

Sahakarini



Annual Report
2021-2022



**SAHAKARINI INTER-WORLD EDUCATION
AND DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION**

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

MONDAY, JUNE 6, 2022

AGENDA

6:30 WELCOME: LITSA TRYPOHONOPOULOS – PRESIDENT
INVITATION TO BEVERAGES AND DESSERTS

7:00 APPROVAL OF AGENDA FOR THE ANNUAL MEETING

7:10 GUEST SPEAKER: DR. JOHN K PATTISON –WILLIAMS

“Hope in the midst of despair: navigating the challenges of surging global food prices in a changing world”

7:45 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING:

1. Welcome
2. Approval of Minutes of the Annual General Meeting June 7, 2021
3. Business arising out of the Minutes
4. Reports
 - a. President
 - b. Projects Committee
 - c. Treasurer
5. New Business
 - a. Nominations and elections
 - b. Appointment of auditor
 - c. Other
6. Closing

There will be a short meeting of the 2022 – 2023 Sahakarini Board following the AGM

COVER PICTURE: A photo taken at the Children's College school which the Adivasi Tribal (= Indigenous) girl students attend. This is the CELEBRATION OF ONAM FESTIVAL. This school began in 2015 and Sahakarini began funding the project in 2016



PRESIDENT'S REPORT TO THE SAHAKARINI AGM 2021 - 2022

Welcome to our AGM and to a review of our annual report submissions. This report covers the period between June 2021 to June 2022. While Covid-19 still impacted on our organization's operation, as it did on the rest of us, we rose to the challenge and continued raising funds and supporting existing projects.

Thanks to Zoom meetings, effective communications at every level - Board, Executive and Committee allowed us to effectively continue our work. Our "Re-Imagined" fundraising efforts have been and continue to be successful and positive. We have successfully explored new fundraising avenues and we continue to find new ways of re-inventing meetings and fundraising.

Our thanks goes out to all our Hosts and their Guests for making our small gathering fundraising efforts successful. We still have more of these events to be hosted and we believe that they will continue to be rewarding for participants and for Sahakarini. Our city drop off Bottle drives and our permanent recycling donation account at Universal Bottle Depot will continue as long as there is a need to stay Green and support projects. We look forward to your continued support in this venture. Our online Facebook auction will end on the eve of our AGM and I encourage you to participate if you possibly can.

June 2022 marks our inaugural Sahakarini Recognition Awards which will be presented annually at the Fall Loaves and Fishes Dinner. Recipients will be formally announced, at the AGM, in the categories of Builders, Donors and Volunteers. Recognition of one's contribution to any organization is crucial and Sahakarini will follow suit with this tradition of recognizing its essential and invaluable volunteers.

In continuing with the theme of acknowledging volunteers, I would like to thank my fellow members of the Executive, Board of Directors, Project committee and Fundraising committee for their continued dedication, support and enthusiasm. Without volunteers such as yourselves we would accomplish very little. A special thank you to our Office Administrator, Carolyn Andersen, for keeping us all not only in line but on time.

Our reconnection with Augustana students on the Board resulted in two International students, Josiah Afriye and Joel Usiri, joining us and bringing a relevant and youthful input to our deliberations. Unfortunately, they will be leaving us to continue on their respective academic paths and we wish them both continued success. We plan to have two new Augustana students join us on the Board in September.

Finally, I thank each and every one of you for your continued support and interest in Sahakarini. It is always a pleasure meeting with you personally and I hope to continue to meet many more of you in the future and to acknowledge your importance to our organization.

