



## INFORMATION PACKET MEMORANDUM

To: Members of City Council

From: Jane S. Brautigam, City Manager  
Paul J. Fetherston, Deputy City Manager  
Alisa Lewis, City Clerk  
Alisa Darrow, Deputy City Clerk

Date: May 7, 2013

**Subject:** 2012 Sister City Annual Reports

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### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The purpose of this Information Packet item is to provide Council with the 2012 Annual reports submitted by the Sister City Committees. As you know, Boulder sister city relationships are governed by Council Resolution No. 631, which establishes affiliation criteria and requires annual reports from each organization verifying compliance with the resolution. Section 2 of Resolution 631 outlines the criteria for establishing and maintaining sister city relationships:

*The City of Boulder establishes the following criteria for sister city recognition:*

*A) In order to assure that sister city affiliations are genuinely reflective of the community and are managed by citizen organizations with resources adequate to the task, sister city affiliations shall:*

- 1) Have and maintain Section 501 (c) (3) status.*
- 2) Have and maintain a Boulder-based board of directors, with the board elected by the membership, and with no member of the board being a part of any commercial venture in the sister city.*
- 3) Establish a membership criteria, but membership may not be denied based upon race, religion, nationality, membership in a minority group, membership in a particular social group or because of the expression of unpopular political opinion.*
- 4) Have and maintain an annual budget, a work plan, and a fund-raising report.*
- 5) Annually submit a status report to the City Council by the first of March of each year which shall show compliance with items A(1), A(2), A (3), A(4) and the policies set forth in Section 1.*

6) *Make the elements required in A(3), A(4) and A(5) available to the public.*

Attached please find the 2012 annual organizational reports submitted by Boulder's seven sister city organizations. A dinner with the sister city liaisons is being scheduled after the council recess; the date has yet to be determined.

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|---------------|------------|--|
| Attachment A: | Tajikistan | Boulder-Dushanbe Sister City                   |
| Attachment B: | Nicaragua  | Boulder/Jalapa Friendship City Project         |
| Attachment C: | Kenya      | Boulder-Kisumu Sister City Committee           |
| Attachment D: | Tibet      | Boulder-Lhasa Sister City Project              |
| Attachment E: | Mexico     | Boulder-Mante Sister City Committee            |
| Attachment F: | Japan      | Boulder-Yamagata Friendship City Committee     |
| Attachment G: | Cuba       | Boulder-Yateras, Cuba Sister City Organization |

Any comments or questions may be directed to Alisa Darrow at (303) 441-3008 or [darrova@bouldercolorado.gov](mailto:darrova@bouldercolorado.gov).

## BOULDER/JALAPA FRIENDSHIP CITY PROJECTS

<http://boulderjalapa.org>

REPORT TO CITY COUNCIL for 2012

April 10, 2013

1. Friendship City Projects (FCP) is a 501(c)(3) corporation.
2. The Board of Directors meets once per month in or near Boulder. The board currently numbers seven directors, who were elected by the membership at the December 2012 annual meeting. No member of the board is a part of any commercial venture in Jalapa. The current directors are:

|                    |               |
|--------------------|---------------|
| Mercedes Alvarez   | Boulder       |
| Zuza Bohley        | Boulder       |
| Gregory Bowles     | Boulder       |
| Gary Mills         | Boulder       |
| Francoise Poinatte | Boulder       |
| Tasia Poinatte     | Washington DC |
| Philip Wegener     | Boulder       |

3. The criteria for membership are established by the By-laws which were adopted in 1992, as amended in 2008. Members are those who have paid current dues of \$25. Honorary members are those who have been designated as deserving by the FCP board. Members are non-voting for the first year that they are a member, and active members after that. The board may deny membership status to anyone, but does not intend to do this except in very unusual cases.
4. Copies of the budget and fundraising report for 2012 are attached. The current status and work plan for 2013 are as follows:

In 2012 we did not have an in-country representative from Boulder working full-time in Jalapa. We are still supporting the work of Karla Pozo, a very talented community organizer who lives in Jalapa. She promotes FCP's work in Jalapa and builds relationships between FCP and the people of the Jalapa Valley. FCP also now works in partnership with a Colorado-based non-profit which focuses on building of potable water systems in developing countries. This non-profit, Second Mile Water, has built two stages of a potable water system in the village of Pasmata, located in the Jalapa Valley. Working together with FCP, Second Mile Water, a 501(c)3, expects to complete this water system in 2013. Jeff Walters of Second Mile Waters, was nominated by FCP for Volunteer of The Year.

FCP works together with a local counterpart board, Pueblos Unidos, and FCP has worked for several years to help establish this organization. Pueblos Unidos is made up of local people in Jalapa who are active in community development. All decisions on joint projects undertaken with FCP and all work plans are made together with Pueblos Unidos.

In 2011 FCP and Pueblos Unidos continued the Huertos Familiares (Family Garden) Program in which family members grow the food they need for a well-balanced diet. The program includes using organic fertilizer made by the community, and also organic pest control solutions made from local plants which don't depend on imported chemicals.

A scholarship fund for Jalapa students that was created by FCP members Vivian Underhill and Kelsey Batson is now called Project FE, and is managed by Tasia Poinatte, Helen Vernier, and Sophia

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Laguna. It enables needy Jalapa children and adults to enroll in school. Although tuition is free at

public schools, many people do not have the money to pay for materials, uniforms, transportation and other necessities. This can cost as little as \$100 per student for one year, which is still beyond the means of many Nicaraguans. The program is entirely run by high school and college age people here in the U.S.

We have seen an important trend developing in Jalapa over the years. In FCP's early years, we focused on fairly large projects which involved significant amounts of money and presented the community with completed schools, water systems, and so forth. The trend now is toward much more community involvement and initiation of projects. Resources are still required, of course, but the process is much more one of collaboration than of gift giving. This trend is only for the better, and promises to continue.

