



# 2008/2009 Annual Report



## Education

Education remains a key issue for Save the Children Canada, because of its ability to provide children and youth with opportunities to see past their current circumstance and equip them to transform their world.

In Burkina Faso, issues such as distance, income, and in the case of young girls, early marriage, all contribute to the concern around a child's right to education. Save the Children Canada is the only international organization working in the Cascades region to increase the access to and quality of relevant basic education for girls and boys. This year, Save the Children provided 25 schools with material support and training in child-centred methodologies. Improving stationery non-formal education programs is also a focus for Save the Children in Burkina Faso.

23% of children in Bolivia, mostly girls, do not complete primary education because schools aren't available and the curriculum is irrelevant to indigenous children living in rural places. This year, Save the Children made school more accessible for 4,000 children and made sure that over 24,000 children affected by flooding got back into school.

Save the Children's *Rewrite the Future* campaign aims to increase access to primary education for 3 million children living in conflict affected countries and improving the quality of education for a total of 8 million children. Save the Children protects children through training on child rights and helps to create a culture of peace for children in the midst of conflict. Save the Children Canada supports *Rewrite the Future* programs in Colombia, Haiti, Sudan and Afghanistan.

2008 was a particularly difficult year for Haiti with three hurricanes that caused considerable damage to school infrastructure, postponed the start of school for many students, and resulted in delays in providing support to communities



that were unreachable. Only 25% of private education services are licensed by the Ministry of Education. Save the Children works in two areas of the country: the urban areas of Port au Prince and the South East Department. Save the Children has partnered with schools to provide training to teachers and school administrators to improve their skills, support the establishment of a second shift in the afternoon for children currently out of school, and distribute school books for children in grades 1-3. Save the Children is also helping to improve school infrastructure based on needs assessment and is constructing a new four classroom school for children in the community of Macary. In total, Save the Children is supporting more than 6,500 children across 165 schools in Haiti.

Afghanistan's primary education enrollment remains low, with a much lower number of girls attending. Save the Children Canada, with funding from CIDA, focuses in the Faryab province to improve the school facilities. A total of 5,710 children have benefited from these particular Save the Children programs, while more than 11,500 students have benefited from improved skills of teachers and headmasters through teacher and management training and the provision of learning materials.

Colombia is a significant focus country for Save the Children Canada, as it continues to be plagued by violence, preventing children from growing up in a safe and healthy environment. Save the Children Canada leads the *Rewrite the Future* campaign, and steadily promotes the right of children to an education which, even in the midst of crisis, protects them from the risks caused by conflict and displacement. This gives them an opportunity to reconstruct their lives and overcome the damaging effects of violence. In Colombia, *Rewrite the Future* has provided 116,443 children with higher quality education. This has been achieved through teacher training, improvements to school infrastructure, and providing textbooks and supplies. Additionally, Save the Children has advocated for national attention to safety in schools and enhancements to the national curriculum to address gender inequality and help build children's skills in conflict resolution.

In Kenya, Early Childhood Education (ECE) is a requirement for entry into primary education. Children who are internally displaced are at greater risk of missing out on basic education because they do not have access to an ECE program. In the past year, Save the Children



helped 8 schools to construct ECE classrooms that were equipped with furniture, learning materials, gender-sensitive sanitation facilities and outdoor play areas in the Maru Central District. More than 500 children from poor and very poor communities are now enjoying improved and safe learning environments. To help internally displaced families around Nairobi, Save the Children renovated classrooms, provided uniforms and necessary school supplies and gave girls female hygiene products – an essential part of reducing the dropout rate for girls as they can then attend school throughout the month. More than 900 children around Nairobi experienced benefits to their education because of Save the Children's work.

