

SEVA CANADA SOCIETY

ANNUAL REPORT JULY 1, 2005 - JUNE 30, 2006



Since 1982, Seva Canada has helped communities in some of the poorest areas of the world develop their own capacity to deliver affordable eye care services. Seva Canada's partners in Nepal, Tibet, India and Tanzania provide eye care programs, centred on cataract surgery, but including all other eye diseases, as well as refraction services for glasses.

Seva (say-va) is Sanskrit for service. Seva has helped to create sustainable, economically viable, locally managed eye care programs that will continue to serve local populations long after Seva's involvement is complete.

Next year is Seva Canada's 25th anniversary. We hope that you will join us in celebrating 25 years of solutions in sight.



MISSION STATEMENT

Through compassion in action, Seva Canada seeks to create a better world by volunteer and professional programs designed to alleviate human suffering – particularly through preventable blindness.

Our Focus

Our focus is to establish and expand Seva's sustainable eye care programs with partners in developing countries. We strive to inform Canadians of our work and to inspire them to join us, thereby increasing our overall impact on global blindness.

CORE VALUES

We are guided by:

- Respect for cultural, ethnic, spiritual and other forms of diversity.
- Commitment to working with partners in a compassionate way to achieve appropriate goals.
- Belief that with adequate resources, all people can meet their own needs.

Message from the Executive Director

To our amazing donors:

First, I would like to offer my personal thanks for supporting Seva's work last year. In the eleven months that I have had the privilege of serving as Executive Director, I have been continually astonished by the generosity of Seva's donors. Your giving has not been limited to financial support but also includes your volunteer hours, public relations efforts, words of support and encouragement, and championing of our cause. We are grateful and humbled. I am delighted to be able to share with you the remarkable achievements you have made possible.

In these pages are the highlights from July 2005 to June 2006, a year in which our partners built on their successes to reach more people in remote areas; to ensure equitable numbers of men, women and children were treated; to train local eye-health care professionals; and to achieve sustainability in their programs.

As we build on our past successes and move into our 25th year of preventing blindness and restoring sight, I want to emphasize that it is your generosity that makes all of this possible. We hope that you will join us in celebrating our 25th anniversary year in 2007 and we look forward to sharing with you our expanded programs in the field.

On behalf of Seva Canada, I send you our sincere gratitude for your support and your commitment to Seva's mission of the elimination of preventable blindness.

I invite you to look through these pages and reflect on the hope and opportunity you have created and the transformation you have achieved. You are the heart of our work.

Penny Lyons

Executive Director

A Message from the Chairperson

I am pleased to report to all our supporters that Seva has had an excellent year.

- Donor support for our programs continued to grow.
- Our overseas partners in India, Nepal, Tibet and Tanzania are reaching an ever-widening circle of people in need.
- And, as of January this year, we began a new phase of our evolution with the hiring of Penny Lyons as our new Executive Director.

On a personal note, I had the opportunity to fill in as full-time Executive Director following Maggie Westhaver's decision to make a change. Maggie served Seva well during her tenure and left the organization in good shape.

During those four months "on the job", I was fortunate to oversee Seva during the busy Christmas season. It was very moving and satisfying to see, every day, the extreme generosity of Canadians demonstrating compassion by supporting our efforts. There were both long-term donors as well as new friends who had heard about us through a variety of sources. Our reach is national, with donors from coast to coast to coast and they come from a wide range of backgrounds, both medical and non-medical. None of what we do would be possible without your trust and support. Thank you.

My wife JoAn and I, also had the opportunity to visit our program partner in Tanzania in March where we worked with Dr. Susan Lewallen and Dr. Paul Courtright and the staff of the Kilimanjaro Centre for Community Ophthalmology in a workshop setting helping refine critical-thinking skills.

Following our visit to Tanzania, we flew to Southern India where, hosted by Aravind Eye Hospital, the worldwide partners of both Seva Canada and Seva Foundation (our US sister organization) met in a 4-day planning retreat. Not only was retreat a great success and an opportunity for practitioners in eye care from throughout Asia and Africa to network, we were also graced by the presence of Dr. Govindappa Venkataswamy, the founder of the Aravind Eye Care Hospital network.

Dr. "V" started Aravind as an 11-bed eye hospital in his home in 1976. Last year, Aravind's 5 hospitals performed over one quarter of a million surgeries. Dr. "V" and

Aravind are world leaders in eye care, and crucial members of Seva's partnership network overseas.

Sadly, it was clear Dr. "V" was not in good health, and he passed away on July 7 at the age of 87, leaving an incredible legacy of compassion and a fierce commitment to extending care to the poor. He will be missed for sure, but his legacy carries on in all Seva programs.