### Background Information

Jalapa is located in northern Nicaragua close to the Honduran border. Geographically, it is similar to Boulder in that it is located in a broad valley, near mountains covered with pine and other trees. The soil and tropical climate make the area agriculturally productive. The people of Jalapa share a love of music and the arts with the people of Boulder.

Boulder Jalapa Friendship City Projects (FCP), a sister city organization, was formed in Boulder in 1984 and is dedicated to building peace and understanding between the people of Jalapa and Boulder. FCP funds projects that have a social contract to create community and work for the greater good of its residents and fosters people-to-people diplomacy through organizing delegations to and from Nicaragua. The project provides the framework which enables skilled volunteers to work in the Jalapa area of Nicaragua providing direct services and/or technical assistance. FCP is responsible for the creation of a preschool and five potable water projects in the municipality of Jalapa and has maintained a full time representative in the Jalapa area most of the time since 1990.

FCP's constituency is not limited to the city of Jalapa, but includes the whole of the Jalapa valley (in Nicaragua, this is known as the Jalapa Municipality).

More information about FCP is available on the Web at

[www.boulderjalapa.org](http://www.boulderjalapa.org)

Boulder Jalapa Friendship City Projects  
PO Box 7452  
Boulder CO 80306

BOULDER/JALAPA FRIENDSHIP CITY PROJECTS

<http://boulderjalapa.org>

BUDGET- 2012

Total income \$26182

Expenses

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|                                |         |
|--------------------------------|---------|
| Karla Pozo, in Jalap Nicaragua | \$4248  |
| Jeff Walters/2 Mile Water      | \$15860 |
| MattTalarco, videographer      | \$1200  |
| bank fees                      | \$223   |
| misc admin                     | \$58    |

# 2012 History of Boulder Kisumu Sister City Activities

1. **Project** - January 2012 - **Ties to Africa**
  - a. **Visits** – Darryl Brown, Sally Fistler
  - b. **Results** – Met with Victoria Lyons widows group with project Leader Winnie Opar. Began a women's empowerment project fabricating beautiful hand made neckties from Kenyan batik fabrics for sale in the U.S.
2. **Project** - May 2012 –Rotary International Photo of the Year
  - a. **Partner**- Kisumu Boulder Sister City, Rotary International
  - b. **Results**–Darryl Brown's photo of children in Kisumu was selected as Harry Benson's and Rotary International's photo of the year and was published in The Rotarian Magazine.
3. **Project** - August 2012 –**Africa in Aurora Event**
  - a. **Partner**- Kisumu Boulder Sister City, Rosma Designs
  - b. **Results**–Presentation of Ties to Africa and art from Kisumu Kenya
4. **Project** - September 2012 - **Oasis of Hope sanitation block continuation**
  - a. **Visits** – Darryl Brown, Sally Fistler Jared Odhiambo, Haggai Khadiri.
  - b. **Partner** - Boulder Rotary, 5 rotary clubs in Rotary District 5450, Winam Rotary Club and the Ogra Foundation.
  - c. **Results** – Flushable toilet block at the Oasis of Hope school. Project built and plumbed with running water. Difficulty with septic field due to black cotton soil and cracking. Contractor to repair. New Septic Field created
5. **Project** - October 2012 –**UN Day 2012**
  - a. **Partner**- Kisumu Boulder Sister City, United Nations Association of Boulder County
  - b. **Results**–Shared information about Boulder Kisumu Sister City with the residents of Boulder who attended the United Nations Day Event.
6. **Project** - November 2012 – **Nduro Kadero sanitation block**
  - a. **Partner**- Kisumu Boulder Sister City, Boulder Kisumu Sister City, Sister Cities International
  - b. **Results**–Completion of 8 door toilet block at the rural school Nduro Kadero with water catchment for hand washing. This school has 600 primary school students and only had 10 latrines.
7. **Project** - November 2012 –**Orange Primary School**
  - a. **Partner**- Kisumu Boulder Sister City, Sister Cities International, Boulder Rotary Club
  - b. **Results** –3 door latrine and one shower to be used by mature girls on their periods to allow them to come to school without fear. Girls in this rural primary school have no resources for menstruation and will often skip school during their periods. This toilet block is designed to encourage mature girls to stay at school all month long.
8. **Project** - December 2012 – **Boulder Kisumu Christmas Fundraiser**
  - a. **Partner**- Kisumu Boulder Sister City
  - b. **Results**–Fund raising project selling art from Kisumu to raise funds for Kisumu Projects.
9. **Project** - December 2012 –**Human Rights Award Reception**

- a. **Partner-** Kisumu Boulder Sister City, United Nations Association of Boulder County
- b. **Results**—Sally and Darryl Brown were honored by the United Nations Association of Boulder County as recipients of the UNA's International Human Rights Award.

# BOULDER-LHASA SISTER CITY PROJECT

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## ANNUAL REPORT FOR CY2012 1 March 2013

### **2012 Accomplishments**

#### **MEETING ON PARASITE DISEASE CONTROL IN SHANGHAI**

An International Symposium on Cestode Zoonoses Control was conducted in Shanghai, China, on 29-30 October 2012. Cestode zoonoses are tapeworm diseases that can be passed from animals, whether wild or domesticated, to humans. The symposium was organized by National Institute of Parasitic Diseases (Chinese Center for Disease Control and Prevention) and Asahikawa Medical University, Japan. With travel expenses paid from his personal funds, Bill Warnock, BLSCP President, attended the symposium and made a presentation on "Echinococcosis Training in Tibet", which describes the BLSCP training exchange in Lhasa during September 2010. The symposium was attended by 96 participants from 13 countries, Chinese Ministry of Health, and World Health Organization. Bill was the only participant from the U.S.A.



