

## *Report from the Chair*

*The year 2006 was significant for the Law Foundation. We completed the first stage of the Funding Strategies Review process. I am pleased to report that the initial questions driving the*



Warren Wilson, OC, Chair

*process, namely whether the Law Foundation was funding the right groups to do the right work with the right amount of money, were all answered in the affirmative.*

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## *Annual Report*

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the rule of law and a just society. These range from the Legal Services Society and the People's Law School to the BC Courthouse Library Society and a number of community-based advocacy groups.

The Law Foundation uses its limited resources to enable the public and the profession to have access to the best legal education, legal research, legal aid, law reform and law libraries that its resources can provide.

The Funding Strategies Review process, described in previous annual reports, involved an intensive review of all Law Foundation-funded continuing programs to ensure the continued alignment of the Law Foundation's funding with its mission, and to optimize its grant making. In particular, we wanted to ensure that the work funded by the foundation resulted in measurable and significant outcomes for grantees' clients, the legal profession and the public.

The review process included interviews with over a thousand clients, together with a number of focus groups, needs assessments, file reviews and other forms of evaluation. We thank the programs who participated and congratulate them on their efforts. The results of the review are positive, and I am pleased to report that the Law Foundation is able to increase grants to continuing programs. This is welcome news. Until recent increases, it had been a number of years since the Law Foundation was able to increase continuing program grants.

The other significant news in 2006 was a large increase in the Law Foundation's income. Total income rose from just over \$20 million to \$47 million during the year. This increase, while fuelled in part by a modest increase in the prime interest rate, was generated mostly by

a significant increase in the amount of money being held in lawyers' pooled trusts accounts.

We expect that the foundation's income will decrease somewhat in 2007, but remain at a higher level than it was in 2005 and prior years.

Grants totalling \$32 million were approved in 2006. Of this amount, \$12 million was allocated to the 51 continuing programs for their core operations and \$20 million for one-time projects. Of that \$20 million, \$14 million was provided to continuing programs for 33 different projects, including the following:

- \$6 million to the University of British Columbia, Faculty of Law, towards a new law school building, conditional on the Faculty of Law raising matching funds from the public and providing free space in the new building for two other grantees, the Law Students' Legal Advice Program and the BC Law Institute.
- \$3 million to the University of Victoria, Faculty of Law, to repurpose the law school library, establish a program enrichment fund and enhance its bursary and scholarship endowment fund, conditional on the Faculty of Law raising matching funds for the library and endowment components.
- \$1 million to the BC Courthouse Library Society, to work with the public library system to provide a core collection of public legal education materials in public libraries in the province and to train public librarians about legal research and use of the materials.
- \$1 million for innovative family law projects, one of the most significant areas of need identified

during the Funding Strategies Review process. This included a grant to the Legal Services Society to enhance its family law website.

- \$1 million for poverty lawyer enhancement projects to the Community Legal Assistance Society, the BC Public Interest Advocacy Centre and the Legal Services Society.
- \$2 million for other projects, including public interest articling fellowships.

There were also 55 other projects approved, totalling over \$6 million, including:

- More than \$1 million to support pro bono programs in the province, including three-year grants to Pro Bono Law BC, Access Justice, the Salvation Army, Pro Bono Students Canada and the MS Society Volunteer Legal Advocacy program. We thank the Law Society of British Columbia, who will help the Law Foundation support legal profession pro bono activities by giving an annual grant to the Law Foundation.
- Over \$1 million to fund new poverty law advocacy projects in Chilliwack, Richmond, Fort St John, Newton, the North Shore and Powell River. These community-based advocacy services, supervised by lawyers, are the front lines of access to justice in the province for many people who cannot get any other legal help for income assistance, residential tenancy, disability claims or other poverty law problems.
- Close to \$4 million for other projects.

Finally, three child welfare grants totalling \$337,775 were approved. The Child Welfare Fund, created in 2004, was increased in 2006 by another \$2 million grant from the Ministry of

Children and Family Development. The fund's purpose is to expand the use of alternate dispute resolution processes in the child protection law area, with a focus on Aboriginal children, and is administered by a subcommittee of the Law Foundation board of governors. The foundation thanks the ministry for its support.

In 2006, the foundation negotiated competitive interest rate agreements with the Bank of Montreal, Canadian Western Bank, Envision Credit Union and Prospera Credit Union. We commend all of these financial institutions and Vancouver City Savings Credit Union, Royal Bank of Canada, Bank of Nova Scotia, Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce and HSBC Bank Canada, who also provide a competitive rate of return on lawyers' pooled trust accounts. The foundation thanks members of the profession who choose these institutions.

Interest rates remained generally low throughout 2006, but pooled trust account balances increased significantly. Increased balances, along with the improved interest rate agreements and the modest rise in interest rates, meant that the foundation was able to significantly increase its funding as well as add to the grant stabilization reserve.

The year 2006 saw four changes to the board of governors. Chair Heather Raven finished her term, as did Peter Warner, QC, and Master Ian Caldwell. Sadly, in October, one of our board members, Marilyn Baker, passed away after a courageous battle with cancer.

Ms Baker was the former mayor of the District of North Vancouver and was also a former member of the Canadian Immigration and Refugee Board. Governor Baker served on the following committees during her tenure

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at the Law Foundation: Funding Strategies, New Grants and Finance and Administration. Marilyn's clear voice, strong analysis and big heart will be missed.

Governor Warner served on the Finance and Administration (Chair), New Grants (Chair), Funding Strategies and Special Needs Fund committees. He provided stable stewardship of Law Foundation finances during his term, and his contribution will also be missed.

Governor Caldwell served on the New Grants (Chair), Special Needs Fund (Chair), Policy and Planning, Finance and Administration and Funding Strategies committees. He led the Law Foundation's new grants initiatives over the last few years and provided principled leadership in that role.

Chair Raven served on the Law Foundation board for six years, the last two as chair, attending all committee meetings, as well as chairing the board meetings. This was a significant undertaking, and the Law Foundation

and I thank her for her significant commitment and leadership over the past years. She continues to serve on the Child Welfare Fund Committee.

Two new board members have been appointed to the Law Foundation board by the Law Society:

- Patricia Schmit, QC, who was called to the bar in 1984, is a partner in the firm of Chudiak, Schmit & Company in Quesnel. She is a life bencher of the Law Society and has served the profession in many capacities over the years.
- Samantha Hulme is Administrative Crown Counsel in Port Coquitlam and was called to the bar in 1992. She has served as president of the New Westminster Bar Association and on the Port Coquitlam Court Users Committee.