Respectfully submitted,
Litsa Tryphonopoulos, President



PROJECT COMMITTEE REPORT 2021- 2022

Colombia Childcare Centre. Project Partner: Casa del Nino Rosita Sierra, Salamina. Total contract CA\$14,000 (May 2021 – May 2022.) Sahakarini project lead: Erhard Pinno. The non-profit centre provides daycare to approximately 120 low-income children. Extensive renovations to the 73-year-old building are nearly complete (timber structure, stucco, roof tiles, painting, etc.) The repairs and improvements were required in order to continue operating within government standards. *50% of the funding was donated by the project lead, an example of how an individual's support made a great difference meeting a community's needs.*

Kenya & Tanzania Portable Ultrasound Training with Dr. Deirdre Duffy of Canadian Point of Care Ultra Sound Society (CPOCUS). Project Partner: Camrose Rotary. Sahakarini's total CA\$20,000 (2022-2023) to be matched by Camrose Rotary funding, with additional matching by other Rotary levels. Sahakarini project lead: Barb Frank. Since 2016 Camrose resident Dr. Deirdre Duffy has been training doctors in Kenya and Tanzania to use portable ultrasound machines for lifesaving diagnoses in trauma, labour and pregnancy settings. Sahakarini and both Camrose Rotary clubs are partnering to buy the necessary equipment to empower these centres to develop their own local training and **outreach** programs.

Kenya Sand Dams. Project Partner: Utooni Development Organization (UDO), Machakos, Kenya. Sahakarini project lead: Varghese Manaloor. UDO supports self-help groups to increase food production through planting of drought resistant crops, improve water security through construction of sand dams which provide clean water for domestic use and for irrigation, conserve the environment by digging terraces and planting of trees, increase income and improve health.

A. Kyeni Kya Muka Self Help Group. Total contract CA\$18,584. (February 2021 - February 2022). The sand dam construction is completed with next step being water retention and accessibility following the seasonal rains. *This project was fully funded by a private group of Sahakarini supporters who wanted their donations to provide critically needed water resources in sub-Saharan Africa.*

B. Mikuyu River by Bethel Vota Self Help Group. Total contract CA\$17,636.87 (February 2022 - February 2023). Sand dam construction is now underway!

India. Aid in the Upliftment of Tribal (Adivasi) Girls and Boys from Forest Communities. Project Partner: Pipal Tree, Fireflies Intercultural Centre, Bangalore. Sahakarini project lead: Varghese Manaloor. Total contract CA\$14,161 (Jun 2021 - May 2022). The project promotes community empowerment through learning centres for Adivasi school age students. There they can develop a sense of self-identity and dignity **as well as** leadership skills **which** reduce school dropout and early marriages. The recently completed one-year program benefits about 500 tribal children aged 6-18 from 22 tribal hamlets/settlements. Eugene Lawrence, program coordinator, recently wrote: "The Children's Learning Centres are vital to the development of the Adivasi community because the flourish of the centres ensure a generation of empowered youth who will be Change Makers. These Change Makers will emancipate a community that has been long oppressed, discriminated upon, marginalised and deprived of a social identity." Sahakarini is currently considering continued support of the program.



Nepal. Project Partner: Friends of Shanta Bhawan (FSB) Primary Healthcare Centre, Kathmandu. Sahakarini project lead: Laura Parker.

A. FSB Growth and Development towards Sustainability. Total contract CA\$5,282.50 (May 2021 - August 2021). Since 1983 the mission of FSB has been to provide high quality medical care to a wide range of people of its 30,000 community, many who are marginalized and impoverished. The Centre provides subsidized medical costs according to the patient's socio-economic status and needs. This contract provided medical dressing and supplies.

B. FSB Sodium Potassium Analysing Machine Funding. Total Contract CA\$5,336 (May 2022 - August 2022). The **Centre** required the machine to meet the government certification to provide a variety of laboratory testing. This will assist the clinic to meet their goal of revenue generation for its sustainability, enhanced capabilities diagnoses as well as continuing to provide trust in the community.

Tanzania. Project Partner: Nyuat Project SHINE, Ngorongoro Conservation Area (NCA).

