

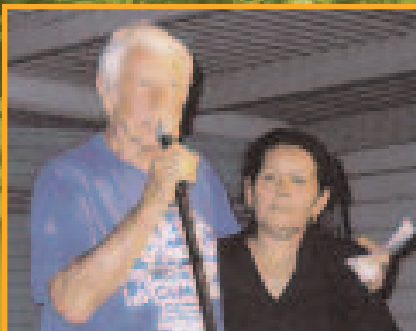
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Dear Friends,

As we celebrate the 25th Anniversary of the SHARE Foundation, we want to say Muchas Gracias to all the people that make this work of accompaniment possible. Each of you is leaving a legacy of solidarity that is more important than ever. The schism between rich and poor is widening, and every day 700 individuals leave El Salvador for “El Norte” in hope of a better life. Meanwhile walls are being constructed to literally separate us from our sisters and brothers. However, when we dare to cross borders in order to witness, learn and walk with each other, the possibilities of transformation are infinite.

As you know, the task of solidarity is never simple. The courage, resilience and vision of those who struggle daily for survival continue to humble us. We are challenged to discover things that will break open our hearts and move us to action.

We take our lead from our Salvadoran partners who are addressing the root causes of poverty, violence and migration. We link arms with our counterparts and advocate for fair trade policies that benefit the poor. We fortify women’s groups that are organizing for gender equality and economic viability. We invest in the precious resource of youth so that young people remain in their communities and provide leadership for the future. We stay anchored by a nationwide network of sister parishes and communities that are dedicated to the spiritual and physical accompaniment of the Salvadoran people.

La lucha continua. We would like to invite you to accompany SHARE for another 25 years of solidarity with the people of El Salvador. It is an unpredictable journey, yet one graced by unwavering commitment to each other in love and struggle.

Sincerely,

Jose Artiga
Executive Director

Que Viva El Salvador!

Diane Clyne, RSM
Chair of the Board of Directors



Queridos amig@s de SHARE,

Estimad@s companer@s,

Durante la celebración de nuestro 25 Aniversario nosotros, en la Fundación SHARE, queremos decir “Muchas Gracias” a todas las personas que han hecho posible el trabajo de acompañamiento. Cada un@ de ustedes nos ha dejado un legado de solidaridad que es importante ahora más que nunca. El abismo entre ricos y pobres es cada vez más grande, y cada día 700 personas dejan El Salvador encaminándose hacia el Norte con la esperanza de una vida mejor. Mientras tanto, murallas y bardas son construidas para separarnos de nuestro@s herman@s. Sin embargo, cuando nos atrevemos a cruzar esas fronteras para decir presentes, así como para aprender y caminar juntos; las posibilidades de transformación son infinitas.

Tod@s sabemos que la tarea de la solidaridad no es sencilla o fácil. El coraje, las ganas de salir adelante y la visión de l@s que a diario luchan por la sobre vivencia continua enseñándonos humildad. Nos reta también a descubrir cosas que pueden abrir nuestro corazón y lanzarnos a la acción.

En SHARE, seguimos el liderazgo de nuestro@s companer@s salvadoreñas cuando confrontan las raíces de la pobreza, la violencia y la migración forzada. Entrelazamos nuestros brazos con nuestras contrapartes y abogamos por políticas de libre comercio que sean justas y que en verdad beneficien al pobre. Fortalecemos a grupos de mujeres que se organizan para conseguir la igualdad de género y viabilidad económica. Invertimos en la juventud que son un valiosísimo tesoro para que permanezcan en sus comunidades y provean liderazgo para su futuro. Tenemos como ancla firme una red nacional de hermanamientos y comunidades que se han dedicado a acompañar al pueblo de El Salvador de manera espiritual y física.

La lucha continua. Y queremos invitarles a acompañar a SHARE en otros 25 años de solidaridad con el pueblo Salvadoreño. Es un camino impredecible, pero indudablemente lleno de un compromiso de amor sólido y deseo de seguir luchando l@s un@s por l@s otr@s.