Cestode zoonoses are a group of diseases being neglected by the global health community but causing serious health and economic damage to humans and livestock. Global control activities are still insufficient, particularly in Asian countries. The Shanghai symposium was organized to promote further global collective efforts and action for cestode zoonoses control. A total of 39 speakers addressed cestode zoonoses with respect to the current global situation, the status in Asian countries, and recent progress in Asia on epidemiology, ecology, biology, immunology, molecular taxonomy and phylogeny, control strategy, diagnosis, vaccine research, clinical treatment, and public policy related to control.

Most of the presentations were on echinococcosis and taeniasis/cysticercosis in Asia. After the presentations, all participants engaged in a round-table discussion on how to make a systematic assessment of the current epidemic status of cestode zoonoses and control strategy for cestode zoonoses. For the epidemiology and control of echinococcosis and taeniasis/cysticercosis, several "gaps" (missing elements in ongoing work) were identified. One of the gaps for control is "health education", i.e., education of communities where these diseases are prevalent. Education topics include life cycle of the parasite, how humans are infected, prevention methods, and control strategies.

Dr. Li Tiaoying, Sichuan Institute of Parasitic Diseases, made a presentation on "Current status of taeniasis/cysticercosis in Tibetan communities of Sichuan Province, China". Humans are infected with taeniasis by eating raw or undercooked infected meat from pigs or cattle/yak. This can lead to adult tapeworms in the small intestine. Humans are infected with cysticercosis through fecal-oral contamination from (human) tapeworm carriers. Human cysticercosis can lead to cysts (cysticerci) in the brain or eyes, which can cause epileptic seizures or blindness. The taeniasis infection rate of Tibetan farmers in 11 villages of Yajiang County in western Sichuan Province (Kham) was measured to be 21%. The prevalence of human cysticercosis in these villages was measured to be 7%. Risk factors include consumption of raw beef and/or undercooked beef/pork, the use of free-ranging pigs, lack of latrine facilities, lack of meat inspection, poor hygiene, and a poor economy.



To help control echinococcosis in Tibetan herding (nomad) communities and taeniasis/cysticercosis in Tibetan farming communities, parasite education of the community members can lead to improvements in knowledge and behavior. Pictorial diagrams showing the life cycle of the parasite, how humans are infected, prevention methods, and control strategies can be particularly effective.

#### **NAMLING COUNTY SCHOOLS PROJECT**

BLSCP continued to be an official sponsor for Namling County Schools Project (NCSP). NCSP was founded in 1991 by Tashi Tsering, project director. More than 50 elementary schools, built by this project in rural Tibetan villages, provide some basic education for local children. These schools are simple earth-brick structures with dirt floors. Job training for young adults at the Ema-Gang Vocational Training School will also help to alleviate poverty. BLSCP has been an official sponsor for this project since 1994. Funds are needed for school facilities, teacher training, and student supplies.

## **LHASA KUNGSHON LANGUAGE SCHOOL**

BLSCP continued to be an official sponsor for Lhasa Kungshon Language School (LKLS). LKLS was established in 1988 by Lhobsang Pandan, school principal. The school provides young adult Tibetans with language and computer classes. Students learn skills which help them to qualify for better jobs. The school has given more than 1,200 scholarships to students with disabilities and financial difficulties. BLSCP has been an official sponsor for this school since 1995. Funds are needed for scholarships, supplies for language classes, and equipment.

## **COMMUNITY OUTREACH**

BLSCP has continued to be a resource for the Boulder community, by providing outreach activities on our programs in Tibet and information regarding the geography, climate, high-altitude effects, travel accommodations, and culture of Tibet. BLSCP maintained and updated its own Web site at **[www.boulder-tibet.org](http://www.boulder-tibet.org)**. BLSCP continued to participate in Boulder Sister City Alliance, which is an effective, informal organization of Boulder's seven sister city organizations.

## **IRS Status**

BLSCP has maintained a 501(c)(3) status, as a private, non-profit corporation.

## **Board of Directors**

The BLSCP Board of Directors is Boulder-based, with the board elected by the membership, and with no member of the board being a part of any commercial venture in Lhasa. The current Board of Directors is:

|                  |                |
|------------------|----------------|
| Bill Warnock     | President      |
| Carol Delker     | Vice President |
| Carrie Hartman   | Secretary      |
| Stanley Goldberg | Treasurer      |

## **Membership Criteria**

Membership in BLSCP is not denied based upon race, religion, nationality, membership in a minority group, membership in a particular social group, or because of the expression of unpopular political opinion.

## **Fund-raising / Contributions (CY2012)**

|                                |               |
|--------------------------------|---------------|
| Solar Electricity Program      | 0.00          |
| Parasite Medical Program       | 0.00          |
| Namling County Schools Project | 0.00          |
| Lhasa Kungshon Language School | 2,000.00      |
| General Use                    | 910.00        |
| Membership Dues                | <u>180.00</u> |
| TOTAL                          | \$3,090.00    |

## **2013 Work Plan**

We will work to develop further exchanges on health care, education, environmental protection, science & technology, agriculture & animal husbandry, and culture & art. We will identify the human and financial resources required to implement the most effective exchanges for helping Tibetans in Tibet.

## **HEALTH EDUCATION TRAINING PROJECT**

To alleviate suffering by Tibetan communities in Kham (western Sichuan Province), we plan to conduct a training course in Chengdu on two serious parasitic diseases called cysticercosis and echinococcosis, women's health, and sanitation. Cysticercosis can be prevented through health education for Tibetan farming communities. The trainees will be 18 responsible health care personnel from several counties in western Sichuan Province. Our training materials will include pictorial information on the life cycle of cysticercosis, methods of transmission to humans during daily activities, and methods of prevention. The trainees will then train many others in local villages.