Total contract CA\$25,000 (2016-2021). Sahakarini project leads: Laurie and Michael Barr, Dr. Sheri Bastein. The health and sanitation project with Maasai pastoralists is being completed. It featured 2 related activities: 1) provision of clean drinking water through installation of 186 biosand filters across 2 communities, and 2) soap making for local and commercial use. Many Maasai, in the NCA, are currently under relocation pressure from the federal government. It involves multi-factored issues of indigenous rights, discrimination, wildlife and land conservation, and tourism priorities. The project leads remain in communication with the group to assess ongoing developments.

Mexico Wheelchairs. Project Partner: Disabled People from Vallarta Civil Association (DIVAC). Total Contract CA\$7,000 (December 2021 - March 2022.) Sahakarini project lead: Don Rebus. Project to fund the purchase of 26 all-terrain wheelchairs for children and adults with disabilities in Puerto Vallarta. Separate donations by Camrose Rotary. Ivan Applegate Curiel, DIVAC Chairman, reported. "This funding has made a great difference. Wheelchairs are unattainable, particularly if recipients are poor. The recipients are taught that the chair is a tool to move around, improve their lives by pursuing studies and/or working, and to help the organizations that helped them." *The Sahakarini contract was fully funded by a Camrose donor who was familiar with the good works that DIVAC provides.*

Respectfully submitted,
Laurie Moffitt Barr
Project Committee Chair



COMMUNICATIONS

Facebook

We are continuing to share stories from the field, in addition to information regarding fundraising and events, via our Facebook page. We have been very grateful to our project partners for the photos and updates that they have been sending us. This allows us, and all our followers, to have a good sense of what our support is able to do on the ground. 'Like' us on Facebook @Sahakarini and do share posts that you find interesting to help us spread the word about our work!

Respectfully submitted,
Naomi Pattison - Williams

Website

The Sahakarini Website requires on-going work and we have made it a priority this year to keep our Website current and to use it as a way to communicate the events and projects Sahakarini has sponsored.

Newsletter

We have published a Spring and Fall Newsletter. 204 hard copies and 221 electronic copies were distributed. The focus of the Newsletter is to introduce new projects, provide updates on existing projects, introduce fundraising initiatives and new events.

A copy of the Newsletters is on the Sahakarini Website.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Sahakarini is a member of the Camrose Chamber of Commerce. Varghese Manaloor, Board of Director at Large, is our representative at the monthly meetings. We plan to continue with this vital community engagement on a long-term basis and will use it to engage Sahakarini in other community related activities.

Sahakarini is also supporting and involved in keeping our household recyclables out of the landfills. We encourage members of the Camrose Community to drop off their recyclable beverage containers at the Universal Bottle Depot in Camrose and to donate their refunds to Sahakarini's account at the depot. To further encourage the community in helping keep Camrose Green, we have held, and will continue to hold bottle drives throughout the year. The location and date of the drop offs will be advertised well in advance of the event.

Respectfully submitted,
Litsa Tryphonopoulos, President



FUNDRAISING

LOAVES AND FISHES COMMUNITY FUNDRAISING

Our ability to hold traditional fundraisers, such as our fall Loaves and Fishes supper, was undermined by Covid-19 and required us to re-invent our fundraising efforts.

Small gatherings, hosted by individuals in private (home) settings to inform guests about our projects abroad and how they can support our efforts were held with success and interest. As this report is being written there are still gatherings to be held over the course of the next couple of months. A more detailed review and evaluation will follow after all events have been held.

On May 28, we held our second city drop off bottle drive of the year, the first drive was held in October. We thank Quilting from the Heart for the use of their parking lot for the drop off site. In our effort to be Green we will continue with our recycling donation account at Universal Bottle Depot indefinitely. We encourage everyone to help us in this Green effort and in doing so supporting Sahakarini.

A new fundraising effort is our silent (online) auction. Again, as in the writing of this report our auction has not concluded. More than a dozen donated items are being displayed online on our webpage link (Facebook) and the winning bids will be announced this evening prior to the commencing of our AGM. We are hopeful that this auction will spark some widespread interest and prove to be successful for Sahakarini. Thank you to all, who donated auction items, for their generosity and thank you to all who took the time to participate and bid. Congratulations to the winners!

