60 Years of YFU





6400 Goldsboro Rd. Suite 100 Bethesda, MD 20817 www.yfu-usa.org 240.235.2100 YFU USA is a 501C3 nonprofit organization. YOUTH FOR UNDERSTANDING USA

FROM THE PRESIDENT

In 1951. Dr. Rachel Andresen first envisioned what was to become Youth For Understanding. In its inaugural year, YFU exchanged seventy-five teenagers between Germany and the United States. The size and scope of the organization grew quickly, positioning YFU as a strong voice for international understanding by way of intercultural learning opportunities. On April 8, 2011, YFU communities around the world celebrated Rachel Andresen's birthday and marked the 60th anniversary of the founding of Youth For Understanding.

This milestone occasion was a moment to reflect on the profound accomplishments of the past six decades. YFU has grown to exchange more than four thousand students annually among more than sixty nations in the Americas, Africa, Europe, Asia, and Australia. The YFU brand is now synonymous with global education, excellent program quality, and rock-solid support. There are 12,000 active volunteers around the world, and as a true testament to our strength, this year YFU welcomed its 250,000th student on program.

As it has done in the past and will continue to accomplish in the future, YFU provides life-changing opportunities for students to become informed, global citizens. Youth exchange is just as – if not more – important today than when Rachel Andresen helped pioneer the concept. YFU looks forward to continued success in the next sixty years of working to prepare young people for their opportunities and responsibilities in a changing, interdependent world.

Enjoy learning more in this report or on www.yfu-usa.org. Join us as we celebrate sixty years and beyond!

Michael Finnell PRESIDENT & CEO

LETTERS FROM THE STATE HOUSE





















In honor of YFU's 60th Anniversary, twenty-seven sitting US governors wrote letters of appreciation citing the phenomenal work being done by YFU communities in their respective states. Governors of all geographies and ideologies sent congratulatory letters. Many of them also officially declared April 8th as YFU Day.



























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A LOOK BACK A LOOK BACK

Throughout the decades, YFU has touched the lives of millions, building bonds of friendship and understanding around the world among students, families, volunteers, and educators.

























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COMMUNITY COLLEGE PROGRAM (CCP)

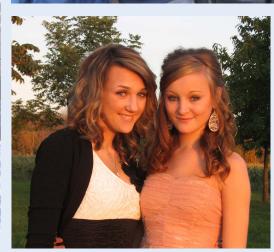
YFU offers programs for international students who have completed their secondary schooling or who have otherwise exceed age requirements for YFU programs. Since CCP's inception in 1990, more than 3,500 students have participated. In 2011, more than 110 students participated on this unique program to study English as a Second Language (ESL) at community colleges across the United States. These students also had the opportunity to enroll for a semester, year, or two-year degree to study the arts, sciences, business, or literature. The majority of participants followed the YFU tradition of living with an American host family. While some participants reside on campus at a dormitory, they still maintain regular contact with a mentoring American family.

The CCP program provides participants diverse educational opportunities through academic and cultural experiences and the participants bring a wealth of intercultural perspectives to the colleges and their communities.









SUPPORT

YFU Support System

The purpose of the YFU USA Support System is to anticipate and respond to the needs of participants and the organization in the area of on-program support. This is done by developing and maintaining qualitative systems and procedures through consultation, education and monitoring.

Corporate Sponsorship

Also, YFU USA appreciates the continued support from our corporate and foundation partners:

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YOUTH FOR UNDERSTANDING OFFICES AROUND THE WORLD



Argentina	Ecuador	Korea	Russia
Australia	Estonia	Liberia	Serbia
Austria	Finland	Latvia	Slovakia
Belgium-Flanders	France	Lithuania	South Africa
Belgium-Wallonia	Georgia	Mexico	Sweden
Brazil	Germany	Moldova	Switzerland
Bulgaria	Ghana	Mongolia	Thailand
Canada	Greece	Netherlands	Turkey
Chile	Hungary	New Zealand	Ukraine
China	India	Norway	Uruguay
Colombia	Indonesia	Philippines	USA
Czech Republic	Japan	Poland	Venezuela
Denmark	Kazakhstan	Romania	Vietnam



FINANCIALS

Youth For Understanding USA, Inc. Statements of Financial Position December 31, 2011 and 2010

		2011		2010	
Assets					
Cash Investments Certificates of Deposit Accounts Receivable	\$	540,584 7,844,190 1,215,226	\$	450,688 9,138,994 1,205,086	
Program Fees Receivable from International Affiliates Grants Receivable Other Accounts Receivable Prepaid Expenses and Other Assets Deposits Property and Equipment, Net		49,800 67,654 31,431 151,294 24,921 144,936	_	33,499 103,808 7,159 106,393 24,062 110,733	
Total Assets	\$10,070,036		\$11,180,422		
Liabilities and Net Assets					
Liabilities Accounts Payable and Accrued Expenses Accrued Program Expenses Deferred Revenue	\$	648,261 3,109,466 753,549	\$	651,204 2,603,835 1,061,086	
Total Liabilities		4,511,276		4,316,125	
Net Assets Unrestricted - Operating Temporarily Restricted		5,447,754 111,006		6,722,967 141,330	
Total Net Assets		5,558,760		6,864,297	
Total Liabilities and Net Assets		\$10,070,036		\$11,180,422	

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Youth For Understanding USA, Inc. Statements of Activities For the Twelve Months Ended December 31, 2011 and 2010

	2011		2010			
	Unrestricted	Temporarily Restricted	Total	Unrestricted	Temporarily Restricted	Total
Revenue and Support						
Program Fees	\$ 14,791,633	\$ -	\$ 14,791,633	\$ 13,482,699	\$ -	\$ 13,482,699
Corporate Scholarships and Special Programs	1,486,704	80,690	1,567,394	1,659,189	71,185	1,730,374
Grants	63,854	;=:	63,854	184,871	-	184,871
Other Contributions	892,623	-	892,623	728,261	-	728,261
Foreign Currency Translation Adjustment	(11,870)	=	(11,870)	(20,840)	-	(20,840)
Net Assets Released from Restrictions	111,014_	(111,014)		125,117	(125,117)	
Total Revenue and Support	17,333,958	(30,324)	17,303,634	16,159,297	(53,932)	16,105,365
Operating Expenses						
Program	16,934,191	-	16,934,191	14,071,275	-	14,071,275
Supporting services						
Management and General	1,681,923	=	1,681,923	1,700,181	=	1,700,181
Fund-Raising	91,337	:=:	91,337	81,126		81,126
Total Operating Expenses	18,707,451		18,707,451	15,852,582		15,852,582
Changes in Net Assets from Operations	(1,373,493)	(30,324)	(1,403,817)	306,715	(53,932)	252,783
Other Revenues						
Investment Income	20,826	S-1	20,826	25,969	-	25,969
Other Revenue	77,454	<u>,,−</u> 0	77,454	54,240	<u> </u>	54,240
Total Other Revenues	98,280		98,280	80,209		80,209
Change in Net Assets	(1,275,213)	(30,324)	(1,305,537)	386,924	(53,932)	332,992
Net Assets at Beginning of Period	6,722,967	141,330	6,864,297	6,336,043	195,262	6,531,305
Net Assets at End of Period	\$5,447,754	\$111,006	\$5,558,760	\$6,722,967	\$141,330	\$6,864,297





The following summary of the financial statements is incorporated in the annual audit report issued by Councilor, Buchanan and Mitchell (CBM) for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2011.

The full financial statements and notes are available upon request from YFU USA.

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