

The Wild Rose Foundation

Financial Statements

March 31, 2008

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Auditor's Report

To the Members of the Wild Rose Foundation and the Minister of Culture and Community Spirit:

I have audited the statement of financial position of the Wild Rose Foundation as at March 31, 2008 and the statements of operations and cash flows for the year then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Foundation's management. My responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on my audit.

I conducted my audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that I 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 my opinion, these financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Foundation as at March 31, 2008 and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian generally accepted accounting principles.

Original Signed by Fred J. Dunn, FCA
Auditor General

Edmonton, Alberta
May 16, 2008

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**The Wild Rose Foundation
Statement of Operations
Year ended March 31, 2008
(thousands of dollars)**

	2008		2007
	Budget	Actual	Actual
Revenues			
Internal Government Transfers			
Transfers from the Department of Tourism, Parks, Recreation and Culture	\$ 8,516	\$ 8,516	\$ 8,116
Investment Income	476	565	524
Premiums, Fees and Licences			
- Vitalize Conference for Volunteers	144	125	135
Other Revenue			
Donations			
- Vitalize Conference for Volunteers	50	49	45
Refunds of Expenses			
- Other Initiatives	50	36	10
Miscellaneous Revenue			
- Vitalize Conference for Volunteers	-	5	5
- Other Initiatives	16	6	5
	<u>9,252</u>	<u>9,302</u>	<u>8,840</u>
Expenses – Directly Incurred (Note 2(b) and Schedules 1 and 3)			
Support to Alberta Non-Profit Organizations	4,974	5,171	4,715
International Development Program	1,752	1,682	1,730
Voluntary Sector Development	1,341	1,107	1,208
Vitalize Conference for Volunteers	658	817	629
Other Initiatives	255	173	282
Administration	272	287	273
	<u>9,252</u>	<u>9,237</u>	<u>8,837</u>
Net Operating Results	<u>\$ -</u>	65	3
Operating Fund Balance at Beginning of Year		<u>2,239</u>	<u>2,236</u>
Operating Fund Balance at End of Year		<u>\$ 2,304</u>	<u>\$ 2,239</u>

The accompanying notes and schedules are part of these financial statements.

**The Wild Rose Foundation
Statement of Financial Position
As at March 31, 2008
(thousands of dollars)**

	2008	2007
Assets		
Cash (Note 3)	\$ 2,741	\$ 2,355
Accounts Receivable	2	2
Prepaid Expenses	33	36
	2,776	2,393
Investment (Note 3)	6,500	6,500
	\$ 9,276	\$ 8,893
Liabilities		
Accounts Payable and Accrued Liabilities	\$ 472	\$ 154
Fund Balances		
Unrestricted Fund	2,304	2,239
Endowment Fund – Internally Restricted (Note 4)	6,500	6,500
	8,804	8,739
	\$ 9,276	\$ 8,893

The accompanying notes and schedules are part of these financial statements.

**The Wild Rose Foundation
Statement of Cash Flows
Year ended March 31, 2008
(thousands of dollars)**

	2008	2007
Operating Transactions		
Net Operating Results	\$ 65	\$ 3
Decrease (Increase) in Accounts Receivable	-	(1)
Decrease in Prepaid Expenses	3	1
Increase (Decrease) in Accounts Payable and Accrued Liabilities	318	(2,137)
Cash Provided by (Applied to) Operating Transactions	386	(2,134)
Cash, Beginning of Year	2,355	4,489
Cash, End of Year	\$ 2,741	\$ 2,355

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Note 1 Authority and Purpose

The Wild Rose Foundation (Foundation) operates under the authority of the *Wild Rose Foundation Act*, Chapter W-8, Revised Statutes of Alberta 2000.

The purposes of the Foundation are:

- To provide funding to volunteer, non-profit organizations that provide valuable services to Albertans;
- To foster or promote the use of volunteers, or to assist those who volunteer or use the services of volunteers in Alberta; and
- To foster or promote charitable, philanthropic, humanitarian, or public spirited acts or to assist those who perform them.

The Foundation is a Crown agent of the Government of Alberta and as such has a tax exempt status.