NAMLING COUNTY SCHOOLS PROJECT

We will continue to sponsor Namling County Schools Project.

LHASA KUNGSHON LANGUAGE SCHOOL

We will continue to sponsor Lhasa Kungshon Language School.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

We will continue to maintain and update our Web site at [www.boulder-tibet.org](http://www.boulder-tibet.org) and respond to the inquiries which it generates.

**2013 Budget (estimated)**

RECEIPTS

|                                |               |
|--------------------------------|---------------|
| Solar Electricity Program      | 0.00          |
| Parasite Medical Program       | 16,500.00     |
| Namling County Schools Project | 100.00        |
| Lhasa Kungshon Language School | 100.00        |
| General Use                    | 500.00        |
| Membership Dues                | <u>300.00</u> |
| TOTAL                          | \$17,500.00   |

DISBURSEMENTS

|                                |               |
|--------------------------------|---------------|
| Solar Electricity Program      | 0.00          |
| Parasite Medical Program       | 16,500.00     |
| Namling County Schools Project | 100.00        |
| Lhasa Kungshon Language School | 100.00        |
| Operating Expenses             | 500.00        |
| Community Outreach             | <u>300.00</u> |
| TOTAL                          | \$17,500.00   |



## **Boulder-Dushanbe Sister Cities – 2012 Annual Report**

### **Boulder-Dushanbe Sister Cities activities**

- Boulder-Dushanbe Sister Cities supported the annual Navruz (Persian New Year- spring equinox) celebration on the plaza north of the Teahouse with the local Tajik community. There was dancing, poetry, traditional Central Asian Navruz activities and traditional foods including plov, the national dish of Tajikistan.

- In April a Tajik TV crew Sponsored by the US State Department visited Boulder. We assisted them with arrangements as they learned about nonprofit organizations that depend on volunteers including Meals on Wheels, an Engineering volunteer program at CU and Arapahoe Ridge High School. We also hosted them at the Teahouse for dinner. We explained that our reciprocal gift (the Friendship Center) was closed and asked if they would look into it,

- BDSC hosted the Open World program Accountable Governance May 19 through May 26 in Boulder. We provided home-stays for the five delegates, arranged the local professional and cultural program, and gave them a chance to experience family and American life in Boulder. The City of Boulder, City of Ward, Jamestown, Boulder County and many Boulder non-profit organizations, and businesses were generous with their support. Delegates were impressed with the accessibility of city officials and their interaction with organizations to provide services to citizens. We also told this group that the Friendship Center was closed and we were hoping a new director would be appointed soon.

- In early June we learned that the Mayor appointed a new director. It appears this resulted from a TV program about Boulder and Facebook postings asking why the gift from Boulder was closed. The Friendship Center is open now (web site:friendshipcenter.tj). English classes are being taught, computers are available for use and American fast food is being served.

- Our board member Jode Brexa traveled to Tajikistan for a US State Department sponsored program teaching methods of teaching to Tajik English teachers. While in Dushanbe, Jode met with Olim Makhkamov, the new Friendship Center director, Maarouf Muhamedov (a long time friend of BDSC) and Erin Sparks (a teacher from Colorado who teaches at the International School in Dushanbe). They discussed long-term goals for the Center. Jode also met with US Embassy officials regarding possible future use of the Center for Embassy sponsored programs and trainings.

- We worked on updating our database and moving it to a web based format. It is still in progress

- Our Web site (boulder-dushanbe.org) and Facebook page were updated.
- We assisted the Boulder History Museum in the creation of a Dushanbe Sister City Trunk used in their educational outreach programs with local schools.
- We initiated inquiries with the city of Boulder facilities department regarding an educational sign in front of the Teahouse about how the Teahouse came to Boulder, the reciprocal gift, and the sister city relationship.
- We are still pursuing land-mark status for the Teahouse.
- Two newsletters for our membership and supporters were sent out.
- In the fall of 2012 we submitted a proposal to host Tajik elected officials participating in an Open World program: "Service Learning and Volunteerism". This proposal was accepted by Open World and will take place in October 2013.
- In November we hosted an annual meeting, which included presentations by BVSD teacher Jode Brexa regarding her work in Tajikistan and a video program of the Pamirs by CU environmental graduate students Adam Perou Hermans and Lydia Dixon. We also elected a board of directors for 2013.
- BDSC continues to participate in Sister City Alliance meetings.

*The following sections of this report are required by City Council Resolution No. 631*

**A(1): IRS Status**

BDSC has maintained its 501(c)(3) status as a private, non-profit corporation.

**A(2): Board of Directors**

The BDSC Board of Directors, none of whom is a part of any commercial venture in Dushanbe, is elected by the membership each year at the BDSC Annual Meeting in November. Members of the Board during 2012 included:

Peter Stoller, President  
 Miriam Allen, Secretary  
 Aldona Siczek, Phd, Mba, Treasurer  
 Jode Brexa  
 Jancy Campbell  
 Susan Osborne  
 Leto Quarles, M.D.  
 Scott Raderstorf

Joe Stepanek  
Sophia Stoller  
Ron West, ex officio

**A(3): Membership Criteria**

Membership in the BDSC is not denied on the basis of race, religion, nationality, membership in a minority group, sexual preference, membership in any particular social group, or because of the expression of unpopular political opinion. Specifically, the BDSC by-laws provide that active members "shall include any individuals who are interested in the purpose and objectives of the corporation and who have paid current dues."

Aldona Siczek was treasurer in 2012.

**Financial Reports:**

The financial report to the Colorado Secretary of State, the 2012 profit and loss statement, and the 2012 balance statements are attached.

**A(4)a: Annual Budget**

BDSC annually adopts a budget for its account. The proposed 2012 and 2013 budgets are attached.

