Our mission

The Canadian Catholic Organization for Development and Peace – Caritas Canada is a democratic movement for international solidarity that supports partners in the Global South in the pursuit of alternatives to unjust social, political and economic structures.

It educates the Canadian population about the causes of impoverishment of peoples and mobilizes actions for change.

In the struggle for human dignity, Development and Peace associates with social change groups in the North and South.

It supports women in their search for social and economic justice.

Development and Peace, the official development organization of the Canadian Catholic Church, is inspired by the values of the Gospel, particularly “the preferential option for the poor.”


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In Canada
Educate and work for fair laws and policies.

In the Global South
Support vulnerable communities in taking charge of their own development.

Peace and Justice
Word from the President and the Executive Director

Global peace was severely challenged in 2017-2018, as inequalities in wealth and in the distribution of the Earth’s resources became increasingly marked. The impacts of climate change, threats to democracy and the continued denial of the rights of Indigenous and peasant communities are all contributing toward rising tensions in the world and driving waves of migration not seen since World War II. In response to these growing realities, we placed particular emphasis on the fundamental aspect of our mission to be a peacebuilder in the world and encourage all to take actions for peace.

As an organization, we continued to strengthen our accountability by introducing a comptroller position and through an ongoing review of our governance structures. Our membership is the lifeblood of our movement and we want to ensure that it is vibrant, dynamic and empowered to build a just world where all can live in dignity.

We want to thank the members of our National Council for their time and dedication to Development and Peace, to our staff who pursue their work with an unparalleled passion, our partners who

demonstrate courage on a daily basis, the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops and the bishops of Canada, who provide us with spiritual guidance in fulfilling our mission, the Canadian government for supporting us in bringing aid to some of the most vulnerable people in the world and to our donors for believing in our work and that a better world is possible.

The need for love and solidarity between peoples is at a critical point, and Development and Peace - Caritas Canada is committed to fostering that love and building that solidarity, as the teachings of Christ call us to do.

We will continue to surmount the global and organizational challenges we face, inspired and galvanized by your support.

Thank you,

Jean-Denis Lampron
2017-2018 President

Serge Langlois
Executive Director

2017 – 2018 National Council

President:
Jean-Denis Lampron (QC)

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Francoise Lagacé (QC)
Ghislain Morin (NB)
Laura Perfili (PEI)
Nancy Stuart (BC)
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Landon Turlock (Anglophone Youth Representative)
Tim Turner (NFLD)
Rose-Marie Valade (ON)
Francis Yehouenou (QC)
2017–2018 at a glance

37 countries in Africa, Latin America, Asia and the Middle East where we worked

$28.7 million invested in projects around the world

5,028 monthly donors

70,000 signatures in support of our May Peace be With Her campaign

162 community development and humanitarian aid projects

19 million people directly impacted by our projects in the Global South

338 workshops offered by our animators across Canada

4,009 parishes participated in our campaigns

14,277 followers of our Facebook pages

70,000 signatures in support of our May Peace be With Her campaign
Ecological Justice

Ecological justice includes both climate and environmental justice. It recognizes our human responsibility to care for creation through the sustainable use of natural resources and the development of an economy that respects the Earth’s limits.

In the Global South

Indonesia  Development and Peace partner Payo-Payo is helping to revitalize rural agricultural villages in South Sulawesi. Last year, its volunteers worked with 3,200 villagers to create a rural development plan for their respective villages. The resulting plans established priorities that will benefit the entire community, and encourage collaboration. In this way, Payo-Payo is breathing new life into the traditional practice of collective agricultural work. Small family farmers now use sustainable and organic farming practices. As such, villages are developing their food sovereignty as they gain control of the production, consumption and distribution of their crops.

Peru  In January 2018, Pope Francis traveled to the Peruvian Amazon to meet with marginalized Indigenous peoples living in very difficult conditions due to the destruction of their home, the largest forest on the planet. During his visit to Puerto Maldonado, the Pontiff spoke with various Development and Peace partners, including the Episcopal Commission on Social Action (CEAS). The meeting was a prelude to the Vatican’s October 2019 Synod on the Pan-Amazonian region, to be held in Rome.

Haiti  Rainfall patterns in southwestern Haiti vary considerably, which increases the frequency and intensity of floods and erosion. Thanks to a financial contribution of $998,196 from the Government of Quebec, Development and Peace and its partner the Institute of Animation and Technology (ITECA) are supporting a number of regional organizations in their efforts to increase agricultural production. They are doing this by introducing practices that strengthen the resilience of local agriculture, which is increasingly being impacted by climate change. This will improve local food security, help the biofood industry develop in a sustainable way and generate revenue for participating organizations.