Note 2 Summary of Significant Accounting Policies and Reporting Practices

These financial statements are prepared in accordance with Canadian generally accepted accounting principles for the public sector as recommended by the Public Sector Accounting Board of the Canadian Institute of Chartered Accountants.

(a) Reporting Entity

The reporting entity is the Wild Rose Foundation, which is part of the Ministry of Tourism, Parks, Recreation and Culture (Ministry) and for which the Minister of Tourism, Parks and Recreation and the Minister of Culture and Community Spirit (Ministers) are accountable. The Ministry Annual Report provides a more comprehensive accounting of the financial position and results of the Ministry's operations for which the Ministers are accountable.

(b) Basis of Financial Reporting

Revenue

All revenues are reported on the accrual basis of accounting. Cash received for which goods or services have not been provided by year end is recorded as unearned revenue.

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Note 2 Summary of Significant Accounting Policies and Reporting Practices (continued)

(b) Basis of Financial Reporting (continued)

Revenue (continued)

Donations are recognized as revenues when they are received. Donations of materials and services that would otherwise have been purchased are recorded at fair value at the date of donation when fair value can reasonably be determined.

Internal Government Transfers

Internal government transfers are transfers between entities within the government reporting entity where the entity making the transfer does not receive any goods or services directly in return.

Expenses

Directly Incurred

Directly incurred expenses are those costs the Foundation has primary responsibility and accountability for, as reflected in the Government's budget documents.

Directly incurred expenses include amortization of tangible capital assets.

Grants are recorded as expenses when authorized and when all eligibility criteria have been satisfied.

Incurred by Others

Services contributed by other entities in support of the Foundation operations are disclosed in Schedule 3.

Assets

Financial assets of the Foundation are limited to financial claims, such as receivables from other organizations.

Assets acquired by right are not included. Tangible capital assets of the Foundation are recorded at historical cost and amortized on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful lives of the assets. The threshold for capitalizing new systems development is \$100,000 and the threshold for all other capital assets is \$5,000.

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Note 2 Summary of Significant Accounting Policies and Reporting Practices (continued)

(b) Basis of Financial Reporting (continued)

Liabilities

Liabilities are recorded to the extent that they represent present obligations as a result of events and transactions occurring prior to the end of the fiscal year. The settlement of liabilities will result in sacrifice of economic benefits in the future.

Valuation of Financial Assets and Liabilities

Fair value is the amount of consideration agreed upon in an arm's length transaction between knowledgeable, willing parties who are under no compulsion to act.

The fair values of accounts receivable, and accounts payable and accrued liabilities are estimated to approximate their carrying values because of the short-term nature of these instruments.

Note 3 Cash and Investment

Cash consists of deposits in the Consolidated Cash Investment Trust Fund (CCITF) of the Province of Alberta. CCITF is managed with the objective of providing competitive interest income to depositors while maintaining appropriate security and liquidity of depositors' capital. The portfolio is comprised of high-quality short-term and mid-term fixed-income securities with a maximum term-to-maturity of three years. As at March 31, 2008, securities held by CCITF have an average effective market yield of 4.81 % (2007 – 4.36%) per annum.

Investment also consists of deposits in the CCITF. It represents deposits equivalent to the endowment fund balance. These deposits are internally restricted.

Due to the short-term nature of these deposits, the carrying value approximates fair value.

Note 4 Endowment Fund – Internally Restricted (thousands of dollars)

In 1985, the members of the Foundation directed that the initial contribution from lottery funds amounting to \$4,500 be placed in an endowment fund so that the funds are not available for use in its operations. In 1993, a further \$2,000 was transferred from the operating fund balance to the endowment fund. The purpose of the fund is to earn income and to retain an ongoing funding capability.

Interest earned on the endowment fund is reported as operating revenue.

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Note 5 Honoraria (thousands of dollars)

	2008			2007
	Honoraria ^(a)	Benefits and Allowances ^(b)	Total	Total
Board ^(c)				
Chair	\$ 18	-	\$ 18	\$ 15
Other Members (6)	23	-	23	23
	\$ 41	-	\$ 41	\$ 38

(a) The Foundation has no employees. Staff of the Department of Tourism, Parks, Recreation and Culture administer the Foundation. Disclosure of information on their salaries and benefits, a requirement under Treasury Directive 03/2004, is included in the financial statements of the Department of Tourism, Parks, Recreation and Culture.

