

Financial Report

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Statement of Activities

(April 1, 2011-March 31 2012)

Support and Revenue

Individuals & Donations.....	61,497.55
Grants	46,572.35
Other (reimburs., interest).....	8,402.25
Program Income	3,925.00
Fiscal Sponsorship Income	639.00
Revenue released from restrict	15.00

Total Support and Revenue \$121, 051.15

Expenses

Direct Program Costs	37,358.03
General Organizational Support & Indirect Program.....	3,225.26
Miscellaneous Program.....	14, 703.18
Organizational Development & Fundraising.....	5,116.45

Total Expense.....\$90,402.92

Statement of Financial Condition

(Balance Sheet Summary: April 1, 2011-March 31, 2012)

Assets

Total Current Assets.....	52,679.35
Other Assets	744.47

Total Assets.....\$53,423.82

Liabilities

Total Current Liabilities..... \$-120.00

Equity

Net assets—unrestricted.....	18,343.00
Retained Earnings	4,552.59
Net Income	30,648.23

Total Equity.....\$53,543.82

Total Liabilities and Equity.....\$53,423.82



METTA CENTER
for NONVIOLENCE

Annual Report 2011

Fiscal Year: April 1, 2011 thru March 31, 2012

Nonviolence is our nature



Michael Nagler

In Fiscal Year 2011 the world changed in many ways, and at least one of them was good: the practice, and more importantly, the public awareness of nonviolence has begun to grow. It really looks like the stirring of a sleeping giant. Metta responded to this change with more writing, more consulting and more outreach.

There have also been some changes taking place at Metta. Most notably, we have moved to a lovely new office just outside of Petaluma which has served us well and begun to provide a kind of hub for the diverse and interesting people with whom we love to work.

Momentum in all areas. As you will see in this annual report, we've carried on the momentum of previous programs in all areas; publishing, speaking, writing, consultation, education and some beautiful networking. A high point that I'd like to underline here was "Building the World We Want," a day-long workshop on constructive program that drew over 30 people including some of the biggest names in the Northern California peace movement. Here we really hit a nerve, and it has given us a splendid direction for the coming year.

You cannot inspire with a litany of evils. As many activists have begun to recognize, you cannot inspire people with a litany of evils. On the contrary, catching fire from Gandhi's unquenchably positive orientation and its practicality for our own time has set the tone that enabled Metta to take advantage of the worldwide development I mentioned earlier. We have come to feel more and more that the degraded image of the human being is at the root of contemporary problems, and that nonviolence—the possibility of it and the success of it—must be the root of the renewal of that image. As Gandhi said (and we often repeat these days), "Nonviolence is the law of the humans."

Fine reputation. I continue to be impressed and reassured by the fine reputation that we enjoy among our far-flung and steadily growing network of coworkers and friends. What fuels this? Passionate, committed and capable people among whom it is a privilege and inspiration to do this work.

Yours for the great turning,
Michael Nagler, President of the Board

Our mission

To promote the transition to a nonviolent future by making the logic, history, and yet-unexplored potential of nonviolence available to activists and agents of cultural change (which ultimately includes all of us). We help practitioners use nonviolence more safely and effectively, and anyone interested to understand and articulate its power more fully.



"Metta Center has been an instrumental design and thought partner in the development of our National Peacebuilding Peacelearning Certificate Program. With principled vision and practical wisdom, Metta has helped us to shape a transformative and groundbreaking learning program that seeks to make learning for peace accessible and affordable to all. The Metta Center has also supported the development of our holistic educational approach, recommending strategies and course designs to help overcome differences and bring conflicting perspectives into harmony."

*Tony Jenkins, Vice President for Academic Affairs,
National Peace Academy*

"The Metta Center has been central in helping me develop as a satyagrahi. The website, educational materials and videos have all assisted me in focusing on the essential, the grounding, elements of principled nonviolence. As a Peace Studies teacher at a Quaker school, I have used Metta Center's resources in the classroom. Our high school seniors have developed their own understanding of nonviolence using Metta's web site.

*Michael Crauderueff, Friends' Central School,
Wynnewood, Pennsylvania*

"We witnessed the terrible error that "Occupy Oakland" engaged in by refusing to commit themselves to non-violence, but instead accepted the strategy of "a diversity of tactics" which opened the door to violence. ... If only the vast majority of Occupy activists had been able to learn the brilliant and morally coherent message of the Metta Center, the 99% would have been so much better served."

