

[Print Message](#)**\$3.3 million for "grantee support" including \$903,804 in 2009: Organizing for Change? Open Media?**

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Mr. McMillan and Mr. Solomon,

I am writing to let you know that I don't seem to have received any any reply from you to my questions about Tides Canada's support to Open Media.

As before, I am writing to you as a member of the public. As I believe that this is a matter of public interest, I will post this e-mail at my blog: [www.fair-questions.com](http://www.fair-questions.com).

I noticed that between 2008 and 2009, programme support from the Endswell Foundation increased from \$32,973 to \$903,804.

According to my calculations based on U.S. tax returns, Endswell has paid **\$3.3 million** to Tides Canada for "grantee support" during the years since 2003 when the only grantee of the Endswell Foundation seems to have been Tides Canada. For the excerpts of U.S. tax returns on which I have based my calculation of \$3.3 million, please click [here](#).

My question is, for what purpose did Endswell pay \$3.3 million to Tides Canada, including the \$903,804 in 2009. Specifically, I would like to know whether any of that money went to:

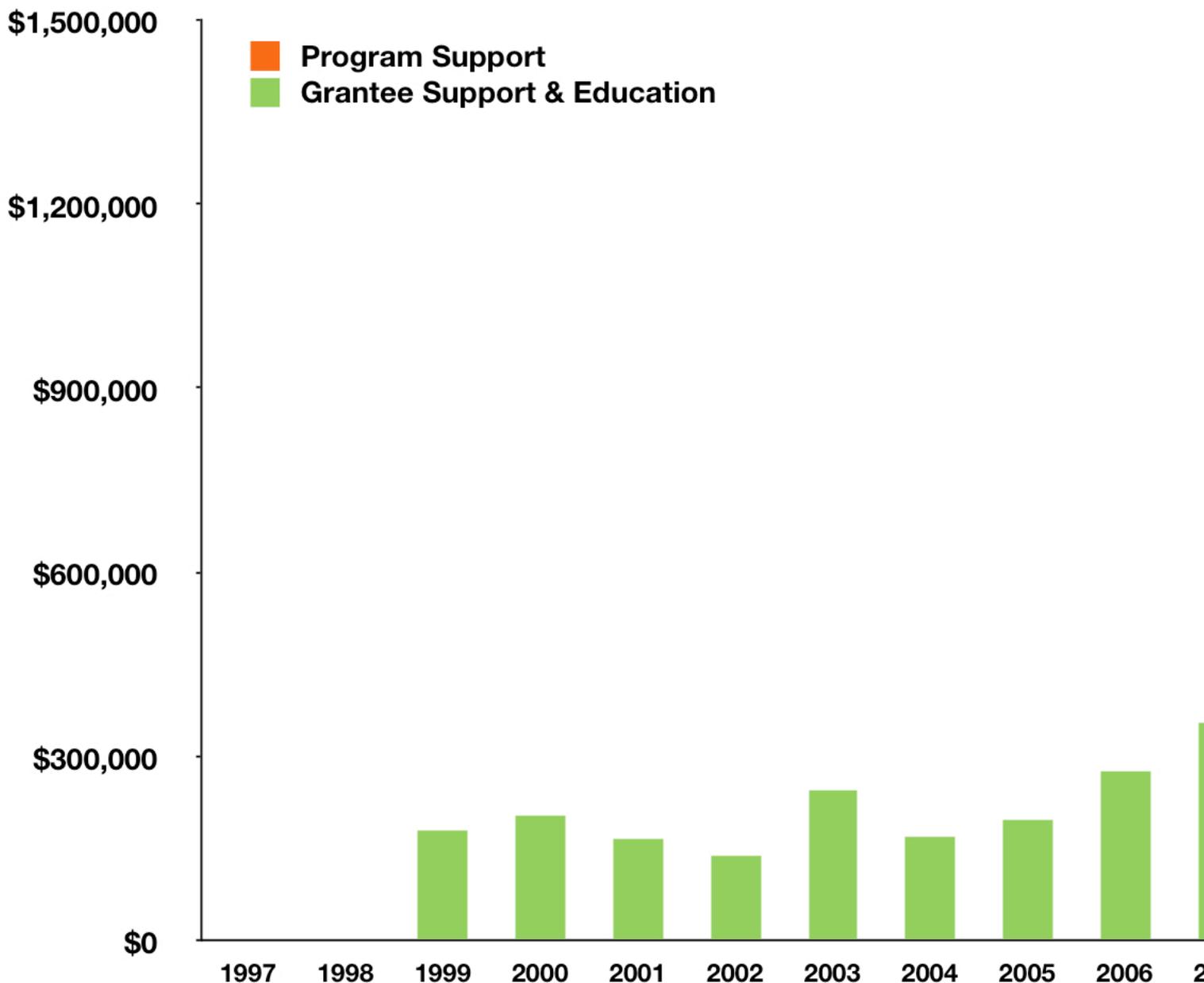
- Organizing for Change
- The Media Democracy Fund, which supports Open Media.

If none of the \$3.3 million was for Organizing for Change, or for the Media Democracy Fund, I assume that you would have no hesitation to say so.

As before, you can reach me at 604.618.8110.

Sincerely,  
Vivian Krause

## Endswell Program & Grantee Support (1999 - 2009): \$



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Mr. McMillan and Mr. Solomon,

Today, I happened to notice [here](#) that OpenMedia.ca is a project of Tides Canada Initiatives Society.

From what I've read on line [here](#), my understanding is that OpenMedia.ca has been raising money for the purchase of full-page ads calling out Industry Minister Tony Clement to over-turn the CRTC ruling on user-based internet billing.

OpenMedia says that it has mobilized 400,000 people to get the federal government to over-turn a CRTC ruling to allow usage-based billing. This is "the largest online action in Canadian history," says OpenMedia.ca.

My questions are:

- 1) What does this project involve? Is this project exclusively charitable? Does this project involve lobbying?
- 2) How does Tides Canada fund this "media democracy" project? Has Tides Canada received foreign funding for this project?

As before, I will post this correspondence and will write about this at my blog: [www.fair-questions.com](http://www.fair-questions.com).

Sincerely,

Vivian Krause



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