(b) No benefits were provided to Board members.

(c) Members appointed to the Foundation are paid honoraria for attending Foundation meetings at rates set by Ministerial Order. They are also paid for sub-committee meetings, to attend out of town meetings, and for attending to other Foundation duties.

Note 6 Contractual Obligations (thousands of dollars)

	2008	2007
Grant Agreements	\$ -	\$ 633
Service Contracts	458	534
	\$ 458	\$ 1,167

The aggregate amounts payable for the unexpired terms of these contractual obligations are as follows:

	Service Contracts
2009	\$ 370
2010	71
2011	17
	\$ 458

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Note 7 Approval of Financial Statements

The financial statements have been approved by the Board of Directors.

The Wild Rose Foundation
Expenses – Directly Incurred Detailed by Object
Year ended March 31, 2008
(thousands of dollars)

	2008		2007
	Budget	Actual	Actual
Grants	\$ 6,892	\$ 7,166	\$ 6,681
Supplies and Services	1,134	1,159	1,218
Supplies and Services from Support Services			
Arrangements with Related Parties ^(a)	1,171	871	900
Honoraria (Note 5)	55	41	38
	\$ 9,252	\$ 9,237	\$ 8,837

^(a) The Foundation receives financial and program related administrative services from the Department of Tourism, Parks, Recreation and Culture.

**The Wild Rose Foundation
Related Party Transactions
Year ended March 31, 2008
(thousands of dollars)**

Related parties are those entities consolidated or accounted for on the modified equity basis in the Province of Alberta's financial statements.

The Foundation paid or collected certain taxes and fees set by regulation for permits, licences and other charges. These amounts were incurred in the normal course of business, reflect charges applicable to all users, and have been excluded from this Schedule.

The Foundation had the following transactions with related parties recorded on the Statement of Operations and the Statement of Financial Position at the amount of consideration agreed upon between the related parties:

	Entities in the Ministry		Other Entities	
	2008	2007	2008	2007
Revenues				
Transfers from Department of Tourism, Parks, Recreation and Culture	\$ 8,516	\$ 8,116	\$ -	\$ -
Expenses – Directly Incurred				
Other services	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 14	\$ 10
Accounts Payable	\$ 17	\$ 6	\$ -	\$ -

The above transactions do not include support service arrangement transactions disclosed in Schedule 1.

The Foundation also had the following transactions with related parties for which no consideration was exchanged. The amounts for these related party transactions are estimated based on the costs incurred by the service provider to provide the service. These amounts are not recorded in the financial statements but are disclosed in Schedule 3.

	Entities in the Ministry		Other Entities	
	2008	2007	2008	2007
Expenses – Incurred by Others				
Accommodation	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 65	\$ 60
Other Services	18	43	-	-
Legal	-	-	1	2
	\$ 18	\$ 43	\$ 66	\$ 62

**The Wild Rose Foundation
Allocated Costs
Year ended March 31, 2008
(thousands of dollars)**

Program	Expenses – Incurred by Others					2007
	Expenses ^(a)	Accommodation Costs ^(b)	Other Services ^(c)	Legal Services ^(d)	Total Expenses	Total Expenses
Support to Alberta Non-Profit Organizations	\$ 5,171	\$ 36	\$ 10	\$ 1	\$ 5,218	\$ 4,742
International Development Program	1,682	12	3	-	1,697	1,758
Voluntary Sector Development	1,107	8	2	-	1,117	1,223
Vitalize Conference for Volunteers	817	6	2	-	825	644
Other Initiatives	173	1	-	-	174	292
Administration	287	2	1	-	290	283
	<u>\$ 9,237</u>	<u>\$ 65</u>	<u>\$ 18</u>	<u>\$ 1</u>	<u>\$ 9,321</u>	<u>\$ 8,942</u>

(a) Expenses – Directly Incurred as per Statement of Operations.

(b) Costs shown for Accommodation (includes grants in lieu of taxes) on Schedule 2, allocated by square footage.

(c) Costs shown for Other Services on Schedule 2, allocated by estimated costs incurred by each program.

(d) Costs shown for Legal Services on Schedule 2, allocated by estimated costs incurred by each program.