

Financials

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012
(unaudited)

ASSETS
CURRENT ASSETS

Cash	\$ 8,414
Accounts Receivable & Prepaids	38,143
	<u>46,557</u>

CAPITAL ASSETS	622
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 47,179

LIABILITIES
CURRENT LIABILITIES

Accounts payable	\$ 752
Deferred Gaming Revenue	36,187

TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$ 36,939
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SOCIETY EQUITY

Net Assests	\$ 23,586
Current Earnings	- 13,346
TOTAL EQUITY	10,240

LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	\$ 47,179
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**Full financial statements available upon request*



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Thank You

We would like to thank our partners and supporters in 2012:

Province of BC: Community Gaming Branch
Human Resources Development Canada
New Horizons for Seniors Initiative
Helping Hands of WorkSafeBC
Panago Pizza
Kids Up Front
City of Burnaby
Mary and Paul Florio
Tim Hortons
Vancouver Cathay New Century Lions Club
Community Savings Credit Union
GVC Credit Union
Metrotown
Purdy's Chocolates
Unwrapped: A Charitable Night (Coquitlam Centre)
Anton's Pasta
Atlantia Holdings
Domino's Pizza
EA Games
Fresh Point
Home Depot
IGA Marketplace
Pizza Hut
Best Western
Save On Foods
Walmart
Superstore

Board of Directors

Stephen Sjoberg, President
Woosang Lee, Treasurer
Virginia Yip, Secretary
Isabel Kolic, Director
Edwin Au-Yeung, Director
Sarah Fantin, Director

Staff

Dave Baspaly, Executive Director
Veronica Grossi, Program Coordinator



ANNUAL REPORT 2012

President's Message *Bridging and Enriching the Generations since 1973*

2012 was yet another very busy and successful year for Volunteer Grandparents and its staff. Upon reflection, it could be considered the year of stability. We recently received some very positive news from our primary funder that we will be able provide service into the foreseeable future. Our program lead has remained steady and continues to successfully build the organization's services to new heights. Our board has expanded to a robust and vibrant 7 members. Our strategic planning session in January set the course for 2013 and I remain excited about the future of the organization.

It is an important year for Volunteer Grandparents as it officially turns 40 years old. I am looking forward to upcoming festivities celebrating this milestone. I want to thank staff for their continuing hard work and my fellow board members for their commitment and dedication. It is a delight and an honor to serve as a board President. 2013 will be an exciting opportunity to continue supporting seniors and youth as we begin the journey past our 40 year millstone and into the future.

Stephen Sjoberg, President

Positive Media Coverage
Highlights in 2012:
Reader's Digest
BC Council of Families Magazine
Burnaby Now
Burnaby Newsleader

»Top image from Volunteer Canada National Volunteer Week 2013.

2012 Program Highlights

Our organization actively engaged volunteers, over the age of fifty, in the Family Match and School Grandparent Programs which helped to promote strong extended families and created a positive learning environment for countless children enrolled in elementary schools in the Lower Mainland.

Volunteers Count:

We had a total of 108 amazing volunteers (including School Grandparents, Family Match Program Participants, Program Ambassadors, Event Volunteers, Website and Administrative Volunteers, and Board Members) in 2012 who contributed 4533 volunteer hours to our organization with an estimated monetary value of \$159, 590!



'What a wonderful time we all had at the picnic. Thank you so much for your efforts to ensure we had so much fun and enjoyed such a great day together.' Volunteer Grandmother

Left: Volunteer Grandmother, Adel, with her matched grandkids. Right: Bardiya and Armin displaying their 'silly hats' at the picnic.

Initiating New Programs to Gain Awareness

Securing financial support from the New Horizons for Seniors (NHFS) Initiative we were able to initiate an Ambassador Program. Twelve Program Ambassadors were able to actively participate in the following community events: attended the 2012 Healthy Aging Fair at Lougheed Mall, promoted our organization on Canada Day at multiple locations, judged the talent show at Edmonds Fair, attended Caribbean Days in Maple Ridge, partnered with Science World for Grandparents Day in September, attended the Festival of Lights in Burnaby, promoted our organization amongst friends and colleagues, presented information about our programs in the community, and submitted a book report to the BC Council of Families. We would like to acknowledge the wonderful program promotion and outreach that our Ambassadors completed in 2012. Thank you for all of your program enthusiasm and dedication!

'Thank you for allowing me to participate in the VG Ambassador program over the past months. It is a program that has allowed me to receive more in smiles and appreciation than I have given in time spent promoting the organization. There are so many folks of the 'grandparenting age' out in society that we just have to reach out to in order to give them an awareness of the opportunities that exist in this inter-generational organization. I trust I have touched a few, and hope to continue reaching out to even more in the months ahead.' Program Ambassador, Kathleen

This project is funded by Government of Canada's New Horizons for Seniors Program.



Mary Florio Bursary Recipients

In 2012, we dispersed the Mary Florio Bursary to six different families amounting to a total of \$1850.75 bursary dollars being distributed and eight children being sponsored. The funds enabled parents to enrol their children in the following opportunities: pony lessons, piano lessons, Camp Qwanoes attendance, sewing camp and badminton lessons. We would like to thank Mr. and Mrs. Florio for their continued financial support and generosity.



Appreciating our Volunteers

In 2012, we secured HRDC summer student Nandalal Patel whose main task was planning the volunteer appreciation picnic. The picnic was a resounding success with over 100 volunteers, families and members in attendance on August 11th, 2012 at Confederation Park in Burnaby. Activities included games, special announcements, a silly hat theme and lots of wonderful prizes.

Fostering Partnerships

Our partnership with the Kids Up Front (KUF) organization has remained very strong. In 2012, we received a total of 174 tickets from KUF at a total value of \$5,772. Program participants and matched grandparents enjoyed special events throughout the Lower Mainland including attending sporting events like the Lions and Whitecaps games as well as ballet and musical events.



Sam's thank you letter to Kids Up Front for the tickets.

Enjoying a sporting event together through a Kids Up Front Opportunity

Award Recipients in 2012

We would like to congratulate program Ambassador and Volunteer Grandfather, Mr. Kehar Singh Aujla. He has made significant contributions not only to Volunteer Grandparents but also many other non-profit organizations in our community including the Burnaby Hospital, Burnaby Seniors Outreach, and the Burnaby Village Museum. Kehar was honoured with the Burnaby Citizen of the Year "Kushiro Cup" and was voted one of Canada's Top 25 Immigrants. We would also like to thank Mr. Aujla for his generous donation to our organization.

Irene Petek was awarded a service award for her long standing volunteer commitment to the School Grandparent Program.

