2022 Report & Financial Statements

Year ended December 31, 2022



About Hope in the Dark

1. PURPOSE AND NATURE OF THE ORGANIZATION

Hope in the Dark (HITD) is a Canadian registered charity that serves impoverished children and their parents living in the slums and illegal settlements of Bucaramanga and Cartagena, Colombia.

HITD's main goals are to see children and families living in vulnerable social & economic conditions experience the freedom, transformation, and the true love of Jesus Christ, leading them to pursue His purpose for their lives and become contributing members in their communities. To accomplish this, we show the love of Christ in a tangible way by providing consistent aid and support through daily meals, educational assistance, extracurricular activities, and the teaching of God's word.

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements have been prepared by management in accordance with Canadian Accounting Standards for Not-for-Profit Organizations (ASNPO). The more significant of the accounting policies are outlined below:

REVENUE RECOGNITION

HITD follows the deferral method of accounting for contributions. Under this method, restricted contributions, events and grants are recognized as revenue when the expenses are incurred. Unrestricted contributions, events and grants are recognized as received or receivable if the amount is reasonably estimable and collection is reasonably assured.

HITD's Sources of Revenue are as Follows:

A) SPONSORSHIP SUPPORT FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

Sponsorship support for children and families are treated as general contributions. Sponsorship support received that is considered to be prepayments of monthly sponsorship support for children and families is included in deferred contributions on the statement of financial position and is recognized monthly as revenue throughout the year.

B) GENERAL CONTRIBUTIONS

General contributions from the public are recognized in the financial statements as revenue when received.

C) RESTRICTED CONTRIBUTIONS

Contributions that are restricted for a designated purpose are recognized in the financial statements using the deferral method, whereby contributions relating to expenses of future years are deferred and recognized as revenue in the year in which the related expenses are incurred. These contributions include psychologist and evening programs.

Statement of Operations:

Year to Year Comparison: 2021-2022

	2022	2021
Revenue Sponsorship support for children and families General contributions Psychologist and evening programs Other Income	21,062	24,563
	78,052	60,563
	3,353	2,486
	959	35
	103,426	87,647
Expenditure Program expenses Fundraising Administration	92,259 -	59,067 -
	14,186	2,973
	106,445	62,040
Excess (Deficiency) of revenue over expenditure for the year	(3,019)	25,607
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Summary at a Glance:

MAIN SOURCES OF REVENUE

\$78,052

GENERAL CONTRIBUTIONS

\$21,062

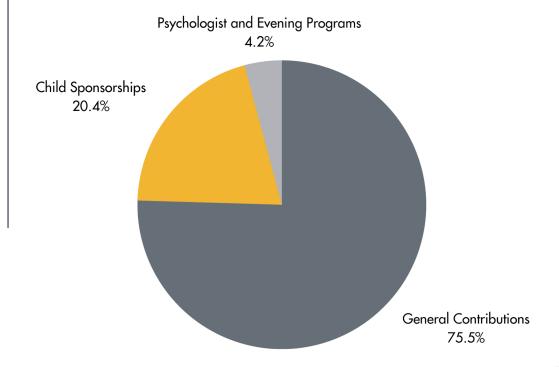
CHILD SPONSORSHIP

\$4,312

PSYCHOLOGIST & EVENING PROGRAMS; OTHER INCOME

\$103,426

TOTAL ANNUAL REVENUE- 2022

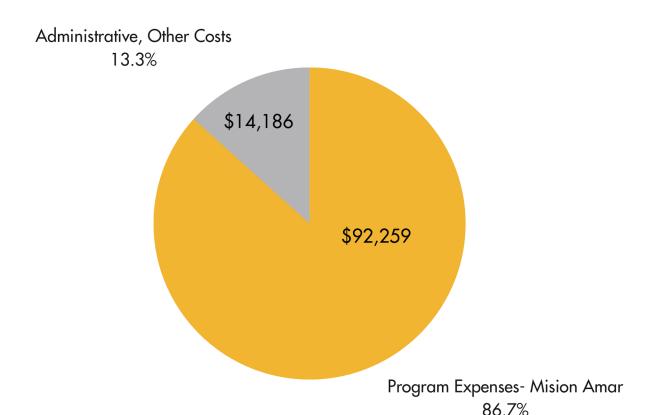


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HITD EXPENDITURES

86.7% OF FUNDS USED FOR PROGRAMMING AND OPERATION COSTS FOR BOTH CENTRES

13.3% OTHER COSTS INCLUDING ADMINISTRATION, LICENSES, BANKING AND OTHER FEES



HIGHLIGHTS OF 2022:

- Our dream to open a new centre in Colombia became a reality! In May of 2022, we opened the second centre in Cartagena, a coastal city in Colombia, approximately 600 km NW of Bucaramanga;
- At both of our centres in Bucaramanga and Cartagena, by the end of 2022, we were at full capacity, serving approximately 150 children between the two locations;
- For the new centre, we hired one Operations Coordinator, two Teachers and one cook to serve the children we are caring for on a daily basis;
- In 2022, three of our teenage girls graduated from high school. All
 three are now studying at a technical college. In the last 2 years, 5 of
 our teens have graduated high school! This is an enormous achievement
 for these teens who have very little support and live in communities
 where very few graduate from high school;
- We hired our first official staff member in Canada. Our Communications and Development Coordinator started working for us in September of 2022 as a critical contributor to our long-term growth.

KEY CHALLENGES IN 2022:

- With the new centre in Cartagena, including staff, and newly hired staff
 in Canada, our costs significantly increased;
- As many of our kids are reaching adolescence, it becomes more of a challenge for them to stay in school. We continue to encourage, and pray for our teens and support them to make the right choices and to complete their education.

GOALS FOR 2023:

- Hire an IT Support worker to expand opportunities for computer-based learning who would also mentor/disciple our adolescents in Bucaramanga;
- Hire a part-time psychologist for our newer centre in Cartagena;
- Increase our revenue streams by incorporating additional methods of fundraising.