# PEOPLE WITH AIDS foundation

399 Church Street, 2nd Floor, Toronto, Ontario M5B 2J6 t 416-506-1400 f 416-506-1404 www.pwatorocnto.org

Charitable Registration #: 13111 3151 RR0001

## More than you expect.

TORONTO PEOPLE WITH AIDS FOUNDATION
ANNUAL REPORT 2005/2006

Services.

community
diversity
algnity
rejuvenation

## 2005/2006

36,400 meals were provided for people living with HIV/AIDS who were unable to shop and prepare their own meals

Speakers Bureau Volunteers shared their experience of living with HIV at 226 venues

76% of Treatment Access clients successfully obtained long-term drug coverage

Statement of Operations for the year ended March 31		
Revenue Grants Fundraising and donations - bike rally Fundraising and donations - general Financial assistance contributions Interest Administrative fees, honoraria and other	2006 747,409 666,631 358,628 138,682 13,331 7,659	2005 922,315 597,311 333,706 81,551 10,408 21,302
Total Revenue  Expenses Client Services	1,932,340	1,966,593
Food For Life meal program Benefits and assistance case management Long-term care Health Promotion Volunteer services Education - Speakers' Bureau Food Programs Treatment access resources Treatment resources General Co-ordination of services for Women Africa/Caribbean	218,545 209,505 126,325 79,602 68,832 53,415 40,368 34,295 9,077 45,071 839,964	237,580 245,169 115,615 97,467 108,627 72,888 80,007
Financial assistance Medical disability Supplementary therapies fund Medical assistance Trillium co-payment Family Christmas gift certificates Positive children Program materials and supplies Total Program expenses	122,386 63,299 52,138 45,687 10,500 5,200 136 299,346 1,139,310	99,669 47,961 50,295 42,712 10,000 3,800 1,166 255,603 1,258,027
General Fundraising - bike rally Administration Fundraising Communications Expenses funded by one time grants Strategic alliance  Total expenses	316,557 206,044 178,620 86,040 15,533 802,794 1,942,104	278,861 102,207 106,232 103,581 71,980 33,070 695,931 1,953,958
Excess (deficiency) of revenue over expenses	(9,764)	12,635

#### Statement of Changes in Net Assets for the year ended March 31

otatomone or onangeo in recensorio ioi ano ye	2006			2005	
	Invested in Property and Equipment	Internally Restricted for Organizational		Total	Total
Net Assets, beginning of year	53,719	204,000	36,963	294,682	282,047
Excess (deficiency) of revenue over expenses	(27,178)		17,414	(9,764)	12,635
Invested in property and equipment Net Assets, end of year	75,492 102,033	204,000	(75,492) (21,115)	284,918	294,682

## Auditors' Report

To the Members of Toronto People with AIDS Foundation

## the only constant is change

David Church, President, Board of Directors

We have audited the balance sheet of Toronto People with AIDS Foundation (the "Foundation") as at March 31, 2006 and the statements of operations, changes in net assets and cash flows for the year then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Foundation's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

Except as explained in the following paragraph, we conducted our audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that we 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 common with many not-for-profit organizations, the Foundation derives revenue from fundraising and donations, the completeness of which is not susceptible to satisfactory audit verification.

Accordingly, our verification of these revenues was limited to the amounts recorded in the records of the Foundation and we were unable to determine whether any adjustments for unrecorded revenue might be necessary to fundraising and donations revenue, excess (deficiency) of revenue over expenses and net assets.

In our opinion, except for the effect of any adjustments which might have been required had we been able to satisfy ourselves with respect to the completeness of fundraising and donation revenue referred to in the preceding paragraph, these financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Foundation as at March 31, 2006 and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian generally accepted accounting principles.



