



**Annual Report 2012** 



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# Working for Wildlife



WRA Wildlife Rescue Association of BC provides leadership in rehabilitating wildlife and in promoting the welfare of wild animals in the urban environment.

Our vision is to continually improve the welfare of urban wildlife.





support our organization would not have access to

the rainy-day resources available in our Endowment

and Legacy Funds which enabled us to support the

increased activities in our Care Centre in 2012.

Challenges have always spurred the WRA to do

more with what we have and to seek new resources. Our Board has been following a sound strategic

plan based on past experience. But the challenge in upcoming years will be finding ways to sustain our

high standards of care while managing the rapidly

these changes as we seek new ways to responsibly grow our resource base while remaining fiscally

The WRA's commitment to rehabilitating and

increasing demand for services. We are prepared for

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# **Executive Message**

### "The measure of intelligence is the ability to change" – Albert Einstein

balanced.

protecting the welfare of

our wild animals in British

Columbia has never been

stronger. Our volunteers,

donors and community

assets. We look forward

to working alongside you

as we prepare to meet our

challenges in future years.

During our 34th year, the Wildlife Rescue Association of BC (WRA) had to work hard and smart to keep up with the ever increasing demands on the Care Centre and its team. A huge annual increase in admissions last year forced members of our wildlife rehabilitation team to use all of their adaptive skills to manage a crowded Care Centre that received more than 4,000 wild animals. Although there were some specific reasons for this sharp rise in numbers, increasing caseloads at other centres in the province last year suggest that this is a more widespread trend and we should expect our admissions to continue to increase in the future.

This high demand for our services led to an unprecedented draw on our human and physical

for our volunteers and community supporters who responded to our calls for extra help and have continued to be supportive of our needs. We are also appreciative of the crucial financial support the WRA has received

through donations and bequests. Without this

**Glenn Boyle** Executive Director

resources. We are thankful

**Craig Fisher** President, Board of Directors















# Leaders in Wildlife Care

It was an unprecedented year in the Care Centre with a record number of animals stretching our resources to the limit. In total, 4,069 animals were admitted into care in 2012, the highest number in WRA history.

Despite a 23% increase in the number of patients treated since 2011, exceptional team work by rehabilitation staff and volunteers ensured that each animal admitted continued to receive high levels of care and attention.

A cold, wet spring and the closure of a rehabilitation centre in Surrey combined to create the dramatic rise in numbers. An outbreak of salmonella within the local pine siskin population was also a major factor and the Care Centre admitted 211 of the birds into care. The siskins were treated with antibiotics and supportive care, but the disease had progressed too far in many that were rescued.

However, we celebrated many successes and one of the most challenging cases in 2012 was that of a tiny Rufous hummingbird (pictured on front cover). The nestling was found with a sibling on a barge travelling along the Sunshine Coast and the pair were separated from the mother. A hummingbird so young has never been cared for at the WRA before, but by combining our internal resources with external networks, one of the two hummingbirds was successfully raised and released.

Other notable patients during 2012 included a rare Western screech owl (see picture, far right) which lost the sight of an eye after colliding with a car. The young female owl was left with severe damage to her right eye including partial retinal detachment.

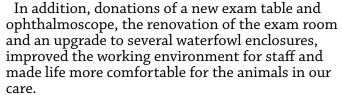
With evidence that screech owls with limited vision can still live in the wild, staff believed rehabilitation was a realistic goal. The owl proved to be an extremely

resilient patient and following specialist treatment, its condition rapidly improved. Western screech owls are a red-listed species and prior to release, the owl was banded, allowing conservationists to identify the bird if it comes into contact with humans in the

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We continue to update our treatment protocols and rehabilitation staff and experienced WRA volunteers attended a workshop on aquatic bird rehabilitation led by an expert in the field. The WRA is the leading regional specialist in aquatic bird rehabilitation and our deepened knowledge will allow us to tailor our care to support a wider range of species.

In 2012, we also strengthened our veterinary support team. Dr Judith Siegert has been the consulting veterinarian for WRA for many years and in 2012 she was joined by Dr Mira Ziolo and Dr Rocky Lis who are each on site for four hours a week. This increased veterinary expertise has expanded our surgical capabilities and led to the survival of more critically injured patients including a Canada goose that was found with its tongue coming through his chin. Despite the severity of the injury, the goose was successfully treated, rehabilitated and released.



