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FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

DECEMBER 31, 2023

Independent Auditor's Report Statement of Financial Position Statement of Operations and Changes in Net Assets Statement of Cash Flows Notes to Financial Statements





INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Members of The Duke of Edinburgh's International Award - Canada

Opinion

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of The Duke of Edinburgh's International Award - Canada ("the Organization"), which comprise the statement of financial position as at December 31, 2023, and the statements of operations and changes in net assets, and cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Organization as at December 31, 2023, and its financial performance and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements* section of our report. We are independent of the Organization in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in Canada, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Responsibilities of Management and Those Charged with Governance for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations and for such internal control as Management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, Management is responsible for assessing the Organization's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless Management either intends to liquidate the Organization or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

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Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the Organization's financial reporting process.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Organization's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by Management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of Management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Organization's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our Auditor's Report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our Auditor's Report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Organization to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.
- Communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

Kelly Huibers Mcherly Professional Opposition

Authorized to practise public accounting by The Chartered Professional Accountants of Ontario

Stittsville, Ontario March 22, 2024

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

as	at	December	31.	2023
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		2023		2022
ASSETS				
CURRENT ASSETS				
Cash	\$	733,110	\$	532,364
Accounts receivable		82,444		155,992
Government receivables		57,358		111,060
Prepaid expenses		97,229		99,854
Inventory (note 3)			-	7,397
		970,141		906,667
INVESTMENTS (note 4)		2,471,350		3,469,847
CAPITAL ASSETS (note 5)		113,385		130,771
	\$	3,554,876	\$	4,507,285
LIABILITIES				
CURRENT LIABILITIES				
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$	91,086	\$	128,628
Deferred revenue		10,656		
Deferred contributions related to expenses of future				
periods (note 7)	2	311,325	-	502,415
		413,067		631,043
NET ASSETS		3,141,809		3,876,242
	\$	3,554,876	\$	4,507,285

APPROVED ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD

Director

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The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS AND CHANGES IN NET ASSETS

	2023	2022
REVENUE		
Contributions - unrestricted	\$ 723,973	\$ 332,823
Contributions - restricted	1,205,005	
Earned income	587,759	415,055
Merchandise	-	926
Miscellaneous	770	1,580
	2,517,507	3,421,610
EXPENSES		
Finance and corporate services	109,470	236,274
Fundraising	393,291	12,150
Information technology	261,091	327,551
Marketing and communications	28,353	152,177
Professional fees	40,915	151,974
Program delivery	82,512	448,238
Remuneration	2,693,493	2,876,728
Travel	46,608	114,647
	3.655,733	4,319,739
NET EXPENSES BEFORE THE UNDERNOTED	(1,138,226)	(898,129)
OTHER INCOME (EXPENSES)		
Investment income (loss)	404,890	(356,859)
Loss on disposal of capital assets	(1.097)	
NET EXPENSES	(734,433)	(1,254,988)
NET ASSETS - BEGINNING OF YEAR	3,876,242	5,131,230
NET ASSETS - END OF YEAR	\$ 3,141,809	\$ 3,876,242

For the year ended December 31, 2023

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

For the year ended December 31, 2023

	2023	2022
CASH PROVIDED BY (USED IN)		
OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Net expenses	\$ (734,433)	\$ (1,254,988)
Items not affecting cash:		
Amortization of capital assets	45,496	94,325
Loss on disposal of capital assets	1,097	-
Changes in non-cash working capital items:	2	
Accounts receivable	73,548	337,873
Government receivables	53,702	(62,560)
Prepaid expenses	2,625	27,022
Inventory	7,397	7,793
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	(37,542)	(41,065)
Deferred revenue	10,656	(920)
Change in restricted cash		61,768
Deferred contributions related to expenses of future		
periods	(191,090)	(529,373)
	(768,544)	_(1,360,125)
INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Purchase of investments	(2,425,000)	-
Proceeds on sale of investments	3,423,497	541,353
Purchase of capital assets	(29,207)	(77,039)
	969,290	464,314
NET CHANGE IN CASH	200,746	(895,811)
CASH - BEGINNING OF YEAR	532,364	1,428,175
CASH - END OF YEAR	\$ 733,110	\$ 532,364

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

December 31, 2023

1. OPERATIONS

The Duke of Edinburgh's International Award - Canada ("the Award" or "the Organization") is an international award program for young people. The National Board of Directors is the governing body of the Canadian award authority. The Award also conducts fundraising activities and historically distributed funds to Operating Divisions located in the Provinces and Territories. The Operating Divisions were separately incorporated.