The national HIV and AIDS scenario is grim and challenging in Kenya, with millions of children orphaned. Children are often the head of households, taking on responsibilities well beyond their years. The country's Ministry of Health has made the prevention of HIV a priority particularly in youth aged 15-24. Save the Children Canada is a forerunner in programming in this area by developing and engaging peer educators, youth-led groups and encouraging the creation of community based organizations (CBO). The Total Care Initiative (TCI) implemented by Save the Children Canada covers the whole range of services for those affected by HIV and AIDS: training, education, voluntary counselling and treatment, outreach and home-based service delivery and livelihood support. More people than ever are

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## Message from the CEO and the Chair of the Board

She was as poised and articulate as any high school valedictorian in Canada. In a strong and steady voice, with no hint of stage fright in spite of an audience of more than 500, she talked about the work she and her friends have been doing to make her school a place of peace – helping with the PTA, improving conflict-resolution skills, starting a landmines awareness club. But we weren't in Canada; we were in Pasto, Colombia, where the last remnants of Colombia's fifty year-long war still rage. This young woman was telling a group of concerned citizens how she and Save the Children are working to build a peaceful future in a conflict-ravaged part of the world.

When we consider the people Save the Children works with, she is certainly not alone in her courage and commitment in the face of overwhelming odds. We are fortunate to work with partners from around the world who are making a profound difference in the lives of children.

2008-2009 was a year of stable and encouraging progress for Save the Children Canada. We broadened our financial base both from private donors and from government and institutional grants. We improved our co-ordination and our integration with the International Save the Children Alliance and, in so doing, had greater impact more efficiently on behalf of children in need around the world. It was a year when the risks and hardship faced by children remained daunting, but when our ability to address those challenges improved markedly.

In 2008-2009, Save the Children faced a major storm when responding to Cyclone Nargis in Myanmar, a storm that affected some 2.4 million people. We were in a unique position to help, since, through the International Save

the Children Alliance, we were the International Non-Governmental Organization with the largest operation on the ground in the country. 500,000 people benefited from Save the Children's response; an excellent example of how a global movement can come together to take action in ways that we, in Canada, never could if we operated on our own.

As well as our excellent response to emergencies, making positive changes long-lasting and sustainable is a crucial part of our mandate. Advocating for change is one of the important ways we do this. When we can show governments the success of our methods, when we can encourage them to change laws so that they benefit children, then we are complementing our work at the community level in a way that will make our efforts longer lasting and build a generation of change. From a forum with business and government on cocoa and child labour, to a conference with peace negotiators on how education builds peace, we showed world leaders how they can help make a better world for children.

Save the Children Canada this year celebrated diversity, children and the power of art at Rideau Hall in the nation's capital, along with our partners, the Emily Carr Institute of Art and Design and Arts Umbrella. An exhibit of art created by children celebrating identity went on display for all visitors to Rideau Hall to enjoy. The year closed with a wonderful letter from the office of the Governor General, Her Excellency the Right Honourable Michaëlle Jean, indicating that she will become Patron of Save the Children Canada for the duration of her term of office.

As an organization that supports the rights of all children, we also support activities in Canada,

where our partners help some of Canada's most marginalized children. This year we began supporting efforts of the Innu Nation of northern Quebec, to promote the use of their language and culture, so that their children will have a strong and positive cultural identity to use as a springboard to interact with the wider world.

As the year progressed we continued our efforts to improve our efficiency and effectiveness for children by working more closely with other members of the Save the Children Alliance. We are sharing and streamlining our administrative costs, and, by working together, we have a global presence which means both our fundraising (with global partners like IKEA and Scholastic Publishing) and our advocacy activities at the United Nations and at Global Summits have a much greater impact on the lives of children.

Thank you for your ongoing support.

*David Morley*



David Morley  
President and CEO

*Bill Chambers*



Bill Chambers  
Chair of the Board

## HIV and AIDS



A member of Save the Children's mobile clinic examines a child who was affected by Cyclone Nargis in Myanmar, 2008

While the figures continue to be staggering, Save the Children is seeing a positive change in the lives of the children who benefit from the HIV and AIDS programs around the world.

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seeking this assistance and wide-scale awareness has meant less stigma around HIV and AIDS, resulting in a greater number of people going to health care workers for help. Save the Children Canada organized an HIV testing service that attracted nearly 550 people. Of these, 20 women and 41 men were found to be positive, allowing them to address the issue, begin treatment and prevent the disease from spreading.