Each year we endeavour to improve our release rates and enhance levels of care. With ongoing facility upgrades, staff training and increased veterinary input, we are committed to remaining a leading force in wildlife rehabilitation, not just in BC but within Canada.







Animals admitted: 4,069 **Increase over 2011 23%** Number of species 174

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Birds 87% of total Mammals 13% of total Hit by car 18%

**Window collision 14% Orphaned** 10% Longest stay 81 days

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# Spreading the Word

Improving local knowledge and understanding of local wildlife is an important part of the WRA remit and the WRA's education and outreach team continues to reach more people.

The WRA saw an 26% increase in the number of presentations delivered to school and service groups, seniors centres, community centres, libraries and after-school clubs.

The organization also expanded its day camp program, with new sessions during pro-D days and the winter and spring school breaks added to the schedule. Positive word-of-mouth and a growing number of returning children, ensured that 95% of the available spots were filled.

The WRA attended 45 events around the Lower Mainland allowing staff and volunteers to meet oneon-one with members of the public.

EarthFest, which is now in its fourth year, was attended by around 1,100 people, the biggest event yet. The family nature festival provides the opportunity for local environmental groups to join forces with the WRA and share their goals with the public.

Our media profile continues to grow and in 2012 the WRA staff, volunteers and wildlife patients were featured in numerous newspaper, magazine, TV and radio stories. We have also gained new supporters through social media.

Whether face to face, or through traditional and social media, the WRA is finding more ways to ensure that its wildlife welfare message reaches a growing audience.

A year in numbers

**Presentations delivered:** 168 Community events attended: 45 EarthFest attendance: 1,100

Facebook followers: 1,400

News coverage: Averaged two news stories a month in

newspapers, magazines and on radio and television

**New for 2012:** Participation in the Hyack Christmas

Parade of Lights in New Westminster













# Our Support Network

The WRA is fortunate to have such a strong and active volunteer team helping in education and outreach, transportation, maintenance, and animal care. Every individual brings a new dynamic to the team, and each volunteer's presence helped the WRA to maintain excellent standards of care during a record-breaking year.

In the spring of 2012 we introduced an extension of our volunteer mentor program, and trained a select group of volunteers in a new role as Volunteer Representatives. These Volunteer Representatives helped train groups of volunteers in Animal Care allowing us to bring in volunteers more quickly and efficiently during our busiest periods. At the peak of summer, we had 114 Animal Care volunteers on our weekly schedule, compared to 90 in 2011. We would not have been able to handle the increase without the support of these incredibly knowledgeable leaders.

In the Fall of 2012, we introduced a pilot project to test the feasibility of having qualified volunteers support our Wildlife Helpline. A volunteer was recruited to help us determine the training and recruitment needs of this new volunteer position. The pilot project was incredibly successful, and a full-scale

Helpline Volunteer Team will be introduced in the spring of 2013.

Despite the huge workload created by the increased intake, our volunteer retention rates improved in 2012. More than 50% of our volunteers stayed on our team for longer than six months, even though the minimum commitment is only three months for most positions. Furthermore, we trained fewer Animal Care volunteers in 2012 but we had more volunteers on weekly shifts, and they donated more animal care hours.

To survive an exceptionally busy year, we relied heavily on our volunteers to step up as leaders - and they did just that.

#### A year in numbers

Number of active volunteers 250

Hours completed by Animal Care Volunteers 13,191

**Distance travelled by Transport Volunteers** 30,000km

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Volunteer applications received 525

**Animal Care Volunteers trained** 112





# Partners on a Mission

It has been a productive year for developing new corporate and community networks and for creating new fundraising programs. These new opportunities will introduce new revenue streams for many years to come and build wider community involvement with the WRA.

Some of these new ventures are still in the planning stages and will come to fruition in 2013 but Walk 4 Wildlife was one of our new fundraising endeavours that was up and running in 2012.

In its inaugural year, this pledge- based family event raised close to \$12,000. Not only was Walk 4 Wildlife an important source of income for the organization, it enabled members of the community to come together and share their passion for urban wildlife and the environment.