In Canada

A voice for justice  On January 17th, 2018, the Government of Canada announced the creation of an Ombudsperson for Responsible Enterprise. This announcement came after 10 years of campaigning, during which our members collected over 500,000 signed postcards addressed to the Canadian government, and met with their Member of Parliament to call for this office. The Ombudsperson will receive and investigate complaints from communities suffering human rights violations committed by Canadian mining companies. Development and Peace’s commitment to and leadership on this issue was recognized with a seat on the multi-stakeholder advisory body. We are now able to provide advice to the Government of Canada and the Ombudsperson on business practices that respect human rights on behalf of our partners.
Democracy and Citizen Participation

Good governance is key to achieving sustainable development and ensuring that communities can claim their rights and participate in decisions that impact their lives.

In the Global South
Brazil

In the provinces of Goias and Tocantins, the life and land of Indigenous communities are being destroyed. The main causes are the widespread cultivation of monocultures such as soya and eucalyptus, the construction of hydro-electric dams and mining. As well, despite laws that recognize the rights of Indigenous peoples, the government has failed to provide adequate health and education services. Our partner the Indigenous Missionary Council (CIMI) works with 8,500 people from eight different Indigenous groups in these provinces and helps them achieve their rights by calling on the government to follow its own laws. CIMI also encourages women to become active in local government, with the result that some have become the leaders of their villages.

Tunisia

In 2011, the people of Tunisia organized to end 23 years of dictatorship, and the country embarked on the path to democratize. Tunisian civil society organizations like our partners The Tunisian Observatory of Economy (OTE) and Barr Al-Aman are playing a critical role in this process. OTE helps citizens understand the impact of economic policies on their lives through workshops and developed a process to help local organizations monitor spending on public works at the municipal level. In May 2018, the first democratic municipal elections were held, and our partner Barr Al-Aman contributed to their success by organizing debates, where citizens could question candidates and hear their platforms.

In Canada

Bringing attention to the elections in the Democratic Republic of Congo

In March 2018, Development and Peace hosted a delegation from the National Conference of Congolese Bishops (CENCO), consisting of Archbishop Marcel Utembi, Archbishop of Kisangani and CENCO President, Fridolin Ambongo, Archbishop of Kinshasa and CENCO Vice-President, and, Abbot Donatien Nshole, CENCO Secretary General.

As they toured Montreal, Ottawa, and Toronto, members of the delegation spoke about the political, economic, social and security crises in the Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC). CENCO also spoke of its own central role in the country; its commitment to peace; the defence of fundamental rights; and, the necessity for democratic and credible elections. The CENCO delegation met with members of the Canadian government, including Marie-Claude Bibeau, Minister of International Development and La Francophonie. They thanked the Government of Canada for supporting the Civic and Electoral Education Project implemented jointly by CENCO and Development and Peace. The CENCO delegation also met with the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops to discuss the situation in their homeland.
Our action in the Global South
September 1st, 2017 to August 31st, 2018

Community development: breakdown by thematic area
- Democracy and Citizen Participation
- Ecological Justice
- Peace and Reconciliation
- Justice for Women

Humanitarian aid: breakdown by region
- Middle East
- Africa
- Asia
- Latin America

Figures below with an asterisk (*) include funding from:
* Global Affairs Canada
** Quebec Ministry of International Relations
*** Manitoba Council for International Cooperation
On International Peace Day, our members showed their solidarity with women peacebuilders.

In the Global South
Philippines  The city of Marawi on the island of Mindanao suffers from conflict between Philippine government security forces and Islamic militant groups. The city’s fabric has been destroyed and families have been torn apart as youth are recruited into extremist groups. Development and Peace partner Duyog Marawi courageously builds peace in this tinderbox region by working with women and youth, particularly those vulnerable to violent extremism. Through its work, the organization emphasizes the long history of peaceful relations between Muslims and Christians in the region, and focuses on how to restore this connection. Some of their innovative activities include: a Muslim-Christian theatre for peace; training mothers to become peace educators; a mobile Madrash (educational institution) for children whose schools have been destroyed; and, art therapy for young adults. Last year, these activities reached 35,000 households and 28,000 students.

In Canada
A year of acting for peace  Last fall, Development and Peace launched the May Peace be With Her campaign to highlight the ways in which women are the best hope for world peace. We called on the Canadian government to invest in overseas development aid to support the role of women in peacebuilding processes. As part of the campaign, we joined Kairos Canada in hosting two women peacebuilders from South Sudan on a tour across Canada. We have already seen positive results from our campaigning efforts – the Canadian government has announced the creation of a Women, Peace and Security Ambassador to champion peace in Canada and internationally. During Lent, we shared stories from our partners on how they are promoting peaceful solutions to conflict in their communities. The Share Lent campaign, which is our annual fundraiser in support of our solidarity work, raised over $6.7 million.

