

Savory Center Annual Report

The Year in Review

In conjunction with our network of supporters—our members, Certified Educators, practitioners, Advisory Board, Board of Directors, funders, donors, volunteers, and staff—the Savory Center made significant progress in 2001, and it continued on into 2002. The Board of Directors and staff want to thank everyone who has contributed to our success in achieving the following:

Outcomes in 2001

One of the big surprises in 2001 was the bequest of the West Ranch as a learning site for Holistic Management. While the estate transfer is not final, we have developed a contract with the executor to begin managing the ranch holistically. (The \$847,114 listed as revenue in the pie chart on this page does not include the \$3,913,051 from the West Estate Bequest or the \$1,386,690 for the Ozona Ranch Learning Site.)

At the same time, we worked to expand the capacity of our U.S. Certified Educator Training Program by initiating the first of our SARE-sponsored (Sustainable Agricultural Research and Education) programs in the Northeastern U.S. We also took steps to further develop our International Training Program to support the current interest and efforts in Australia, Africa, and Mexico.

Through our work with the U.S. Forest Service at the National Learning Site in Idaho, we secured more than \$200,000 first-year funding from the private and public sector to lay the groundwork for successful collaborations with a variety of government agencies, environmental groups, and citizens to more effectively manage the Lost River Watershed for the health of the land and the local community. We also worked with the U.S. Army, through our subsidiary, Land Renewal Inc., in a phytoremediation project at the Yuma Proving Grounds in Arizona (using animal impact to help plants grow that can clean the soils of depleted uranium).

New Opportunities in 2002

In 2002 our Advisory Board has continued to increase its participation in the Savory Center's annual fundraising campaign to achieve our income goals. We are working on expanding this board to 15 members and have cross-over from the Advisory Board with our Board of Directors. One of the biggest shifts that occurred in 2002 is the work we've done with philanthropy consultants, Durkin & Associates, to develop our new business plan and our work with major donors.

This year we initiated the second of our SARE-sponsored Certified Educator Training Programs—this time in the North Central U.S. We have also submitted a proposal to the Southeastern SARE for our 2003 Training Program. Lastly, we are completing the first year of our Ranch and Rangeland Manager Training Program and have initiated our second class, which is fully subscribed with 12 trainees.

We continued our work with the National Learning Site in Idaho this year, but the wildfires in much of the U.S. this summer made funding for this project a challenge, given that most of the funding was coming through the U.S. Forest Service. While we maintained our efforts there, we also increased our efforts locally through the Bernalillo County Open Space Project in Albuquerque and the

Rio Puerco/ Gibson project working with Navajo families in Western New Mexico. We also helped mid-Western farmers/ranchers develop conservation plans through our work with the Rural Legacy Foundation, and, under contract, assisted the Rocky Mountain Institute in the management of their Windstar lands in Colorado.

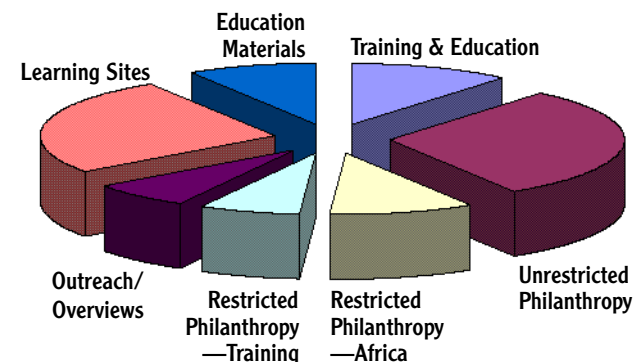
Our work with the Africa Centre for Holistic Management continues to go well with the 21st village bank just opening. Our land base has expanded to 20,000 acres under management and villagers are beginning to combine herds for more effective grazing planning. We also began work to establish and seek funding for a wildlife, agriculture and environmental management college based at the Africa Centre.

Lastly, we continue in our efforts to revise the Holistic Management workbook into the new *Holistic Management Handbook*, currently slated to be published by Island Press at the end of 2003. This effort is in conjunction with increased documentation through case studies on the results people are achieving through Holistic Management. These case studies will be made available as we create them.

As you can see, we've been working hard in 2002. We are currently planning our objectives for 2003 and know that we will achieve them all with your help and support. To our members, donors, and other supporters, we thank you for the trust you have placed in us with your commitment and donations of time and money. We look forward to continuing to serve you and thank you for your continued support.

Audited Figures for Fiscal Year 2001

Revenue \$847,114



Expenditures \$797,080