The WRA also partnered with financial and legal experts to host its first planned giving workshop. The free community event provided independent information on estate planning, will provision and legacies and a series of similar events are being planned for the future.

This past year, we have seen a huge increase of gifts in kind and we have welcomed new corporate sponsors to the fold. The generosity of our

community and corporate partners has enabled us to purchase essential supplies and equipment, host more events, support a more extensive camp program and show our sincere appreciation to our volunteers.

We are extremely grateful for their support and know that they will be a big part of our continued growth and expansion.



G&F Financial Group has been a steadfast supporter of the WRA during the last two years. The credit union has been an EarthFest sponsor, donated funds to buy medical equipment and has launched a customer membership scheme to raise funds for the WRA.



Thrifty Foods is a customer service store that happens to sell groceries. We are committed to building relationships in our community that bring people and families together. In our first 18 months we have worked hard to reach out to the neighborhood and offer our support. With our relationship with the WRA we are able to come out to a variety of

events, meet our neighbours and get involved in a real way to affect positive change in our community. It's engaging for staff and allows us an outlet to serve the community that goes beyond providing the best possible shopping experience. The opportunity to work with groups such as the WRA allows us to show that business with a heart can be accomplished and allows everyone, from shareholders to community groups, the chance to benefit.

**Doug Ford,** Store Manager, Thrifty Foods, New Westminster (Sapperton Branch). Thrifty Foods donates food to WRA events.



At PODS we take community service seriously. Throughout our corporate franchise systems, PODS supports many charities and community events that seek to enrich the lives of families and the communities they serve. Our company encourages participation and giving back to the community. We believe in the community and the environment, and are proud to be contributing to an organization

like the WRA that does so much for our wildlife. Our environment is so delicate, and losing our wildlife would have a catastrophic effect on our community, environment and world. For this reason the WRA is an invaluable partner and organization, one which we must help in any way we can and we are happy to do so.

Mellanie Siteman, Operation Manager, PODS Burnaby. Pods provides the WRA with free access to two containers.



# Community **Thanks**

We thank the many supporters whose contributions in 2012 helped to save the lives of wild animals.

#### **Planned Gifts**

Jean Elliott Christison Ted Gorski Gertrude Kay Doris Catherine Kushner Ean Beng (Eric) Lee Thomas Beck Liddell Allan Lyle Mercer Margery Secord David Nelson Sparks Evelyn Walker Ella Warrington



# Community

AA-Wayne's Towing Ltd. AAA Wildlife Control BC Hydro and Power Authority Black & Mcdonald Ltd Bruce Baird Glenn Boyle

Burnaby Lougheed Lions Burnaby Newsleader Burke Mountain Naturalists Burnaby Art Gallery Burnaby Now

Burnaby Rhododendron and Gardens Society

Chevron Canada Limited

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City of Burnaby City of Vancouver

CityTV Colortec

ColourTime Printing & Digital Imaging DMS Electronics

Eden Conservation Trust

ethicalDeal Lora Finan

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Greater Vancouver Food Bank Society Human Resources & Skills Development Canada (HRSDC)

Imperial Oil Foundation Ivanhoe Cambridge II Inc

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Keller Williams Realty Daniel Mendoza Metro Vancouver

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Ridge Wilderness Adventures

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Paul Steeves

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The HYDRECS Fund

The Molson Donations Fund Charles Tsikata

Thrifty Foods Justin Versteeg United Way of the Lower

Mainland VanCity

Vancouver Animal Emergency Clinic

Vancouver Foundation Victoria Foundation

Walmart

West Coast Families

Western Mortgage Company Lynn Westwick

Windermere Secondary School

Community contributions are at the level of \$500 or more. All Planned Gifts and Wildlife Circle contributions are for \$250 or more.)