In closing, I would like to acknowledge the work of my colleagues on the Law Foundation board. Governors volunteer many hours and their significant abilities to carry out the foundation's work. I also want to thank foundation staff who administer the day-to-day foundation work, handling applications and grants, and providing support to the board. The profession and the public are well served by the dedication of these people.



Warren Wilson, QC  
Chair 2006

# Profile

## MISSION STATEMENT

*To use our income for the benefit of the public of the province of British Columbia by supporting programs that advance and promote the rule of law and a just society. The Law Foundation recognizes the diversity of the people of British Columbia and endeavours to be responsive to the diverse public of British Columbia in its workforce, board and grant making.*

The **Mission Statement and Program Objectives** have been adopted by the board of governors as policy guidelines. These are the principles upon which funding decisions will be based.

## PURPOSE

British Columbia led the way in 1969 when it established the first law foundation in North America. Since then, almost every other jurisdiction in North America has followed BC's lead by establishing a law foundation.

The Law Foundation of BC is a non-profit foundation created by legislation to receive and distribute the interest on clients' funds held in lawyers' pooled trust accounts maintained in financial institutions. Pooled trust accounts are used to hold client funds for short periods of time, until it becomes feasible to distribute those monies to the client or others. Typically, some funds held in this way are purchase monies in real estate transactions, while others are retainers, settlement proceeds, estate funds, etc.

Because of the difficulty and cost of ascertaining how much interest in pooled trust accounts was attributable to each client's funds, and because the amount of interest related to each client was usually small, for many years financial institutions paid no interest on these accounts, although the total funds in the pooled account might be very substantial. As a result, the financial institutions profited from the use of the funds in the pooled trust accounts without charge.

British Columbia lawyers pioneered a change to this practice in 1969 when they persuaded the provincial government to enact legislation requiring financial institutions to pay interest on these pooled trust accounts to the Law Foundation, which would then use the interest to benefit the public of British Columbia.

The legislation directed the Law Foundation to distribute these funds in five areas:

- legal education,
- legal research,
- legal aid,
- law reform and
- law libraries.

The foundation recognizes that, while its objects are legal in nature, the income is to be allocated to programs that will benefit the general public of British Columbia.

From its inception through to 2006, the Law Foundation has approved grants totalling more than \$330 million to support important law-related programs in British Columbia.

## ADMINISTRATION

The Law Foundation is administered by a board of governors (the "board"), which is responsible for making all decisions concerning grants. It has 18 volunteer members:

- the Attorney General (or his/her appointee);
- 3 persons, not lawyers, appointed by the Attorney General;
- 12 members of the Law Society or the judiciary appointed by the benchers to represent geographical areas of the province; and
- 2 members of the Law Society appointed by the Canadian Bar Association BC Branch.

The Law Foundation is independent of the government, the Law Society and the Canadian Bar Association BC Branch, although its governors are appointed by these bodies. The board has five standing committees:

- Bursary, Scholarship and Fellowship
- Finance and Administration
- New Grants
- Policy and Planning
- Special Needs Fund

In 2006, the board also had two other committees: Child Welfare Fund and Funding Strategies.

The board and the committees meet regularly during the year. An administrative staff of eight assists the board.



# Profile and Program Objectives

## HOW GRANTS ARE MADE

The Law Foundation's funds are used for the purposes of legal education, legal research, legal aid, law reform and law libraries. A grant application must fall within one or more of these categories to be considered for funding support, and it must establish that it will result in a clear benefit to the people of British Columbia. Grants are normally restricted to non-profit organizations.

The foundation sets its grant budget and funding guidelines on an annual basis. Those seeking grant support are urged to discuss their proposals with foundation staff before committing time and resources to put together funding requests. If a project appears to fit within the mission statement, program objectives and funding guidelines for that year, a formal proposal with more detailed information will be requested.

Application deadline dates can be obtained by contacting the Law Foundation.

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## PROGRAM OBJECTIVES

The Law Foundation seeks to ensure access to justice through its program objectives, which are:

### 1. Legal Education

To promote legal education programs and services in British Columbia to make the law more accessible through:

- a. increasing public awareness of the law and the justice system;
- b. providing education to groups with particular legal needs; and
- c. assisting in the academic and professional development of those providing legal services to ensure those services are of the highest quality.

### 2. Legal Research

To advance the knowledge of:

- a. law,
- b. social policy and
- c. the administration of justice

through the identification of areas and issues needing study and analysis and the encouragement and support of projects to address those needs.

### 3. Legal Aid

To assist in the provision of legal services, including:

- a. advice to and representation of economically disadvantaged persons; and
- b. support of community service and non-profit organizations that address issues that benefit groups of disadvantaged persons or the public.

To facilitate public access to the justice system.

### 4. Law Reform

To encourage and support projects promoting changes to the law and the administration of justice in accord with current knowledge, values and technology.

### 5. Law Libraries

To assist law libraries and resource centres to keep their materials current.

To encourage and support projects designed to improve the utility and accessibility to both the legal profession and the public of legal and law-related materials.



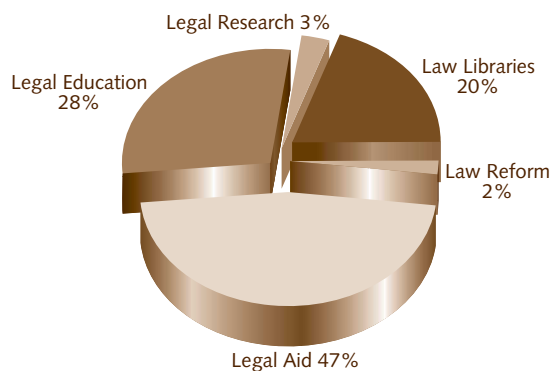
From left to right: *Veenu Saini, program director, Law Foundation of BC; and Rupri Sahota and Ram Sidhu, legal advocates, South Fraser Women's Services Society*

# Continuing Programs FUNDED IN 2006

The Law Foundation provides support for the law-related programs and projects described in this section.

For reporting purposes, grants are listed in the Annual Report under one of the Law Foundation's five statutorily mandated objectives (see also chart). However, many of the organizations' activities fall under more than one of the mandated areas.