Finally, we have developed a monthly donors program and we encourage individuals to explore the idea of becoming a member of this monthly club. Every donation, no matter how small, has an overall impact on fundraising. Giving Memorial donations, Birthday, Anniversary and Christmas gifts is another way of supporting Sahakarini and acknowledging the ones you love who need no material gifts but only a special recognition of our thoughtfulness which Sahakarini will send out in a card.

Thank you once again to everyone for supporting Sahakarini. Your generosity to our organization is a heartwarming gesture to those that benefit from the projects we support. Have a safe and pleasant summer. We look forward to once again seeing everyone at our Loaves and Fishes supper this Fall.

Respectfully submitted,
Litsa Tryphonopoulos,
Fundraising Chairperson



COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS

Sahakarini has partnered with Camrose Rotary Clubs in raising funds for the Canadian Point of Care Ultrasound Society (CPOCUS). Dr. Deidre Duffy, a practicing doctor residing in the Camrose area, heads this organization which provides Portable Ultrasound Training in Kenya and Tanzania. Funds raised will be used to purchase the necessary equipment to allow this program to provide access to ultrasound testing as well as training, in a variety of local hospitals, thus providing patients with better diagnostic resources and healthcare.

Our 'post' Covid-19's re-connecting, with the Augustana community, is slowly getting back to its 'normal' working relationship. This relationship will continue to progress and flourish once the next academic year commences in the Fall. One successful development has been to have Augustana Students, to date International students, on the Board of Directors and on the Projects Committee. This is not only a mutually beneficial partnership with Augustana but has also been a positive experience for everyone involved.

Respectfully submitted,
Litsa Tryphonopoulos, President

NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT TO THE SAHAKARINI AGM 2021– 2022 FOR THE YEAR 2022 – 2023

Mandate: The committee was tasked to present a slate of nominees for the Board of Directors to the annual meeting and in the process had the opportunity to also recruit some new committee members.

Principles/Process:

- Ascertain who wished to continue on the board and who would be retiring
- Consider the skills needed on the board in recruiting new members
- Approach potential members with the opportunity to serve on the Board
- Keep the size of the board similar to present with some latitude as needed
- Bring in new people and generations to the board, possible through committees if not the board
- Continue to have strong student/Augustana involvement on board and committees

Results:

We are thankful for those board members that have chosen to continue
Retiring_members:

Board of Director Nominees for 2022 - 2023

President: Litsa Tryphonopoulos

Vice President: Michael Mucz

Secretary: Carolyn Andersen

Treasurer: Don Rebus

Members at large: Brain Nelson, Sara Skinner, Varghese Manaloor, Naomi Pattison-Williams,
*Robel Ng'ong'a * India Michaylow * Anjola Fadayomi * Steven Falk (*Denotes new member)



**Sahakarini Inter-World Education and Development Association
Minutes of the 2020 - 2021 Annual General Meeting of June 7, 2021
Zoom Meeting**

1. President Litsa Tryphonopoulos welcomed everyone to the AGM at 7:00 pm via Zoom
2. (MSC) Michael/Varghese that we hold the AGM via Zoom.
3. (MSC) Don/Laurie the agenda be approved.
4. (MSC) Varghese/Michael the minutes of September 28, 2020 be approved as written.
5. Sidhartha from the Pipal Tree Collegiate presented via Zoom the progress, challenges and opportunities at this school
6. **Reports:**
 - a. Michael spoke to the current projects and invited questions.
 - b. Litsa spoke to the written president's report and thanked those members who have resigned from the board.
 - c. Don Rebus reviewed the Notice to Reader Report for 2020 -2021. (MSC) Don/Michael the Notice of Reader Report for 2020-2021 be accepted as presented. These statements were internally audited by a committee of board members.
 - (MSC) Varghese/Laurie moved the bulletin of reports be accepted as presented.
7. **New Business:**
 - a. Varghese presented the slate of nominees for the 2021-2022 Sahakarini Board:

