



# EVERGREEN 2003 ANNUAL REPORT, AUGUST 1, 2002 - DECEMBER 31, 2003

*During the year, Evergreen changed its fiscal year end from July 31 to December 31*



**EVERGREEN**

*Bring Nature Back to Your City*

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## MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

2003 was a year of exciting new beginnings at Evergreen. We were thrilled to have Toyota renew their support as title sponsor of our national Toyota Evergreen Learning Grounds program with a new three-year commitment. Toyota's generous contribution has helped Toyota Evergreen Learning Grounds program continue to mature in both the depth of program content and in the breadth of our reach. We now have 8 Toyota Evergreen Learning Grounds Associates working in six provinces and we are fortunate to have such a talented group of professionals on our team. Our Toyota Evergreen Learning Grounds Associates, many of them landscape designers and architects, are playing an increasingly important role helping schools with the design process for school grounds, creating natural playgrounds that meet the full range of children's physical, emotional and social needs. Learning Grounds also made great strides in our work with several Canadian school boards, including the Edmonton, Toronto and Waterloo Region School Boards. Ensuring that naturalized school grounds can be sustained in the long run requires more than the dedication and hard work of teachers, parents and students. It also requires the support of school board, senior administration and grounds staff and these Evergreen/School Board partnerships are instrumental in making this long lasting change possible.

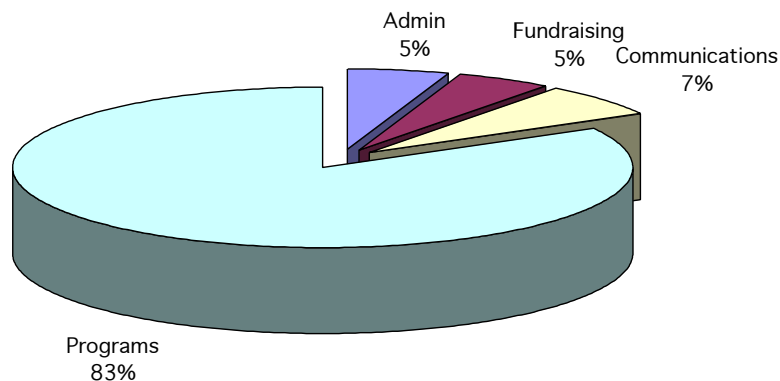
In Toronto and Vancouver, our Common Grounds program also made great strides, building partnerships with social service agencies and municipalities across the Greater Toronto Area and Lower Mainland B.C. We continue to be inspired by community planting and garden projects that transform degraded and under-used pockets in our cities into urban oases, places that nurture our health and offer respite amid the hustle of city life. Common Grounds also continues to work with municipal staff and community leaders to identify creative ways of protecting greenspace - an issue of growing importance as we look for smarter ways of developing our cities.

In September 2003 our plans to transform the Don Valley Brick Works into a native plant nursery and cultural centre for experiential discovery took a huge step forward. The Brick Works is a heritage property located in downtown Toronto renowned for its geological, ecological and historical significance, although only partially restored and much of it fenced off from public use. In response to a City of Toronto initiated proposal call for the adaptive reuse of the Brick Works property, Evergreen was recognized as the preferred proponent. This was the green light we needed. With the help and guidance from numerous advisors and our Board of Directors, we continued to refine our program, business and site plans, began to build the momentum for a capital campaign and negotiated numerous partnerships. Evergreen at the Brick Works is a tremendously exciting project to all involved and we believe it has the potential to significantly improve Toronto's quality of life, representing a model of what sustainable cities can achieve.

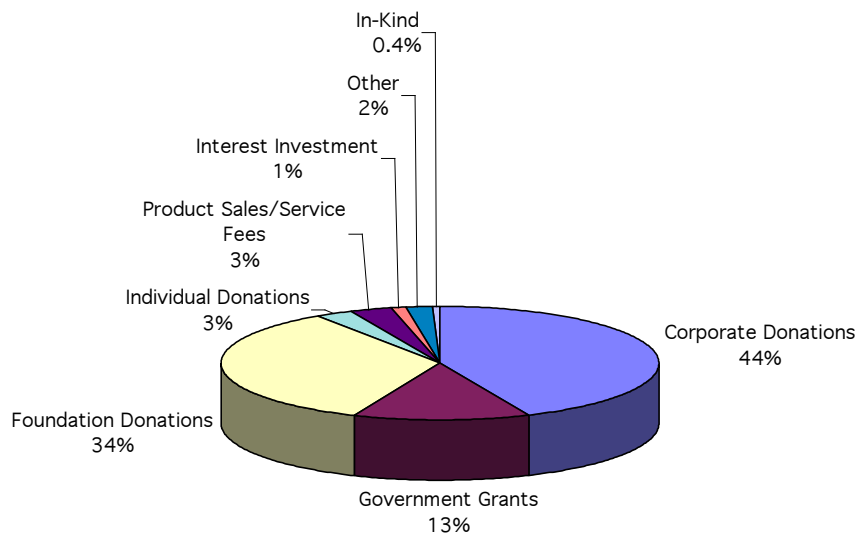
All of these accomplishments are made possible thanks to the dedication and commitment of the thousands of volunteers who roll up their sleeves, get their hands dirty, and work locally to improve the health of their communities. We are also tremendously grateful for the generous support of all our donors and sponsors and thank you for making our work of "bringing communities and nature together" possible.