Even though Burkina Faso has a lower prevalence rate of HIV and AIDS in the region, it is still high enough to be a concern for the welfare of children and youth. Because it is a hub for migration, Burkina Faso is an area extremely susceptible to the transmission of HIV and sexually transmitted diseases (STD). Save the Children Canada is working to reduce children's vulnerability to HIV and AIDS by providing voluntary counselling and treatment, outreach and home-based service delivery and livelihood support. More people than ever are

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by 77%, allowing Save the Children Canada and its partners to care for an even greater number of people.

In Bolivia, HIV and AIDS is a growing problem with high rates of Bolivians migrating to neighbouring countries for work where the rate of infection is higher, yet it is not recognized as an important issue by society or government. In the past year, Save the Children trained more than 200 children and youth as peer-to-peer educators to promote healthy sexuality and the prevention of HIV and AIDS. As well, Save the Children Canada organized and participated in over 100 educational fairs and campaigns to educate the public. In rural areas where many migrants come from, Save the Children worked to share information on HIV and AIDS, as this is where the issue is least discussed.

A primary component of Save the Children Canada's HIV and AIDS prevention program in Nicaragua is advocacy, including consultations with civil society, community leaders and church organizations to promote the use of condoms as a safe and secure method to prevent early and unwanted pregnancies, sexually transmitted diseases, and HIV. One of the main pillars of this advocacy, and to Save the Children programs in general, is the involvement and leadership of youth in lobbying and mobilization activities.

## Supporter News



Joanna made a difference.

Eleven-year old Joanna wanted to make a difference in the world and came across Save the Children Canada while searching the internet. Joanna took on the task of raising funds and awareness to help better the lives of children with two innovative events at her school in St. Albert, Alberta. Joanna created and sold packets of 'Snowman Soup' which were comprised of hot chocolate mix, marshmallows, chocolate and a candy cane stir stick. Joanna also drew bookmarks with sayings like, 'The more you read the smarter you get' and 'Reading a book can take you away to worlds of mystery'. Overall, Joanna raised over \$150 for Save the Children Canada and the hopes to continue fundraising, while inspiring others to do the same. The money raised was designated to our projects in Bolivia that are part of a Canadian Government matching grant program, where the funds are matched in a ratio of 2:1. The \$150 raised by Joanna translated into over \$600 in the field, meaning she was able to help many children through her fundraising efforts.



Sylvia and Doreen made a difference.

Sylvia Duff and Doreen Rowe have been volunteers with Save the Children Canada since 1963 and 1973, respectively. They have been working together since the 1970s in Richmond, B.C., to raise funds and awareness for Save the Children Canada. From garden parties to old stamp sales, knitting sales and bake sales, these two volunteers continue to demonstrate their dedication to the organization. "Whatever you give as a volunteer, you get back in many ways", explains Doreen Rowe as she talks about her rewarding experience. Sylvia's passion for the cause has been key to her continued involvement. In her words, "I love Save the Children Canada".

## The Holiday Card Campaign made a difference.

Since 2004 Bernie Altshuler and Soni Pancham have worked tirelessly to spearhead a successful Holiday Card Campaign. The two volunteers from Kingston, Ontario, have been at the helm of the project and do not leave a stone unturned when selling Holiday Cards to raise funds for Save the Children Canada. Through the tremendous efforts of Bernie and Soni, together with the support for the Campaign by our many donors who purchase the cards, over \$75,000 has been raised.



The Trekkers made a difference.

In Spring 2009 a group of nine people answered the call to participate in a one-in-a-lifetime adventure for Save the Children Canada. It was a 10-day trip to Peru that featured a 40 km trek along the Inca Trail arriving at Machu Picchu. Each participant paid their own expenses and also had to raise at least \$3000 in pledges to support Save the Children programs in Latin America.

