



The 2008-2009 headlines say it all.

A year like no other—for the global economy, for communities in transition, for working families.

A year like no other for United Way of York Region—the launch of our inaugural community campaign, the release of our most provocative report to date, *...if addressed.*, a series of community dialogues with residents in our municipalities, a record campaign and record investment in 100 programs in neighbourhoods across the region.

And all because of you: over 18,000 donors, 1,000 volunteers, hundreds of partners and 39 member agencies.

Thank you for showing that in times of uncertainty and need, one thing is certain: your remarkable resolve and caring.

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United Way Hoping to Build on Record-Breaking Year

The Markham Economist & Sun
Thursday, July 3, 2008

After a record-breaking 2007, the United Way of York Region aims to do even better in 2008, forging more direct links with the communities it serves.

Kickstarting the Discussion United Way of York Region Document Explores All Aspects of Community

The Liberal
Sunday, September 28, 2008

An empty field near Yonge Street and Hwy. 7... bustled with fellow York Region residents, politicians and civil servants for the launch of an important new document produced by the United Way of York Region, entitled *...if addressed.*

York Region Community and Health Services Strategic Service Integration and Policy Branch Managing Director Cordelia Abankwa-Harris applauded the document.



Photo courtesy of Mike Barrett, York Region Media Group

"I think it's important to have a dialogue. It's important for people to know how their communities are changing, so we can plan for the future", she said.

Community Campaign Highlights Solutions from Past

A 1979 report shows previous urban issues in York Region still relevant today

Toronto Star
Thursday, October 2, 2008

Learning from the past to build a better future is the aim of a new report and community campaign launched by United Way of York Region.

Enduring Homelessness Life on the streets inspires new photography exhibit

The Banner
Thursday, October 9, 2008

If you gave 35 cameras to 35 homeless people throughout York Region, what images would appear when the film's secrets were revealed?

As part of United Way Week, Markham's Varley Art Gallery will be exhibiting a community photovoice project hosted by the York Region Alliance to End Homelessness and sponsored by United Way of York Region, titled *Hidden in Plain Sight, Living Homeless in York Region.*

Growing Income Gap Affects Us All

The Banner
Thursday, October 23, 2008

Clearly, a case can be made for the need for government to step up social services support and poverty reduction initiatives. When you throw in even more dramatic growth, fuelled mostly by newcomers to Canada, chronic underfunding of social services, not to mention the economic crisis, the situation takes on red light urgency in York Region.

We are at a tipping point - or at "the intersection of pace of growth," according to a United Way of York Region report, titled *...if addressed.*

By getting people talking about our needs, the United Way hopes we will work together to ensure our communities are healthy, vibrant and harmonious as we grow.

United Way Week in York Region an Overwhelming Success

The Liberal
Sunday, October 26, 2008

From Richmond Hill to Georgina, King to Whitchurch-Stouffville and all municipalities in between, residents, employees, corporations, and community groups wholeheartedly accepted the invitation to join the United Way of York Region in a week of celebration across our remarkable region. And what a week it was.



Living in York Region Chinese Fair, October 4, 2008



CBC TV Reporter Lucy Lopez covers impact of growth on social services in York Region, September 29, 2008

It Begins With Family

Villa Charities Newsletter
October 30, 2008

With the support of the United Way of York Region, VITA will continue to ensure that the dream of that original group of parents continues.

"I've never seen a process where a funding body looked so closely at a service," said Manuela Dalla-Nora, Executive Director. "The funding will expand day support for adults with mental illness living in the Vaughan community."

HIV positive in Vaughan

Yorkregion.com
November 27, 2008

The AIDS Committee of York Region recently received funding from the United Way to help organize their youth program.

"The United Way saw that this was a real issue for the region and the opportunity to support a really marginalized group. Most of all, they were brave enough to do it," Ms. Bhardwaj, Executive Director said.

United Way Coalition Asks Province for Help in Fast-Growing Regions

Funding for 905 area is \$193 less per person than other parts of Ontario, reports shows

Toronto Star
December 10, 2008

A coalition of United Ways from Peel, York, Durham and Oakville are pushing for better access to health care and social services in rapidly growing communities where services aren't keeping pace with demand.