Submitted by:  
Peter Stoller  
Boulder-Dushanbe President for 2013  
March 25, 2013

Boulder Dushanbe Sister Cities - Budget 2012

Proposed

Balance 01/01/2012                      \$20,000.00

Revenue:

|            |        |
|------------|--------|
| Membership | 550.   |
| Donations  | 1,500. |
| Events     | 2,150. |
| Interest   | 10.    |

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**\$ 4,210.00**

**Expenses**

|              |             |
|--------------|-------------|
| Accounting   | 160.        |
| Bank charges | 50.         |
| Cyber café   | 0.          |
| Navruz       | 800.        |
| Gifts        | 300.        |
| Hosting      | 1,000.      |
| Tax & Fees   | 100.        |
| Insurance    | 1,000.      |
| Publishing   | 300.        |
| Website      | <u>500.</u> |

4,210.00

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**Balance** to 2013

**\$20,000.00**

Boulder Dushanbe Sister Cities  
Profit & Loss  
January - December 2012

|                                | <b>Total</b> |
|--------------------------------|--------------|
| Income                         |              |
| Donations                      | 382.50       |
| Events and Fundraising         | 7,184.19     |
| Membership Dues                | 1,194.90     |
| Total Income                   | \$8,761.59   |
| Expenses                       |              |
| Accounting                     | 142.65       |
| Administrative                 | 58.00        |
| Bank Charges                   | 20.50        |
| Educational Programs           | 12.97        |
| Events                         | 755.00       |
| Hosting                        | 4,709.14     |
| Office Expense                 | 60.00        |
| Printing, Publishing, Supplies | 157.23       |
| Taxes & Licenses               | 20.00        |
| Web site & domain              | 675.00       |
| Total Expenses                 | \$6,610.49   |
| Net Operating Income           | \$2,151.10   |
| Other Income                   |              |
| Interest Earned                | 74.97        |
| Total Other Income             | \$74.97      |
| Other Expenses                 |              |
| Miscellaneous                  | 75.00        |
| Total Other Expenses           | \$75.00      |
| Net Other Income               | \$ -0.03     |
| Net Income                     | \$2,151.07   |

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Boulder Dushanbe Sister Cities  
 Balance Sheet  
 As of December 31, 2012

|                                     | <b>Total</b>       |
|-------------------------------------|--------------------|
| <b>ASSETS</b>                       |                    |
| Current Assets                      |                    |
| Bank Accounts                       |                    |
| Cyber Cafe Bank Accounts            | 0.00               |
| Cyber Cafe Checking -201000437      | 1,204.92           |
| Cyber Cafe Construction -270000326  | 3,640.48           |
| Cyber MM -170013293                 | 17,561.40          |
| Total Cyber Cafe Bank Accounts      | 22,406.80          |
| Operation Bank Accounts             | 0.00               |
| Operation Checking - 201000445      | 4,381.35           |
| Operation MM - 270000318            | 17,453.81          |
| Total Operation Bank Accounts       | 21,835.16          |
| PayPal                              | 144.90             |
| Total Bank Accounts                 | \$44,386.86        |
| Total Current Assets                | \$44,386.86        |
| <b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>                 | <b>\$44,386.86</b> |
| <b>LIABILITIES AND EQUITY</b>       |                    |
| Liabilities                         |                    |
| Total Liabilities                   |                    |
| Equity                              |                    |
| Opening Balance Equity              | 44,058.04          |
| Retained Earnings                   | -1,822.25          |
| Net Income                          | 2,151.07           |
| Total Equity                        | \$44,386.86        |
| <b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY</b> | <b>\$44,386.86</b> |

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\$3,050.00

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**Balance to 2014**

**\$22,400.00**

**prepared by Aldona Siczek**

**Treasurer**



**Fw: Registration Renewal Approved (Charity). BOULDER-DUSHANBE SISTER CITIES**

Friday, March 22, 2013 2:24 PM

**From:** "Aldona" <a.siczek@att.net>

**To:** "Peter Stoller" <peterjstoller@yahoo.com>

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**From:** Colorado Department of State <charitable@sos.state.co.us>

**To:** A.SICZEK@ATT.NET

**Sent:** Tue, January 17, 2012 8:16:57 AM

**Subject:** Registration Renewal Approved (Charity). BOULDER-DUSHANBE SISTER CITIES

CONFIRMATION OF APPROVED CHARITABLE SOLICITATIONS FILING

REGISTRATION (RENEW)  
CHARITABLE ORGANIZATION

**NAME:** BOULDER-DUSHANBE SISTER CITIES  
**Permanent Registration Number:** 20093007162  
**Filing Number of Document:** 20123001462  
**Renewal Due Date:** 05-15-2013

The registration renew that you filed with the Colorado Secretary of State's office has been approved.

For charitable organizations that filed estimated financial information, the amendment due date for replacing estimates with actual financial information is the 15th day of the fifth month after the close of the first fiscal year, which is the same date by which the Form 990 must be filed with the Internal Revenue Service. An amendment enables changes to the same reporting period, in contrast to a renewal, which automatically advances the reporting period one year.

For your convenience, we have included a summary statement of the information provided on the online registration form.

If you have any questions, please contact:

Charities Program Staff  
Office of the Secretary of State  
(303)894-2200 ext 6487  
[charitable@sos.state.co.us](mailto:charitable@sos.state.co.us)

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REGISTRATION(RENEWAL)  
CHARITABLE ORGANIZATIONS

Organization names and addresses

- 1. Organization's name:BOULDER-DUSHANBE SISTER CITIES

2. Organization's principal address and all other Colorado addresses:

Street address: 1252 CHINOOK WAY

City: BOULDER

County: BOULDER

State: CO

Zip: 80303

Country: UNITED STATES

3. Describe the organization's exempt purpose:

OUR PRIMARY PURPOSE IS TO PROMOTE THE SISTER CITY PEOPLE-TO-PEOPLE RELATIONSHIP WITH DUSHANBE, TAJIKISTAN.