President: Litsa Tryphonopoulos	Members at Large:	
Vice President: Michael Mucz	Varghese Manaloor	Brian Nelson
Secretary: Carolyn Andersen	Michael Mucz	Naomi Pattison-Williams
Treasurer: Don Rebus	Laurie Moffitt-Barr	Sarah Skinner

(MSC) Don/Brian the slate of board members be accepted as presented
 - b. Retiring Board Member Bill Sears was recognized and thanked by Litsa for his commitment and service to the Sahakarini Board.
 - c. (MSC) Don/Michael that Sahakarini secure the successor of Lawrence Dufresne CPA, CA to perform a compilation of Financial Statements for 2021 – 2022.
(MSC) Don/Michael that the Board appoint members to perform an internal audit of financials for 2021-2022.
(MSC) Don/Michael that there be an audit of 2021/2021 minutes by two board members
 - Ed. Don acknowledged the good service Laurence Dufresne has provided to Sahakarini.
 - f. Don will be responsible to ask two Board Members to do an internal audit for 2020 – 2021 and two members to audit the Board Minutes for 2020-2021
 - g. Thank you from Litsa to the fundraisers, supporters, and volunteers of Sahakarini
 - h. Thank you expressed to Litsa for the leadership she has provided the past year.
 - i. (MSC) Laurie/Michael the adjournment of the meeting @ 8 p.m.

Meeting adjourned on Zoom @ 8:00 p.m.

Submitted by Carolyn Andersen, Secretary

Sahakarini Financial Statements for Year Ending March 31, 2021

SAHAKARINI INTER-WORLD EDUCATION AND DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION

Financial Information

Year Ended March 31, 2022

SAHAKARINI INTER-WORLD EDUCATION AND DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION

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(Unaudited - See Notice To Reader)

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COMPILATION ENGAGEMENT REPORT

To the Members of Sahakarini Inter-World Education and Development Association

On the basis of information provided by management, we have compiled the statement of financial position of Sahakarini Inter-World Education and Development Association as at March 31, 2022, and the statements of revenues and expenditures and changes in net assets for the year then ended, and Note 1, which describes the basis of accounting applied in the preparation of the compiled financial information ("financial information").

Management is responsible for the accompanying financial information, including the accuracy and completeness of the underlying information used to compile it and the selection of the basis of accounting.

We performed this engagement in accordance with Canadian Standard on Related Services (CSRS) 4200, *Compilation Engagements*, which requires us to comply with relevant ethical requirements. Our responsibility is to assist management in the preparation of the financial information.

We did not perform an audit engagement or a review engagement, nor were we required to perform procedures to verify the accuracy or completeness of the information provided by management. Accordingly, we do not express an audit opinion or a review conclusion, or provide any form of assurance on the financial information.

Readers are cautioned that the financial information may not be appropriate for their purposes.

JDP Wasserman

Wetaskiwin, Alberta
May 26, 2022

CHARTERED PROFESSIONAL ACCOUNTANTS

SAHAKARINI INTER-WORLD EDUCATION AND DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION

Statement of Financial Position

March 31, 2022

(Unaudited - See Notice To Reader)

	2022	2021
ASSETS		
CURRENT		
Cash	\$ 56,439	\$ 49,813
Term deposits	25,253	25,218
Goods and services tax recoverable	204	205
	<u>\$ 81,896</u>	<u>\$ 75,236</u>
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS		
CURRENT		
Accounts payable	\$ 4,638	\$ 5,638
DEFERRED INCOME		
	<u>500</u>	-
	5,138	5,638
NET ASSETS		
	<u>76,758</u>	69,598
	<u>\$ 81,896</u>	<u>\$ 75,236</u>

ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD

_____ *Director*

_____ *Director*

SAHAKARINI INTER-WORLD EDUCATION AND DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION

Statement of Revenues and Expenditures

Year Ended March 31, 2022

(Unaudited - See Notice To Reader)