We are all looking forward to another excellent year now under Penny's leadership. Thank you all for your compassion and generous support as we extend Dr. Venkataswamy's vision to more and more needy people.

Michel Maurer

Chair of the Board

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NOTE: All our volunteers, including board members, pay their own way when visiting overseas projects.



PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

NEPAL

Since 1982, Seva's partnership with the Government of Nepal, the World Health Organization and a dozen international organizations has helped create a comprehensive national eye care program. Nepal's eye centres now provide more than 100,000 surgeries and see more than 850,000 outpatients annually.

Seva established and supported an eye hospital in the populous Lumbini Zone of Nepal. Since 1985, this program has become a model of high-volume quality eye care, providing over 25,000 cataract surgeries and serving over 200,000 patients a year. Its fee structure, developed by Seva, enabled the program to become self-sufficient within a year, with a small proportion of paying patients covering the costs of those who are too poor to pay. With Seva's support, the Lumbini Eye Institute has become a tertiary referral centre surrounded by an active secondary and primary eye care system. Seva also works primarily through support of the Nepal Eye Health Education Unit, which provides training programs for primary health care workers, pharmaceutical retailers, female community health care volunteers, and traditional healers throughout Nepal.



Nepal remains one of the world's least developed countries, but in the context of the Seva-sponsored eye care program, it has become the training centre for, and model of, eye care program development in the region. In fact, the eye care program in Lumbini has become economically self-sufficient through service generated income so that it requires no further external aid for core program activities. Moreover, it has become a training centre for Seva program expansion into Tibetan regions of China. Despite political borders and governance problems in both Nepal and China, the trans-Himalayan connection has proven mutually beneficial to program development.

NEPAL PROGRAM PARTNERS:

- Lumbini Eye Hospital, its zone-wide system of eye clinics and community services
- Lumbini Eye Institute offers trainings for eye care personnel
- Nepal Netra Jyoti Sangh, the non-governmental organization designated by the Government to provide rural eye care services
- BP Koirala Lions Centre for Ophthalmic Studies at Nepal's Institute of Medicine which has the national ophthalmology residency training program
- Other hospitals

THIS YEAR YOUR DONATIONS HAVE HELPED:

In Chitwan District:

- support the development of a community ophthalmology program through the King Mahendra Memorial Eye Hospital in Bharatpur, Chitwan District in central Nepal. The focus is on providing care to women and children.
- conduct 110 diagnostic screening and treatment camps from April 2005 to February 2006 throughout Chitwan, far exceeding the annual goal of 60.
- provide specialized care at the King Mahendra Memorial Eye Hospital for children with refractive error and more serious eye problems.
- support a School Health Program for early detection and treatment of eye diseases in primary school children. From April 2005 to February 2006, the team visited 39 schools and screened 10,214 students. They treated students with minor eye conditions (conjunctivitis, trachoma, vitamin A deficiency).

IN LUMBINI ZONE:

 support the expansion of community outreach programs of the Lions Lakaul Eye Hospital, the first facility located in the hill regions of Nepal, staffed by an ophthalmologist and providing full general ophthalmological care, including

- cataract surgery. From April 2005 to January 2006 the team examined and gave necessary treatment to 1,600 patients through this program.
- hold one-day diagnostic screening and treatment camps at the community level to facilitate early detection and treatment of eye problems, particularly in women and children. From April 2005 to February 2006 the team organized 16 camps and 2,158 patients were treated.
- expand the cataract surgical monitoring and outcome assessment program.
- support an ophthalmologist from Lumbini Eye Institute to obtain a Masters Degree in Public Health from Bangkok's Chulaloncorn University. He successfully completed his degree in June 2006.

NATIONALLY:

- conduct a national, the Xerophthalmia Surveillance Program to identify vitamin
 A deficiency and to provide treatment to prevent permanent eye damage.
 Xerophthalmia is gradually decreasing in Nepal due to this program. From April
 2005 to December 2005 this program was implemented in 80 villages using the
 resources of seven eye hospitals. The team examined 3,938 children under age
 5 through 2,974 household visits and they detected 114 new cases.
- assist two more candidates to complete a year-long program in Orthoptic service. (Orthoptists are health professionals who specialize in the examination and non-surgical treatment of eye movement, eye alignment and binocularity.)
 The graduates went on to develop Orthoptic units in their respective hospitals (King Mahendra Memorial Eye Hospital in Bharatpur and Himalaya Eye Hospital in Pokhara) where they are the sole providers of Orthoptic services.
- raise public awareness by the National Eye Health Education Unit through radio broadcasts, development and distribution of materials, screening and eye health education camps, a school eye health program, and a Xerophthalmia Surveillance Program.