In 2021, the Award began restructuring its governance, management and operating models. As part of this restructuring, various Operating Divisions were closed and the Award assumed substantially all of the assets and certain of the liabilities of those Divisions. In 2021, the Operating Divisions in Ontario, New Brunswick, Newfoundland and Labrador, and Nova Scotia started the process of formal closure, informing Canada Revenue Agency of voluntary revocation, and transferring residual funds to the Award as agreed in transfer agreements. During 2022, this process continued with the closure of Operating Divisions in British Columbia, Saskatchewan, and the remaining funds transferred from Ontario. The only remaining Operating Divisions are in Alberta, Manitoba and Quebec which are no longer licensed to deliver the Award. Consistent with previous years, the Award's financial statements do not include the assets, liabilities, operations or cash flows of the previous Operating Divisions except where those assets have been legally transferred as per the merger agreements.

The Organization is classified as a registered charity under the Income Tax Act and accordingly, is not subject to income taxes.

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations and include the following significant accounting policies:

Revenue Recognition

The Organization follows the deferral method of accounting for contributions which includes donations and government grants. Unrestricted contributions are recognized as revenue in the year received or receivable, if the amount to be received can be reasonably estimated and collection is reasonably assured.

The Organization does not restrict funds internally.

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2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Revenue Recognition (continued)

Externally restricted contributions other than endowment contributions are recognized as revenue in the year in which the related expenses are recognized. Endowment contributions are recorded as a direct increase to net assets. Contributions restricted for the purchase of capital assets are deferred and amortized into revenue on a straight-line basis, at a rate corresponding with the depreciation rate for the related capital assets.

Interest is recognized on the accrual basis.

Deferred Contributions

The Award uses three categories of externally restricted contributions, each with their own mechanism for recognizing revenue: Work-scope; Jurisdictional; Performance.

Work-scope contributions have expected outcomes tied to the contribution and restrictions on the nature of the expenditures permitted.

Jurisdictional contributions are restricted to a particular jurisdiction, being a province or territory. Attributable expenses are incurred for the benefit of the specific jurisdiction only.

Performance contributions are restricted based on expected outcomes tied to the contribution.

Financial Instruments

Financial assets and financial liabilities are initially recognized at fair value when the Organization becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the financial instrument. Subsequently, all financial instruments are measured at amortized cost, except for investments. The Organization has elected to use the fair value options to measure investments, with any subsequent changes in fair value recorded in the statement of operations and changes in net assets.

Inventory

Inventory consists of certificates and pins for recognizing new Award holders on their achievement. Inventory is valued at the lower of cost and net realizable value on a first-in, first-out basis.

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2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Investments

Investments are carried at fair value. Equities are valued at the closing bid price. Shortterm investments are valued at cost plus accrued interest, which approximates fair value. All related transaction costs are expensed as incurred.

In-Kind Donations

The Organization recognizes contributions of materials when a fair value can be reasonably estimated and when the materials are used in the normal course of operations and would otherwise have been purchased. The Organization also accepts donations of items for sale or auction with a valid appraisal in keeping with Canada Revenue Agency regulations.

Capital Assets

Capital assets are initially recorded at cost and are then amortized over their estimated useful lives, on a straight-line basis, over the following terms:

Computer hardware	- 3 years
Computer software	- 3-5 years
Equipment	- 3 years
Leasehold improvements	- over the term of the lease

Use of Estimates

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 amount of assets and liabilities, and contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenue and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from these estimates. Balances requiring significant estimates and assumptions include the collectibility of accounts receivable, valuation of investments, accrued liabilities and amortization expense.