Burundi  Following Burundi’s 2015 elections, existing divisions among young people of different communities were heightened. The Peace and Reconciliation project, run by Development and Peace partner Centre Jeunes Kamenge (Kamenge Youth Centre), contributes to social harmony by engaging young people from different neighbourhoods in community dialogue. The project’s facilitators organize a range of activities for both young people and the wider community, such as friendly soccer matches and inter-school and inter-neighbourhood tournaments. The facilitators also arrange meetings with administrators, school principals and youth leaders from the various communities. They promote harmony and dialogue through conversations on ethics with young people, movie nights on topical subjects and events such as slam poetry competitions.
Justice for Women

We are engaging women and men in transforming the power relations that create inequalities and prevent women from being active and full citizens within their communities.

In the Global South

Nigeria With support from Development and Peace, the Centre for Women’s Studies and Intervention (CWSI) is strengthening women’s organizations in Kogi State in central Nigeria, including the Kogi Women Empowerment Coalition (KWEC). In June 2018, CWSI and KWEC organized a meeting between members of the coalition and three elected Kogi State representatives. At the meeting, KWEC members reiterated their request for accountability and the inclusion of women.

A total of 151 people participated in the meeting, which also included discussions between participants. They shared their successes, the problems faced by female politicians both in Kogi State and at the federal level and the need to have more women in governance and decision-making positions.

Bolivia The mining town of Huanuni, located 280 km southeast of the Bolivian capital La Paz, supplies five percent of the world’s tin and accounts for 60 percent of Bolivia’s tin production. Here, Development and Peace partner the Centre for Popular Education Support (CAEP) empowers women by ensuring their full participation in local public management. Last year, at least 120 women from different social organizations participated in two municipal women’s summits where they advocated for a program to promote women in municipal planning.

In Canada

Women resisting extractivism Close to 40 women land defenders from more than 20 countries, including Development and Peace partners, met in Montreal in April 2018 for the International Gathering of Women Resisting Extractivism. Development and Peace helped organize this gathering so that women could come together to share their common struggles to protect Mother Earth – which they do even when faced with threats to their lives. Following exchanges, strategizing and solidarity, they affirmed their role as Protectors of Mother Earth and Sacred Water Carriers. This resulted in a joint declaration with clear demands for Canadian decision-makers that ten participants delivered to Ottawa.
Humanitarian Aid

Conflict, natural disasters and climate change are crises that affect the poorest and most vulnerable communities. We respond to urgent needs while engaging with and organizing communities to become more resilient.

Bangladesh

Development and Peace and its partner Caritas Bangladesh were present right from the start of the Rohingya refugee crisis in August 2017, and responded rapidly by providing food to 25,000 of the most vulnerable refugees. Thanks to the generosity of Canadians, and to contributions of nearly $1.6 million from the Government of Canada, Development and Peace was able to continue its relief efforts throughout 2018. We helped build temporary shelters; distributed basic necessities and hygiene and dignity kits; and, constructed drinking water stations, latrines and shower spaces. We reached nearly 100,000 refugees (directly and indirectly) in camps located in the Cox’s Bazar district of southeastern Bangladesh.

- 25,000 people received food.
- 10,000 people were educated on protection issues.
- 905 families received temporary shelter.
- 24,200 people benefited from water, hygiene and sanitation services.
- 7,500 people received basic necessities.

India

In the summer of 2018, Kerala State in southwestern India suffered the most violent monsoon in a century. Torrential rains caused floods and landslides affecting 5.4 million people. Of these, 1.4 million ended up in makeshift camps with little food or drinking water. Development and Peace, its partner Caritas India and other members of the Caritas Internationalis network provided food, basic necessities (such as sheets, blankets and mosquito nets), and hygiene kits (including soap, a toothbrush, toothpaste and water purification tablets) to around 60,370 people. The second phase of assistance will rebuild homes and restore the livelihoods of small family farmers and those with small enterprises.

In Canada

After Typhoon Haiyan

At the heart of Development and Peace’s response to humanitarian crises is ensuring that survivors are not just victims, but full participants in the recovery and reconstruction initiatives affecting them. We provide for the most urgent needs, while also addressing the structural challenges such as powerlessness, poverty and inequality that heighten the vulnerability of communities.

Our goal is that communities emerge more resilient, sustainable and capable of their own development.