Grants are divided into 2006 Continuing Programs and 2006 Projects. Within each sub-section, grants are listed from highest to lowest dollar amounts, rather than alphabetically by name.



## Grants Approved in 2006

Legal Education	\$9,173,672
Legal Research	1,058,305
Legal Aid	14,980,510
Law Reform	579,100
Law Libraries	6,331,700
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$32,123,287</b>

**Total continuing program grants: \$11,510,922**  
**Total project grants: \$20,274,590**

**Total child welfare grants: \$337,775**

## LEGAL EDUCATION

### Professional Legal Education

#### Law Society of BC

The Professional Legal Training Course, a skills-based training program for recent law school graduates, to develop competent lawyers to serve the public  
**\$233,800**

**Law Foundation Lay Advocacy Training**  
 Educating and training Law Foundation-funded lay advocates and a poverty law conference  
**\$84,600**



From left to right: *Doug King*, former legal advocate, Downtown Eastside Residents' Association; *Andrée Harley*, project coordinator/advocate, Nicola Valley Family Justice Services Society; *Fran Auckland*, fieldworker, Legal Services Society; *Sara Kahn*, staff counsel, BC Public Interest Advocacy Centre

**Law Foundation Graduate Fellowships**  
 Graduate legal work by BC lawyers and graduate law students  
**\$67,100**

*Alex Cameron*: The unique power of Internet service providers in digital rights management

*Donn Short*: The intersection of law and education in violence and bullying in schools

*Adam Perry*: Whether to pursue justice in a particular case or in general, and the relationship between generalized rules and case-by-case facts and reasoning

*Prasanna Venkataswami Ranganathan*: The intervention of the state immunity principle in recent international cases of torture

*Kim Pamela Stanton*: The Canadian experience of constitutional negotiations, and a proposed truth commission regarding Indian residential schools

*Sean Robertson*: Legal-geographic analysis of international food security policies and protocols, and suggestions for alternative models

#### University of British Columbia, Faculty of Law

Graduate fellowships	\$60,000
Undergraduate scholarships	\$29,000
Entrance bursaries for disadvantaged students	\$13,500

#### University of Victoria, Faculty of Law

Graduate scholarship program	\$30,000
Entrance and renewal scholarships	\$29,000

#### University of Saskatchewan, Native Law Centre

A pre-law program for Aboriginal students and the centre's library and publications  
**\$10,300**

### Public Legal Education

#### People's Law School Society

Province-wide legal information and education programs  
**\$262,400**

#### BC Branch, Canadian Bar Association

The Lawyer Referral Service, a service to help the public obtain low-cost legal information and assistance; Law Week 2006 public legal education activities; and Dial-A-Law, a province-wide telephone service providing free legal information to the public  
**\$247,100**

#### Law Courts Education Society

A legal information program for First Nations youth in Prince George and the surrounding communities  
**\$60,800**

#### PovNet Society

A poverty law website, e-mail groups and databases for advocates  
**\$55,000**

#### Debate and Speech Association of BC

The participation of high school students in the province-wide Law Foundation Cup Debates on legal topics  
**\$14,300**

## LEGAL RESEARCH

University of British Columbia,  
Faculty of Law  
Block grant for research projects  
\$25,000

University of Victoria, Faculty of Law  
Block grant for research projects  
\$25,000

## LEGAL AID

Legal Services Society  
Support for the management of the  
BC legal aid plan and the provision  
of legal information to low-income  
people  
\$3,272,500

Public Service Ads  
Placement of public service ads in  
yellow page directories, informing  
the public about legal aid services,  
free legal information and how  
to find a lawyer  
\$71,100

## Community-Based Advocacy

Tenant Resource & Advisory  
Centre Society  
A legal information service on  
tenancy matters  
\$218,600

University of Victoria, Faculty of Law,  
Law Centre Clinical Program  
A clinical program providing legal  
services to low-income people  
in the Greater Victoria area  
\$203,400



Penny Goldsmith, executive coordinator,  
PovNet Society



Carol McEown, retiring Public Information and  
Community Liaison manager, Legal Services Society

Greater Vancouver Law Students' Legal  
Advice Program  
A law students' legal advice program  
operating free clinics in the Greater  
Vancouver area  
\$166,920

BC Coalition of People with Disabilities  
Lay advocacy, legal information  
and referral services for people  
with disabilities  
\$136,900

West Coast Domestic Workers'  
Association  
A specialized advocacy service and  
legal education program for domestic  
workers  
\$133,800

Nelson District Community  
Resources Society  
A lay advocacy program providing  
legal information and assistance to  
low-income people in the West  
Kootenay region  
\$105,400

Downtown Eastside Residents'  
Association  
A lay advocacy program providing  
legal information and assistance to  
residents of Vancouver's Downtown  
Eastside  
\$103,300

Abbotsford Community Services  
Society/Progressive Intercultural  
Community Services Society  
A lay advocacy program providing  
legal information and assistance to  
seasonal farmworkers in Surrey and  
the Fraser Valley  
\$90,000

BC Coalition to Eliminate  
Abuse of Seniors  
A lay advocacy program providing  
legal information and assistance to  
seniors throughout BC  
\$90,000

Island JADE Society  
A lay advocacy program providing  
legal information and assistance to  
low-income people in the Campbell  
River area  
\$84,600

Cranbrook Women's Resource  
Centre Society  
A lay advocacy program providing  
legal information and assistance to  
low-income people in the East  
Kootenay region  
\$81,102

MOSAIC  
A lay advocacy program providing  
legal information and assistance to  
low-income immigrants and refugees  
in the Lower Mainland  
\$79,700

Ki-Low-Na Friendship Society  
A lay advocacy program providing  
legal information and assistance to  
urban Aboriginal people in the  
Central Okanagan  
\$75,000

Kettle Friendship Society  
A mental health lay advocacy program  
providing legal information and assist-  
ance on residential tenancy and child  
protection matters in the Lower  
Mainland  
\$70,000



