INTERIM CO-EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT

Council of Canadians
Annual Meeting of Members
June 28, 2020
OUR CURRENT MANDATE

“... the Council and its members commits itself to a process of renewal as an organization in order to meet the challenges of the coming years, and to support our continuance as a clear and coherent voice for social, economic, and environmental justice in collaboration with key civil society partners...”

— 2019 AMM RESOLUTION ON COUNCIL RENEWAL
THANK YOU, MAUDE
GOOD GOVERNANCE TASK FORCE & STRATEGIC PLANNING
CHAPTER GROWTH

NEW CHAPTERS
Cape Breton, NS
Kingston & Area, ON
Kawartha Lakes & Highlands, ON

REVITALIZED
Ottawa, ON
Montreal, QC
Halifax Regional Municipality, NS
WATER IS A HUMAN RIGHT

Whose Water is it Anyway? Book Tour in 10 Cities
Water is Life Conference hosted with Guelph & London chapters, alongside international partners
Over 20 new Blue Communities
700 participants screen The Condor & The Eagle

VICTORIES

Vancouver is now a Blue Community
BC Municipalities Reject Bottled Water Exports
Federal Government Funding of new Mercury Care Home
FAIR TRADE

Speaking to Parliament on CUSMA
Releasing new report on CETA

VICTORIES
Major changes to CUSMA: ISDS, Biologics provisions
Landmark agreement on Fair Trade principles
CLIMATE JUSTICE

Solidarity with Wet’suwet’en
Challenging fossil fuel exploitation across the country
Opposing a COVID oil & gas bailout
Exposing the health impacts of work camps
Promoting a just recovery and strengthened public services post COVID

VICTORIES
Teck Mine rejected
Alton Gas rejected
PUBLIC HEALTHCARE FOR ALL

Strengthened call for Pharmacare in COVID response
Launched new campaign to make Long-term Care Public
Challenging Doug Ford’s plan to privatize Ontario homecare

VICTORIES

Federal motion begins Pharmacare negotiations with Provinces
Over 10,000 signatories for our Long-term care campaign
BY THE NUMBERS

Over 2,200 members under new program
1.7 Million views on our website
Over 300,000 actions taken in 12 months
60% increase to our analysis posts in 2020
Our supporter list has grown 14%
WHAT’S TO COME

Impactful local organizing, adopting climate and economic alternatives in line with GND and Just Recovery principles

National Human Right to Water Framework

COVID: Stop ISDS, build a Just Recovery, address immediate needs
CHAPTER TASK FORCE
NEW ORGANIZER TRAINING
IMPACT
MEMBER AND CHAPTER COMMUNICATIONS
BRANDING PROJECT

MediaStyle
WHY WE ARE DIFFERENT

A grassroots movement supporting people, our planet, and our democracy by challenging corporate power.
“This river I step in is not the river I stand in.”

- HERACLITUS