GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY PROJECT (a not-for-profit organization)

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2009 AND 2008

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

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To the Board of Directors Government Accountability Project Washington, DC

We have audited the accompanying statements of financial position of the Government Accountability Project (GAP) (a not-for-profit corporation) as of December 31, 2009 and 2008, and the related statements of activities, changes in net assets, cash flows, and functional expenses for the years then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of GAP's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform our audits to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the statements of financial position referred to above presents fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of GAP, as of December 31, 2009 and 2008, and the changes in its net assets and cash flows for the years then ended, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

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June 1, 2010

GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY PROJECT STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION DECEMBER 31, 2009 AND 2008

		2009		2008
ASSETS				
Cash	\$	608,333	\$	884,812
Investments		6,521		588
Fees and services receivable		38,812		29,026
Grants and contributions receivable		171,833		150,000
Prepaid expenses		29,257		20,515
Book inventory		1,718		1,862
Property and equipment, net		22,260		26,278
Deposits	_	5,695		5,695
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	884,429	\$	1,118,776
LIABILITIES Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$	159,725	\$	150,517
Line of credit payable	Ţ	50	•	100
Escrow client funds		6,851		16,212
Loans payable				25,500
TOTAL LIABILITIES		166,626		192,329
NET ASSETS				
Unrestricted		676,491		915,740
Temporarily restricted		41,312		10,707
TOTAL NET ASSETS		717,803		926,447
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	\$	884,429	<u>\$</u>	1,118,776

GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY PROJECT STATEMENTS OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2009 AND 2008

	2009	2008
CHANGES IN UNRESTRICTED NET ASSETS		
SUPPORT AND REVENUE		
Contributions	\$ 334,026	\$ 583,632
Grants	1,725,038	1,876,321
Fees recognized	97,593	690,925
Other income	213	636
Interest and dividends	17,159	7,848
Realized loss on investment and disposition of assets	 (69)	 (190)
TOTAL UNRESTRICTED SUPPORT AND REVENUE	2,173,960	3,159,172
NET ASSETS RELEASED FROM RESTRICTIONS	10,707	 328,859
TOTAL UNRESTRICTED SUPPORT AND REVENUE AND NET ASSETS RELEASED FROM RESTRICTIONS	2,184,667	3,488,031
EXPENSES		
Program services	1,951,705	2,061,297
Fundraising	388,176	447,053
General and administrative	 84,035	 81,675
TOTAL EXPENSES	2,423,916	 2,590,025
(DECREASE) INCREASE IN UNRESTRICTED NET ASSETS	(239,249)	898,006
CHANGE IN TEMPORARILY RESTRICTED NET ASSETS		
SUPPORT		
Grants	 41,312	 10,707
TOTAL TEMPORARILY RESTRICTED SUPPORT	41,312	10,707
NET ASSETS RELEASED FROM RESTRICTIONS	(10,707)	 (328,859)
INCREASE (DECREASE) IN TEMORARILY		
RESTRICTED NET ASSETS	30,605	 (318,152)
INCREASE (DECREASE) IN NET ASSETS	(208,644)	579,854
NET ASSETS AT BEGINNING OF YEAR	926,447	 346,593
NET ASSETS AT END OF YEAR	\$ 717,803	 926,447

GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY PROJECT STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2009 AND 2008

	 2009	2008
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Increase (decrease) in net assets	\$ (208,644)	\$ 579,854
Adjustments to reconcile increase / decrease in net assets		
to net cash provided by / (used in) operating activities:		
Depreciation	11,916	12,969
(Increase) decrease in operating assets:		
Fees receivable	(9,786)	(15,211)
Grants receivable	(21,833)	(150,000)
Prepaid expenses	(8,742)	1,471
Inventory	144	46
Deposits	-	3,591
Increase (decrease) in operating liabilities:		
Accounts payable	9,208	56,010
Client escrow funds	 (9,361)	 (4,149)
NET CASH PROVIDED BY / (USED IN) OPERATING ACTIVITIES	(237,098)	484,581
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Purchase of furniture and equipment	(7,898)	(12,717)
Contributed investments	 (5,933)	 <u>174</u>
NET CASH (USED) BY INVESTING ACTIVITIES	(13,831)	(12,543)
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
Repayments on loan payable	(25,500)	-
Proceeds from (payments on) line of credit	(50)	 50
NET CASH PROVIDED BY/(USED IN) FINANCING ACTIVITIES	(25,550)	50
NET INCREASE / (DECREASE) IN CASH	(276,479)	 472,088
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CASH, BEGINNING OF YEAR	 884,812	 412,724
CASH, END OF YEAR	\$ 608,333	\$ 884,812
SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION:		
Actual cash payments for interest	\$ -	\$ 511

NOTE 1 - NATURE OF ORGANIZATION

Government Accountability Project (GAP) is a not-for-profit organization incorporated in 1984 in the District of Columbia. GAP's purpose is to protect the public interest and promote government and corporate accountability by advancing occupational free speech, defending whistle blowers, and empowering citizen activists. GAP is supported primarily by grants and individual contributions.

NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of Accounting

The financial statements of GAP are presented on the accrual basis of accounting. Under this method revenues are recognized when earned and expenses are recorded when incurred, without regard to the date of receipt or payment of cash.

Basis of Presentation

The financial statement presentation follows the recommendations of Financial Accounting Standards (SFAS) No. 117 - Financial Statements of Not-for-Profit Organizations. Under SFAS No. 117, GAP is required to report information regarding its financial position and activities according to three classes of net assets: unrestricted net assets, temporarily restricted net assets, and permanently restricted net assets. GAP does not have any permanently restricted net assets.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

Property, Equipment and Depreciation

Property and equipment are capitalized at cost. Donated property is recorded at market value at the time of receipt. Depreciation is provided over the estimated useful lives of the assets using the straight-line method over five to seven years. Assets costing over \$1,000 are capitalized.

Functional Allocation of Expenses

The cost of providing various programs and other activities has been summarized on a functional basis in the statement of activities and the statement of functional expenses. Accordingly, certain costs have been allocated among programs and support services based upon personnel time spent on these activities.

Income Taxes

GAP is exempt from Federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code and from state income tax under similar state income tax provisions.

NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Credit Risk

GAP maintains cash in bank deposit accounts, which, at times, may exceed federally insured limits. GAP has not experienced any losses in such accounts. Management believes it is not exposed to any significant credit risk on cash.

Inventory

GAP maintains an inventory of books held for resale. The inventory is valued at cost using the first-in, first-out method.

Restricted and Unrestricted Revenue

Contributions that are restricted by the donor are reported as increases in unrestricted net assets if the restrictions expire (that is, when a stipulated time restriction ends or purpose restriction is accomplished) in the reporting period in which the revenue is recognized. All other donor-restricted contributions are reported as increases in temporarily or permanently restricted net assets depending on the nature of the restrictions. When a restriction expires, temporarily restricted net assets are reclassified to unrestricted net assets and reported in the Statement of Activities as net assets released from restrictions.

Investments

At times, GAP receives contributions of marketable securities. These contributions are reported at fair market value at the time they are received. GAP's policy is to sell all stocks and bonds when received.

Reclassifications

Certain accounts in the prior-year financial statements have been reclassified for comparative purposes to conform to the presentation in the current-year financial statements.

NOTE 3 - FURNITURE AND EQUIPMENT

Property and equipment consist of the following:

	2009	2008
Furniture and fixtures	\$ 7,828	\$ 7,828
Equipment	 108,341	100,442
	116,169	108,270
Less: accumulated depreciation	 (93,909)	 (81,992)
	\$ 22,260	\$ 26,278

NOTE 4 – LOAN PAYABLE AND RELATED PARTY TRANSACTION

In 1997, GAP received a non-interest bearing loan from Louis Clark, President, (then Executive Director), in the amount of \$40,000. The remaining balance due to Louis Clark at December 31, 2009 and 2008 was \$-0- and \$25,500. The loan was paid off during 2009.

NOTE 5 – LINE OF CREDIT PAYABLE

GAP has a line of credit payable to Wachovia Bank. Interest is computed at prime plus 1%, and is payable monthly with principal payable on demand. Amounts payable at December 31, 2009 and 2008, were \$50 and \$100, respectively.

NOTE 6 - TEMPORARILY RESTRICTED NET ASSETS

Temporarily restricted net assets are available for the following purposes:

		2009	 2008
Corporate	\$	38,617	\$ -
Nuclear (Russia)		2,695	 10,707
	\$	41,312	\$ 10,7 <u>0</u> 7

NOTE 7 – LEASE COMMITMENTS

GAP leases office space in one location. The lease for office space in Washington D.C ends in October, 2010. Total rent expense for these leases were \$127,537 and \$140,432 for the years ended December 31, 2009 and 2008, respectively.