# Continuing Programs FUNDED IN 2006



Back row, left to right: *Rupi Sahota, Ram Sidhu, legal advocates*, South Fraser Women's Services Society; *Lily Lok, mental health legal advocate*, Kettle Friendship Society; *Amber Prince, legal advocate*, Atira Women's Resource Society; *Liza McDowell, mental health legal advocate*, Downtown Eastside Women's Centre. Front row, left to right: *Lois Shelton, fieldworker*, Legal Services Society; *Pam Rudy, director, Legal Support Services*, Separation and Divorce Resource Centre; *Joanna Medjuck, advocate*, Battered Women's Support Services Association; *Betty Ann Burnett, foster parent advocate*; and *Andrea Vollans, legal educator*, YWCA of Vancouver

## University of British Columbia, Faculty of Law, First Nations Clinical Program

A clinical program for law students providing legal services to First Nations people in the Lower Mainland \$65,500

## Together Against Poverty Society

A lay advocacy program providing legal information and assistance to low-income people in the Greater Victoria area \$59,500

## Port Alberni Friendship Center

A lay advocacy program providing legal information and assistance to people with disabilities and mental health issues in the Port Alberni region \$58,960

## Active Support Against Poverty Society

A lay advocacy program providing legal information and assistance to low-income people in the Prince George area \$57,160

## Battered Women's Support Services Association

A lay advocacy program providing legal information and assistance to battered women in the Lower Mainland \$50,480

## Separation and Divorce Resource Centre

A lay advocacy program assisting unrepresented people in Family Court in Greater Victoria and providing basic family law information to low-income people \$45,600

## MPA — Motivation, Power and Achievement Society

A courtworkers' program to assist mentally ill people in the criminal justice system \$45,000

## Contact Women's Group Society

A lay advocacy program providing legal information and assistance to low-income people in the Williams Lake area \$40,000

## South Fraser Women's Services Society

A lay advocacy program providing legal information and assistance on family law to women in the South Surrey/White Rock area \$40,000

## Public Interest Test Case Litigation

### West Coast Environmental Law Association

Law reform, legal education and legal aid programs and a library collection to represent the public interest in environmental legal matters \$705,900



*Patricia Chew, executive director*, West Coast Environmental Law Association

## Community Legal Assistance Society

Programs to provide legal assistance to disadvantaged individuals and the groups who represent them and to develop law that will benefit disadvantaged groups as a whole \$654,500

## BC Public Interest Advocacy Centre

Representation of the public interest in regulatory matters and test cases on behalf of disadvantaged people appearing before courts and administrative tribunals \$486,800

## BC Civil Liberties Association

Test case litigation, legal education and law reform to protect the civil liberties and human rights of British Columbians \$134,300



**West Coast Women's Legal Education and Action Fund Association**

Legal education, law reform and test case litigation to advance equality for women **\$111,700**

**LAW REFORM**

**BC Law Institute**

Law reform activities leading to improvements in the law and the administration of justice **\$140,300**

**BC Freedom of Information and Privacy Association**

A program focusing on freedom of information and privacy legislation **\$20,800**

**LAW LIBRARIES**

**BC Courthouse Library Society**

The society's operating costs for the province's 31 courthouse law libraries **\$2,190,200**

**Law Society of BC**

Contribution to the operating costs of the CanLII Virtual Law Library **\$65,000**

**MISCELLANEOUS GRANTS**

Support for organizations to address emergent needs as recognized throughout the year, including grants to:

**Vancouver Community College** to add 5,000 legal context definitions to its legal contexts project and to translate the Online Glossary of Legal Terms into traditional Chinese script

**North Shore Family Justice Committee** to supply a legal notice board

**Greater Vancouver Law Students' Legal Advice Program** to fund students for its summer student program

**Pro Bono Students Canada — University of British Columbia** for summer 2006 program development and conference fees

**Pro Bono Students Canada — University of Victoria** for a law student coordinator and program development

**BC Law Institute** for an articling student

**Legal Services Society** for the "Aboriginal Law Conference" in June 2006

**Pro Bono Law Ontario** for the "National Pro Bono Conference"

**CBA Women Lawyers Forum** for its mentorship program

**Nicola Valley Family Justice Services Society** for audit expenses

**Nanaimo Citizen's Advocacy Association** for audit expenses

**Tenants' Rights Action Coalition** for a name change to Tenant Resource & Advisory Centre Society and for translation expenses

**Environmental Law Group — University of British Columbia** for the Environmental Law Clinic

**BC Law Institute** for strategic planning and executive director recruitment

**PovNet Society** to offer online courses for community advocates

**Provincial Court of British Columbia and the University of British Columbia Faculty of Law** for the law student intern program

**Union of BC Indian Chiefs** for the "BC Specific Claims Symposium" **\$310,000**

**Projects FUNDED IN 2006**

**LEGAL EDUCATION**

**Public Legal Education**

**Law Courts Education Society**

A three-year project to expand services for Aboriginal youth, immigrants and the Courts Education Network **\$450,000**

**Vancouver Area Human Rights Coalition Society**

A legal education project for security guards and the public on balancing safety with the right to access and equal treatment under the law **\$74,980**

**Law Courts Education Society**

Thirty workshops in the Lower Mainland for separating parents on financial issues resulting from separation and parenting plans **\$64,200**

**Law Courts Education Society**

An electronic educational resource on the basic structure and operation of BC courts for schools and the public **\$49,750**

**BC Civil Liberties Association**

Racial profiling conference held in May 2007 **\$29,072**

**John Howard Society of the Fraser Valley** Guidebook for visitors to federal correctional institutions **\$15,000**

**Judith Marcuse Projects**

AIR workshops, a series of workshops for youth on freedom of expression, access to information, censorship, private space/public space and the protection of individual rights **\$15,000**

**Nicola Valley Family Justice Services Society**

A guide to legal help in rural BC **\$15,000**

# Projects FUNDED IN 2006

**Safe Harvest Coalition**  
Workshops and multilingual brochures for farmworkers in the South Okanagan \$15,000

**Terrace Women's Resource Centre Society**  
Up to 20 workshops on various legal topics relevant to Terrace women \$15,000

**Union of BC Indian Chiefs**  
Online Aboriginal law curriculum materials for Grade 10 – 12 students \$15,000

**West Coast Women's Legal Education and Action Fund Association**  
Adapted curriculum of the "No Means No" program for Aboriginal youth on reserve \$15,000

**Northern Women's Wellness Information Centre**  
Up to 18 two-hour legal education workshops for women in the Prince George area \$14,540

**Kelowna Women's Resource Centre**  
Workshops for women and front-line community workers on employment, income assistance, residential tenancy, child protection and human rights law \$13,675