## Emergency Relief

Emergencies hit the poorest communities and most vulnerable people the hardest. Children are most at risk. Natural disasters are increasing in their frequency and their severity, quadrupling over the past two decades. Globally, in an average year, natural disasters affect the lives of 250 million people. In 2008 alone, more than 230,000 people lost their lives in more than 300 disasters, making Save the Children's work that much more imperative. Conflicts destroy the lives of children and their communities. Death, injury, deprivation, and attacks against civilians are ongoing in many of the places where Save the Children works.

Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR) involves working with communities to help people prepare for and reduce the impact of disasters. Save the Children has pioneered new methods in child-centred DRR that give children more control over their future. Activities that children get involved in include mapping community risks and resources, creating contingency plans and raising awareness amongst their peers, families and communities. DRR programs have been taking place in Sri Lanka, Indonesia and India – countries that were severely affected by the 2004 Tsunami.

Haiti was struck by four tropical storms in less than one month. All ten geographic departments in Haiti were seriously hit and affected over 250,000 families. Save the Children was able to reach more than 12,400 of the most vulnerable families with household items such as blankets, mattresses, sheets and kitchen supplies, water and hygiene kits, which enable families to survive the first months after the disaster.

The Sichuan earthquake in China claimed the lives of approximately 70,000 people, left nearly 20,000 missing, injured over 360,000 adults and children and destroyed the homes of more than 11 million people. Save the Children knows

that providing education in emergencies is an essential way to help children handle the terrible experience of disaster and conflict. Save the Children has been able to reach 11,579 children and 363 teachers with education activities by providing school supplies and equipment. Kindergarten classrooms, a total of 49 of them, were supplied in time for the school term and teachers were provided with specialized training to help the children cope with the trauma they had suffered.

In the past year, children in Burkina Faso faced a rising crisis of malnutrition, both chronic and acute. Save the Children responded by providing care for severely and moderately malnourished children. The project benefited 4,230 children while over 700 staff and volunteers were trained in the identification and treatment of malnourished children. The project is continuing in 2009 for a second phase.

After presidential election results were disputed in December 2007, widespread violence erupted in Kenya resulting in approximately 600,000 people displaced and over 1,200 killed. With funding from the Canadian government, in 2008 Save the Children expanded its support for children and communities affected by the conflict, with programming in child protection and education. The team worked on preventing family separation, and establishing child referral systems. Save the Children established temporary learning facilities and child-friendly spaces, facilitated the integration of displaced children into schools, and distributed education supplies to 200 schools and temporary learning spaces benefiting 20,073 violence-affected children, of whom 9,120 were displaced.

A brutal conflict has been raging in Darfur, Sudan since 2003, resulting in the displacement of millions of people, deaths of thousands, and the massive destruction of resources. In 2008, the situation in Darfur further deteriorated due



to the intensification of the proxy war between Chad and Sudan. With support from CIDA, the Children implemented emergency water, sanitation and nutrition projects in West Darfur with the aim of reducing mortality and morbidity in children. Save the Children provided sustained access to safe water by operating and maintaining water yards, repairing hand pumps, and installing new water sources. For better sanitation, Save the Children installed household latrines, disseminated hygiene and sanitation information and trained Water and Environmental Sanitation committees. The response also included working with the Sudanese Ministry of Health to train staff and operate therapeutic feeding centres for malnourished children.

Children in the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC) face gross violations of their basic human rights. Save the Children, with funding from CIDA, is responding to meet the emergency sanitation and protection needs of children affected by the conflict. In 2008, we rehabilitated schools, constructed latrines and distributed essential school supplies. By the end of the year, over 6,600 children were being supported with school kits, and 720 students were benefiting from accelerated learning classes specifically designed for children at particular risk of recruitment into armed forces.

More than 130,000 people, including tens of thousands of children, died or disappeared while more than 1 million people lost their homes when Cyclone Nargis tore through the southern Myanmar on May 2-3, 2008. In the months following the cyclone, Save the Children was able to mount one of the largest emergency responses in its history. In its first year, the emergency health program reached over 120,000 and the education program more than 142,000. Over 500,000 people, nearly one-quarter of them children, who were most affected by the storm have been assisted this year in the wake of the cyclone through Save the Children programs.

