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Children of Armenia Fund (COAF) works to secure a future for children in impoverished rural villages in Armenia through improved education, healthcare, community and economic development. These programs create and sustain opportunities for growth and progress. 2013 was a year marked by local capacity building across COAF beneficiary villages. New initiatives were launched under all programmatic areas, with key insights and reflections of the accomplishments observed by program implementers and beneficiaries.

## Program Highlights from 2013

### Education Programs

In 2013, education interventions occurred in four main areas: Teacher Capacity Building, Extracurricular Programs, Summer Schools and Democracy Programs. A targeted approach to teacher capacity building among a select group of best-performing teachers enhanced their skills as trainers and mentors. Additionally, incentive-based activities such as Academic Grants and the Best Teacher Award were added to the portfolio. Through the new Mentorship Training initiative, fifteen teachers from five beneficiary communities were selected to participate in a mix of interventions, including training on mentorship skills and visits.

Extracurricular programs continued to develop the talents and skills of students by offering opportunities to get involved in arts, crafts and sports. COAF supported 10 after-school clubs and groups in four beneficiary villages (Karakert, Shenik, Lernagog and Dalarik) for 300 students. Summer schools replaced the traditional summer camps and introduced 10-day targeted programs to expose students to activities that are not prioritized by the public schools throughout the academic year.

The Student Council Program focused on Human and Children's Rights in 2013, with an inter-community program that met on a monthly basis. COAF's Debate Clubs have enjoyed continuous success, with the Armavir Club team winning 3rd place in a competition with over 15 teams from across Armenia.

Three additional Creativity Labs, technology-enhanced classrooms were installed, enabling over 1,200 students to utilize these advanced facilities. The elementary school wing of Arteni's secondary school was fully rehabilitated, resulting in the renovation of four classrooms, the lobby, installation of a Brushodrome or tooth-brushing station, and Creativity Lab.



### Healthcare Programs

The Health Program continued its core programs of health screenings for children and adults, capacity building of medical workers, health education and comprehensive dental interventions. Brand new to COAF's Health Program, school nutrition included food provision and infrastructure improvements. Health posts in the villages of Vanand and Bagaran were also renovated in late 2013.

COAF's mobile health teams visited 17 beneficiary villages to screen over 500 women in order to detect breast, thyroid and cervical cancer related issues at early stages and refer at risk women to specialists. These annual visits allow COAF to educate rural women on important preventative healthcare topics.

COAF continues to emphasize capacity building of local rural medical professionals by helping them improve their knowledge and skills with supervisory visits, trainings and meetings with Diasporan and local experts. Capacity building focused on primary healthcare, child immunization and pediatric care.



Health education is a key component in COAF's programs and is the most effective preventative intervention carries out at the community and school levels. In late 2012 and early 2013, COAF expanded this initiative to involve local professionals and community members in promoting healthy lifestyles by supporting the membership of five COAF beneficiary schools in the Schools for Health in Europe (SHE) network.

Dental interventions were given to 800 elementary students in 10 beneficiary villages, with the goal of preventing dental caries through fluoridation. Along with dental hygiene education and free dental treatment, this comprehensive and systemic approach addresses widespread tooth decay among rural children.

COAF launched a new school nutrition initiative for three beneficiary schools: Lernagog and Karakert Schools #1 and #2 with initial funding from longtime

partner The Ajemian Foundation. In early 2013, longtime partner Newman's Own Foundation (NOF) funded the program in its entirety. This important program has a three-pronged approach: renovation and furnishing of school cafeterias; food provision to elementary school children on a daily basis; and promotion of healthy nutrition, physical activity and dental hygiene.

Beeline and local villages. By October 2013, student-implemented projects were completed, and included planting trees on school premises, a three-day garbage cleaning and anti-littering campaign, as well as the creation of a local public park.