**Ecotrust Canada**  
Update of the Crown Land Referrals Toolkit focusing on the legal basis for consultation with First Nations \$12,665

**Pro Bono Law of BC**  
Non-profit law seminars for community organizations \$10,110

**North Shore Multicultural Society**  
Legal information workshops on family law for Persian (Farsi-speaking) immigrants on the North Shore \$10,000

**Sunshine Coast Women's Resource Society**  
Workshops on employment law for employees in the Sunshine Coast area \$9,900

## Professional Legal Education

**University of British Columbia, Faculty of Law**  
Grant to the Law School Building Fund, conditional on the Faculty of Law raising matching funds and providing space in the new building for the Greater Vancouver Law Students' Legal Advice Program, the BC Law Institute and Pro Bono Students Canada — University of British Columbia chapter \$6,000,000

**University of British Columbia, Faculty of Law**  
A three-year project providing awards to law students with unmet financial needs who demonstrate academic achievement \$300,000

**Greater Vancouver Law Students' Legal Advice Society**  
Public interest articling fellowships over three years \$150,000

**University of Victoria, Faculty of Law**  
A three-year project providing awards to law students with unmet financial needs who demonstrate academic achievement \$150,000

**Continuing Legal Education Society of BC and Priestly Law Library, University of Victoria, Faculty of Law**  
Redesign of the online Legal Research Centre and enhancement of the Legal Research Record tool \$75,000

**University of British Columbia, Faculty of Law**  
Development of strategic and fundraising plans \$75,000

**Community Legal Assistance Society**  
Public interest articling fellowship \$50,000

**University of British Columbia, Faculty of Law**  
Update and implementation of the Legal Education Access Project \$50,000

**PovNet Society on behalf of the Poverty Law Advocacy Network of Canada**  
A national conference of anti-poverty advocates in Vancouver in November 2006 \$37,000

**Continuing Legal Education Society**  
Update of *Aboriginal Practice Points*, a free online collection of papers on Aboriginal rights and issues \$25,500

**Canadian Institute for the Administration of Justice**  
"Sustainable Development and the Law: People, Environment and Culture," a national conference held in Vancouver in October 2006 \$25,000

**Association des juristes d'expression française de la Colombie-Britannique**  
"Journée de droit — Law Day Conference," a conference on the challenges of having a French or English trial in a region where that official language is in the minority \$10,728

## LEGAL RESEARCH

**Canadian Forum on Civil Justice**  
A three-year project to develop the forum's core research program and undertake innovative new research projects relevant to BC \$225,000

**The Legal Historical Society of British Columbia**  
Research and write a history of the BC Court of Appeal \$150,000

**BC Coalition to Eliminate Abuse of Seniors, on behalf of the BC Adult Abuse and Neglect Prevention Collaborative**

Legal research to clarify issues regarding adults vulnerable to abuse based on their level of capacity \$75,000

**Canadian Forum on Civil Justice**  
Pilot project to support research  
on civil justice reform \$75,000

**Scow Institute for Communicating  
Information on Aboriginal Issues**  
Legal research and education project  
on select Aboriginal justice issues  
\$75,000

**Union of BC Indian Chiefs**  
Land rights research workshops for  
First Nations community members  
\$75,000

**Victoria Native Friendship Centre**  
Research into Aboriginal restorative  
justice programs and strategies in the  
Victoria area and development of a  
central healing house model \$70,000

**Canadian Paraplegic Association (BC)**  
Research on the Continuing Care Act  
\$15,000

**MARU Art and Research Society**  
Survey and research on communities  
affected by racial profiling \$15,000

**Canadian Forum on Civil Justice**  
Continuing research on involving  
the public in civil justice reform  
initiatives in BC \$14,630

## LEGAL AID

**Legal Services Society**  
A three-year project to update and  
enhance the LSS family law website  
\$483,600

**Legal Services Society**  
Poverty law project funding to March  
2010 to provide lay advocates with  
access to legal support \$328,000

## Legal Advocacy

**Greater Vancouver Law Students' Legal  
Advice Society**  
A three-year project to incorporate  
family law and a do-your-own divorce  
program into the students' legal  
advice program \$554,000

**Dze L K'ant Friendship Centre Society**  
A three-year project providing legal  
information and assistance on a variety  
of legal topics affecting low-income  
people in the Smithers area \$250,000

**Chilliwack Community Services**  
A three-year lay advocacy project  
providing poverty law information and  
assistance to the Aboriginal community  
and the Chilliwack community  
at large \$225,000

**CHIMO Crisis Services Society**  
A three-year project to continue and  
expand the work of the volunteer  
advocacy pilot project for poverty law  
outreach and advocacy in Richmond  
\$225,000

**Fort St. John Women's Resource Society**  
A three-year lay advocacy project  
providing poverty law information  
and assistance to the Fort St. John area  
\$225,000

**Newton Advocacy Group Society**  
A three-year lay advocacy project  
providing poverty law information  
and assistance to low-income people  
in the Surrey area \$225,000

**North Shore Community  
Resources Society**  
A three-year lay advocacy project  
providing poverty law information  
and assistance to marginalized North  
Shore residents \$225,000

**Powell River Community Services**  
A three-year lay advocacy project  
providing poverty law information  
and assistance to low-income and  
marginalized people in the Powell  
River area \$225,000

**Native Courtworker and Counselling  
Association of BC**  
A three-year Aboriginal family  
advocacy project in Vancouver's  
Downtown Eastside \$186,000

**Atira Women's Resource Society**  
A two-year lay advocacy project  
providing legal information and  
assistance on poverty law, child  
protection, family law and criminal  
law to women in Vancouver's  
Downtown Eastside \$150,000

**Haida Gwaii Legal Project Society**  
A two-year lay advocacy project  
providing legal information and  
assistance on a variety of legal topics  
affecting low-income and Aboriginal  
people on Haida Gwaii \$150,000

**Kamloops and District  
Elizabeth Fry Society**  
A two-year lay advocacy project  
providing poverty law information  
and assistance to the Kamloops  
region \$150,000

**Quesnel Tillicum Society**  
A two-year lay advocacy project  
providing poverty law information  
and assistance to Quesnel and  
outlying areas \$140,000

**Nicola Valley Family Justice  
Services Society**  
A two-year lay advocacy project  
providing legal information and  
assistance on welfare, disability benefits,  
housing, employment insurance, debt  
and CPP issues to the Nicola Valley  
\$131,100