Wildlife Circle Kyle & Minna Adams Frances (Nel) Aird Donald Alexander John Eckersley Sherri Edwards Dianne Alsop Robert Anderson Marion Enns Ian Anderson Jo-Anne Evans Renzo Andreutti Nancy Faulkner Gerald Appelstein Robert Fawdry Ryan Arnold Andrew Bahry Avril Fishburne Robin Barnett Elizabeth Beck Honey Fong Steven Becker-Pos Joan Ford Diana Belhouse Jennifer Forgie Mary Bellerby Ken & Susan Boucher Richard Bradner Norma Gibson Elizabeth Brown Rosemaree Bugesta Monica Hanna Kip Bukoske & Robert Coombes Ann Harding Glenn Bullard Amelia Hardjasa Jacqueline Bunker David & Ann Burn Ross Hodges Alan Burns Rita Butterfield Valerie Campbell Robert & Joan Carne Agnes Hornaas Irina Chisca & David Cripps Michael Church Anne Houseman Bruce Clow & Marcia Crease Donna Hurteau E. Alan Clutchev Sean Jamieson **Rosemary Coates** Carol Codron Dorothy Joplin Nicholas Collier Ruth Joyce Dan Constantinescu Isabel Cordua-von Specht Fay Cornish King of Floors **Eve Cost** Nettie Klimec Antonio Costosa David Kmyta Liana Koza David Craig Sharon Crampton Elizabeth Kwan Cam Currie José Lam Dana Devine Jean Lederer Steven Dickson Susan Lee

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(We would also like to thank all supporters whose names we did not have permission to print.)



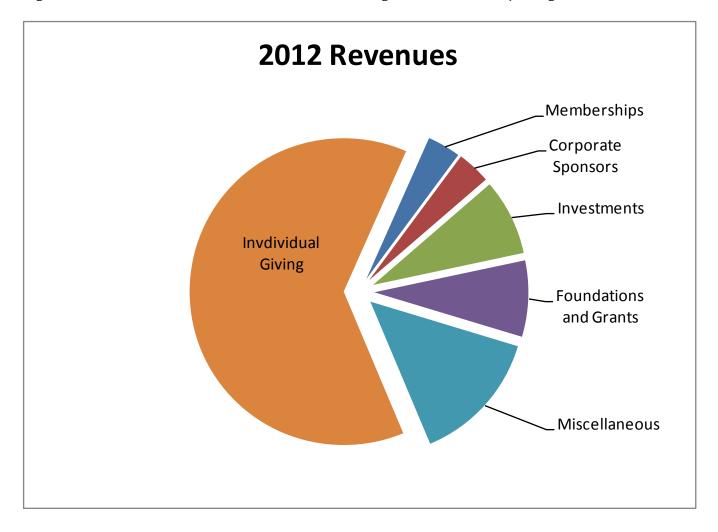
# Financial Highlights

In 2012 the Wildlife Rescue Association was once again financially supported by thousands of donations from surrounding communities and businesses. The vast majority of these donations came from individual gifts and bequests. These gifts are especially important because they come from the hearts of individuals who care about our urban wildlife and our environment. These contributions go a long way in supporting WRA's ongoing education programs and care facility activities.

In the long term, WRA knows that although bequests have been one of their main sources of income, strategically we have to further develop various steams of income in order to support the ever increasing numbers of injured wildlife who come through their doors.

In 2011 the Board made a strategic investment in personnel to increase the WRA's education and community support outreach. In 2012 these investments paid off with higher enrollments in education programs and increased community

This last year, admissions in the care facility rose by almost a quarter. Traditional revenue streams could not support this rapid escalation in the demand for our services. In order to augment the increased operating costs that resulted, the WRA had to draw on its legacy fund. The Board has begun the process to develop new strategies in the upcoming year which will reach out further to corporate and individual communities in order to successfully sustain the organization's stability and growth.





Sylvia Rickard

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Harley Rothstein & Eleanor Boyle Elaine Young

Gregory Lee

#### WRA WILDLIFE RESCUE ASSOCIATION OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the Year Ended December 31, 2012



### WRA WILDLIFE RESCUE ASSOCIATION OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Financial Statements For the Year Ended December 31, 2012

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#### REVIEW ENGAGEMENT REPORT

To the Members of WRA Wildlife Rescue Association of British Columbia:

We have reviewed the statement of net assets of WRA Wildlife Rescue Association of British Columbia as at December 31, 2012 and the statements of fund balances, revenues and expenses and changes in fund balances for the year then ended. Our review was made in accordance with Canadian generally accepted standards for review engagements and accordingly consisted primarily of inquiry, analytical procedures and discussion related to information supplied to us by the Association.

A review does not constitute an audit and consequently we do not express an audit opinion on these financial statements.