The future minimum annual rental payments under the noncancellable-operating leases for D.C. are:

Future Minimum Rental Payments	
2010	 100,104
	\$ 100,104

NOTE 8 - PENSION PLAN

Beginning in January of 2005, GAP employees were given the option to enroll in a qualified 403(b)(7) plan under which GAP deducts a percentage of the participant's income each pay period up to the legally allowed limit per the employee's election. The plan includes an employer's contribution of 3% of the employee's gross salary, immediately vested, with employer contributions beginning after six months for new employees. Pension expense for the years ending December 31, 2009 and 2008 was \$30,769 and, \$25,846, respectively.

GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY PROJECT STATEMENTS OF FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2009 AND 2008

	Total		\$ 1,232,910	315,612	1,548,522	3,832	511	7,068	35,000	1,015	236,782	5,939	17,424	10,555	1,690	142,513	35,621	6,501	51,561	267,579	126,643	23,433	54,867	12,969	\$2,590,025
	General & Administrative		42,925	15,999	58,924	251	14	370	ı	47	•	241	1,384	41	100	7,420	484	219	3,151	6,762	•	1,340	927	'	81,675
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	Program Services		\$ 1,136,893	285,576	1,422,469	3,462	484	6,160	35,000	924	•	5,543	15,262	10,454	1,548	129,550	34,707	5,412	46,974	257,118	•	20,622	52,639	12,969	\$ 2,061,297
	Total		\$ 1,153,047	317,078	1,470,125	1,429	•	8,034	•	30,400	245,788	13,400	4,467	8,300	5,506	129,622	23,744	8,298	38,472	281,373	57,576	21,147	64,319	11,916	\$2,423,916
	General & Administrative		60,563	9,759	70,322	48	•	223	ı	12	1	630	157	1	63	3,523	712	252	862	5,920	1	992	545	1	84,035
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2	Fundraising		84,416	18,380	102,796	8	•	507	•	2	233,446	576	239	1	716	7,785	1,063	1,181	14,262	4,444	19,192	1,311	500	ı	388,176
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	Program Services		\$ 1,008,068	288,939	1,297,007	1,287		7,304		30,324	12,342	12,194	4,071	8,300	4,727	118,314	21,969	6,865	23,348	271,009	38,384	19,070	63,274	11,916	\$ 1,951,70
			Sabries	Employee benefits and taxes	Total salaries and benefits	Advertising	Interest	Insurance - general	Contributions	Deposition and arbitration fees	Direct mail	Dues and subscriptions	Equipment rental and repairs	Lobbying expense	Miscellaneous	Office rent and storage	Office supplies and expense	Postage	Printing and newsletter	Professional fees	Telecanvassing	Telephone	Travel and meetings	Depreciation	TOTAL EXPENSES \$ 1,951,705

See Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.

GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY PROJECT STATEMENTS OF PROGRAM EXPENSES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2009

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Salaries	≶ 9	31,189	₩	22,700	69	140,363	69	332,876	· 65	9,811	69	471,129	€9	*	÷◆	1,008,068
Employee benefits and taxes		7,885		6,443		33,594		96,554		2,857		141,606				288,939
l'otal salaries and benefits		39,074		29,143		173,957		429,430		12,668		612,735				1,297,007
Advertising		45		4		162		390		•		989		J		1,287
Interest				•		ı		•		ı				J		Ī
Insurance - general		267		43		945		2,402		•		3,647		J		7,304
Contributions		•		ı		•		i		•		1		•		i
Deposition and arbitration fees		18		1,612		202		15,556		11,624		1,312		•		30,324
Direct mail		•		1		•		1		•		12,342		•		12,342
Dues and subscriptions		217		197		1,257		3,776		24		6,723		•		12,194
Equipment rental and repairs		115		104		484		1,352		23		1,993				4,071
Lobbying expense		1		•		•		1		8,300		•		,		8,300
Miscellaneous		63		78		408		1,152		58		2,968		1		4,727
Office rent and storage		3,835		1,439		14,344		41,219		899		56,578		1		118,314
Office supplies and expense		523		211		1,943		5,227	-	86		13,967		1		21,969
Postage		161		136		883		2,227		32		3,374		22		6,865
Printing and newsletter		472		169		2,570		7,495		73		12,569		•		23,348
Professional fees		4,343		125,620		22,613		41,096		3,456		61,856		12,025		271,009
Telecanvassing		•		1		•		•		•		38,384		•		38,384
Telephone		929		302		2,440		6,671		189		8,792		1		19,070
Fravel and meetings		378		2,072		7,778		3,740		29,306		14,799		5,201		63,274
Depreciation		'		•	ļ	•		•				11,916		1	ļ	11,916
TOTAL EXPENSES	60	50,217	€	161,130	64 3	229,986	€9	561,733	∽	66,750	€9	864,641	↔	17,248	∨ ?	1,951,705
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