local restoration, global leadership
Dear Friends,

EarthCorps turned 13 in 2006 – an important birthday and rite of passage. This year, we expanded our corps program to include six additional international participants. Our alumni are doing great things, such as managing the largest urban reforestation effort in US history, advocating for indigenous people’s resource rights around Lake Victoria, and teaching children to care for mangrove swamps in the Yucatán. It’s exciting to see this next generation of environmental stewards making a real impact in their communities!

EarthCorps’ recipe is to care for people first – to unveil their individual capacities and develop an esprit de corps. Caring for each other as whole people helps corps members appreciate the value of caring for a whole ecosystem. Rather than pitting human needs against ecosystem needs, EarthCorps encourages our participants and partners to approach people, communities and the environment holistically to create the most sustainable solution. That’s why we aim for three outcomes simultaneously: strong communities, healthy habitats and young leaders.

EarthCorps’ Niche: Community-based environmental restoration

EarthCorps specializes in connecting people with nature and each other. By partnering with schools, companies, utilities, parks and natural resources departments and neighborhood groups, EarthCorps accelerates environmental projects that community members have prioritized. We create opportunities to involve local residents, and especially youth, to ensure that the people who will benefit from the project are also committed to sustaining it.

2006 Highlights

Volunteer Program

In recognition of the importance of working with local volunteers, EarthCorps created the Volunteer Program (formerly part of the Outreach Program). We committed to enhance the quality of volunteer events and increase the number of volunteers over the next four years. Washington Women’s Foundation is generously supporting this effort with a three-year, $75,000 grant.

Diversity and Biodiversity

Diversity is a core value at EarthCorps because we know from observing natural systems that when diverse parts work together, they create a better whole. In 2006, EarthCorps began a multi-year effort to understand how racism affects our organization, participants and community work. This process is important because, like many environmental organizations, EarthCorps is predominantly white. Our participants deal with race issues and international participants are often confronted with unfamiliar dynamics. We are committed to working effectively with communities of color.

We feel confident we can grapple with this issue because we have a track record of confronting other “-isms”, such as sexism, successfully. It is heartening every year to see young women – from Minnesota, Honduras or Nepal – burst through cultural and gender stereotypes as they learn to carve out log bridges with a chainsaw, move three-”man” rocks with an iron bar, or wield a Pulaski to break new trail. Building confidence among traditionally disempowered people – whether women, children or people of color – creates enormous positive benefits for our work.

Global Warming and Puget Sound

After many requests, EarthCorps was able to add the first biodiesel truck to our vehicle fleet in 2006. An annual environmental impact assessment helps gauge the cumulative footprint of staff and corps members as we complete our work. EarthCorps is also acting with an eye toward the effects of global climate change. As part of the Alliance for Puget Sound Shorelines and the Puget Sound Partnership, EarthCorps works on shoreline and watershed restoration projects. Our work at Piper’s Creek contributed to a record chum salmon run at Carkeek Park, a glimmer of hope that even the most impacted urban ecosystems can begin to recover.

We look forward to continuing the momentum of building global community through local environmental service. Thank you for your investment in EarthCorps!

Sincerely,

Steve Dubiel, Executive Director
John Harrison, Board President

Growing a Strong EarthCorps
Statement of Activities for the year ended December 31, 2006

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Change in Net Assets

Net Assets Beginning Of Year | 827,343 |
Net Assets End Of Year      | 911,400  |
Change in Net Assets        | 84,057   |

Note 1: As restated in 2005

Statement of Financial Position at December 31, 2006

Assets

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Liabilities and Net Assets

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Total Liabilities & Net Assets | 1,036,383 |

Note 2: Cash includes $125,000 reserve fund.

A Living Legacy

Trees. Clear-flowing, salmon bearing streams. Young people whose eyes are opened to the wonders of nature.

Consider EarthCorps in your estate planning and leave a living legacy for Washington and the world:

I give and bequeath _% of the value of my estate to EarthCorps, a charitable organization incorporated in the State of Washington, ID # 91-159-2071, with its principal office currently located at 6310 NE 74th Street, Suite 201E, Seattle, WA 98115.

Contact Pipo Bui, Development Director at pipo@earthcorps.org for more information.

Financial Report (Audited)
2006 Work Sites

**Auburn**
- Auburn Narrows Park
- Cook Property
- Gary Grant Soos Creek Park
- Green River
- Hatchery Park
- Metzler Park
- Porter Levee
- Whitney Bridge

**Bellevue**
- Cougar Ridge Elementary School

**Bothell**
- North Creek

**Burien**
- Seahurst Park

**Camano Island**
- Iverson Spit

**Carnation**
- Chinook Bend
- Jubilee Farm
- Mary Olson Farm
- Snoqualmie River
- Tolt MacDonald Park

**Cedar River Watershed**
- Lions Run
- Elliott Bay Spawning Channel
- Black River
- Renton
- Sammamish Releaf
- Salvoge Nursery
- Marymoor Park
- Redmond
- Rattlesnake Ledge
- Mt. Si
- Lake Peoples Park
- Lake Ridge Park
- Leschi Overlook
- Lincoln Park
- Littlebrook
- Llanover Woods
- Longfellow Creek
- Magnuson Park
- Mapes Creek
- Me-Kwa-Mooks
- Miller Creek
- Mt. Baker Greenbelt and Park
- NE 107th St. Stream
- North Seattle Community College
- Northeast Queen Anne Greenbelt
- Piper's Creek
- Ravenna Park
- Ross Park
- Roxhill
- Salmon Bay
- Schnitz Preserve
- Seward Park
- Thornton Creek Park 1, 2, 6, 98th Street
- Wrenna Weir
- West Duwamish Greenbelt