4. FEIN(Federal Employer Identification Number): 74-2346071

5. Has the organization applied for or been granted IRS tax exempt status': Yes

Date of application or date of determination letter:03/19/1987

If granted, exempt under:501(C)(3)

Are contributions to the organization tax deductible':Yes

6. List the NTEE code(s) that best describes your organization:

INTERNATIONAL,FOREIGN AFFAIRS, & NATIONAL SECURITY

7. Outside service provider helping your organization with state charity office filings:

Name of Service Provider:

Name of contact person:

Address:

City:

State:

Zip:

8. All other names under which this organization intends to solicit: N/A

9. Name of the custodian of organization's financial records:

Name: SICZEK, ALDONA A

Street address: 1252 CHINOOK WAY

City: BOULDER

State: CO

Zip: 80303-1411

Telephone number: 303-494-6439

10. Names of officers, directors, trustees, and key employees of the charitable organization:

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Name: BREXA, JODE  
Email: [JODE.BREXA@BVSD.ORG](mailto:JODE.BREXA@BVSD.ORG)

11. Name of Authorized Official who signed this Registration Statement:

Name: WEST, RONALD E.                      Date: 01/11/2012

ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENT (RENEWAL)  
CHARITABLE ORGANIZATIONS

FINANCIAL INFORMATION IS ACTUAL

This financial report covers the fiscal year beginning 01/01/2011 and ending 12/31/2011.

Organization information

1. Organization's legal name: BOULDER-DUSHANBE SISTER CITIES

2. Federal Employer Identification Number (FEIN): 74-2346071

3. Organization's principal address:  
Street address: 1252 CHINOOK WAY  
City: BOULDER  
State: CO  
Zip: 80303  
Telephone number: 303-494-643  
Email: [A.SICZEK@ATT.NET](mailto:A.SICZEK@ATT.NET)  
Web Site: [WWW.BOULDER-DUSHANBE.ORG](http://WWW.BOULDER-DUSHANBE.ORG)

Fiscal year ends: 12/31

If incorporated, date incorporated: 05/21/1984  
State of incorporation: CO

If not incorporated:  
Type of organization: null  
Date established:  
State established:

4. Has the organization applied for or been granted IRS tax exempt status?: Yes

an exemption:  
Colorado

14. Name of Authorized Official who signed this Registration Statement:

Name: WEST, RONALD E.

Date: 01/11/2012

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## BYFC Annual Report for 2012

March 1, 2013

April 28, 2012 The 7<sup>th</sup> annual Sakura Project Day.

The group of citizen volunteers with the expertise provided by the staff of Boulder Forestry Service Department, we added 40 more new Somei Yoshino Sakura cherry trees; 20 trees in Martin Park in South Boulder. The remaining 20 we used to add and replaced some trees at Scott Carpenter and around the Municipal Building.

(Including this year we will have planted 295 trees out of which surviving trees are around 225 total.)



## BYFC Annual Report for 2012

Sep. 29 to Oct. 7, Yamagata Nurse Delegation.

BYFC organized a nine-day visit by a delegation of three nurses from Yamagata City Hospital to Boulder September 29 to October 7, 2012.

BYFC's long standing friendship with Dr. Toshi Sakurada was critical to the planning of this experience. The goal was for a group of nursing professionals to understand how the American system of nurse practitioners works here in Boulder and bring the concepts back to Yamagata.

In Japan there are no nurse practitioners only doctor with nurses having no authority to diagnose or prescribe; this drives up health care costs for Japan's aging population, lending some urgency to developing nurse practitioners there.

The members of the BYFC helped organize the visit; Connie Holden organizes and facilitated the professional visits, India Hart Wood arranged host families and Recreational outings.

For the professionals visits they visited following places:

- Wisdom Health Care Center at Frasier Meadows
- Frasier Meadows Retirement Community
- Boulder Community Foothills Hospital
- Rocky Mountain Cancer Center
- Clinica Family Health Services
- Hospice Care of Boulder Boulder and Broomfield Counties
- Boulder Valley Women's Health

The nurses' visit accomplished a number of things. As a result of the visit the Yamagata Prefectural Medical School of Nursing is working to set up a nurse practitioner training program at their university. The Boulder visit by the nurses complimented a Yamagata university delegation that came earlier in September in 2012.



The nurses stayed with the families of two high school students who had visited Yamagata in the summer of 2012 as a part of the Boulder Valley Rotary-Yamagata North Rotary sister club student exchange.

The nurses Taiko Uzi, Mariko Takahashi and Yoko Togashi were wonderful ambassadors, helping to deepen ties between Boulder and Yamagata citizens.

## BYFC Annual Report for 2012

### BYFC Financial Statement for 2012

|  |                     |
|--|---------------------|
| <b>Total income</b>                                  | <b>\$ 12,522.39</b> |
| Cash Balance December 31, 2011                       | \$ 1,151.13         |
| Kaiser Permanente Grant-Sister Cities International) |                     |
|  | \$ 11,350.00        |
| Misc. Income   | \$ 21.26            |
| <b>Total Cash Disbursements</b>                      | <b>\$ 2,115.53</b>  |
| Secretary of State                                   | \$ 10.00            |
| Interpreter's fee                                    | \$ 1,706.00         |
| Gift certificates                                    | \$ 300.00           |
| Gifts to Yamagata                                    | \$ 61.69            |
| Supplies   | \$ 37.84            |
| <b>Total Cash Balance December 31, 2012</b>          | <b>\$ 10,406.86</b> |

For information:

Contact Yoko Tamaki Brandt

by e-mail at [tamakibrandt@earthlink.net](mailto:tamakibrandt@earthlink.net)



## **BOULDER MANTE SISTER CITIES COMMITTEE**

### **ANNUAL REPORT**

"It's impossible to overstate how pivotal my year in Mexico was in shaping my worldview and setting my goals for the future"

Jesper Frant

**March 1, 2013**

**Background:** The Boulder Mante Sister City relationship is an outgrowth of an annual medical mission to Ciudad Mante, Mexico developed by Boulder Community Hospital (BCH) and several outreach programs with Boulder Rotary and First Presbyterian Church in Boulder. A formal proclamation uniting the cities of Mante and Boulder in a Sister City relationship was signed in January, 2000.

