



ANNUAL REPORT

2010

PRESIDENTS REPORT

CAPD began the year with a Board workshop to set direction for the next five years. Our mission was expanded to include impoverished people as well as people with disability, thus permitting the addition of our new Green Light Education Assistance program and the Safe Water for Families Program. The first year of the education assistance program was very successful in meeting the objective of helping children continue their studies. The water program will be fully initiated in 2011.

Also, in 2010, the 5-year sustainability project for our two community partners, FANDIC and ASODISPIE, was initiated. The first step, owning their own facility, was achieved by the end of the year, although both structures still require upgrading and equipping. The second step, to develop capacity for effective administration and long range planning, will be initiated in 2011. The long term goal is for each organization to generate income for the sustainability of the organization and for their members by securing contracts and selling products.

The CAPD report on activities and accomplishments on page 3 has a different structure than in previous years. Most significantly, the report was brought into line with the calendar year. We hope our supporters find the report informative and engaging.

It has been a pleasure to serve as President of CAPD. I would like to thank our Directors and volunteers for their dedication and hard work, and our funders and donors for their support.

Robert Wiens
President, CAPD

CAPD REPORT ON ACTIVITIES AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS IN 2010

HEALTH AND REHABILITATION PROJECTS

FANDIC, BUCARAMANGA

CAPD provided \$52,363 to our community partner FANDIC this year. These funds came from CAPD donors and Rotary Clubs of Calgary South and Calgary West. While supporting the ongoing therapy, dance and nutrition programs, the bulk of the funds were used to purchase, renovate and equip the building that FANDIC had rented for many years. The FANDIC community is excited to have control and stability over their site.

FANDIC held an inauguration ceremony for their new centre and celebrated with many community members who have participated in its growth. FANDIC formally recognized the assistance and generosity of Canadians in making their new centre a reality. They also were thrilled to have a laptop computer donated by a Calgarian.

Over the years, volunteers within FANDIC have made personal sacrifice and dedicated much time to its development. As a result, these volunteers have grown personally and professionally, and FANDIC has been recognized as shining example of Community Rehabilitation. FANDIC's President, Olga Lucia Santamaria, has been asked to speak locally and nationally about the FANDIC experience and most recently she was elected Secretary of the Disability Network for Santander, a state group dedicated to developing public policy for people with disability. Congratulations Olga!

ASODISPIE, PIEDECUESTA

Our partner, ASODISPIE experienced considerable upheaval when their landlord terminated the rental agreement they had enjoyed for many years. Fortunately, the Municipality of Piedecuesta agreed to donate, for a flexible term, a large vacant warehouse on a good-sized lot in a residential neighbourhood. This use of this property was designated for community use and ASODISPIE fit the criteria. They took possession in December and immediately initiated a building and

renovation project to make the space usable for therapy, production of products, and community meetings. CAPD provided funding for their therapy and painting programs plus the purchase of a 22-seat bus with the assistance of matching funds provided by the Alberta Government Community Initiatives Program for a total of \$41,028.

Henry Tabares, the President of ASODISPIE, was honoured at a special reception provided by the Municipality of Bucaramanga for his contribution to people with disability on the Day of the Disabled. Congratulations Henry!

FOUNDATION MARIA TERESA VASCO, PEREIRA

Rocio Nuñez and Marlene Wiens provided a workshop on future vision and development planning for the Foundation and visited their clients. As a result of the workshop, the Foundation elected a new Board, formed two committees, and began demographic research on people with disability in one zone.

GREEN LIGHT EDUCATION SUPPORT PROGRAM

CAPD, with the financial support and encouragement of Glenn Van Doorne and Dr. Maysan Abu-Hakima, initiated the Green Light Education Support program in 2010. In this first year, the program assisted 195 children to access lunch in five school restaurants and 81 children to receive uniforms, shoes and school supplies. In October, CAPD volunteers conducted monitoring and evaluation visits to the 8 institutions involved in the program and were impressed with the results. FANDIC, our community partner, collaborated by providing financial management and oversight. The program received a laptop computer donated by a Calgarian and used by our capable program coordinator, Rocio Nuñez.

SAFE WATER FOR FAMILIES PROGRAM

The objective of the Safe Water program is to promote and train community groups in good hygiene practice and in construction of Biosand Water Filters. In November 2010, our volunteer, Bob Wiens, collaborated with a Canadian oil company to deliver training to 48 farmers in the Llanos region of Colombia.

CAPD ACTIVITIES IN CALGARY AND CANADA

FUNDRAISING AND AWARENESS ACTIVITIES

In February, CAPD hosted its first *Share your Heart Gala Dinner and Dance* in Winston Heights Mountview Community Association hall. Attendance was 150 guests and \$4,760 was raised.

In July we hosted a booth at the Latin Festival to draw awareness to our organization and to sell raffle tickets for a West Jet prize of a trip for two.

Our new web page capdcalgary.org and blog site capd.calgary.org/blog were created with the assistance of Tom McLaughlin our web volunteer. Blogs on CAPD activities in Canada and Colombia were posted throughout the year.

A picture based news report of CAPD activities in 2010 was mailed to friends and supporters. This report provided information of the progress made by our community partners as well as the education support and water programs.

Susan Quintero Duarte, our translation volunteer, translated the CAPD brochure and the 2010 CAPD NEWS REPORT into Spanish. Both are available on the web.

Various presentations were made to Rotary clubs, church groups and school teachers.

CAPD VOLUNTEERS

CAPD would like to thank our eight Board members for their diligent guidance and participation: Robert Wiens (President), Glenn Van Doorne (Vice President and Secretary), Jaime Mejia (Treasurer); Directors Dr. Nina Hrycak, Rashmi Dhaubhadel, Alfonso Mejia, Ricardo Piedrahita; and Marlene Wiens (Managing Director).

Board members participated in at least one of CAPD's committees: the Public Relations Committee, the Project Evaluation Committee, and the Audit Committee. Volunteers also served on these committees and we thank them for their dedication: Claudia Casasbuenas, Maysan Abu-Hakima, Blanca Landsiedel, Bettie Lim, Nilima Parikh, Chantal Camden, Laurel Bridges and Myra Donnelly-Gay.

CAPD would like to thank Doug Bouey, of Catalyst Strategic Consultants Ltd, for facilitating our Strategic Planning day and helping us develop a clear direction for the future. We would also like to thank Lutz Sonnenberg our accountant of many years, for his faithful service to CAPD.

DONOR RECOGNITION

Thank you to all donors and funders in 2010. Contributing foundations and service clubs were:

Colmed Foundation

Alberta Government Community Initiatives Program

Rotary Club of Calgary South

Rotary Club of Calgary West

Legacy Charitable Foundation

International Pipeline Conference Foundation

Respectfully Submitted,

Marlene Wiens

Managing Director CAPD