



# Buddhist Project Sunshine 2018 Year End Financial Report

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January 17, 2019

Dear valued supporters,

We are pleased to provide reporting for our use of the generous amount of funds donated to Buddhist Project Sunshine in 2018. What we accomplished last year could not have happened without your support. There is no way to thank you enough!

Here is a brief synopsis of what the project accomplished in 2018 with your support:

- Completed a professionally and sensitively conducted forensic investigation into the facts of sexual and spiritual abuse within the Shambhala community. We now know that Shambhala is among the dharma communities worldwide which have been ravaged by sexual and spiritual abuse. This investigation has proven that a serious situation truly exists which demands that Shambhala walk its talk with courage, integrity, and love for those who have been hurt.
- The BPS forensic investigation led to two criminal investigations opening in Colorado and Vermont. A third related investigation is open in Boulder.
- Offered heart-felt and wisely considered assistance to Shambhala International in embodying its professed ideals in ways they thus far have not been able to do.
- Offered a caring, supportive and welcoming online community group for survivors of Osel Mukpo's alleged sexual abuse and assaults. And as one of our final 2018 contributions, a trained trauma therapist offered a 6-week therapeutic group to the survivors of Osel Mukpo's sexual misconduct/assaults who were involved with BPS.
- Facilitated three online discussion forums for those affected by this daunting psychological and spiritual crisis to share their voices in a secure and moderated environment. This has been the first time many have encountered a sacred space for testifying to and having one's voice heard and acknowledged regarding their suffering and witnessing of such spiritual harms. This is unprecedented and opens a pathway for healing wounded sanghas.
  - Phase 1 FB discussion group - 3 weeks, 349 members
  - Phase 2 Slack Discussion group - 2 months, 132 members
  - Phase 3 Slack Discussion group – 12 weeks, 53 members
- Hosted an online healing event featuring Lama Tsultrim Allione (see <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-CtrP4AhX5Q> )
- Informed the world through the media of the challenging situation within Shambhala while modeling how it can be met with compassion and integrity.
  - Three full reports, each including statements from abuse survivors: Phase 1 report, Phase 2 report, and the Phase 3 report, all of which led to formal criminal investigations opening
  - 32 blog posts
  - Over 49,000 visitors to our blog
  - 1,468 members on our community email list for news and updates
  - BPS posted a total of 1,127 tweets and has attracted 360 followers
  - We have 444 FB followers on the BPS Facebook page
- Encouraged those involved to maintain their daily meditation practice and embody it in their efforts.

- Buddhist Project Sunshine as an organization offered an opportunity for bodhisattva volunteerism that included contributions from 37 volunteers (some contributed in multiple areas)
  - ♥ 16 months volunteer work creating and leading BPS (Volunteer through April 2018: Andrea Winn)
  - ♥ Professional investigation (Carol Merchasin)
  - ♥ Go fund me set up (2 volunteers)
  - ♥ Christian friends who supported me with weekly phone calls (2 volunteers)
  - ♥ Phase 1 discussion group (4 volunteers)
  - ♥ Phase 2 discussion group (8 volunteers, including 2 trained psychologists)
  - ♥ Phase 3 discussion group (8 volunteers)
  - ♥ Trauma expert consultants (2 volunteers)
  - ♥ Social media (3 volunteers)
  - ♥ Chöd practitioners doing practice for BPS and the Shambhala community (5 volunteers)
  - ♥ BPS email (2 volunteers)
  - ♥ Probono lawyers (3 volunteers)
  - ♥ Sexual assault center advisors (2 volunteers)
  - ♥ Preliminary research into BPS getting charitable organization status (1 volunteer)

In the following two pages you will find our (1) Year End Balance Sheet and (2) Profit and Loss Report. I offer the following notes:

1. Lama Tsultrim strongly encouraged me to seek therapy as a support for doing such intense service. I initially resisted because I did not have money to pay for therapy. I had an epiphany soon after where I realized that people paying dues to support Osel Mukpo would likely be overjoyed to know he was using some of their dues to pay for his therapy. It makes sense for anyone in a position of influence to tend well to their emotional heart space, as their well-being directly impacts those who are listening to them. I therefore justified using BPS funds to pay for bi-weekly therapy this past Fall.
2. Although I made great efforts to raise money to hire more staff people, I was unable to do so, and therefore was attempting to cover three positions myself. For the most part this worked because I paid for administrative support software and I heavily over worked myself. This note is to explain the office expenses.
3. When the project went into scaled-back mode November 30, 2018, I cancelled all but the necessary services (such as the list serve and blog services) and I cancelled all other subscriptions (for example, our Zoom Pro accounts, and I stopped seeing the therapist as of November 30th).
4. *We need to spend approximately \$325 more to hire an accountant to do our 2018 taxes, which is basically the amount currently in our bank account.*

Financial reporting submitted with humbleness and gratitude,



Andrea M. Winn  
Executive Director  
Buddhist Project Sunshine

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## BALANCE SHEET

As of December 31, 2018

	TOTAL
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Assets	
Current Assets	
Cash and Cash Equivalent	
TD MINIMUM CHEQUING ACCOUNT (3201)	339.20
<b>Total Cash and Cash Equivalent</b>	<b>\$339.20</b>
Uncategorized Asset	0.00
<b>Total Current Assets</b>	<b>\$339.20</b>
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Liabilities and Equity	
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
Credit Card	
TD CASH BACK VISA* CARD (4772)	0.00
<b>Total Credit Card</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>
GST/HST Payable	-256.52
<b>Total Current Liabilities</b>	<b>\$ -256.52</b>
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>\$ -256.52</b>
Equity	
Profit for the year	595.72
<b>Total Equity</b>	<b>\$595.72</b>
<b>Total Liabilities and Equity</b>	<b>\$339.20</b>
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## PROFIT AND LOSS

January - December 2018

	TOTAL
INCOME	
Donations	31,770.91
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$31,770.91</b>
<b>GROSS PROFIT</b>	<b>\$31,770.91</b>
EXPENSES	
Bank charges	13.25
BPS volunteer gift	202.98
Computer and Internet	1,683.71
Consultant	103.48
Donations that were earmarked for Andrea Winn, not BPS	396.31
Internet service	203.31
Office expenses	243.90
Post Office Box	219.00
Project Manager Stipend	25,982.60
Shipping and delivery expense	15.92
Telephone	925.40
Therapy	994.94
Zoom	190.39
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$31,175.19</b>
PROFIT	<b>\$595.72</b>