Balance Sheet as at March 31	2006	2005
ASSETS Cash Marketable securities Accounts receivable Prepaid expenses	71,796 377,317 6,208 <u>36,050</u> 491,371	107,611 270,242 64,972 62,100 504,925
Property and equipment	102,033 593,404	<u>53,719</u> <u>558,644</u>
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS Accounts payable and accrued liabilities Deferred contributions	110,547 197,939 308,486	85,656 178,306 263,962
Net Assets Invested in property and equipment Internally restricted for organizational development Unrestricted	102,033 204,000 (21,115) 284,918 593,404	53,719 204,000 36,963 294,682 558,644

n the same evening that I had planned to write this contribution to our Annual Report, I was introduced to someone who had served on the Board of the Toronto People With AIDS Foundation nearly two decades ago. He described some of the challenges in those early chaotic days, when the Foundation operated out of donated office space, had an annual budget of just \$15,000 and had no paid staff, just a group of community members. They were inspired by the desperate need to do something—anything—to help people with HIV/AIDS continue living independently and with dignity.

So much has changed since then. We are staffed with committed employees, who are knowledgeable and competent in their individual duties and responsibilities. We have computers and sophisticated management and reporting systems unimaginable back in 1987. A Development department focuses on obtaining grants, donations, fundraising, and managing successful special events such as the Friends for Life Bike Rally and Pie in the Sky. Our annual budget has grown to \$2,000,000. We have responded to the changing needs of our clients over the years, and to the broad diversity of the clients we now serve. We now provide a wide range of programs and services to thousands of people each year, making us the largest direct support service agency for people living with HIV/AIDS in Canada. Our involvement with the AIDS 2006 Conference in August 2006 attests to our leadership role among AIDS related organizations. And yet so little has changed. Despite medical advances which

have prolonged the lives of many PWAs, simply surviving and functioning is a daily challenge for too many of our clients. Financial restraints continue to restrict our ability to fully meet the needs of our clients or to introduce new programs and expanded services which would benefit their lives. 25 years after the disease was identified, there remains a social stigma surrounding HIV/AIDS, which still fosters some discrimination and apathy among the general public.

An old cliché states that the only constant is change, and the evolution of the Foundation certainly confirms that. Over the past year alone, we have seen several long-time and superb employees depart for new personal opportunities, hired staff, and welcomed four new Board members.

But despite all the changes, I believe that there are, and will always be, some essential constants to the Foundation. We are truly fortunate to have hundreds of committed volunteers donate their valuable time and energy to assist us in the critical work we do. Hundreds more participate in events such as the Bike Rally, raising a large portion of the funds we depend on to provide our programs and services. Government funders, corporation supporters and sponsors, foundations, community partners and individual donors see the need, and support our work.

On behalf of the Board and our clients, thank you for your continued support.

## More than you expect.

Murray Jose, Executive Director

aking a positive difference is always going to be the phrase or tag line that is most meaninful to the Toronto People With AIDS Foundation and all that we do. However, occasionally, we create supplemental communication campaigns for specific reasons. During the 2005-2006 program/fiscal year, we introduced the "More than you expect" campaign with explanations of how the agency was more than you expect in the areas of rejuvenation, community, diversity, services and dignity. This campaign was created because we recognized that in the previous 2 years community awareness of the agency and what we do had declined. Public awareness of the agency can impact client referrals, volunteer recruitment, community involvement and donor support — all of which are essential for us to provide effective programs and services.

Throughout the year, rejuvenation occurred internally in significant ways that strengthened our capacity. We significantly increased our volunteer training and appreciation activities recognizing that volunteers play a critical role in the work that we do. Providing effective training and development opportunities to our over 200 volunteers helped to ensure that they had the skills they needed to assist in program delivery. Obviously, we also feel it's important to make sure they know how much we appreciated the support they provided.

Enhanced **services** last year included the health promotion programs with the addition of a fourth massage school and new Reiki practitioners. We reviewed and finalized a plan for our treatment programs and the opportunity that CATIE had identified for us to reenergize our focus on treatment resources and face to face consultations. The HIV Medication Treatment Access Program

expanded with the capacity to promote the service outside the GTA. We also worked hard to improve the physical space where we serve clients. A grant was received to renovate some of the office space to make the reception area and activity centre brighter, more inviting and functional. In addition, the renovations allowed us to create 2 designated treatment rooms for our health promotion programs.