**Medical Mission Suspended:** Shortly after the medical team had been in Mante in 2010, reports became available of drug related gang activity in the Mante area. Boulder Community Hospital began monitoring the situation in Mante later that spring. In the summer of 2010, David Gehant, Boulder Community Hospital CEO cancelled the 2011 mission. He called Dr. David Rodriguez and explained the need to cancel the mission because there was no way to guarantee the safety of the 100 medical personnel that comprise our team. Subsequently, the medical missions for 2012 and 2013 were also cancelled.

Elfa Rodriguez, sister of the founder of the medical campaign, Dr. David Rodriguez, reports for the citizens of Mante, that the decision to cancel the medical missions has left a huge "gap" in the community and region around Mante. In many cases, it was the only option for medical service that the poor and underserved had.

**Mante delegation visitation:** As reported in our annual report filing on March 1, 2012, a delegation from Mante came in early April, 2012. Highlights of that visitation follows:

- Dairy Center for the Arts: A plaque was dedicated on April 1 describing the origins of the 24' X 42' mural painted on the north wall of the Dairy Center by Mante artist Florian Lopez in 2001
- First Presbyterian Church: Dr. David Rodriguez presented a plaque to honor First Presbyterian Church for the close relationship between the church and citizens of Mante over the years.

- **Boulder Community Hospital:** The delegation from Mante presented a painting to BCH President, David Gehant in appreciation for the 20 year medical campaign. (See story below)
- **City council proclamation:** The City of Boulder issued a proclamation signed by Mayor Matt Appelbaum declaring April 1-7, 2012 Boulder-Mante Sister City week.
- **Musical instruments:** Several musical instruments donated by Boulder citizens were presented to the Mante delegation to be used by the Mante community band and citizens.
- **Recognition:** The Boulder-Mante Sister City committee presented an award to Erick Diaz for his years of support to the medical campaign and support of the Sister City relationship.



**Art Gift to Boulder Community Hospital:** The Mante delegation brought a beautiful painting, titled “Gratitude,” of a young Mexican girl which was presented to Boulder Community Hospital in honor of the 20 year medical campaign. It has

“Gratitud” by Professor Silvia Maldonado Gonzalez

since been decided that the painting will be hung in the exhibit area of the new Anderson building which was formally dedicated on Feb. 9, 2013. Additionally, the hospital has decided to frame the painting with a tree with leaves naming each of the medical workers sponsored by Boulder Community Hospital who traveled to Mante over the course of the previous twenty years.

**Telemedicine:** To make up for the void left by the absence of the BCH medical campaign, the Sister City committee has been working on developing a telemedicine project between BCH and the Mante Civil Hospital.

We were hoping to receive a list of the medical specialties that would be most valuable to Mante that we could make available from the Boulder side--possibly those that were coming regularly from Boulder to Mante and providing valuable service. We were also looking forward to receiving ideas for telemedicine peripherals that could be available in Mante and/or outlying clinics.

**Jaws of Life:** On Jan. 19, 2013, the Boulder Emergency Squad donated a “jaws of life” and accompanying generator to the Boulder-Mante Sister City Committee. In turn, the Sister City Committee arranged for shipment of the equipment to Cruz Roja (the Red Cross) in Mante, Mexico.



The jaws of life is an hydraulic rescue tool used by emergency rescue personnel to assist vehicle extrication of crash victims as well as other rescues from other small spaces.

According to Erick Diaz, this tool will be of great value to the Red Cross in Mante, which responds to emergencies beyond the city limits of Mante where the fire department does not go.

**Sister City International spotlight on Board Director:** In mid-2012, Sister City International did a feature story on one of the Boulder Mante Sister City directors, who joined the Board in his high school years, spent a year studying in Mante and is currently doing graduate work at Columbia University. One of his main goals in his studies is to promote the concept of telemedicine between Boulder and Mante.



*Over 10 years ago, Jesper Frant, a high school student from Boulder, Colorado, went as an exchange student to sister city Mante, Mexico for a year. Today, Jesper recounts how life changing the experience was.*

"It's impossible to overstate how pivotal my year in Mexico was in shaping my worldview and setting my goals for the future. Prior to my year abroad, I had traveled quite a bit with my parents and attended

bilingual school. I knew Spanish and was comfortable traveling in foreign countries, but looking back, nothing could have prepared me for the experience of being fully immersed in another language, another family and another culture.

Not only did my experience studying abroad help shape my worldview, it has guided many of my most important life choices: to stay involved with the Boulder-Mante Sister Cities Committee, to study international affairs at the University of Colorado, to write my honors thesis on the plight and potential of Mexican migrants living in the U.S., and to pursue a graduate degree in international development. But the most fundamental personal change I experienced as a result of my year abroad was developing a sense of empathy for those who – simply because of where they are born – cannot afford basic healthcare, a quality education, or even nutritious food and clean water.

Boulder and Mante share many things in common, but at no time were the differences more apparent than during the Boulder Community Hospital's annual medical campaign. Volunteering as a translator during my

year abroad, I saw thousands of people from hundreds of miles around Mante turn out for the opportunity to meet with the “gringo” doctors.