# Projects FUNDED IN 2006

## Abbotsford Community Services Society and Progressive Intercultural Community Services

Assistance to farmworkers in tax court trials, and to develop a strategy for group files in Joint Agricultural Compliance Team investigative proceedings \$75,000

## MPA — Motivation, Power and Achievement Society

Pilot project in Surrey of a courtworkers' program assisting mentally ill people in the criminal justice system \$75,000

University of Victoria, Faculty of Law Refine and complete the Law Centre Family Law Diagnostic Tool, an online self-help tool for students, lay advocates and the public \$75,000

## Saulteau First Nations

A lay advocacy project providing legal information and assistance on family and Aboriginal law in the northeast of the province \$71,000

## YWCA of Vancouver

A travelling lay advocacy project providing legal information and assistance to women in the Lower Mainland \$68,350

## South Peace Community Resources Society

A 14-month lay advocacy project providing poverty law information and assistance to the Dawson Creek area \$60,415

## Prince Rupert Unemployed Centre Society

A two-year lay advocacy project providing poverty law information and assistance to the Prince Rupert area \$54,000

## Northern Rockies Aboriginal Women Society

A lay advocacy project providing legal information and assistance to the urban Aboriginal community in Fort Nelson \$40,000

## Together Against Poverty Society

A volunteer advocacy project providing disability benefits legal information and assistance to low-income people in the Greater Victoria area \$40,000

## Community Connections (Revelstoke) Society

Increased lay advocacy services \$15,000

## En'owkin Centre

Policy and resource manual of the Law Foundation-funded restorative justice project in the Okanagan region \$15,000

## North Shore Community Resources Society

A lay advocacy project providing legal information and assistance to marginalized North Shore residents \$14,000

## Saint Paul's Anglican Church

Self-help project providing legal information and assistance, including computer access \$14,000

## Greater Vancouver Law Students' Legal Advice Society

Website and IT resource update \$7,295

## Public Interest Test Case Litigation

Community Legal Assistance Society Poverty law project funding to March 2010 to provide lay advocates with access to legal support and representation for poverty law clients \$410,000

## Pivot Legal Society

A three-year strategic advocacy project in housing and income security for Vancouver Downtown Eastside residents \$360,000

## BC Public Interest Advocacy Centre

Poverty law project funding to April 2010 to provide lay advocates with access to legal support and representation for poverty law clients \$272,000

## Other Legal Aid Projects

### Pro Bono Law of BC Society

A three-year project to support pro bono legal service delivery in BC \$450,000

### Western Canada Society to Access Justice

Transitional grant plus a three-year project to support 58 pro bono clinics around the province providing legal advice to low-income people \$315,000

### Environmental Law Centre, University of Victoria

A five-year project to enhance the centre's capacity to serve a province-wide clientele \$250,000

### Multiple Sclerosis Society of Canada, BC Division

Project funding to December 2009 to expand the pro bono program and produce education tools \$187,500

### Salvation Army Belkin House

A three-year project supporting free legal services for people without access to legal aid through 23 pro bono legal clinics throughout BC \$150,000

### Environmental Law Centre, University of Victoria

Mobilizing legal knowledge to enhance First Nations' capacity to participate in decision making about coastal resources \$75,000



RJ (Dick) Gathercole, retiring executive director, BC Public Interest and Advocacy Centre



**Pro Bono Students Canada —  
University of British Columbia**

A three-year project matching volunteer law students with community organizations to provide legal support and information **\$73,080**

**Western Canada Society to Access Justice**  
Increase the number of pro bono clinics serving youth **\$60,000**



*Dugald Christie, founder and director, Western Canada Society to Access Justice*

**Pro Bono Students Canada —  
University of Victoria**

A three-year project matching volunteer law students with community organizations to provide legal support and information **\$56,000**

**Salvation Army Belkin House**  
Update of the Salvation Army pro bono website **\$28,000**

**Western Canada Society to Access Justice**  
Three video conference pro bono clinics in Northern BC **\$15,000**

**LAW REFORM**

**Social Planning and Research Council of BC**  
Community consultation on the Family Relations Act review **\$99,000**

**BC Law Institute**  
Society Act law reform project **\$75,000**

**Pivot Legal Society**  
Child protection issues and policies affecting single mothers living in poverty in Vancouver's Downtown Eastside **\$71,000**

**Social Planning and Research Council of BC**  
Engagement of justice system agencies in the recommendations of the Street Crime Working Group report *Beyond the Revolving Door: A New Response to Chronic Offenders* **\$58,000**

**Canadian Forum on Civil Justice**  
“Into the Future,” a national conference on civil justice reform **\$50,000**

**Sierra Legal Defence Fund Society**  
BC endangered species legislation project **\$50,000**

**IMPACS — Institute for Media, Policy and Civil Society**  
Phase I of a major project to reform advocacy law enabling charities to participate more in public policy development **\$15,000**

**LAW LIBRARIES**

**University of Victoria, Faculty of Law**  
Major re-purposing and renovation of the Diana M. Priestly Law Library; endowment for entrance scholarships and other initiatives promoting student excellence and enriching programs **\$3,000,000**

**BC Courthouse Library Society**  
Providing public libraries with legal materials appropriate for public use plus training and support for public library staff **\$1,000,000**

**BC Courthouse Library Society**  
Making family law judgments anonymous and available online **\$68,000**

**Canadian Institute for the Administration of Justice**  
*Dialogue Between Courts and Tribunals* — Essays on administrative law and justice **\$8,500**

**CHILD WELFARE GRANTS**

**Institute for Dispute Resolution, University of Victoria**  
A three-year family group conference research project **\$192,775**

**Okanagan Nation Alliance**  
Mobile outreach family group conferencing project **\$80,000**

**Interior Métis Child and Family Services Society**  
Alternate dispute resolution project **\$65,000**

# Financial Statements



## 2006 AUDITOR'S REPORT

December 31, 2006

### **TO THE GOVERNORS THE LAW FOUNDATION OF BRITISH COLUMBIA**

We have audited the statement of financial position of **The Law Foundation of British Columbia** as at December 31, 2006 and 2005 and the statements of changes in net assets, income and expenses, and cash flows for the years then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the foundation's governors. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audits 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 our opinion, these financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the foundation as at December 31, 2006 and 2005 and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the years then ended in accordance with Canadian generally accepted accounting principles.