## Child Protection

More than 1 in 5 children aged 5-14 in Bolivia work, but this figure is actually much higher when it includes children working in agriculture and alongside their parents. The contribution of children to the family economy is crucial to their well-being but they run the risk of being exploited in a country where there is little official recognition on child labour. In addition to offering school support and supplies, Save the Children also trained child workers in their rights and how to claim them. Save the Children helped these child workers organize themselves by supporting the national network of working children when they advocated the government to include the protection of child labourers in the new political constitution – which was approved this year by national referendum.

Haiti continues to struggle with ensuring the safety of children as violence affects many families throughout the country. One of Save the Children's goals is to ensure that schools supported by us are safe for children. One of the strategies to achieve this is to encourage parent participation in the school through the establishment and mobilization of Parent Committees. Another strategy is the establishment of Child Rights Clubs in each school. In Port au Prince, Save the Children has established 6 child rights clubs. In the South East, Save the Children is supporting 40 child rights clubs. In total, 4,337 children are benefiting from increased awareness of their rights, skills in leadership and project

management, extracurricular activities including sports events, and the collaborative development of Codes of Conduct for schools. Save the Children is also active on two NGO networks working on child protection issues, including the Collectif Centre Trafic des Enfants et Femmes, and RITER, a network concerned with working children in street situations. Traditionally, children in West Africa have migrated to seek employment or economic opportunities within their own countries or across the porous borders to neighbouring countries. Often children will find themselves in vulnerable situations and at risk of being exploited and abused or even trafficked. Through regional awareness campaigns and advocacy work, Save the Children Canada has increased awareness of harmful child work among children and duty bearers, including communities and authorities. Save the Children Canada has also played an important role in ensuring increased government attention and action on the worst forms of child labour by the National Governments of Burkina Faso and Mali.



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## One Child's Success Story

"Every day is a new opportunity." ~ Pedro, 13, Colombia

Even though he has survived abuse, domestic violence and continues to live in poverty, Pedro has a lease on life that is positive and powerful.

"I am changing lives. I can change how people think."

"We are not poor, we just have to struggle harder to get the things we want."

Pedro talks about how this program, which is teaching children how to communicate through writing in a school newspaper, is changing how people think and act by having hope for a stronger community. He finally feels like he is a part of something.

For children like Pedro, a better future means peace, security and a way out of poverty. Save the Children Canada is committed to making that future a reality.

At 13, he is wise beyond his years. Save the Children Canada supports a school program in Bogota, Colombia where children like Pedro in low income neighbourhoods plagued by violence and drug trafficking are given the opportunity to develop their skills and work towards a better future for themselves.

# A Changing World

**CANADA**  
There is a real danger that the Innu Language, Innu-aimen, will become extinct as many children and youth in the Innu communities of Quebec and Labrador cannot speak the language. Save the Children Canada helped produce nine preschool books written by Innu teachers and other community members in the Innu language.

**HAITI**  
Only 29% of children aged 4-12 in Haiti, one of the poorest countries in the world, go to school. Save the Children supported setting up a second shift at select partner schools so that children currently out of school could access education.

**NICARAGUA**  
In Nicaragua many children are denied the right to an education because there are not enough official schools. As a result of Save the Children Canada's program, children in the Autonomous Region of the North Atlantic who would have to drop out of school before grade 3 are attending alternative schools in rural communities.

**COLOMBIA**  
Forced displacement in Colombia today affects 3.5 million people, which is 8% of Colombia's population. Approximately 15% of them are children and women. Save the Children Canada is helping about 40,000 children in Colombia who live in situations of conflict to attend school and get a higher quality of education.

**PERU**  
The majority of indigenous children in Peru can only access low quality public schools and therefore have far fewer opportunities than other children in the country. Save the Children has helped over 338 teachers improve their skills, and over 4,500 primary school students have directly benefited from education-related support.

**BOLIVIA**  
Official reports claim that 32% of children aged 5-14 work, but the actual number is much higher. Save the Children has ensured school support for 100 working children and provided them with after-school centres, homework support and school supplies.