LOCAL DEVELOPMENT: WOMEN'S EMPOWERMENT AND CHANGE



Great strides were made in local development in the focus region of Chalchuapa. SHARE has built strong relationships, working with new partners to evaluate the local, social and environmental dynamics. CREDHO, a recent counterpart of SHARE, conducted a needs assessment of the region. SHARE then convened meetings of the mayor's office, local NGOs and other social organizations to facilitate a newly coordinated approach throughout the municipality.

As a result SHARE is supporting the strengthening of women's associations through gender training, literacy campaigns, leadership development and economic initiatives. SHARE continued this accompaniment with a federation of cooperatives FEDECOOPADES and formed a new partnership with the Association for Active Women and Gender Equality (AMAIG).

Although focused on the current target area, SHARE has maintained a presence in the Lower Lempa area. SHARE continued to support the successful micro-lending project of the Marta Gonzales Cattlewomen's Cooperative (MUGAN) and democracy initiatives of the Tecoluca Municipal Development Committee (CDM).

Hurricane Stan wreaked havoc on much of El Salvador in October 2005. SHARE worked with other organizations to coordinate emergency relief efforts, providing for immediate needs and supporting reconstruction efforts, such as replanting crops, providing mental health services and developing emergency preparedness strategies. ■

Desarrollo Local: Empoderamiento de Mujeres y Cambio.

El Programa de Desarrollo local hizo grandes avances en Chalchuapa, nuestra región de enfoque. SHARE ha logrado construir fuertes relaciones en la zona y trabajar con nuevas contrapartes para evaluar las dinámicas locales, sociales y del medio ambiente. CREDHO, una de las nuevas contrapartes de SHARE, llevó a cabo un sondeo para determinar las necesidades de la región. Haciendo uso de esta información, SHARE convocó a reuniones entre la alcaldía, ONGs y organizaciones sociales de la zona para así facilitar un nuevo plan coordinado a lo largo de la municipalidad.

Uno de los resultados de esta coordinación es el apoyo que SHARE esta brindando para fortalecer a organizaciones de mujeres a través de capacitaciones de género, campañas de alfabetización, desarrollo de liderazgo e iniciativas económicas. SHARE sigue este acompañamiento con la Federación de Cooperativas (FEDECOOPADES) y también a través de una nueva alianza con la Asociación de Mujeres Activas por Igualdad de Género (AMAIG).

Aunque nuestro énfasis en el presente es nuestra zona de enfoque, SHARE sigue manteniendo una presencia en el área del Bajo Lempa. SHARE continua brindando apoyo al exitoso proyecto de micro-empresa de la Cooperativa Ganadera Marta Gonzales (MUGAN) y las iniciativas democráticas del Comité de Desarrollo Municipal (CDM) en Tecoluca.

En Octubre del 2005, el huracán Stan causó una gran devastación en buena parte de El Salvador. SHARE trabajó en conjunto con otras organizaciones para coordinar ayuda de emergencia y suplir necesidades inmediatas de la población. SHARE también apoyó esfuerzos de reconstrucción tales como: sembrar de nuevo las cosechas perdidas a causa de el huracán, proveer servicios de salud mental y desarrollar estrategias de seguridad en caso de emergencias. ■

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ADVOCACY PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS



Activities in the U.S.

SHARE accompanied partners' efforts to promote human rights in El Salvador. Hurricane Stan, the implementation of the Central American Free Trade Agreement (CAFTA) and mineral prospecting framed the year in El Salvador, while in the United States the debate over immigration raged.

SHARE supported a range of community organizations in the Lower Lempa to ensure the reconstruction of levees post-Hurricane Stan. SHARE also continued its accompaniment of the Association of Communities Affected by the Beltway and bypass (ACAPb) in San Salvador which articulated concerns about the highway construction's impact on water access, the environment and future disaster mitigation and emergency preparedness.

CAFTA entered into force in El Salvador on March 1, 2006. In this context, SHARE supported the work of the cooperative association CONFRAS, as it organized its members in the basic grains, sugar cane and coffee producing sectors. SHARE educated colleagues, its grassroots base and members of the U.S. Congress on the projected effects of CAFTA through educational materials, press conferences and advocacy opportunities.

As international mining companies advanced prospecting in northern El Salvador, SHARE accompanied long-time partner CRIPDES, as well as a national coordinating group, in educational, organizing and advocacy efforts. Dr. Beatrice de Carrillo, Human Rights Ombudswoman of El Salvador and SHARE ally, concurred with community groups' concerns over the mining, calling for consultation with affected communities.