*Joyline Wozny, Miller & Co.*

Chartered Accountants  
Vancouver, Canada  
February 12, 2007

**TOMPKINS, WOZNY, MILLER & CO.**  
Chartered Accountants

## Statement of Financial Position

The Law Foundation of British Columbia

As at December 31

	2006 \$	2005 \$
<b>ASSETS</b>		
Cash	42,646	82,751
Investments [note 4]	69,238,914	36,391,221
Accrued interest receivable	—	303,319
Prepaid expenses and other	17,059	25,885
Property and equipment [note 5]	187,667	86,567
	<b>69,486,286</b>	<b>36,889,743</b>
<b>LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS</b>		
<i>Liabilities</i>		
Accounts payable	198,418	104,074
Child Welfare Fund [note 6]	2,060,648	454,259
Grants payable [note 7]		
— within one year	16,598,744	12,165,567
— long term	14,507,077	2,097,412
<b>Total liabilities</b>	<b>33,364,887</b>	<b>14,821,312</b>
<i>Net assets</i>		
Equity in property and equipment	187,667	86,567
Grant stabilization reserve [note 8]	35,933,732	21,981,864
<b>Total net assets</b>	<b>36,121,399</b>	<b>22,068,431</b>
	<b>69,486,286</b>	<b>36,889,743</b>

Lease commitment [note 12]

See accompanying notes

Approved by:



Warren Wilson, QC  
Governor



John Dustan  
Governor

## Statement of Changes in Net Assets

The Law Foundation of British Columbia

Year ended December 31

	EQUITY IN PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT \$	GRANT STABILIZATION RESERVE \$	NET ASSETS \$
<b>2006</b>			
Balance, beginning of year	86,567	21,981,864	22,068,431
Increase (decrease) in net assets for the year	(30,452)	14,083,420	14,052,968
Acquisition of property and equipment	131,552	(131,552)	—
	<b>187,667</b>	<b>35,933,732</b>	<b>36,121,399</b>
<b>2005</b>			
Balance, beginning of year	95,808	19,507,331	19,603,139
Increase (decrease) in net assets for the year	(26,702)	2,491,994	2,465,292
Acquisition of property and equipment	17,461	(17,461)	—
	<b>86,567</b>	<b>21,981,864</b>	<b>22,068,431</b>

See accompanying notes

## Statement of Income and Expenses

The Law Foundation of British Columbia

Year ended December 31

	2006 \$	2005 \$
<b>INCOME</b>		
Interest received on lawyers' trust accounts	39,984,949	17,394,064
Investment income (net) [note 9]	6,744,505	2,816,332
Unclaimed trust funds [note 10]	120,016	51,287
	46,849,470	20,261,683
Child Welfare Fund [note 6]	393,611	544,456
	47,243,081	20,806,139
<b>EXPENSES</b>		
Audit and annual report	38,189	27,027
Consulting and legal	74,456	105,457
Meetings and travel	128,309	110,738
Office	83,374	67,952
Rent and occupancy costs	78,978	77,594
Salaries and employee benefits	748,013	578,862
Amortization of property and equipment	30,452	26,702
Total expenses	1,181,771	994,332
Child Welfare Fund [note 6]	393,611	544,456
	1,575,382	1,538,788
Net income before grants approved	45,667,699	19,267,351
Program and project grants approved [note 11]	31,785,512	16,925,595
Less program and project grants refunded or unused	170,781	123,536
	31,614,731	16,802,059
Increase in net assets for the year	14,052,968	2,465,292

See accompanying notes

## Statement of Cash Flows

The Law Foundation of British Columbia

Year ended December 31

	2006 \$	2005 \$
<b>OPERATING ACTIVITIES</b>		
Interest received on lawyers' trust accounts	39,984,949	17,394,064
Interest received on investments (net)	1,140,092	1,678,877
Unclaimed trust funds received	120,017	51,287
Expenses paid	(1,048,149)	(1,017,737)
Program and project grants paid, net of refunds and returns	(14,771,888)	(14,277,889)
	25,425,021	3,828,602
Child Welfare Fund (payments) receipts (net)	1,606,389	(46,956)
Cash provided by operating activities	27,031,410	3,781,646
<b>INVESTING ACTIVITIES</b>		
Property and equipment purchased	(131,552)	(17,461)
Increase in investments (net)	(29,502,995)	(3,222,139)
Cash used in investing activities	(29,634,547)	(3,239,600)
Increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents for the year	(2,603,137)	542,046
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of year	2,645,783	2,103,737
Cash and cash equivalents, end of year	42,646	2,645,783
Cash and cash equivalents are comprised of:		
Cash	42,646	82,751
Short-term investments [note 4]	—	2,563,032
	42,646	2,645,783

See accompanying notes



# Notes to Financial Statements

The Law Foundation of British Columbia

December 31, 2006

## 1. NATURE OF ACTIVITIES

The Law Foundation of British Columbia (the foundation) was established in 1969 under the Legal Profession Act of British Columbia as a tax exempt not-for-profit organization to receive and distribute interest on clients' trust funds held in lawyers' pooled trust accounts. The foundation is administered by a board of governors who are responsible for distributing these funds to provide legal aid, legal research, law reform, legal education and law libraries for the benefit of the general public of British Columbia.

## 2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

### *Cash Basis — Interest on Lawyers' Pooled Trust Accounts*

The foundation uses the cash basis of reporting interest earned on lawyers' pooled trust accounts.

The foundation assumes that solicitors who hold funds in trust for or on account of clients comply strictly with Section 62 of the Legal Profession Act and Part 3 Division 7 of the Rules of The Law Society of British Columbia. These rules require that interest earned on funds held in lawyers' pooled trust accounts be remitted to the foundation.

### *Property and Equipment*

All expenditures on property and equipment are capitalized and amortized on a straight-line basis as follows:

- Leasehold improvements            term of lease
- Furniture and equipment            5 years
- Computers and accessories        3 years

For property and equipment, except leasehold improvements, one-half the normal amortization is recorded in the year the asset is acquired.

### *Investment Income and Operating Expenses*

Investment income and operating expenses are accounted for on an accrual basis.

### *Program and Project Grants Approved*

The foundation expenses grants in the current year that provide annual operating funding to organizations covering 12-month periods beginning in the current and subsequent calendar years, plus grants for special projects, which may be payable over several years. Those grants that are not yet paid are reflected as grants payable.