TIBET

Seva-sponsored eye care programs in Tibet have grown substantially and are taking a leading role in developing a blindness reduction strategy for Tibetan areas of other provinces in China (Szechuan and Qinghi) and a model for eye care for the rest of China.

Tibet has one of the highest rates of blindness in the world, caused mostly by cataract. For seven years, Seva has worked with local partners, starting with the Tibet Development Fund, and more recently with the Public Health Bureau, to establish services at hospitals and to train doctors throughout the region. Through these partnerships, last year, 10,000 people received eye care. Seva has also trained local cataract surgical teams and supported 25 eye camps.

Our overall goal in Tibet is to build a sustainable, affordable eye care infrastructure. The results of the first-ever blindness survey, supported by Seva, are being used to develop an eye care program to address the most urgent needs of Tibetans. In 2002, Seva sponsored a historic eye care planning workshop in Lhasa – the first of its kind in Tibet – with eye care personnel from throughout the country. The resulting tenyear cataract blindness prevention plan calls for developing an eye care system,



increasing the number of patients – especially women and children – and facilitating greater communication among eye care workers.

TIBET PROGRAM PARTNERS

- Tibet Autonomous Region Public Health Bureau, a governmental body
- Individual hospitals in the TAR and in Tibetan populations outside the TAR
- Menzikhang, a traditional Tibetan medicine hospital in Lhasa

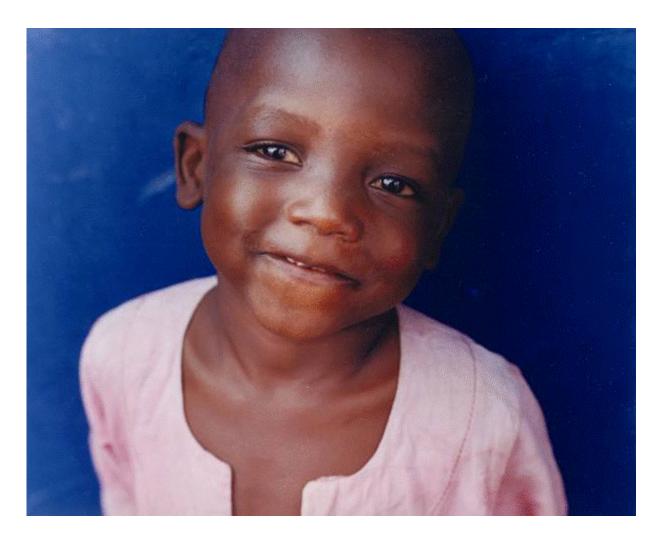
IN TIBET YOUR DONATIONS HELPED TO:

- run 14 surgical eye camps between May and September, 2005.
- support a cataract surgical eye camp in Yushu Prefecture in September 2005, paying for personnel, supplies and travel. Approximately 1,100 people were examined and 300 cataract surgical procedures were performed.
- provide funds to upgrade surgical equipment at the hospital in Yushu.
- Cataract Surgical Outcome Assessment (monitoring and evaluation): The
 monitoring and evaluation program continues to focus on cataract surgery.
 Progress was made on standardizing the record keeping system, both on paper
 and electronically, in short-term eye camps (Ngaba, Lhoka, Yushu and Ngari
 prefectures) and in permanent programs (Lhasa and Kandze prefecture), in
 keeping with recommendations from the International Agency for the Prevention
 of Blindness.
- increase community outreach activities: At the specific request of Tibet Autonomous Region and Central Chinese Government, Seva representatives attended two multi-day meetings called to develop a prevention of blindness strategy for China. Although promising at higher governmental levels, the political situation has not yet permitted activity on a Coordinating Centre for cataract surgery in the Tibet Autonomous Region. Seva remains committed to working with the Tibet Autonomous Region Health Bureau, and when permitted, will establish and maintain a central planning process for cataract surgical activities in Tibetan regions of China.

TANZANIA

Seva helped establish the Kilimanjaro Centre for Community Ophthalmology – a training centre for public health and community workers to serve the East Africa region. The centre provides public health training to ophthalmology residents, nurses, and medical officers. It has an ever-expanding network of community-based programs reaching out particularly to women, who are most at risk of blindness because they do not have access to care.

Reducing blindness in Africa faces several challenges due to the shortage of trained personnel, lack of eye care systems, an aging population and barriers to access. The overall goal of Seva's work in Tanzania is to create an African model of training that will prepare eye health workers not only to provide quality care but also to address these obstacles.