United Way Sets Record with \$9.5M Campaign

Credit for resounding success goes to you

The Advocate/The Banner/The Era
Sunday, February 1, 2009

The secret to United Way of York Region's resounding, record-setting \$9,537,000 campaign amidst economic doldrums is simple, really, according to volunteer and staff principals.

Generosity. Hard work. And you.



Court Carruthers, 2008 Cabinet Chair and President, Acklands-Grainger Inc. and Ian Proudfoot, Community Campaign Chair, and Vice President and Regional Publisher, York Region Media Group, unveil the 2008 Campaign Achievement

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Financial Highlights

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Statement of Financial Position*

March 31, 2009, with comparative figures for 2008

	2009	2008
Assets		
Cash	\$ 1,429,120	\$ 104,336
Investments	2,270,834	3,863,061
Donations and other receivables	5,034,714	4,717,752
Prepaid expenses	49,560	38,226
Capital assets	6,397	5,045
	\$ 8,790,625	\$ 8,728,420
Liabilities and Net Assets		
Liabilities:		
Balance of distributions to UWYR agencies	\$ 4,960,509	\$ 4,432,372
Collections designated to other United Ways and agencies	2,259,468	1,977,888
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	128,646	254,788
Deferred revenue	16,150	11,898
Deferred capital contributions	-	611
	7,364,773	6,677,557
Net assets:		
Operating fund	75,943	702,917
Invested in capital assets	6,397	4,434
Internally restricted	1,343,512	1,343,512
	1,425,852	2,050,863
Commitments		
	\$ 8,790,625	\$ 8,728,420

Statement of Operations*

Year ended March 31, 2009, with comparative figures for 2008

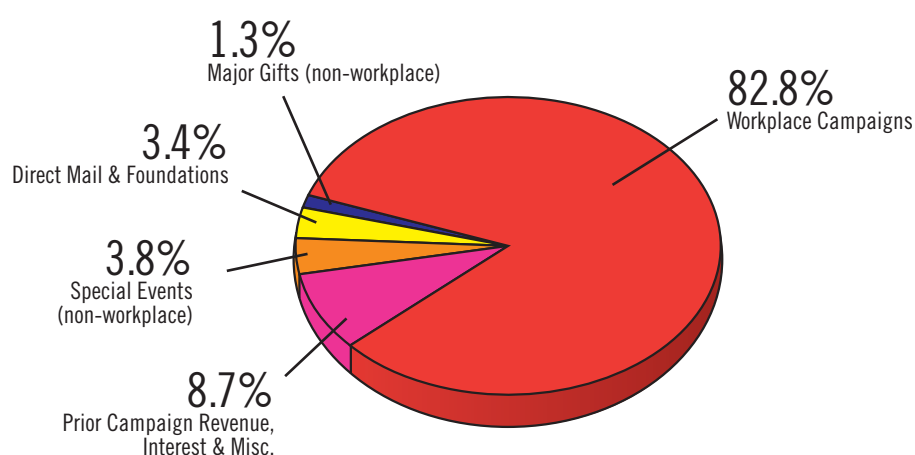
	2009	2008
Total gross campaign revenue	\$ 9,315,450	\$ 9,009,223
Net pledge loss	473,409	247,110
Net campaign revenue	8,842,041	8,762,113
Other income	220,958	146,571
Total revenue	9,062,999	8,908,684
Donor designations	2,138,303	1,599,161
Available for expenses, program funding and allocations to agencies	6,924,696	7,309,523
Fundraising expenses	1,676,883	1,647,079
Available for program funding and allocations to agencies	5,247,813	5,662,444
Program funding	422,953	615,558
Allocations to agencies	5,449,871	4,194,453
	5,872,824	4,810,011
Excess (deficiency) of revenue over expenses	\$ (625,011)	\$ 852,433