*Rabbi Michael Lerner, editor, Tikkun and national chair of the
interfaith Network of Spiritual Progressives*

"Doubtful about the strategic power of nonviolence? Become involved in Metta Center's work with activists around the planet, activists who win far more often and far faster. Metta is transculturally sensitive and works very well with civil society players everywhere. Dubious about nonviolent philosophy? Read what Metta Center authors have written, listen to their sage value talk on YouTube and in webinars, and interact with Metta leadership, all of whom are respectful and accessible. Metta Center bridges the notions of philosophical rules of the road of life and the movement's intent to be 'in it to win it.' We are grateful for all the work done by Metta all the time and in every niche of our world."

*Tom Hastings, Director of the Peacevoice Program of the
Oregon Peace Institute, Faculty Member of Portland State
University's MS/MA Conflict Resolution Program, author*

"Metta's work turns ideals into strong, tangible action."
Francesca Po, King's College, PhD candidate, London, England



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2011 Key Accomplishments



2012 Plans

The past years' experience has enabled us to look even more to the "big picture," to the deep changes that must take place if a world of unity can be allowed to emerge from the alienation and disunity of modern societies.

We have many beautiful programs and projects blossoming in 2012. We plan to:

- Enhance the Peace and Conflict Studies lectures with a series on Gandhi's legacy
- Develop a 'roadmap' for the 'great turning' in an effort to unite the various good projects happening all over the world into one movement
- Create a short animation on human nature and nonviolence
- Head-up a major grass-roots peace team curriculum
- Update and improve our current web site
- Publish a series of books and e-books on topics related to personal and societal nonviolence
- Build new partnerships with like-minded organizations
- Create high school curricula for nonviolence themes, with an emphasis on meeting 'national standards'
- Host several one-day teachers' retreats nationally
- Offer a 'graduate level study' of nonviolence through a research fellowship program
- Host an educational pilgrimage to Gandhian sites in India

Thank you all for a fabulous year.
Stephanie Van Hook, Executive Director

Dear Supporters,

Ten years ago, the world stopped as we witnessed terrorism on a large scale within the United States. When we responded with more violence there were catastrophic results: to our economy, to our service men and women, to our national reputation, and to our humanity in general. As Gandhi is often paraphrased, "violence begets violence." So when 2011 witnessed "Arab Spring" and the worldwide Occupy movement respond to injustice with grassroots organizing, consensus building and cross-generational partnerships, something beautiful was happening.

The "meme" of nonviolence gripped the hearts and imaginations of more people than ever before. Before the events of 2011, many individuals approached the Metta Center with very basic questions, or even objections about nonviolence. Now, however, the questions we are finding more sophisticated and complex as people have seen its power; people want to know how to refine their strategies, how to conceptualize a large-scale movement which builds up while it opposes what is unjust. In other words, we have reached the beginning of what is known as a 'tipping point' of nonviolence. The question is no longer whether nonviolence works, but how it does, and how we can harness its power more effectively.

We have been thrilled with these developments, and we have worked hard to serve all those who come to us to learn and explore the vast potential of a deep cultural shift away from isolation into beloved community. We have been keen to continue emphasizing that, as this report points out, nonviolence is in our nature and we realize a deeper part of our shared humanity when we work not only to transform our negative drives, but the negativity in the society with what Dr. King called "love in action."

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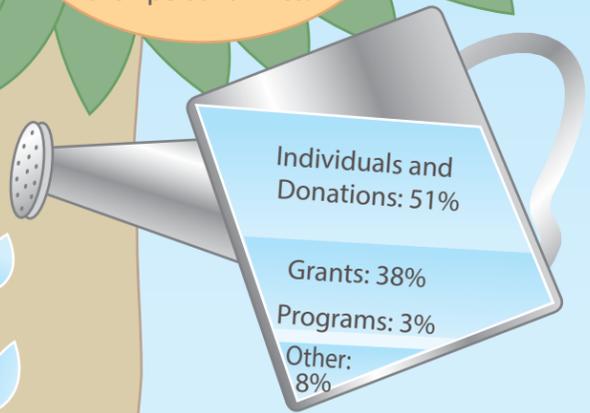
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All life is interconnected
Respect for all life
Resist injustice
Tolerance
Honesty
Compassion
Heart unity
Refuse to inflict suffering
Eliminate ill will