We draw attention to note 1 to the financial statements which describes that the Association adopted Canadian accounting standards for non-for-profit organizations as of January 1, 2012 with a transition date of January 1, 2011. These standards were applied retrospectively by the management to the comparative information in these financial statements, including statement of financial position as at December 31, 2011 and January 1, 2011 and the statement of revenues and expenditures for the year ended December 31, 2011 and related disclosures.

June 3, 2013 North Vancouver, B.C., Canada

CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS

WRA Wildlife Rescue Association of British Columbia

59,605 12,666 1,477,319

105,828

1,371,491

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Endowment Fund

Liabilities

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Total liabilities and fund bala

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Statement of Fund Balances (Unaudited) As at December 31, 2012 and 2011

net of current portion (note 4) snt, net (note 6) Mortgage receivable, r. Property and equipmer Total assets

Accounts payable and accrued liabilities
Deferred contributions related to projects (note 7)
Total current liabilities

Fund Balances

105,828

400,000

50,284

#### WRA Wildlife Rescue Association of British Columbia

Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Fund Balances (Unaudited) For the years ended December 31, 2012 and 2011

	 Operating Fund		pital und	Legacy Fund	Endowment Fund	Total Dec-31-2012	Total Dec-31-2011
Revenues							
Donations (note 10)	\$ 196,805 \$	,	-	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 196,805 \$	183,454
Bequests	130,028		-	-	-	130,028	288,406
Corporate	16,327		-	-	-	16,327	25,098
Foundations and grants	43,333		-	-	-	43,333	58,643
Memberships	14,370		-	-	-	14,370	13,622
Interest and dividend income	1,527		-	49,108	(808)	49,827	65,950
Investment income from capital gains (losses) (note 1)	-		-	(12,707)	6,794	(5,913)	29,629
Sales, fund raising and other revenue	30,912		-	-	-	30,912	23,004
Amortization of deferred contributions related to projects (note 7)	 40,559		-	-	-	40,559	65,695
Total revenues	473,861		-	36,401	5,986	516,248	753,501
Expenses							
Amortization of equipment costs	-		12,000	-	-	12,000	7,126
Automobile and travel	7,691		-	-	-	7,691	4,412
Bank and interest charges	2,945		-	471	-	3,416	4,697
Investment council charges	-		-	16,107	1,176	17,283	19,355
Charity program fees	-		-	-	-	-	-
Community outreach and promotion	11,869		-	-	-	11,869	10,981
Food and medical wildlife care (note 10)	59,456		-	-	-	59,456	53,914
Insurance, licenses and dues	6,623		-	-	-	6,623	6,165
Office	48,863		-	-	-	48,863	31,911
Repairs, maintenance and rentals	39,644		-	-	-	39,644	10,275
Telephone and utilities	19,038		-	-	-	19,038	15,159
Transfers to other charities	539		-	-	-	539	-
Wages, contracts and benefits	622,845		-	-	-	622,845	530,583
Total expenses	819,513		12,000	16,578	1,176	849,267	694,578
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenses	(345,652)		(12,000)	19,823	4,810	(333,019)	58,923
Fund balances, beginning of year (note 1)	181,507		56,309	1,562,681	104,082	1,904,579	1,845,656
Interfund transfers	 208,102		5,975	(211,013)	(3,064)	-	-
Fund balances, end of year	\$ 43,957 \$		50,284	\$ 1,371,491	\$ 105,828	\$ 1,571,560 \$	1,904,579

See accompanying notes to the financial statements

WRA Wildlife Rescue Association of British Columbia Statement of Cash Flows (Unaudited)

Statement 3

For the Year Ended December 31,		2012		2011
Cash flows from operating activities Excess of revenues over expenses Adjustments for non-cash items	\$(	333,019)	\$	58,923
Amortization of equipment costs		12,000		7,126
Changes in non-cash working capital balances	(	321,019)		66,049
Decrease (increase) in accounts receivable Increase (decrease) in accounts payable and accrued liabilities	(	4,706 7,909)	(	14,107) 728)
	(	324,222)		51,214
Cash flows from (used in) investing activities Decrease in mortgage receivable Purchase of equipment Increase (decrease) in deferred contributions related to projects	(	33,355 5,975) 746	(	2,101 57,231) 10,272
		28,126	(	44,858)
Increase (decrease) in cash and investments Cash and investments, beginning of year	(	296,096) 1,833,020		6,356 1,826,664
Cash and investments, end of year	\$	1,536,924	\$	1,833,020
Cash and investments represented by Cash Investments	\$	59,605 1,477,319	\$	166,257 1,666,763
	\$	1,536,924	\$	1,833,020