## Community Development Programs

In 2013, COAF's Child and Family Support Program expanded social-legal, psychological and speech therapy services to Shenik and Argina, with future development plans in Hatsik, Sardarapat and Baghrumyan. Several community events were organized as part of the interventions, including International Family Day, Elderly Day and the Against Violence Campaign. Over 800 beneficiaries including children and adults received social-legal and psychological services, enabling them to overcome several issues relating to social benefits and pensions, marriage and birth registration, stress and depression. Also, 80 elementary school students were able to overcome speech and learning difficulties and reintegrate into their regular academic environment.



In collaboration with the Narekatsi Spiritual Center in Karakert, COAF launched an Interactive Theater Program for a group of middle and high school students. The interactive theater has allowed these children to increase their creative and analytical skills enabling them to learn how to identify and express various thoughts and feelings artistically in regards to their personal, social and community life experiences. This year, over 132 kindergarten aged children were involved in addition to 59 parents and 22 kindergarten teachers learning innovative ways of working with them.



## Economic Development Programs

Over 50 farmers received advanced knowledge on agricultural farming and irrigation practices, while 180 farmers were registered in an online marketing portal through COAF's collaboration with the Microsoft Innovation Center (MIC).



Business Training and Interest Free Loans focused on monitoring and paying off existing loans in 2013. COAF started partnering with FA Microloans, a U.S.-based crowdfunding organization that offers zero interest microcredit loans to low income borrowers who hope to expand their businesses.

The Entrepreneurship Training and Practice for Youth program expanded to four additional schools in Lernagog, Dalarik, Karakert and Argina for more than 50 high school students. The students developed and implemented community improvement proposals, and projects were co-funded by



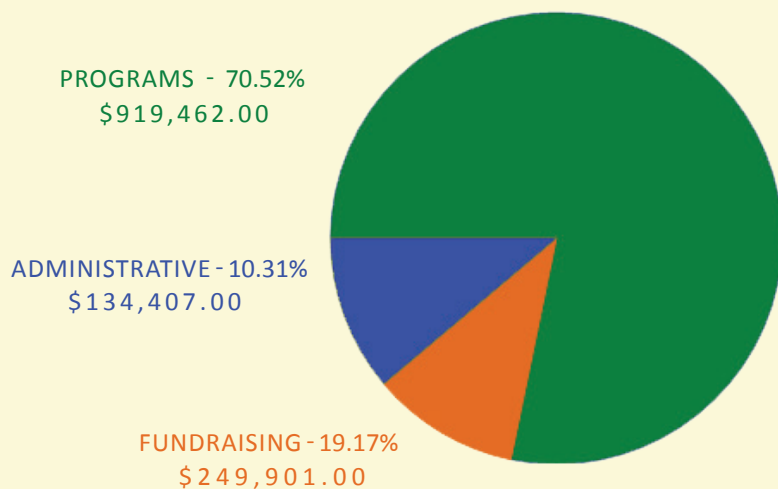
## Financial Summary

We are pleased to present a summary of the consolidating financial statements for the Children of Armenia Fund, Inc. and Armenian subsidiary for the period ending December 31, 2013, which bear an unqualified auditing statement from the accounting firm RJSacco & Company LLP. The audit was conducted in accordance with the auditing standards accepted in the United States.

### COAF's Balance Sheet and Income Statement (December 31, 2013)

Assets		Liabilities and Net Assets	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$2,360,927	Accounts Payable	\$169,676
Unconditional promises to give (unrestricted)	\$1,533,850		
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	\$251,402		
Investments - gifts in kind	\$115,000	Net Assets	\$4,272,944
Long-term Investments	\$157,010		
Intangible Assets - net of accumulated amortization	\$205		
Property and equipment	\$24,226		
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$4,442,620</b>		
Total COAF-US Revenue	\$3,263,448	<b>Total Liabilities &amp; Net Assets:</b>	<b>\$4,442,620</b>
Total COAF-US Program Expenses	\$1,303,770		

### TOTAL COAF-US EXPENDITURES 2013



A full financial report is available upon request.



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