**Skykomish**
- Skykomish Ranger Station

**Tacoma**
- Middle Waterway Centennial Park
- Mowitch
- Squally
- Yowkwala

**Vashon Island**
- Christians Pond
- Fisher Pond
- Johnson Pond
- Pat Collier Property
- Shingle Mill Creek

**Whidbey Island**
- Freeland Park
- Possession Beach Waterfront Park

**Woodinville**
- Little Bear Creek
- Park Hill Open Space
- Upper Bear Creek Conservation Area
- Wooden Creek Park
- Woodinville @ 145th

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**Issaquah**
- Hang Glider Creek
- Kirkwood
- Klahanie
- Lake Sammamish State Park
- Pickering
- Salvation Nursery
- Squak Mountain
- Tiger Mountain
- Yellow Lake Trail

**Kent**
- Clark Lake Outfall
- Millenius Slough

**Kirkland**
- Juanita Bay & Swamp Creek

**Lake Forest Park**
- Brookside Creek
- Log Cabin
- McAleer Creek

**Lynnwood**
- Lynnwood High School

**Maple Valley**
- Cedar Grove Nursery
- Reedal Fence

**Medina**
- Fairweather Nature Preserve

**Mercer Island**
- Clarke Beach
- Ellis Pond
- Gallagher Hill Park
- Island Crest Park
- Mercerdale Hillside
- Pioneer Park

**Mill Creek**
- West Milton Wetland

**MT. BAKER-SNOQUALMIE NATIONAL FOREST**
- Dingford Creek Trail
- Dutch Miller Gap
- Mid Fork Snoqualmie River

**MT. RAINIER NATIONAL PARK**
- Crystal Lakes Trail
- Hazelwood Elementary School

**North Cascade National Park**

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**Dr. Jose Rizal Park**

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Restoration efforts are making the park attractive once more. Over 25 public agencies and community groups are involved, including EarthCorps. Since 2005, neighbors and volunteers have stripped 25,000 square feet of ivy off the trees and slopes, saved over 500 trees and replanted native plants along the steep hillside. A trail is planned to provide better police and resident access through the park, and to link the park to the Mountains to Sound Greenway that runs from Seattle to the Cascade Mountains. The park is once again a welcoming place for visitors, including many Filipino families.

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2006 Programs

Corps program – EarthCorps’ core program is an intensive year-round service learning experience for young adults ages 18-25 from across the United States and around the world. Up to 60 young adults participate in the program annually.

Crew leaders and outreach interns – Selected corps program graduates qualify for advanced second-year leadership development training.

Youth program – Corps members, crew leaders and interns lead environmental education and service learning programs for elementary, middle and high school students. Up to 4,000 youth participate in EarthCorps’ environmental service programs during the school year and in the summer.

Volunteer program – Volunteer events in local parks and open spaces engage thousands of community volunteers each year in restoring their local environment. Over 300 events were held in 2006, including extensive collaboration with the Green Seattle Partnership.

International activities – EarthCorps hosts delegations from around the world to share best practices in youth development and environmental restoration work. In 2006, alumni organized work camps in Ecuador’s Cloud Forest and Siberia’s Great Baikal Trail. EarthCorps also piloted an out-placement externship, hosting an Australian participant at the California Conservation Corps.

For more information about EarthCorps programs and requirements, see www.earthcorps.org

Trees for Tabitha

EarthCorps is grateful to the many friends and relatives of Lisa Stiffler and Brent Roraback, who donated to EarthCorps in Tabitha’s honor. This legacy is flourishing in a grove of conifers and native shrubs near the Environmental Learning Center at Carkeek Park.

Young Leader

EarthCorps’ First Participant from the People’s Republic of China

EarthCorps’ young adult participants hail from all 50 states and over 50 countries. In 2006, EarthCorps welcomed the first international participant from China into the corps program. Kui Li is a student at Sichuan University in western China and director of GreenSOS. GreenSOS networks and provides resources to green student organizations in western China. They coordinate environmental education, film series, discussion groups and learning opportunities for multi-school student groups.

Li joined EarthCorps to learn how to grow the organization and garner support beyond the founding professors. “EarthCorps is my first step to explore worldwide environmental protection.” After six months in Seattle, she returned to Chengdu with a portfolio of ideas for new projects and $2,000 in grants. Support from the Peace Child, a Disney Minnie Grant and the local environmental protection bureau allowed GreenSOS to hold the city’s first Earth Day / Global Youth Service Day celebration.

Catalyst for Change

Ann Lennartz, who seeded the local restoration ethic, passed away on September 6, 2006. She influenced generations of EarthCorps participants. Ann will be sorely missed in the restoration community.

Sparkle in her eye
Faith and Force in her pocket
She made our place green

—Amy Tippery ‘99
[EarthCorps' mission is to build global community through local environmental service]