See accompanying notes to the financial statements

## WRA Wildlife Rescue Association of British Columbia Notes to the Financial Statements (Unaudited)

For the Year Ended December 31, 2012

#### 1. First time adoption of accounting standards for Not-for-Profit Organizations

During the year the association adopted Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations. These financial statements are the first prepared in accordance with these standards. Except as disclosed below, the changes have been applied retrospectively, resulting in changes to beginning fund balances and restatement of certain assets and liabilities as described below.

The Association has elected upon transition to the new standards to report certain financial instruments, which were previously reported at their cost, at fair value. These financial instruments, which include short term marketable securities, will continue to be carried at fair value and future changes in fair value reported as part of excess of revenues over expenses.

Adoption of the new standards had the following effect on the statement of fund balances, statement of revenues, expenses and changes in fund balances and the statement of cash flows for the year ended December 31, 2011:

Decer	Balance as previously reported mber 31, 2011	Adjustment	Balance as adjusted December 31, 2011	
Statement of Fund Balances: Investments	\$ 1,623,624	\$ 43,139	\$ 1,666,763	
Statement of Revenues and Expenses: Investment income from capital gains (losses)	(13,510)	43,139	29,629	
Changes in Fund Balances: Legacy Fund balance Endowment Fund balance	1,524,500 99,124	38,181 4,958	1,562,681 104,082	
Statement of Cash Flows: Excess of revenues over expenses Cash and investments, end of year	15,784 1,789,881	43,139 43,139	58,923 1,833,020	

#### 2. Nature of Operations

WRA Wildlife Rescue Association of British Columbia (the "Association") is a non-profit organization incorporated without share capital under the laws of the Society Act of British Columbia. The primary objectives of the Association are to prevent and reduce the suffering of injured, orphaned and pollution damaged wildlife through rehabilitation and education. The Association is a registered charity under the Income Tax Act and as such is exempt from income taxes and able to issue donation receipts for income tax purposes.

### WRA Wildlife Rescue Association of British Columbia Notes to the Financial Statements (Unaudited)

#### For the Year Ended December 31, 2012

#### 3. Significant Accounting Policies

Cash

Cash is comprised of cash held by Canadian banks.

**Investments** 

Investments consist of amounts invested in short-term notes, bonds, debentures and equities.

Investment income comprises the Association's share of interest and dividends on the underlying securities.

All investments are carried at fair market values.

Fund Accounting

The financial statements disclose the activities of the separate funds maintained by the Association:

#### Operating Fund:

Represents the balance of unrestricted net assets from the continuing activities of the Association.

#### Legacy Fund (formerly, The Emergency Fund):

Represents the balance of internally restricted and unrestricted net assets allocated from the Operating Fund that have been approved by the Board of Directors. Monies held in the Legacy Fund may be used to fund activities of WRA that contribute to the mission of the organization, as approved by the Board of Directors. The Legacy Fund is obligated to hold a minimum of six months of general operating costs, the specific amount to be determined at the end of each fiscal year.

#### Endowment Fund:

Represents the balance of internally restricted net assets allocated from the Operating Fund which have been approved by the Board of Directors. The Endowment Funds are comprised of contributions from the Lucy Grace Davies Endowment and the Flora Alexandra Gray Endowment plus certain accumulated investment income. Investment income earned on the Endowment Fund is internally restricted and is to be used for new and innovative projects of the Association.

#### Financial Instruments

Financial instruments consist of cash, investments, accounts receivable, mortgage receivable, accounts payable and accrued liabilities. Financial instruments are recorded at fair value when acquired or issued. In subsequent periods, financial assets with actively traded markets are reported at fair value, with any unrealized gains and losses reported in income. All other financial instruments are reported at amortized cost, and tested for impairment at each reporting date. Transaction costs on the acquisition, sale, or issue of financial instruments are expensed when incurred. It is management's opinion that the Association is not exposed to significant interest rate, currency or credit risks arising from these financial instruments. The fair market value of these financial instruments approximates their carrying value, unless otherwise noted.