As the immigration debate raged in the U.S. Congress, press and streets, SHARE emphasized the "push factors," including the lack of socio-economic development opportunities in El Salvador exacerbated by free trade deals such as CAFTA. As the Salvadoran government prepares its proposal for U.S. Millennium Challenge Account funds, SHARE has urged the prioritization of social needs and sustainable development instead of infrastructure projects to address the root causes of migration.

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PROGRAMA DE INCIDENCIA

TRATADO DE LIBRE COMERCIO DE CENTROAMÉRICA (CAFTA)

La Fundación SHARE acompañó a nuestras contrapartes en sus esfuerzos de promover los derechos humanos en El Salvador. El Huracán Stan, la implementación del Tratado de Libre Comercio en Centroamérica (CAFTA) y la búsqueda de minerales valiosos en la zona para su posible explotación fueron los eventos que enmarcaron el año en El Salvador. Mientras tanto en los EEUU, el debate sobre la reforma migratoria estuvo arduamente reñido.

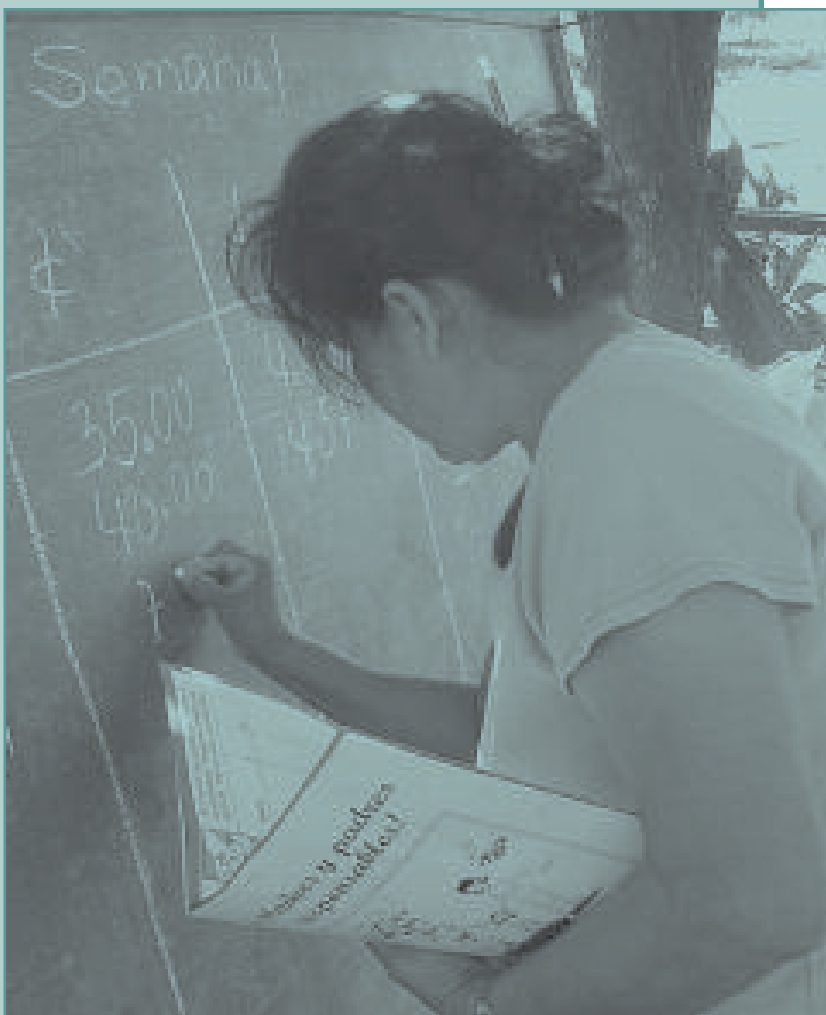
SHARE brindó apoyo a diferentes organizaciones comunitarias del Bajo Lempa para así asegurar la reconstrucción de las bordas después del paso del Huracán Stan. De igual manera, SHARE ha continuado acompañando a la Asociación de Comunidades Afectadas por la Construcción del Anillo Periférico (ACAPb) en San Salvador. ACAPb es el vocero de las preocupaciones que existen debido a la construcción del periférico y su impacto nocivo al acceso del agua, el medio ambiente y la prevención de futuros desastres y emergencias.

