



Mission Statement:

Environment North strives to improve and protect the ecological sustainability and socio-economic well being of Northwestern Ontario through leadership, research, partnerships, education, community advocacy, information and community capacity building. We recognize that Environment North's specific actions and activities revolve around respect and shared responsibility for air, water and land - the essentials of all life.

In 2008:

Funding for local projects

- Environment North is part of a collaborative that received Trillium Foundation Funding (through partnership with Ontario Nature) – The group will establish a partnership with provincial and northern community organisations to launch the Northern Connections project, which aims to build strong networks for northern conservation and sustainable community activities as well as enhance leadership and build capacity for grassroots groups working on these issues.

Increased Public Awareness

- Environment North continues to publish articles in the Thunder Bay Chronicle- Journal to bring attention to regional environmental issues. Topics for 2008 include: biodiversity, nuclear energy, and mining

Participation in Regional Events and Issues

- Members attended Earthwise energy, water and education working groups. These groups developed Thunder Bay's Community Environmental Action Plan which was adopted by the City Council
- EARTH HOUR 2008: Environment North promoted awareness of this global event encouraged local participation
- Environment North held a fundraising dinner at the Rosspoint Kayak Symposium. Funds are to go towards a project that is concerned with the new Lake Superior National Marine Conservation Area
- Environment North participated in the 50th Anniversary of the Thunder Bay Field Naturalists
- Environment North submitted comments on the Ministry of Ontario's document *Ontario's Caribou Conservation Plan* which outlines a caribou recovery strategy for our province.

Support for Environmental Campaigns: Regional and Global

- Environment North wrote a letter to Donna Cansfield, the Minister of Natural Resources for Ontario regarding our concerns and disappointments in the licensing process for Superior Aggregates Company (SAC) to establish a quarry on the Lake Superior shore at Michipicoten Bay
- Environment North assisted Thunder Bay residents in publicising concerns regarding the discharged of treated sewage effluent into the Kaministiquia River as well as withdrawal of Water from the Kaministiquia River. Concerns included insufficient public notice and failure to adopt alternative measures.
- Environment North endorsed the International Ban on Genectically Engineered Trees
- Environment North endorsed the Food Action Network Food Charter

Financial Report

	2008	2007
Receipts		
Donations	\$ 30.00	\$ 460.00
Funds rec'd from other charities	0	36,354.00
Fundraising activities	1,542.11	25,294.89
Government grants or contracts	2,520.00	0
Memberships	540.00	1,121.00
Other	238.48	0
Total Receipts	\$4,870.59	\$63,229.89
Disbursements		
Charitable programs	\$ 1,268.48	\$ 8,551.32
Fundraising/membership	2,668.12	2,518.39
Wages and benefits	17,517.47	19,056.70
Accounting	280.00	70.00
Other Services	193.80	468.20
Supplies	16.95	33.62
Printing & publications	165.52	90.75
Other disbursements	546.18	157.15
Total Disbursements	\$22,656.52	\$30,946.13
Assets & Liabilities		
Total Assets	\$18,336.85	\$36,122.78
Total Liabilities	0	\$16,200.00

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