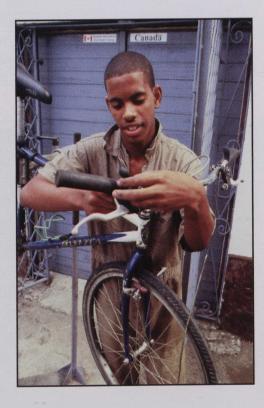


Canadian NGOs have been major contributors to promoting cooperation, especially in the fields of food security, environment and sustainable development. For example, Oxfam Canada has worked with the Cuban Association of Agriculture and Forestry Technicians (ACTAF) to promote the urban agricultural plots around Havana. Care Canada has collaborated with the

Worker at ACTAF demonstration farm, 2003



Student Yadrian Escull repairing bicycle at the Sanctuary Foundation workshop, 2003

Forest keeper Jorge Andrés Bouza in Parque Metropolitano, 2003 Cuban Association of Animal Production (ACPA) promoting small livestock production. Vancouver's Sanctuary Foundation has established an innovative project with the Ministry of Education to start a workshop to build and repair energy efficient bicycles and industrial tricycles. The workshop also provides valuable employment and training to young people in need of new skills. Havana's Parque Metropolitano, which covers the watershed of the Almendares River as it runs through the centre of the city, has benefited from a seven year project with the Canadian Urban Institute. The project helped thousands of people living within the Park's boundaries to start collecting garbage, recycling waste, reforesting the park and reducing discharges into the river.