### *Investments*

Investments are recorded at the lower of cost and market value. Gains and losses arising from changes in the market value of investments are recorded as they are realized.

### *Child Welfare Fund*

The Child Welfare Fund is an externally restricted contribution that is being reported as income as qualifying expenses are incurred or grants are awarded.

### *Use of Estimates*

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with Canadian generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of income and expenses during the reported period. Actual results could differ from the estimates.

### *Statement of Cash Flows*

The statement of cash flows is prepared on a net cash basis and cash flows from operating activities are presented using the direct method.

## 3. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

The foundation's financial instruments consist of cash, investments, accounts payable and grants payable. The foundation is subject to market, credit and interest rate risk on its investments. In the opinion of management, the foundation is not otherwise exposed to any other significant risk with respect to its financial instruments, and their carrying value approximates fair value.

**Notes to  
Financial Statements** (continued)

**4. INVESTMENTS**

	DUE DATES	COST \$	MARKET VALUE \$
<b>2006</b>			
CC&L Canadian Q Core pooled equity fund		5,140,744	4,818,188
CC&L pooled bond fund		66,393,100	64,420,726
		<b>71,533,844</b>	<b>69,238,914</b>

**2005**

Short-term investments (cost \$2,564,255 — recorded at market)	2006	2,563,032	2,563,032
Corporate bonds and debentures	2014 to 2034	12,568,805	13,727,812
Government bonds	2013 to 2035	21,259,384	23,366,517
		<b>36,391,221</b>	<b>39,657,361</b>

In July 2006, the foundation changed investment managers and retained Connor, Clark and Lunn Investment Management Ltd (CC&L). In consultation with CC&L and an independent investment consultant, a new investment policy was established and approved by the board of governors. The new investment policy, among other things, allows for equities of up to 25% of the market value of the portfolio and pooled bond funds rather than segregated long-term bonds. In December 2006, the long-term segregated bonds were sold for a sizeable gain, and the funds realized were invested in CC&L's pooled equity and bond funds.

**5. PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT**

	COST \$	ACCUMULATED AMORTIZATION \$	NET BOOK VALUE \$
<b>2006</b>			
Leasehold improvements	159,969	41,613	118,356
Furniture and equipment	91,129	37,207	53,922
Computers and accessories	29,143	13,754	15,389
	<b>280,241</b>	<b>92,574</b>	<b>187,667</b>

**2005**

Leasehold improvements	75,501	31,061	44,440
Furniture and equipment	60,837	26,334	34,503
Computers and accessories	19,661	12,037	7,624
	<b>155,999</b>	<b>69,432</b>	<b>86,567</b>

**6. CHILD WELFARE FUND**

The BC Ministry of Children and Family Development granted \$1 million in 2004 and an additional \$2 million in 2006 to the foundation to develop innovative proposals consistent with the guiding principles of the Child, Family and Community Service Act, to expand the use of alternative dispute resolution in child welfare — particularly for Aboriginal children and families.

The fund comprises:

	2006 \$	2005 \$
Child Welfare Fund, beginning of year	454,259	998,715
Grant received	2,000,000	—
	<b>2,454,259</b>	<b>998,715</b>
Direct development expenses paid	(55,836)	(19,456)
Grants — paid	—	(27,500)
— payable	(337,775)	(497,500)
	<b>(393,611)</b>	<b>(544,456)</b>
<b>Child Welfare Fund, end of year</b>	<b>2,060,648</b>	<b>454,259</b>

**Notes to  
Financial Statements (continued)**

**7. LONG-TERM GRANTS PAYABLE**

The foundation has approved grants with multi-year payment schedules that are estimated to be payable in the following years:

	2006 \$	2005 \$
2006	—	12,165,567
2007	16,598,744	1,847,148
2008	6,419,652	250,264
2009	5,133,703	—
2010	1,553,722	—
2011	1,395,000	—
2012	5,000	—
	31,105,821	14,262,979
Less portion payable within one year	(16,598,744)	(12,165,567)
	14,507,077	2,097,412

**8. GRANT STABILIZATION RESERVE**

The foundation has established an annual grants budget with the goal of insulating continuing programs (that have been up to 95% of the grant dollars allocated) from volatile fluctuations in the foundation's income that result from changes in the prime rate and the balances in lawyers' pooled trust accounts that generate income to the foundation. The reserve functions as a stabilization fund which declines in years in which the foundation's net income is less than the grants approved, and increases when net income is greater than the grants approved.

**9. INVESTMENT INCOME**

Investment income comprises:

	2006 \$	2005 \$
Interest and dividends earned	3,264,885	1,834,025
Less write-down to market	(2,294,929)	—
Gain on sale of investments	5,907,733	1,072,863
Less investment advisory fees	(133,184)	(90,556)
	6,744,505	2,816,332

**10. UNCLAIMED TRUST FUNDS**

Under the Law Society of British Columbia's (the society) unclaimed trust fund procedures, lawyers submit unclaimed trust funds to the society. The society holds the funds for five years before remitting the money to the foundation.

**11. PROGRAM AND PROJECT GRANTS APPROVED**

	2006 \$	2005 \$
Legal Services Society of BC		
— continuing program	3,272,500	3,272,500
— shared surplus grant	—	654,500
BC Courthouse Library Society		
— continuing program	2,190,200	2,190,200
— shared surplus grant	—	438,040
Other continuing program grants	6,038,222	5,662,644
— shared surplus grants	—	1,117,920
Project grants	20,284,590	3,589,791
	31,785,512	16,925,595

Project grants include grants of \$8,750,000 that are conditional upon the receipt of matching funds by the grantees.

**12. LEASE COMMITMENT**

In addition to shared building operating costs, property taxes and GST, the foundation is committed to annual rent payments until April 30, 2013 for its office premises. Additional space was leased in January 2007 and the required payments are now as follows:

	ANNUAL RENT PAYMENTS \$	TOTAL RENT COMMITMENT \$
2007	74,729	74,729
2008 – 2012	77,088	385,440
2013 (4 months)	31,988	31,988
		492,157

**13. COMPARATIVE FIGURES**

Certain of the comparative figures for the 2005 fiscal year have been reclassified to conform with the current year's presentation.



## **Staff Members**

*As of December 31, 2006*

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Program Director

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