TANZANIA PROGRAM PARTNERS

• Kilimanjaro Centre for Community Ophthalmology, Moshi, Tanzania

IN TANZANIA YOUR DONATIONS HELPED TO:

- support the Direct Referral Sites program throughout the Kilimanjaro District (pop. 1.4 million) and its expansion into the adjacent Arumeru District (pop. 500,000). This program is a community outreach activity designed to identify, counsel and facilitate use of cataract surgical services particularly in vulnerable populations such as older women and people living in the most extreme poverty.
- KCCO organized 80 Direct Referral Sites in the Kilimanjaro region. The team altogether examined and treated 1,235 people and 550 patients received cataract surgery.
- for children: locate and treat 198 new cases of congenital or developmental cataract in 2005 through KCCO's Childhood Cataract Program. The success of this program was largely due to the proactive methods adopted to find and deliver follow-up care. The methods used, while expensive, did prove essential for children's eye health.
- provide professional training of district health management staff through workshops given by KCCO in collaboration with the Ministry of Health. The focus of the training was evidence-based planning for eye care service delivery and proper allocation of resources (personnel and financial) for prevention of blindness. Through KCCO's efforts, the Kilimanjaro region was the first region in Tanzania to have a systematic approach for including eye care in district health plans.
- create a gender and blindness program within the Ophthalmic Resource Center for Eastern Africa. KCCO became more closely linked with the British Columbia Center for Epidemiologic & International Ophthalmology – to generate necessary information and distribute it throughout Africa.

INDIA

In 1976, Dr. Venkataswamy turned his former home in Madurai, India into an 11-bed hospital. Now the largest eye care institution in the world, Aravind performed over 250,000 cataract surgeries and more than a million eye exams last year.

Aravind is a world leader in its model of high quality, high volume, affordable, community-oriented eye care. Its innovative financial structure allows fees from one-third of paying patients to subsidize services for the two-thirds who cannot afford the costs.



Seva funding last year helped transform Aravind from service delivery into a training institute that now trains doctors, hospital administrators, and other eye care specialists from all over India and other parts of Asia and Africa. Seva continues to send experts to strengthen and expand the range of services and courses offered by Aravind.

In North India, Seva initiated a partnership with the Sadguru Netra Chikitsalaya Eye Hospital in Chitrakoot, Madhya Pradesh State, where training is focused on microsurgical techniques, expanding outreach services, and improving refraction facilities. In one year, with Seva's assistance, the hospital

increased the number of cataract surgeries four fold;

- improved the quality of its surgery through training in microsurgical techniques; and
- increased the number of paying patients through the introduction of an economic model developed at Aravind.

Working in partnership, Seva and the Aravind Eye Care System are helping this 300-bed hospital develop into a technological center of excellence for eye care for northern India.

INDIA PROGRAM PARTNERS

- Aravind Eye Hospitals, Tamil Nadu, India
- Lions Aravind Institute for Community Ophthalmology based in Madurai, Tamil Nadu, India
- Satguru Netra Chikitsalaya Eye Hospital, Chitrakoot, Madhya Pradesh, North India

THIS YEAR YOUR DONATIONS HAVE HELPED TO:

- support the development of Vision Centres, offering primary eye care services to targeted rural populations of approximately 50,000 people.
- improve outreach activities by funding eye care managers with salary stipends and learning resources. These eye care managers are integral to appropriate data gathering and reporting in the community ophthalmology activities supported by Seva Canada.
- hire an epidemiologist in January 2006 to direct community ophthalmology programs.
- train community health workers and volunteers making referrals to the Vision Centers and training school teachers in screening of school children.
- assess eye care needs through data analysis of the population-based survey of diabetic retinopathy in Theni District. The survey was completed in March 2006.
 The findings will be published next year.

FINANCIALS

SEVA CANADA SOCIETY

Statement of Income and Expenditures for the year ended June 30, 2006

Income Donations, Merchandise, and Events Program Grants and Contracts (CIDA) Project Grants and Contracts Investment and Other Income	\$374,826 162,668 34,953 7,731
Total Revenue	\$ 580,178
Expenditures International Programs	
India eye care program (CIDA)	43,816
Nepal eye care program (CIDA)	43,816
Tibet eye care program (CIDA)	43,816
Tanzania eye care program (CIDA)	43,816
Other sight programs (non CIDA supported)	85,102
Program travel	17,073
Domestic Programs	
Public education	110,034
Program administration	34,451
Development	113,046
General Administration	110,175
Total Expenditures	\$ 645,145
Excess of revenue over expenditure	\$ (64,967)

Note: Donated medical/professional/volunteer services to Seva valued at \$135,000 annually.

