

A high-speed photograph of a coin falling into a body of water. The coin is at the bottom of the frame, partially submerged, and has just struck the surface, creating a large, dynamic splash of water that rises and spreads across the frame. The background is a clear, light blue sky.

The Neutral Development Project

Annual Report

2008



**Addendum to core
2007 Annual Report
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A Well Timed Vision

“As violence in the Horn of Africa grabs international headlines, Western officials have become increasingly concerned that the region could become a haven for terrorist activity. Somalia’s last functioning government fell in 1991, and since then, intelligence officials believe several al-Qaeda operatives have sought refuge there. U.S. interest piqued when a group of Islamic fundamentalist militias threatened to take control of much of the country in 2006, only to be put down by Ethiopian intervention.

Somalia is not the only source of strife in the region. Pockets of relative stability have become burdened by thousands of refugees, and bad blood between Ethiopia and Eritrea poses a perennial threat to the fragile region.”

- Council on Foreign Relations

“When I realized that there is no education, no health services, no development, and children don’t go to school, I knew that there were problems.”

- Member of the Ogaden National Liberation Front (ONLF, non-state armed group)

Give a man a fish, feed him for a day. Teach a man to fish, feed him for a lifetime.

- Lao Tzu





- **2008 Highlights**

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2008 Highlights – Special Thanks To The NDP Team

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NDP Benefit

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Golf Tournament

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Sponsorships



2008 Highlights – Events & Major Milestones

Major Events:



**\$10,000 Donation
to
WaterPartners**

\$4,917



**Second Annual
Kickoff Benefit**

\$6,202



**Second Annual
Golf Tournament**

\$298



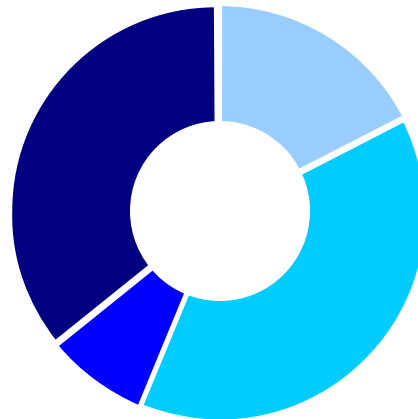
**Second
Annual Golf
Tournament**



2008 Highlights – Fundraising/Cost Breakdown

Gross Fundraising:

| | |
|---------------------------|-----------------|
| Golf Tournament – | \$4,420 |
| Annual Benefit – | \$9,820 |
| Race Sponsorship – | \$9,089 |
| Alcatel-Lucent Donation – | \$2,000 |
| Total: | \$23,329 |

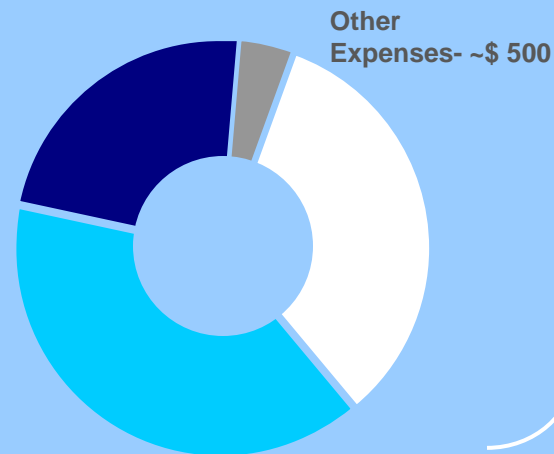


Net Fundraising:

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|------------------|---------|
| Annual Benefit – | \$4,917 |
| NYC Triathlon – | \$6,202 |
| Other – | \$2,984 |

Major Costs:

| | |
|-------------------------|-----------------|
| Golf Tournament – | \$4,122 |
| Second Benefit – | \$4,903 |
| NYC Triathlon – | \$2,887 |
| 501c3 Application Fee – | \$ N/A |
| Total: | \$11,912 |



Net Total: \$11,417



*Note: T-Shirt expenditure expected to yield 100% return through website sales (beginning in February)



A high-speed photograph of a coin falling into a body of water. The coin is positioned at the bottom of the frame, just below the water surface. The water is splashing upwards and outwards, creating a large, clear splash that dominates the center of the image. The background is a light blue, clear sky. The overall scene is clean and minimalist.

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Thank You