# TALK ABOUT CURING AUTISM (A California Not-for-Profit Corporation)

# FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

**DECEMBER 31, 2009 and 2008** 



To the Audit Committee of Talk About Curing Autism Costa Mesa, California

# Independent Auditor's Report

We have audited the accompanying statements of financial position of Talk About Curing Autism as of December 31, 2009 and 2008, and the related statements of activities and cash flow for the years then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of Talk About Curing Autism's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes consideration of internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the organization's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Talk About Curing Autism as of December 31, 2009 and 2008, and the changes in its net assets and its cash flows for the years then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Los Angeles, California

August 6, 2010

# STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION December 31,

	2009	2008		
ASSETS				
Current Assets				
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 329,774	\$ 377,165		
Restricted Cash	113,673	136,000		
Accounts Receivable	29	29		
Prepaid Expenses	721	610		
Total Current Assets	444,197	513,804		
Property and Equipment				
Furniture and Fixtures	10,102	7,780		
Equipment	28,147	17,395		
Software	1,893	1,319		
Patents		3,122		
Total Property and Equipment	40,142	29,616		
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	(15,732)	(9,142)		
Total Property and Equipment, Net	24,410	20,474		
Other Assets				
Deposits	10,314	12,225		
<b>Total Other Assets</b>	10,314	12,225		
Total Assets	\$ 478,921	\$ 546,503		
LIABILITIES				
Current Liabilities				
Accounts Payable	\$ 1,888	\$ 3,317		
Total Current Liabilities	1,888	3,317		
Commitments (Note 3)				
NET ASSETS				
Unrestricted Net Assets	363,360	407,186		
Temporarily Restricted Net Assets (Note 4)	113,673	136,000		
Total Net Assets	477,033	543,186		
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	\$ 478,921	\$ 546,503		

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements.

# STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES For The Years Ended December 31,

	2009		2008			
Change In Unrestricted Net Assets			-			
Revenues						
Contributions	\$	567,947	\$	271,313		
Program Revenues		42,819		66,357		
Product Sales		4,085		86,510		
Fundraising		247,165		524,449		
Total Revenues		862,016		948,629		
Expenses						
Program Expenses		586,319		633,721		
Fundraising		193,297		411,500		
General and Administrative		116,909		92,814		
Total Expenses		896,525		1,138,035		
Excess of Unrestricted Revenues Over						
Expenses Before Other Income and (Expenses)		(34,509)	,	(189,406)		
Other Income and (Expenses)						
Interest Income		1,284		2,357		
(Loss) on Sale		(2,855)		7:		
Depreciation Expense		(7,746)		(4,119)		
Total Other Income and (Expenses)		(9,317)		(1,762)		
(Decrease) in Unrestricted Net Assets		(43,826)		(191,168)		
Increase (Decrease) in Temporarily						
Restricted Assets		(22,327)		136,000		
(Decrease) in Net Assets		(66,153)		(55,168)		
Net Assets-Beginning of the Year	. <u> </u>	543,186		598,354		
Net Assets-End of the Year	\$	477,033	_\$_	543,186		

# STATEMENT OF FUNCTIONALEXPENSES

For the Year Ended December 31, 2009

	ogram rvicees	Fur	ndraising	General & ninistrative		Total	1	Total 2008
Salaries	\$ 172,831	\$	49,290	\$ 57,028	\$	279,149	\$	131,713
Employee Benefits & Taxes	24,190		6,308	6,295	-	36,793		16,794
Independent Contractors	84,439		64,124			148,563		199,923
Recruting	477		,			477		910
Rent	49,945		32,791	19,953		102,689		32,145
Supplies	5,604		2,097	87		7,788		13,771
Conferences & meetings	28,937					28,937		39,894
Parent Education seminars	7,094					7,094		2,429
Event expenses	35		261,019			261,019		7,622
Catering - Education meetings & special events	17,773		520			18,293		95,225
Printing - Educational	35,056					35,056		50,954
Printing - other	1,654		5,724			7,378		16,791
Telephone & Communication	10,881					10,881		10,729
Website	21,741					21,742		5,241
Postage & Delivery	3,306		4,108	1,434		8,848		19,022
Copies	1,151			9		1,160		3,663
Fees & Permits	2,701		358	693		3,752		1,194
Books & Videos	2,808					2,808		3,245
Recognition & Awards	3,933		2,257			6,190		12,448
Scholarships, grants to members	31,621					31,621		29,267
Professional Services	6,500		13,000	13,940		33,440		17,709
Credit Card & Bank Fees				2,012		2,012		9,282
Online Transaction Fees				7,675		7,675		9,743
Fund Research & Outside Autism Related Programs	16,334					16,334		82,843
Meals, Lodging, & Transportation	47,645		40	132		47,817		75,106
Insurance - D&O, Liability, Property	189			7,475		7,664		4,688
Dues & Subscriptions	294		1,307			1,601		5,154
Media and Awareness	1,954					1,954		29,498
Publicity			67			67		20,548
Cost of Goods Sold - TACA products	16,423					16,423		50,418
Venue & equipment rentals	7,195		692			7,887		45,293
Decorations/Entertainment - special events			1,067			1,067		13,354
Auction - management/presentation			213			213		66,769
Speaker fees						0		5,000
Photography/Videography						0		3,348
Incentives			3,990			3,990		-
Other	 66	_	180	 176_	_	421	_	6,302
Total	\$ 602,742		449,152	\$ 116,909		1,168,803	\$	1,138,035

# STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS December 31,

	2009	2008
<b>Cash Flows From Operating Activities:</b>		
Net Income (Loss)	\$ (66,153)	\$ (55,168)
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Adjustments to Reconcile Net Income		
To Net Cash Provided By Operating Activities:		4.440
Depreciation Expense	7,746	4,119
Loss on Sale	2,855	
Prepaid Expenses	(111)	(610)
Deposits	1,911	(12,158)
Accounts Payable	(1,429)	3,287
Total Adjustments	10,972	(5,362)
Net Cash (Used in) Operating Activities	(55,181)	(60,530)
Cash Flows from Investing Activities:		
Purchase of Equipment	(14,538)	(20,814)
Net Cash (Used in) Investing Activities	(14,538)	(20,814)
Net (Decrease) in Cash	(69,719)	(81,344)
Cash, Beginnng of the Year	513,166	594,510
Cash, End of the Year	\$ 443,447	\$ 513,166

# NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

# NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

# Nature of Operations

The mission of Talk About Curing Autism (TACA) is to help families with autism and the public by providing information, resources and support. This is done through monthly meetings in California and 17 other states. Services provided include one on one mentors for parents, social events for children and parents, newsletters, books, audio and video tapes on current updates in the field, medical assistance for children with autism, and training to local physicians. TACA's primary source of income is from donations from the public, corporations, foundations and various fundraisers held at various times during the year.

# Basis of Accounting

TACA prepares its financial statements using the cash basis of accounting.

#### Income Taxes

TACA is exempt from Federal income taxes under the Internal Revenue Code Section 501 (c) (3), as well as State income taxes.

# Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

# Cash and Cash Equivalents

For purposes of the statement of cash flows, TACA considers all highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less to be cash equivalents.

# NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

# Property & Equipment

Acquisitions of property and equipment or repairs, maintenance, or betterments that materially prolong the useful lives of assets in excess of \$500 are capitalized. Property & equipment is stated at cost. Depreciation of property and equipment is computed using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the respective assets as follows:

Computer Equipment & Software – 3 years; Meeting Equipment – 5 years; Furniture & Fixtures – 7 years.

## Revenue Recognition

Contributions received are recorded as increases in unrestricted, temporarily restricted, or permanently restricted net assets, depending on the existence and/or nature of any donor restrictions.

All donor-restricted contributions are reported as increases in temporarily or permanently restricted net assets, depending on the nature of the restriction. When a restriction expires (that is, when a stipulated time restriction ends or purpose restriction is accomplished), temporarily restricted net assets are reclassified to unrestricted net assets and reported in the statement of activities as net assets released from restrictions.

# **Contributed Services**

TACA receives a substantial amount of services donated by its members in carrying out TACA's mission. No amounts have been reflected in the financial statements for those services since they do not meet the criteria for recognition under SFAS No. 116, Accounting for Contributions Received and Contributions Made.

# NOTE 2 – CONCENTRATIONS OF CREDIT RISK

The total cash held by TACA at December 31, 2009 and 2008 included \$0 and \$127,165 respectively that was not covered by insurance provided by the federal government. It is the opinion of management that the solvency of the referenced financial institution is not of particular concern at this time.

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

# **NOTE 3-COMMITMENTS**

TACA leases office space under an operating lease agreement expiring in August 2011. They are obligated to pay a base rent along with a percentage of operating expenses. Minimum future rental payments under the lease are summarized as follows:

	June 30, 2009	June 30, 2008
Year Ending December 31:	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Amount</u>
2009		\$95,490
2010	\$95,490	95,490
2011	63,660	63,660
Total	\$159,150	\$254,640

Rent expense including charges for common area costs was \$103,426 and \$32,136 for the year ended December 31, 2009 and 2008 respectively.

# NOTE 4 – TEMPORARILY RESTRICTED NET ASSETS

The Temporarily Restricted Net Assets balance was \$111,126 and \$136,000 as of December 31, 2009 and 2008 respectively. These funds have been designated to support the Spanish Family Outreach Program, the Parent Advocacy and Training Program and the Parent Independent Assessment Scholarship Program.

# NOTE 5 - RELATED PARTY TRANSACTION

TACA uses the services of a company that is owned by the president of the board of directors. This company provides services that maintains the website and provides web hosting. The cost of these services was \$14,222 and \$9,646 as of December 31, 2009 and 2008 respectively.