	2022	2021
REVENUES		
Donations	\$ 69,468	\$ 61,524
Other income	35	77
	<u>69,503</u>	<u>61,601</u>
EXPENSES		
Projects	44,691	33,177
Administration	9,807	7,186
Rent	2,460	2,460
Professional fees	1,896	1,897
Telephone	1,359	1,359
Public engagement	649	832
Fundraising	606	167
Insurance	547	521
Interest and bank charges	174	87
Newsletter	154	693
	<u>62,343</u>	<u>48,379</u>
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER EXPENSES	<u>\$ 7,160</u>	<u>\$ 13,222</u>

SAHAKARINI INTER-WORLD EDUCATION AND DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION

Statement of Changes in Net Assets

Year Ended March 31, 2022

(Unaudited - See Notice To Reader)

	General Fund	Restricted Fund	2022	2021
NET ASSETS - BEGINNING OF YEAR	\$ 65,316	\$ 4,282	\$ 69,598	\$ 56,376
Excess of revenues over expenses	38,283	(31,123)	7,160	13,222
Interfund transfers	(27,071)	27,071	-	-
NET ASSETS - END OF YEAR	\$ 76,528	\$ 230	\$ 76,758	\$ 69,598

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these financial information

SAHAKARINI INTER-WORLD EDUCATION AND DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION

Notes to Financial Information

Year Ended March 31, 2022

(Unaudited - See Notice To Reader)

1. BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

The basis of accounting applied in the preparation of the statement of financial position of Sahakarini Inter-World Education and Development Association as at March 31, 2022, and the statements of revenues and expenditures and changes in net assets for the year then ended is the historical cost basis and reflects cash transactions with the addition of:

- accounts receivable
- investments recorded at cost
- accounts payable and accrued liabilities

2. RESTRICTED FUNDS BY PROJECT

	Revenues	Expenses	Transfer from General Funds	2022 Balance	2021 Balance
<u>Projects</u>					
Nepal PHC	\$ 193	\$ 4,303	\$ -	\$ 173	\$ 4,283
Mexico WC	7,000	7,020	20	-	-
Kenya S. Dam	1,000	8,828	7,828	-	-
Columbia CC	10,718	12,020	1,302	-	-
India Pipal Tree	600	12,520	11,920	-	-
Tanzania Shine	57	-	-	57	-
Administration	-	6,000	6,000	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	\$ 19,568	\$ 50,691	\$ 27,070	\$ 230	\$ 4,283

SAHAKARINI INTER-WORLD EDUCATION AND DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION

Statement of Revenues and Expenditures - General Fund

(Schedule 1)

Year Ended March 31, 2022

(Unaudited - See Notice To Reader)

	2022	2021
REVENUES		
Donations	\$ 49,900	\$ 26,118
Other income	35	77
	<u>49,935</u>	<u>26,195</u>
EXPENSES		
Rent	2,460	2,460
Professional fees	1,896	1,897
Administration	3,807	1,186
Telephone	1,359	1,359
Public engagement	649	832
Fundraising	606	167
Insurance	547	521
Interest and bank charges	173	88
Newsletter	154	693
	<u>11,651</u>	<u>9,203</u>
INCOME FROM OPERATIONS	<u>\$ 38,284</u>	<u>\$ 16,992</u>

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these financial information

SAHAKARINI INTER-WORLD EDUCATION AND DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION

**Statement of Revenues and Expenditures - Restricted Fund
(Schedule 2)**

Year Ended March 31, 2022

(Unaudited - See Notice To Reader)

	2022	2021
REVENUES		
Donations	<u>\$ 19,568</u>	<u>\$ 35,407</u>
EXPENSES		
Administration	6,000	6,000
Projects	<u>44,691</u>	<u>33,177</u>
	<u>50,691</u>	<u>39,177</u>
LOSS FROM OPERATIONS	<u>\$ (31,123)</u>	<u>\$ (3,770)</u>