**Community** partnerships also increased with the Toronto Community Planning Initiative providing impetus for creating a more effective regional response to HIV/AIDS. Specific partnerships included initial discussions as a pilot site for a standardized database system being created by the Ontario HIV Treatment Network. We participated and continue to work on a community wellness project sponsored by ACT which will be looking at current wellness programs in Toronto offered to people living with HIV/AIDS and how we might strengthen and build on them. We also began reviewing possibilities for creating simplified intake processes for clients that access services with both PWA and ACT. Partnerships with Asian Community AIDS Services and 2-Spirited People of the 1st Nations allowed us to increase the diversity of experiences shared through the Speakers' Bureau.

As we look back on the 2005-2006 year, it's clear that by offering practical support services to people living with HIV/AIDS, the Toronto People With AIDS Foundation continued to support people's efforts to live well and with dignity. The agency was not only more than you expect but was also making a positive difference for our clients.

## thank you for your support

Pet Value (Carlton Street) Pfizer Canada Inc. Pizza Pizza Premiere Magazine Procor Limited **RBC Financial Group Reim Custom Paints** Rotary Club of Toronto Forest Hill Royal Canadian Legion BR78 Rubbermaid S & S Productions Inc. Smith Nixon & Co LLP Spa Excess Spearhead L.D.S.C. Inc. Starbucks (Front Street) Small Wonders Pet Emporium Standard Telecom Brokers Ltd. The Farm Inc. The Village Pharmacy **TICOT Social Society** Timex Canada Inc. Timothy's Tondif Investors Inc. **Tridel Condominium Corporation** Tyco Electronics Canada Limited United Way of Greater Toronto Wenger's Limited Woody's / Sailor Woody's on Church

#### **Program Partnerships**

2 Spirited People of the 1st Nations 519 Church Street Community Centre AIDS Committee of Toronto Alliance for South Asian Prevention Amherst Veterinary Hospital Banks Animal Hospital Beaches Animal Hospital Bloor Animal Hospital Canadian College of Naturopathic Medicine Casey House CDI College Coxwell Animal Clinic Daily Bread Food Bank Danforth Vet Clinic Elmcrest College Fife House Kikkawa College

Mid Toronto Community Services Second Harvest Sherbourne Health Centre Southerland-Chan

Community Partners Canadian Gay Open Canadian Union of Public Employees Crews - Tango Community Partners Fund, AIDS Committee of **Toronto** CUPE Local 3358 **Gallery Fontaine** Home + Style studio tour & sale International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers LU 353 Marshall McLuhan CSS Mr. Leatherman Toronto Competition Inc. Planned Parenthood of Toronto Screww Sherbourne health Centre Steamworks The Dorothy Ley Hospice The Works **Thunderstar Presents TICOT Social Society** Toronto French School Toronto Historical Bowling Society Trax V - Purple Tiger **Woodbine Animal Clinic** Woody's on Church Zelda's Restaurant Zipperz-Cellblock

And a big thank you to the over 4000 individuals who make contributions to the Toronto People With AIDS Foundation by participating in our events and making donations throughout the year!

## thank you for your support

### who we are

#### **Government Funders**

AIDS Bureau, Ministry of Health & Long Term Care, Ontario

Long Term Care Division, Ministry of Health & Long Term Care, Ontario

> AIDS Community Action Program, Public Health Agency of Canada

Community Services Grants Program, City of Toronto

AIDS Prevention Grants Program, Toronto Public Health

## Foundations BMO Foundation of Hope George Lunan Foundation

HBC Foundation
J. P. Bickell Foundation
M.A.C. AIDS Fund
Mazon Canada, a Jewish Response to Hunger
Nathan and Lily Silver Family Foundation
Ontario Trillium Foundation
Tayhold Foundation
The BLG Foundation
The John C. and Sally Horsfall Eaton
Foundation

## Toronto Community Foundation Corporate & Community Supporters

1291442 Ontario Lmt.
15068658 Ontario Inc.
ACI Worldwide (Canada) Inc.
AGF Funds Inc.
Agilysys Canada Inc.
AIDS Committee of Toronto, Community
Partners Fund
AXA Insurance Canada
BW International Inc. (IBWW)
Beaches Development (Phase V) Corporation
Inc.
Bristol – Myers Squibb
Cadillac Fairview
Cadillac Fairview (Toronto Eaton Centre)

Carmen, Inc.