## WRA Wildlife Rescue Association of British Columbia Notes to the Financial Statements (Unaudited)

#### For the Year Ended December 31, 2012

#### 3. Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

#### **Equipment**

Equipment acquisitions are recorded at cost and are amortized at the following rates and methods:

Computer equipment 30%, declining balance Equipment 20%, declining balance Furniture and fixtures 20%, declining balance

Software 100%

One-half of the above rates are applied in year of acquisition.

#### Revenue Recognition

The Association follows the deferral method of accounting for contributions. Restricted contributions are recognized as income in the year in which the related expenses are incurred. Unrestricted contributions are recognized as income when received or receivable if the amount to be received can be reasonably estimated and collection is reasonably assured. Endowment contributions are recognized as direct increases in net assets.

#### Measurement uncertainty

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and revenues and expenses for the year reported. Such estimates are periodically reviewed and any adjustments necessary are reported in net assets in the period which they became known. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

#### Donated Services and Goods

No recognition is given within the records for the value of donated services, except as indicated in Note 9. Donated goods, that are used in the normal course of operations and would have otherwise been purchased, are recorded in the financial statements at their fair market value.

#### 4. Mortgage Receivable

The mortgage receivable has been settled in the year 2012 (2011: \$33,355) bore interest at 7.5% per annum, was repayable in blended monthly installments of \$387 based on a 25-year amortization period from 1997 to 2022 and was secured by a charge against real property.

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#### 5. Investments

Investments are held at Canadian brokerage accounts and comprise of fixed income and equity securities traded on major Canadian security exchanges.

#### 6. Property and Equipment

		2012		2011		2012		2011		2012		2011	
	_	(	Cos	t	_		Accumulated Amortization			Net Book Value		-	
Computer equipment	Φ.	42.021	Ф	42.021	Ф	41.045	Φ	41 405	Ф	004	Ф	1.406	
and software	\$	42,831	\$		\$	,	\$	,	\$	984	\$	1,406	
Equipment		74,827		70,011		26,674		15,237		48,153		54,774	
Furniture and fixtures		17,821		16,661		16,674		16,532		1,147		129	
Leasehold and site													
improvements		239,407		239,407		239,407		239,407		-		-	
	\$	374,886	\$	368,910	\$	324,602	\$	312,601	\$	50,284	\$	56,309	

#### 7. Deferred Contributions Related to Projects

During the year, the Association received grants in the amount of \$41,305 (2011: \$75,967) to undertake projects specified by donors. These contributions are deferred and amortized to revenue in the year the expenditures are incurred.

		2012	2011
Balance, beginning of year	\$	12,452 \$	2,180
Project specific grants received		41,305	75,967
Amortization to project expenditures	(	40,559) (	65,695)
Balance, end of year	\$	13,198 \$	12,452

#### 8. License Agreement

The Association occupies property located in Burnaby, B.C. by way of a License Renewal and Modification Agreement ("Agreement") from the Greater Vancouver Regional District ("GVRD"). The Agreement was renewed on July 17, 2006 for a period of five years and terminated on July 16, 2011. As of the term end the Association continues to occupy this property on a month to month basis. Total consideration for the Agreement was ten dollars. All terms and conditions of the initial Agreement apply to the month to month Agreement. The Agreement may be terminated by either party, without cause, on 180 days written notice or on 30 days written notice, with cause, by the GVRD.

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#### 9. Endowment Funds

The Endowment Fund is comprised of contributions from the Lucy Grace Davies Endowment and the Flora Alexandra Gray Endowment. Of the total amount, \$99,124 (2011: \$99,124) has been internally restricted for investment purposes. In the event of liquidation of the Association, the remaining assets of this Fund shall be given to a charitable organization within British Columbia, with similar objectives to the Association and mutually agreed upon by the Board of Directors.

#### 10. Donated Goods

Donated food, medical supplies and animal transportation costs were received by the Association during the year with a determined fair value of \$23,832 (2011: \$19,127). Donated goods have been included in donations revenues and food and medical wildlife care expenses, respectively.

