

We have been careful in not allowing the pursuit of operational security to distract us from doing the work that our community has identified as being important. We will continue to promote, train, place, and oversee intergenerational volunteers and volunteerism in Burnaby and beyond.

Our staff and volunteers remain dedicated to maintaining Volunteer Grandparents' high standards, and I want to personally thank them for their steadfast commitment and devotion to ensuring that intergenerational volunteerism remains a crucial social pillar of our community.

I also want to recognize and thank our Board of Directors. I am happy to report that our Board membership has grown to 7 people, all of whom bring great energy, skill, and dedication to Volunteer Grandparents' Board meetings and special events.

I encourage you to visit us at our Facebook page (search 'volunteer grandparents'), our relatively new Holdom office, one or more of our various special events, or our AGM.

It is a continuing privilege to serve as the President of Volunteer Grandparents.

Looking forward to 2010 and the years to come."

Stephen Sjoberg
President,
Volunteer Grandparents

2009 HIGHLIGHTS

BY VERONICA GROSSI

We actively engaged volunteers, over the age of fifty, in the Family Match Program which helped to promote strong extended families.

Our volunteers placed in the School Grandparent Program have encouraged a positive learning environment for countless children enrolled in elementary schools in the Lower Mainland.

We gained program exposure through media coverage. A magazine article titled 'Celebrating Grandparents,' was published in BC Parent Magazine profiling our organization.

We dispersed the Mary Florio Bursary to three different families amounting to a total of \$1800. The funds enabled parents to enrol their children in music classes and dance classes.

Over 65 volunteers, families and members attended our Volunteer Appreciation BBQ August 2009, at Confederation Park.

Through the Canada Summer Jobs initiative, VG secured summer student Eliza Sam, who created a children's contest to help bring awareness to Grandparents Day in September.

In December 2009, we became a partner agency with Kids Up Front. Their mandate is to provide access to arts, culture, sport and recreation for children who otherwise do not have the opportunity. Many of our program participants have enjoyed the benefits of being enrolled in this program.

Volunteer Grandparents strives to maintain a diverse funding base and relies on support from individuals, companies, foundations, governments and the BC Gaming Commission. We would like to thank our supporters, including the United Way, for investing in our programs. Additionally, we would like to thank the PNE, Vancouver Symphony, Playland and MusicFest Vancouver for providing numerous ticket opportunities for program participants.



FINANCIAL STATEMENT

VIP Volunteers for Integenertional Programs

Statement of financial position
December 31, 2009

ASSETS

CURRENT

Cash		\$34,309
Investment Account	\$ 1,741	
Accounts Receivable & Prepaid	\$ 1,033	
		\$37,083

CAPITAL ASSETS

		\$ 1,302
TOTAL ASSETS		\$38,385

LIABILITIES

CURRENT LIABILITIES

Accounts Payable	\$ 102
Deferred Revenue	\$11,500
	\$11,602

EQUITY

Net Equity	\$30,463
Current Earning	(\$ 3,680)
Total Society Equity	\$26,783

LIABILITIES & EQUITY	\$38,385
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* Full financial statements available upon request

THANK YOU TO: Funders & Supporters:

Province of BC
– Gaming Policy & Enforcement Branch
Human Resources Development Canada
The Florio Family
Kids Up Front