Geoffry J. Cape  
*Executive Director*  
Evergreen

**Breakdown of Total Expenditures Aug. 1, 2002 - Dec. 31, 2003**



**Source of Financial Support for Operations in Aug. 1, 2002 - Dec. 31, 2003**



**AUDITORS' REPORT**

To the Directors of Evergreen



We have audited the statement of financial position of Evergreen as at December 31, 2003 and the statements of operations, changes in net assets and cash flows for the seventeen months then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of Evergreen's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit 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 common with other charitable organizations, Evergreen derives

revenue from the general public from donations and fundraising events, the completeness of which is not susceptible to satisfactory audit verification. Accordingly, our verification of revenue from these sources was limited to the amounts recorded in the accounts of Evergreen and we were unable to determine whether any adjustment might be necessary to revenue, excess of expenses over revenue, assets and net assets.

In our opinion, except for adjustments, if any, which we might have determined to be necessary had we been able to satisfy ourselves concerning the completeness of the donation and fundraising events revenue referred to in the above paragraph, these financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Evergreen as at December 31, 2003 and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the seventeen months then ended in accordance with Canadian generally accepted accounting principles.

*Deloitte & Touche LLP*

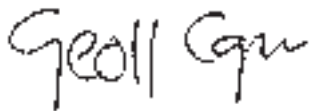


Chartered Accountants  
Toronto, Ontario  
March 19, 2004


Evergreen  
Statement of Financial Position  
As at

	December 31, 2003	July 31, 2002
<b>ASSETS</b>		
<b>CURRENT</b>		
Cash	\$ 106,518	\$ 119,923
Short term investment	599,138	507,125
Accounts receivable	59,030	221,099
Prepaid expenses	10,966	41,574
	<u>775,652</u>	<u>889,721</u>
<b>CAPITAL ASSETS</b>	<b>38,782</b>	<b>50,763</b>
	<u>\$ 814,434</u>	<u>\$ 940,484</u>
<b>LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS</b>		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ 122,381	\$ 140,695
Deferred revenue	391,346	291,459
	<u>513,727</u>	<u>432,154</u>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>		
Invested in capital assets	38,782	50,763
General	261,925	457,567
	<u>300,707</u>	<u>508,330</u>
	<u>\$ 814,434</u>	<u>\$ 940,484</u>

On behalf of the Board:



Geoffrey J. Cape  
Executive Director



Leith Moore  
Chair, Board of Directors



Joshua Berson



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Statement of Operations  
Period ended

	December 31, 2003 (17 months)	July 31, 2002 (12 months)
<b>REVENUE</b>		
Corporate	\$ 1,464,342	\$ 1,028,962
Government	448,831	628,224
Foundations	1,158,585	575,944
Donations-in-kind	14,326	695,686
Service fees	94,546	38,858
Individual donations and other	207,357	91,235
	<u>3,387,987</u>	<u>3,058,909</u>
<b>EXPENSES</b>		
Salaries and fees	1,916,675	1,099,653
Program	1,098,076	1,090,329
Events	205,675	217,400
Travel and transportation	53,041	52,864
Administration		
General, administrative and office supplies	175,690	136,383
Occupancy	108,784	74,403
Professional and consulting fees	14,861	299,874
Depreciation	22,808	17,512
	<u>3,595,610</u>	<u>2,988,418</u>
Excess of (expenses over revenue) revenue over expenses	\$ (207,623)	\$ 70,491

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Statement of Changes in Net Assets  
Period ended

	December 31, 2003 (17 months)			July 31, 2002 (12 months)
	Invested in Capital Assets	General	Total	Total
Balance, beginning of period	\$ 50,763	\$ 457,567	\$ 508,330	\$ 437,839
Excess of (expenses over revenue) revenue over expenses	(22,808)	(184,815)	(207,623)	70,491
Additions to capital assets	10,827	(10,827)	-	-
Balance, end of period	<u>\$ 38,782</u>	<u>\$ 261,925</u>	<u>\$ 300,707</u>	<u>\$ 508,330</u>

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