CAFTA entró en efecto el día 1 de Marzo de 2006. Bajo estas condiciones, SHARE estuvo apoyando a la Asociación de Cooperativas CONFRAS en su trabajo organizativo con los sectores productores de granos básicos, caña de azúcar y café. Por medio de materiales educativos, conferencias de prensa y oportunidades para hacer trabajo de incidencia, SHARE educó sobre los efectos de CAFTA a sus colegas, a su base y a los miembros del congreso en los EEUU.

Mientras compañías mineras internacionales avanzaban su búsqueda para la explotación de minerales al Norte de El Salvador, SHARE estuvo a la par de CRIPDES (nuestra contraparte de ya hace muchos años) y también junto a un grupo coordinado a nivel nacional en sus esfuerzos educativos, organizativos y de incidencia. La Dra. Beatrice de Carrillo, Procuradora de los Derechos Humanos en El Salvador y aliada de SHARE, se unió a estos grupos para alertar sobre la posible explotación de minerales, y la necesidad que hay de consultar a las comunidades afectadas.

Mientras que el tema migratorio se debatía ard-

uamente en el congreso de los EEUU, la prensa y en las calles, SHARE enfatizaba el discutir los factores que fuerzan a las personas a salir de su país como lo son: la escasez de desarrollo socio-económico y la falta de oportunidades que cada vez es mayor debido a los tratados de libre comercio como CAFTA. A la vez que el gobierno Salvadoreño preparaba su propuesta para ser la Cuenta del Milenio de los EEUU, SHARE urgía que las necesidades sociales y el desarrollo sostenible se convirtieran en una prioridad antes que los proyectos de infraestructura, ya que así se estaría directamente reduciendo las raíces que causan la migración masiva.



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GRASSROOTS SISTERING PARTNERSHIP: LOOKING BACK, MOVING FORWARD



At twenty-five, SHARE is rededicating itself to a new generation of solidarity by investing in youth. Seven hundred people are currently leaving El Salvador daily for better opportunities in the North. Many of those leaving are young people. However, SHARE's grassroots efforts are helping youth find reasons to stay in El Salvador and to contribute to community development.

This year SHARE launched a new Youth Partnership program, fostering the leadership of young people and organizing on both sides of the border. In the last year SHARE sponsored three youth delegations from the Midwest to the Pacific Northwest and is expecting more in the upcoming year! One of the U.S. partners, the Northwest School in Seattle, WA, brought a group of students in March to share and learn with youth in El Salvador. Upon return, student Annie Loggins wrote, "It was an amazing experience. One of the things that stood out to me most was the persistent solidarity of the people we met, particularly the ones in the rural pueblos. I now feel that I have seen the people's struggles first-hand, and I want to keep learning more and help in some way."

SHARE's Youth Partnership is part of a broader Grassroots Sistering Partnership program aimed at strengthening leadership, citizen participation, and women's empowerment. This network of more than thirty U.S. sistering partners – churches, schools, and community groups – promotes cross-border visits and communication, advocates for policies that support long-term solutions to poverty and social injustice and provides financial contributions to organizing and development projects in El Salvador.

Looking back proudly over the last twenty-five years, SHARE staff, promoters, volunteers and supporters garner strength to forge ahead for another twenty-five. With the support and leadership of old friends – and new – there is no place to go but forward!

YES, I want to celebrate 25 years of SHARE! I would like to:

- Make a donation to support the work of SHARE, in the amount of \$_____.
- Become a Sustainer and donate \$_____ Monthly Quarterly.
- Leave a legacy of solidarity by joining SHARE's Planned Giving Program.
- Ensure another 25 years of solidarity by raising money for SHARE's Legacy Fund.
- Join a delegation to El Salvador.