**EUROPE**  

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- LATVIA
- ESTONIA

**WEST AFRICA**  
Children in West Africa grapple with the hopes of finding work and chances for a better life, making them very vulnerable to those who would like to take advantage of their situation. Over 18,000 children in Mali, Guinea and Burkina Faso benefited from Save the Children Canada project to help keep them safe.

**BURKINA FASO**  
Approximately 40% of children in Burkina Faso have no access to school. Because of Save the Children Canada, more than 800 vulnerable students are better equipped with writing materials and lamps in order to learn and study both at school and home.

**DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF CONGO**  
Due to violence that has been ongoing for 40 years, children have been separated from their families, exposed to horrifying situations, lost family members, been abducted and forced to join the fighting. Save the Children, with funding from CIDA, is responding to meet the emergency sanitation and protection needs of children through activities aimed specifically for children at risk of recruitment into armed forces.

**INDIA**  
In 2008, approximately 1 million people, including over 2 million children, in Bihar state were affected by the worst floods in 53 years. Save the Children supported children's safety and well-being through establishing "Child-Friendly Spaces" for children aged 5-14. They are provided with psychological support, life skills such as basic literacy, activities to help children express their emotions and a safe place to play.

**INDONESIA**  
On December 26, 2004, a 9.3 magnitude earthquake off the coast of Indonesia triggered a series of tsunami waves between 3 and 10 metres high, causing unprecedented destruction in more than a dozen countries across Asia and East Africa. Save the Children is working with schools and communities in Aceh, Indonesia in order to ensure that people understand the risks they face and are now better prepared to respond when disasters occur.

**AFGHANISTAN**  
The average ratio of children to trained teachers in the Faraj Province is 54 to 1, and only 84 out of 319 schools have a building. Save the Children Canada is providing learning spaces, teacher resources, school desks, hygienic bathrooms and wells for washing and safe drinking water.

**CHINA**  
Over 45 million people were affected by the Sichuan earthquake that claimed approximately 70,000 lives. It was the most natural disaster to strike China in over 30 years. Children under the age of 5 have benefited from Save the Children's health interventions through the distribution of health and hygiene items, training doctor and community health volunteers, providing basic medical equipment and establishing "Baby Care Centers" where mother bring their babies for bathing, food, hygiene supplies and awareness on basic health issues.

**PAKISTAN**  
All schools were destroyed in an area of Pakistan that was severely affected by a gigantic earthquake in 2005. More than 10,000 children benefited from Save the Children providing school supplies and equipment such as furniture, sports kits, books, computers, printers and teaching kits.

**MYANMAR**  
Official figures put the death toll of the May 3, 2008 Cyclone Nargis at an estimated 140,000 dead and 2.4 million people severely affected by the cyclone. Children represent about 45% of this number. With CIDA's support, Save the Children responded on a massive scale with health, hygiene, nutrition, education and child protection interventions, reaching more than 500,000.

**SRILANKA**  
Children in most state and private institutions - orphanages - are deprived of necessary physical and emotional care and are often subjected to abuse and/or neglect. Save the Children has been working with the government to improve child protection and welfare services.

**ETHIOPIA**  
Even though law has been passed, gender inequality continues to exist in Ethiopia, resulting in a gap in the quality of life between men and women. Save the Children Canada is working with the Ministry of Women's Affairs to produce a set of guidelines that will be used across Ethiopia to help women have a stronger voice in the work of Non-Government Organizations and the government itself.

**KENYA**  
An estimated 2.2 million children in Kenya have been orphaned by the HIV and AIDS pandemic. Of these, 150,000 are living with HIV and AIDS. Save the Children Canada's programs support guardians and communities to take care of orphaned and vulnerable children by teaching life skills, sexual health and the prevention of infection and providing basic necessities for families to survive and care a livelihood.

**MISSION**  
Save the Children fights for children's rights. We deliver immediate and lasting improvements to children's lives worldwide.

**VISION**  
Save the Children works for:  

- A world that respects and values each child
- A world that listens to children and learns
- A world where all children have hope and opportunity

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