WITH GRATITUDE TO OUR WONDERFUL VOLUNTEERS

Volunteers have always played a crucial role in Seva's work. From ophthalmologists helping train local physicians, to the epidemiologists conducting blindness surveys, to nurses, management consultants, graphic designers, envelope stuffers, telephone answerers, information technologists, writers and editors – volunteers sustain Seva programs.

Volunteer opportunities abound at Seva. For current volunteer openings, please visit our website at www.seva.ca or contact Susan Erdmann at volunteer@seva.ca. All help is appreciated and we are never without jobs to be done.

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So many people around the world benefit from Seva's eye camps and from the other projects and services they offer. I was surprised to find how relatively simple and inexpensive it is to perform procedures that can restore the sight of people who have been blind for years because of cataracts. Seva's remote eye camps reach many individuals who would not otherwise receive this treatment and the smiles after the procedure say it all.

I've given time as well as financial support to the organization in order to get to know what goes on behind the scenes, for I feel that is the way to see how one's gift is being used. I'm happy and proud to be a Seva supporter.

Carol Givton, Seva donor and volunteer



PLANNED GIVING

A number of our supporters have named Seva Canada in their long-term charitable giving plan. We thank these people for believing in the continuation of our work.

Planned giving can take many forms and create opportunities for both Seva Canada and our donors. Determining what gift is right for you is just as important as making the gift. Ultimately the best plan for you will balance what you wish to accomplish for yourself, your family, and your charitable interests in your overall estate and financial plans. If you are interested in making a planned gift please contact Penny Lyons at 604-713-6622 or 1-877-460-6622.

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BEAUTY AND TRANSFORMATION

Beauty and Transformation is the latest multimedia show for Seva by photographer Brian Harris. Brian traveled to India in early 2005 photographing in Chitrakoot in the north central plains, West Bengal and Ladakh. This 90-minute show presents over 500 still photographs, video footage, music and environmental sound recordings.

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THE THREE QUESTIONS

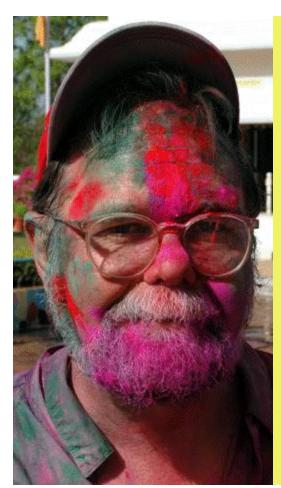
The Three Questions, a new multimedia show presented and adapted by Paula Ford and illustrated by Jacqueline Wang is based on Leo Tolstoy's story of kindness and compassion. Aimed at children in Grades 1 through 5, it tells the story of a young, thoughtful prince who must find the answers to three fundamental questions: What is the most important time? Who is the most important person? What is the most important thing to do?



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THANK YOU TO BRIAN HARRIS

Brian Harris has devoted almost 20 years of his life to Seva Canada, using his amazing eye for images to raise money for Seva's eye care projects. He has brought Seva to the attention of thousands of Canadians through his multimedia shows *Himalayan Visions and Tibetan Voices* and *Beauty and Transformation*, as well as through the annual Seva calendar and many other products such as greeting cards and posters.

"When Brian Harris doffs his lens cap, light pours in all directions," said *The Globe and Mail.* "Harris's striking images have helped raise a million dollars for sight-restoration projects in Tibet, India and Nepal. That's a lot of ocular miracles..."

In July 2006 Brian left Seva. Everyone at Seva offers Brian their profound thanks for his dedication and vision, and wishes him every success in the future.

CIRCLE OF LIGHT DONORS

The following members of the Circle of Light are a group of extraordinary individuals who care deeply about changing the world for the better. Seva Canada is grateful to this special group of donors who are willing and able to make a significant pledge to Seva's mission. The Circle of Light is composed of people who have committed to making a donation of \$750 or more each year for five years.

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Letter from Donor Tessa Cherniavsky to Seva Board Chair, Michel Maurer, and Seva Executive Director, Penny Lyons

June 16, 2006 Dear Michel and Penny,

I want to thank you both for a lovely evening in the gathering of the Circle of Light. It was a privilege to listen to Paul [Dr. Courtright], knowing that he was speaking on behalf of a very dedicated and committed group of Africans. I have great respect and admiration for Paul and his family in their service to humanity.

Thank you both for your contribution the growth of Seva Society. I am glad to be aboard.

And to Michel and JoAn, again, many thank you's for opening your home, welcoming us all and tending generously to us when there are so many in this world who would benefit from such kindness.

Sincerely,

Tessa Cherniavsky

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