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NUESTRO PROGRAMA DE HERMANAMIENTOS

MIRANDO AL PASADO Y CAMINANDO AL FUTURO

Durante nuestro 25 aniversario, SHARE renueva su compromiso ante una nueva generación de solidaridad poniendo sus mayores esfuerzos en la juventud. Setecientas personas abandonan El Salvador cada día en dirección al Norte. Much@s de estas personas son jóvenes. A pesar de esta realidad, SHARE, por medio de su programa de hermanamientos, se esfuerza por ayudar a la juventud Salvadoreña a encontrar razones para quedarse en el país y contribuir al desarrollo de sus comunidades.

Este año SHARE lanzó un programa de hermanamientos juveniles, apoyando de esta manera el liderazgo de la gente joven y organizándoles en ambos lados de la frontera. En el año pasado, SHARE organizó tres delegaciones juveniles que partieron de ciudades desde el medio oeste de EEUU hasta la zona Noreste del Pacífico. Y este próximo año SHARE espera realizar muchas más delegaciones juveniles. Uno de los hermanamientos en los EEUU es la escuela Northwest de Seattle, WA. Esta escuela envió a un grupo de estudiantes en Marzo para compartir y aprender con la juventud de El Salvador. A su retorno, Annie Loggins escribió, "Esta fue una experiencia increíble, una de las cosas excepcionales para mi es la constante solidaridad de la gente que conocí, especialmente la gente de los pueblos rurales. Ahora siento que he visto la lucha de la gente a través de sus ojos y quiero seguir aprendiendo y ayudando de algún modo."

Los hermanamientos juveniles de SHARE son una parte de la amplia base de relaciones hermanas bajo este programa y esta encaminada a establecer el liderazgo, la participación ciudadana y el empoderamiento de mujeres. Esta red de apoyo consiste de más de 30 hermanamientos en los EEUU que incluyen iglesias, escuelas y grupos comunitarios, promueven las visitas cruzando las fronteras y la comunicación entre los pueblos de El Salvador y EEUU. Este programa también aboga por políticas que apoyen soluciones a largo plazo para eliminar la pobreza y la injusticia social así como proveer contribuciones económicas a proyectos de desarrollo y organización en El Salvador.

Mirando hacia atrás con mucho orgullo durante estos 25 años, el personal, promotores, voluntarios y aliados de SHARE obtienen la fuerza para seguir adelante otros 25 años más. Con el apoyo y liderazgo de nuestros viej@s y nuev@s amig@s, no hay otro camino sino el de seguir adelante.

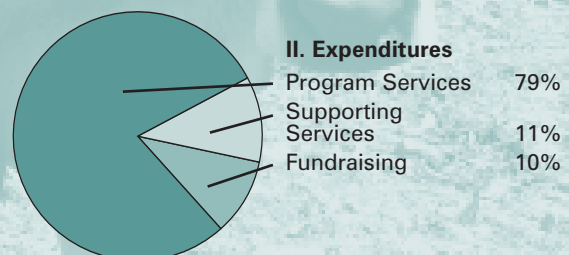
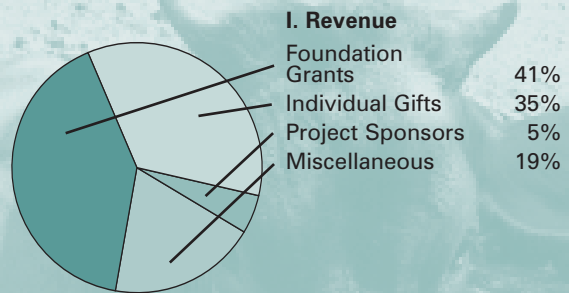


SHARE 2004 Income & Expenditures

INCOME	
Foundation Grants	\$422,454
Individual Gifts	362,426
Project Sponsors	47,730
Other	192,542
total revenue	\$1,025,152

EXPENDITURES	
Program Services	\$750,602
Supporting Service	107,717
Fundraising	96,910
total expenditures	\$806,013

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2004 GRANTS TO PROJECTS

Rural Community Economic Development	\$73,474
Emergency Relief and Reconstruction	63,185
Advocacy	51,260
Women's Empowerment	36,647
Community Health and Education	28,592
total	\$253,158

The SHARE Foundation: Building a New El Salvador today is a nonprofit, tax-exempt foundation, which serves and supports the empowerment of poor and historically marginalized Salvadoran communities in their struggle to meet their immediate needs, as well as to build sustainable long-term solutions to the problems of poverty, underdevelopment and social injustice.

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