The documentary After the Storm: Building the Pope Francis Village illustrates this transformative process. The film, launched in November 2018, follows 550 families who rebuild their lives and their community after the devastation wrought by Typhoon Haiyan in Tacloban, the Philippines. Screenings of the documentary have taken place across Canada and will continue over the next year. It can also be viewed on our website at devp.org.
**Financial statements**

Statement of revenues and expenses, September 1, 2017 to August 31, 2018.

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<td>Community development programs</td>
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<td><strong>$35,810,992</strong></td>
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| In-Canada programs | | |
| Education, social justice and advocacy programs | $510,930 | $604,609 |
| Communications and fundraising | 310,156 | 322,405 |
| Quebec without Borders program | 234,663 | 230,378 |
| Operational costs | 3,276,307 | 3,427,068 |
| **In-Canada programs** | **$4,332,056** | **$4,614,460** |

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<td>$ (3,904,070)</td>
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**Balance sheet**

August 31, 2018

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<td>Long-term assets</td>
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<td><strong>Total assets</strong></td>
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<td><strong>$40,491,849</strong></td>
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<th>LIABILITIES</th>
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<td>Long term liabilities</td>
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<td><strong>Total liabilities</strong></td>
<td><strong>18,494,470</strong></td>
<td><strong>21,196,305</strong></td>
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**NET ASSETS** | $17,859,546 | $19,295,544 |

**TOTAL (liabilities and net assets)** | $36,354,016 | $40,491,849 |

**Breakdown of expenses (in percent %)**

2017-2018 | 2016-2017
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79 | 81
11 | 10
6 | 5
4 | 4

From the audited financial statements prepared by BDO (in 2016-2017 and 2017-2018).
Charitable registration number: 1 1882 9902 RR0001

Development and Peace uses the deferred revenue accounting method, where revenues expended in a given fiscal period are reported and unexpended revenues are carried forward to future years. Development and Peace would like to thank Global Affairs Canada, the Government of Quebec and the Manitoba Council for International Cooperation for their contributions to some of our projects.
Fundraising

Thanks to your generosity, everything is possible!

A generous contribution to the Solidarity Fund
During our 50th anniversary celebrations, we launched the Solidarity Fund to help us pursue our mission. In 2018, Fondation Solidarité Misère Monde (World Mercy Solidarity Foundation) made a generous donation of $1.5 million to the Fund.

The Foundation has been a faithful supporter of Development and Peace – Caritas Canada, donating more than $400,000 over the past 20 years. This was its final donation, as the Foundation has since dissolved.

Development and Peace thanks the Fondation Solidarité Misère Monde for its confidence in our work over the years and its generous support!

Thank you for being by our side!
Our work with communities in the Global South is possible thanks to the generosity of our invaluable donors. In addition to 5,028 Share Year-Round monthly donors, we received support from more than 19,500 people and companies. Fifty-four of these made a gift of $5,000 or more. As always, we count on the support of thousands of parishioners who generously contribute to the Share Lent collection.

Religious communities have always been loyal supporters of our mission, through their participation in our education campaigns and their generous donations to our Share Lent and emergency appeals. We are very grateful for their contributions in 2018, which totalled $1.35 million.

Last but not least, Development and Peace benefited from 37 bequests. Thanks to the commitment of these people and their families, we had an additional $1.9 million to help fund our programs.

And to all our 25,500 donors … a big thank you! Our work is only possible because we have you by our side. Not only are your donations used to fund our community development and humanitarian aid projects and programs, they also enable us to obtain additional funding from major funders such as the Government of Canada.

Our movement
Development and Peace – Caritas Canada is a democratic lay movement made up of 10,708 members from coast to coast committed to justice and solidarity. We have 51 diocesan councils who support our mission in their regions. Each year, seven regional assemblies are held across the country, where the members of our National Council are elected.

We have a vibrant and active youth movement which elects representatives from each province and holds an annual assembly. There are two elected youth delegates on our National Council.

Our members bring to life our campaigns in their schools, parishes and communities. They organize fundraisers, participate in social justice events and believe that together we can build a just world.

Thank you to our members for their solidarity and dedication!

Learn about becoming a member of Development and Peace – Caritas Canada at devp.org/member.

Vansey Sao (top) from the organization ICSO in Cambodia and Lidia Rojas (bottom) from the Bartolomé de las Casas Institute in Peru came to Canada to meet our supporters and donors as part of the 2018 Share Lent campaign.

Last year, stamp sales organized by our members reached a total of $500,000 raised since 1992.
Development and Peace gratefully acknowledges the financial support of the Government of Canada provided through Global Affairs Canada.

Would you like to know more about our programs and partners? Visit us at devp.org or write to info@devp.org

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