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3. INVENTORY

At December 31, 2023, the Award held the following inventory:

	Pins	Certificates	2023 Total	2022 Total
Opening	\$ 5,191 \$	2,206 \$	7,397 \$	15,190
Purchased	1,170	724	1,894	1,697
Used	(6,361)	(2,930)	(9,291)	(9,490)
	\$ - \$	- \$	- \$	7,397

4. INVESTMENTS

Investments consist of the following Scheer, Rowland & Associates Investment Management Ltd. (2022 - Burgundy Asset Management Ltd.) pooled funds:

		2023	2022
Money Market Fund	\$	701,723 \$	1,008
Bond Fund		-	492,933
Balanced Fund		1,769,627	-
Partners' Global Fund		-	2,918,794
Total Return Bond Fund		1,769,627	57,112
	\$		3,469,847

The pooled funds consist of the following underlying securities:

	2023	2022
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 855,504 \$	34,698
Fixed income	493,018	534,356
Domestic equities	653,523	666,211
Foreign equities	469,305	2,234,582
	\$ 2,471,350 \$	3,469,847

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5. CAPITAL ASSETS

	Cost	cumulated	2023 Net Book Value	2022 Net Book Value
Computer hardware Computer software Equipment Leasehold improvements	\$ 100,753 194,024 7,267 31,600	\$ 87,363 95,610 5,686 31,600	\$ 13,390 98,414 1,581	\$ 26,876 100,656 3,239 -
	\$ 333,644	\$ 220,259	\$ 113,385	\$ 130,771

6. RELATED PARTY BALANCES AND TRANSACTIONS

Operating Divisions

During the year, the Organization recognized revenue of \$nil (2022 - \$611,371) in respect of expenses incurred for the benefit of young people in the jurisdictions the Operating Divisions served.

Other related parties

Included in the statement of operations and changes in net assets are the following related party transactions:

• Office supplies - \$3,546 (2022 - \$2,832) paid to a corporation controlled by a Director of the Organization.

7. DEFERRED CONTRIBUTIONS RELATED TO EXPENSES OF FUTURE PERIODS

	Balance 2022	С	ontributions received	Revenue recognized	Balance 2023
Work-scope	\$ 22,065	\$	173,157	\$ (195,222) \$	-
Jurisdictional	397,011		242,425	(593,444)	45,992
Performance	83,339		598,333	(416,339)	265,333
	\$ 502,415	\$	1,013,915	\$ (1,205,005) \$	311,325

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8. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

The Organization is exposed to various risks through its financial instruments. The following analysis provides a measure of the Organization's risk exposure and concentrations. The Organization does not use derivative financial instruments to manage its risks.

Interest Rate Risk

The Organization is exposed to interest rate risk with respect to its investment in fixed income securities. Changes in the prime interest rate will have a positive or negative impact on the Organization's investments. Such exposure will increase accordingly should the Organization maintain higher levels of investments in the future.

Credit Risk

This risk relates to the potential that one party to a financial instrument will fail to discharge an obligation and cause the other party to incur a financial loss. The Organization's investment policy defines permitted investments and provides guidelines and restrictions on acceptable investments which minimizes credit risk.

Market Risk

Market risk is the risk that the value of an investment will fluctuate as a result of changes in market prices (other than those arising from interest rate or foreign exchange risk) whether those changes are caused by factors specific to the individual investment or factors affecting all securities traded in the market. To mitigate this risk, the Organization invests in a diversified portfolio of investments within the Organization's investment policy.

Foreign Exchange Risk

Foreign exchange risk is the risk that the fair value of future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in foreign exchange rates. The Organization invests in non-Canadian equities through the pooled funds and is therefore directly exposed to currency risk as the value of the equities denominated in other currencies will fluctuate due to changes in exchange rates.

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9. GUARANTEES

In the normal course of business, the Organization enters into agreements that meet the definition of a guarantee.

The only such guarantee relates to the indemnity that has been provided to all directors and/or officers of the Organization for various items including, but not limited to, all costs to settle suits or actions due to their involvements with the Organization, subject to certain restrictions. The Organization has purchased directors' and officers' liability insurance to mitigate the cost of any potential future suits or actions. The term of the indemnification is not explicitly defined but is limited to the period over which the indemnified part served as a director or officer of the Organization. The maximum amount of any potential future payment cannot be reasonably estimated.

The nature of this indemnification agreement prevents the Organization from making a reasonable estimate of the maximum exposure due to the difficulties in assessing the amount of liability which stems from the unpredictability of future events and the unlimited coverage offered to counterparties. Historically, the Organization has not made any payments under such or similar indemnification agreements and therefore no amount has been accrued in the financial statements with respect to these agreements.