One day, an elderly blind man walked into the make-shift eye clinic to which I’d been assigned. The American doctors immediately diagnosed him with advanced cataracts, which had clouded his vision for over a decade. His condition had gone untreated due to a combination of insufficient access to properly trained medical professionals and limited availability of modern medical technology.

Guided by his granddaughter, the man was immediately moved to the front of the line, and within fifteen minutes his cataracts were removed and his vision was restored. I will never forget the look on his face, tears streaming from behind protective glasses, as he walked out of the operating room without the assistance of his granddaughter. “What a miracle. God bless you,” he repeated in a trembling voice as he hugged each American nurse and doctor.

Had this man been born in the U.S. his condition would have been treated years earlier. Unfortunately, the world is filled with this kind of basic inequality, but I believe that with a little ingenuity and a lot of hard work – as economist Jeffrey Sachs pointedly put it – “extreme poverty can be ended, not in the time of our grandchildren, but our time.”

**Day of the Dead:** One of the annual events which take place throughout Central America is remembrance of ancestors, known as the Day of the Dead, which occurs on November 1 each year. In other traditions, this is known as All Saints Day. Mira Canion, a former director of the Boulder-Mante Sister City Committee has created a book, titled “Tumba” (tomb), using photos from Mante, which describe the celebration.

**City in a Suitcase:** The Boulder Mante Sister City committee is working with the Boulder History Museum to create a “trunk” of items which describes life in a typical Mexican community. This trunk will be available to Boulder Valley classrooms and other groups, such as Girl Scout troops, as sort of a show and tell feature to describe life in an international setting.

**Administration:** In conformance with the requirements of City of Boulder resolution 631, the following information is provided:

A(1) Copy of Dept. of Treasury letter stating determination of status of organization under section 501(c)(3) is available for inspection, upon request.

A(2) List of Board members:

Norris Hermsmeyer, President  
Pam Hyink, Secretary  
Chan Mortimer  
Rod Tuenge  
Elfa Rodriguez

Jean Bedell, Vice-President  
Rich Lopez, Treasurer  
Celeste Landry  
Jesper Frant  
Jeannie DeMarinis

Andrew Fiscus  
Gary Kahn  
City Council Liaison: Tim Plass

Andrew Moschetti  
Sharon Trompeter

Board Members in Mante:

Erick Diaz, Chairman  
Catalina Cortez, Secretary  
Consuelo Lopez, Treasurer  
Erik Betancourt  
Nancy Charles  
Ma del la Luz Velazquez  
Blanca Yanez  
Jorge Bolado

A(3) By-laws of the Boulder Mante Sister City Committee state that membership is open to anyone with an interest in the work of the committee and membership shall not be denied to anyone based on race, religion, nationality, membership in a minority group, membership in a particular social group or because of expression of unpopular political opinions.

A(4) Financial report:

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|-------------------------------|---------------------------|
| Starting balance Jan. 1, 2012 | \$ 7,858.19               |
| Revenue                       | 300.00                    |
| Expenses                      | 948.41 (Mante visitation) |
| Ending balance Dec. 31, 2012  | \$ 7,213.54               |



**THE BOULDER  
CUBA SISTER CITY ORGANIZATION**

*Promoting cultural sharing, understanding and exchange between citizens of Boulder, Colorado, and the municipality of Yateras, Guantanamo, Cuba*

[www.bouldercuba.org](http://www.bouldercuba.org)

## 2012 Annual Report

The Boulder-Cuba Sister City Organization is an all-volunteer non-political 501(c) (3) charitable organization. Membership is open to all regardless of race, religion, nationality, political beliefs.

- **City of Boulder Resolution 631 Compliance**  
Boulder-Cuba Sister City Organization maintains compliance with all provisions of Resolution 631 regarding: (1) 501(c)3 status; (2) board of directors; (3) membership; (4) financial responsibility. Documents are available for public inspection by contacting Kathleen Hennessey 2835 LaGrange Circle, Boulder, CO 80305.

Highlights of the year 2012 include:

- **Organizing two trips to Cuba, including visits to our sister municipality of Yateras.** We were fortunate to secure a one-year license from the Office of Foreign Assets Control of the Department of the Treasury to organize non-academic educational/people to people exchanges to Cuba. In January, 18 participants visited Havana and eastern Cuba focusing on Arts and the Environment, and in June, 9 participants took part in a trip focusing on Education. On those trips we took school and medical supplies to our sister municipality. We received a two-year renewal of our travel license in early January 2013, and are in the planning stages for a May delegation.
- **Other highlights of 2012 include:** Donating funds to MEDICC/Global Links to aid in the shipment of medical supplies to Hurricane Sandy devastated eastern Cuba; donating funds to aid in the reprinting of an educational children's coloring book on the *Polymita Picta*, an endangered endemic species in eastern Cuba; supporting one member's efforts to print oral health educational materials for Cuba; collaborating with ReArt Cincinnati in bring a Cuban artist and art historian to the US (including Boulder) in April 2013; sponsoring a public presentation on eastern Cuba at the Boulder Meadows branch

library in August; gathering educational and cultural materials for the Cuba trunk as a part of the Boulder History Museum "City in a Trunk" project. The Cuba trunk contains 74 items from and about Cuba and has gone out to at least two schools so far.

- **Public meeting** and election of officers, May 23, 2012  
No officer or member of the board is a part of any commercial venture in Yateras. Officers of the Board for 2012 are:

|                |                 |
|----------------|-----------------|
| Kate Hennessey | President       |
| Lisa Battan    | Vice President  |
| Ellie Friedman | Secretary       |
| Larry Gibson   | Treasurer       |
| Spense Havlick | Chairman of the |

Board

- **Financial report:**  
At the beginning of 2012 we had a cash balance of approximately \$13,500. At the end of 2012 we had a cash balance of approximately \$8,445.44.

Kathleen Hennessey  
February 27, 2013