CIBC Mellon Context Development Inc. Cycle Therapy D.Q.I. Design Quorum Incorporated Danforth Veterinary Clinic E\*Trade Canada Securities Corporation Enbridge Gas Distribution İnc. **Ernst & Young** Famous Players Media George's Play GlaxoSmithKline in partnership with Shire Biochem Glen Erin Eglinton Developments (Phase 1) Inc. Goldman Holdings LTD Goodlife Fitness Clubs Goodman & Company Hair of the Dog Havana House Cigar & Tobacco Hawthorne Realty Advisors Inc. Home + Style Tour and Sale In Flame Fireplaces Inc. International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers John Emery Geotechnical Engineering Limited Know Your Body Best Le Grand Circuit Le Petit Liban Mackenzie Financial Mayrix Fund Management Inc. M15 Digital Communications Inc. Metropolitan Community Church of Toronto Midore Moksha Yoga Danforth Monarel Media Music City Merchandise Napolean Fireplaces & Gas Grills National Ballet of Canada Neinsein & Associates LLP **New Durham Trading** No Fear Publishing Ltd. Oakvill Audio Inc. Oliver House Corbett Residential Care Inc. Ontario AIDS Network, Postive Action Fund\*

\*(M•A•C AIDS Fund, OPSEU SEFPO.

Pfizer, Merck Frosst, F.K. Morrow Foundation and J.P. Bickell Foundation)

Paramount Canada's Wonderland

Staff as at March 31, 2006 Murray Jose Executive Director

Suzanne Paddock Director of Programs & Services

Hamal Docter
Director of Development &
Communications

Richard Durk Interim Director of Finance & Administration

Ryan Bureyko
Paul Landers,
Nitto Marquez
Rajesh Pisharody
Benefits & Assistance Case Managers

Mark Gilmore Food for Life Coordinator

Meera Dhebar Program Coordinator Claudia Medina Speakers Bureau Coordinator

> Wendy Robbins Volunteer Coordinator

Llewellyn Goddard Treatment Resources Coordinator

Scott Cheslock Special Events Coordinator

> Le Thai Ly Office Coordinator

Board of Directors as at March 31, 2006

David Church, President'
Alan Stewart, Vice President
Mina Hunt, Treasurer
Bob Sirman
James Anok
Michelle Borthwick
Helen Daley
Victor Inigo

#### Mission Statement

The Toronto People With AIDS Foundation exists to promote the health and well being of all people living with HIV/AIDS by providing accessible, direct, and practical support services

5387
people living with HIV/AIDS received practical support from PWA last year

## Programs & Services

What we're doing to make a positive difference

 $\begin{array}{c} 45000 + \\ \text{volunteer hours were were needed to} \\ \text{help us deliver these programs and services} \end{array}$ 

Financial burdens, social stigmas and health problems make it difficult for men, women and children living with HIV / AIDS to access the things they need to live independently. The Toronto People With AIDS Foundation provides a large variety of services to people living with HIV / AIDS in the Greater Toronto Area (GTA). These programs are aimed at making life a little easier for them, for little or no cost.

#### TREATMENT PROGRAMS

#### Treatment Access

The Treatment Access Program enables people living with HIV / AIDS to acquire the medications they need.