Statement of Net Assets*

Year ended March 31, 2009, with comparative figures for 2008

	2009				2008	
	Operating Fund	Agency Emergency Fund	Stabilization Fund	Invested in capital assets	Total	Total
Net assets, beginning of year	\$ 702,917	\$ 100,000	\$ 1,243,512	\$ 4,434	\$ 2,050,863	\$ 1,198,430
Excess (deficiency) of revenue and expenses	(623,364)	-	-	(1,647)	(625,011)	852,433
Invested in capital assets	(3,610)	-	-	3,610	-	-
Net assets, end of year	\$ 75,943	\$ 100,000	\$ 1,243,512	\$ 6,397	\$ 1,425,852	\$ 2,050,863

Where the dollars come from



Allocation to Agencies*

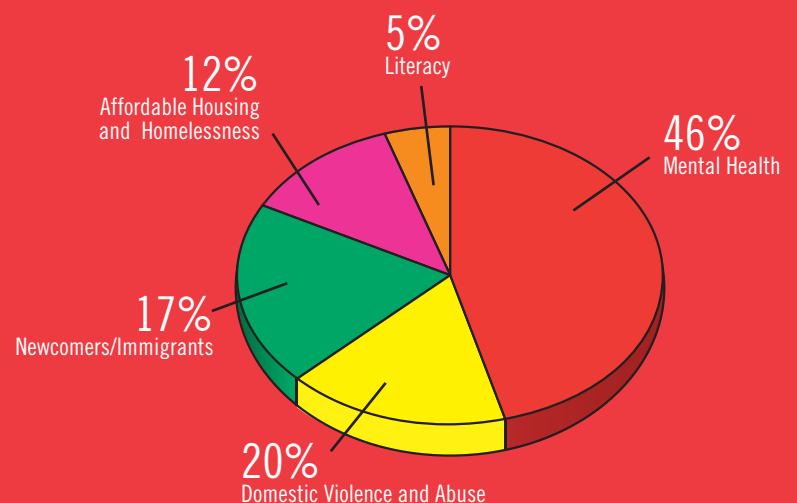
Year ended March 31, 2009

2008 campaign:

Alzheimer Society of York Region	\$ 33,669
Big Brothers Big Sisters of York	85,816
Blue Door Shelters	372,593
Canadian Mental Health Association, York Region Branch	192,956
Canadian Red Cross Society (Region of York Branch)	130,894
Carefirst Seniors and Community Services Association	140,851
Catholic Community Services of York Region	104,450
Centre for Information and Community Services of Ontario	146,960
CHATS (Community Home Assistance to Seniors)	238,605
Chinese Family Services of Ontario	50,000
CNIB – Ontario Central Region	132,891
Community Living Georgina	30,627
Community Living Newmarket/Aurora District	111,858
Community Living York South	217,853
COSTI Immigrant Services	119,941
Family Services York Region	754,429
Girls Incorporated of York Region	92,191
Hospice Georgina	37,722
Jericho Youth Services	87,854
Jewish Family and Child Service of Greater Toronto	85,377
Job Skills	84,044
Learning Centre for Georgina	102,673
Learning Disabilities Association of York Region	76,366
Literacy Council York-Simcoe	27,367
Palliative Care Network for York Region	13,970
Pathways for Children, Youth and Families of York Region Inc.	104,137
Rose of Sharon Services for Young Mothers	77,019
Sandgate, Women's Shelter of York Region Inc.	149,969
Social Services Network	66,667
The AIDS Committee of York Region	40,000
The Canadian Hearing Society – Simcoe York Region	175,849
The Cross-Cultural Community Services Association	33,162
The Vitanova Foundation	50,460
The York Centre for Children, Youth and Families	138,811
Victim Services of York Region Inc.	121,122
Vita Community Living Services	75,397
Women's Centre of York Region	29,018
Yellow Brick House	192,781
York Region Abuse Program	184,160
York Region Food Network	50,000

2008 Campaign total allocation	4,960,509
Prior campaign	489,362
Total 2008 allocation	\$ 5,449,871

Investing in York Region community priorities



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