- Access to Medications. Through Treatment Access, people can acquire medications on a short term basis, while we help them gain long-term access to the medications.
- Drug Coverage. Drug coverage is necessary for most people to offset the cost of expensive HIV medications. Treatment Access provides people living with HIV / AIDS with information on public and private health insurance and helps them access the program that best suits their needs.
- Medical Care. Specialized medical attention is very important for men, women and children living with HIV / AIDS. The Treatment Access Program provides assistance with finding HIV specialists in the GTA.
- Medical Marijuana. Medical Marijuana is a treatment option for people with HIV / AIDS who suffer side effects such as pain, nausea and wasting. We provide information on medical marijuana and how to access it through Treatment Access

#### Treatment Resources

People living with HIV / AIDS can get important information on the treatments and resources available.

We produce booklets, conduct workshops, hold public forums and provide confidential consultation about treatment options in person and over the phone.

#### FOOD PROGRAMS

At any given time, an estimated 250-300 people living with HIV / AIDS in Toronto do not receive the nutrition their bodies need. Proper nutrition is vital to long-term survival of HIV and AIDS.

#### Food Bank

The Toronto People With AIDS Foundation Food Bank is the only food bank in Toronto that exclusively serves people living with HIV / AIDS. Twice a month, clients can pick up staple food items such as bread, milk, fresh produce, cereal, canned goods and baking supplies as well as pet food. A newsletter is available highlighting nutritional information on food bank items and healthy recipes. We do our best to cater to special needs as well. We have a Family Box, baby items and we're happy to accommodate special diets based on what we have available. The food bank is open on Wednesdays from 4-7 p.m. and Thursdays from 12-4 p.m. On Wednesdays, the Sherbourne Health Bus parks outside the food bank, providing our clients with basic medical care and personal hygiene items.

#### Food for Life Meal Delivery Program

The Food for Life program provides fresh, nutritious meals to homebound men, women and children living with HIV / AIDS. Since it was founded in 2002, Food for Life has served more than 200 people in the Greater Toronto Area. Food for Life is a fee for

service program, which means clients pay a nominal amount to access this service. No one will be turned away if they cannot afford the fee. Clients will need a doctor's referral to participate in Food for Life. Once part of the program, they receive a menu and choose their weekly meals from 43 entrees, 14 soups and 18 desserts. Special diet meals are also available through Food for Life. The frozen meals are delivered once a week.

#### **HEALTH PROMOTION**

The Toronto People With AIDS Foundation Health Promotion program offers a wide variety of services that are aimed at improving the physical, social and emotional well-being of our clients.

#### Massage

Massage therapists provide one-hour sessions, once a month to help clients decrease stress and muscle atrophy. Therapies include Reiki, Shiatsu and Swedish Massage. We also offer student massage clinics. Clients can register for a clinic that includes four weekly rehabilitative massage treatments with a massage therapy student.

#### Naturopathic Clinic

The Naturopathic Clinic for People Living With HIV / AIDS offers free holistic health care to our clients. Services include acupuncture, botanical medicine, homeopathy and clinical nutrition. 30 appointments are available every week with six Naturopathic students.

#### Needle Exchange

The goal of the Needle Exchange program is to reduce the risk associated with injection drug use. People living with HIV / AIDS who use injection drugs, can safely dispose

of used needles and pick up clean ones. They can access the needle exchange as often as necessary, no questions asked.

#### Social Programming

Social Programming allows people living with HIV / AIDS to socialize with others and access services that improve their emotional health. We offer craft classes, theatre access, haircuts, a pet program and holiday programs.

#### Vitamin Supplements

HIV and the medications used to treat it can block the body's ability to absorb nutrients from food. The Toronto People With AIDS Foundation supplies people living with HIV / AIDS with free multi-vitamins when available.

#### Yoga

Yoga can improve the well-being of the body, mind and spirit. Our yoga classes teach relaxing breathing techniques, stretching and meditation at all skill levels.

#### **INCOME SUPPORT**

The Toronto People With AIDS
Foundations offers income support
through our Benefits & Assistance
Program. Clients are assigned a Benefits
and Assistance case manager who helps
them manage the costs of living with
HIV / AIDS. Our case managers provide
benefits and financial counselling, financial
assistance for uninsured medical costs,
return to work consultations, advocacy to
government assistance programs as well
as referrals and basic needs counselling.