



# McKenzie River Gathering

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Report*



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## ***Dedication***

*IN MEMORY OF SILME DOMINGO AND GENE VIERNES,  
who fought to rid the Alaska canneries of continuous  
generations of discrimination and savage working  
conditions; who inspired and led Filipinos and other  
workers to voice their discontent through collective actions  
and demands; who toiled to strengthen their union, Local  
37 of the ILWU, so that its leadership would be accountable  
to the membership; who by their work in labor and  
community organizing have set an example of dedication  
and caring for other social change activists to follow.*



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# Introduction



*"We can be like drops  
of water  
falling on a stone,  
splashing, crashing,  
dispersing in air,  
weaker than the stone  
by far,  
but, be aware  
that as time goes by  
the rock will  
wear away."*

Meg Christian/Holly Near

From high in the snow covered peaks of the Cascade Range, the McKenzie River rushes down to the Willamette Valley, bringing gifts of beauty and an abundance of hydro-electric power. Continuing its course, it provides the ancestral pathway used by ocean going salmon returning to their spawning grounds. Finally, combined with the waters of other rivers, it enters the Pacific Ocean and joins in the timeless task of grinding great rocks into sandy beaches.

Inspired by this river and by their hopes for the future, a group of people meeting along its banks in 1976 formed the outlines of a public foundation for social change in the Pacific Northwest, the McKenzie River Gathering. Now, as the Foundation reaches its, Fifth Anniversary, it looks back on a solid record of over \$650,000 in grants made to 496 grassroots projects.

McKenzie River Gathering has been part of a decade of commitment and hard work. During the 1970's, veterans of the war on poverty, the Civil Rights movement, and the Vietnam peace movement settled in to organize the resources that would give life to their vision of a healthy, equitable world. Health workers created community clinics where doctors contribute their time to provide medical care



to low income people. Native Americans reviewed their efforts for protection of their treaty rights, their land, and their sovereignty. Lawyers and environmentalists worked through local, state and federal bureaucracies to provide land use planning and enforcement. Battered women brought domestic violence into public view and established shelters in almost every large city and in many rural areas. Recognizing the empowerment that these resources bring, social change organizers united to raise funds required to sustain their work and meet the challenges of the 80's.

**Overwhelming challenges** have emerged with the new decade. The news media document public displays of bigotry, militaristic arrogance, and disdain for the impoverished. The assault on human services, jobs, and education is broadening; more and more people are seeing that their own health and livelihood are dispensable to those recently elevated to positions of governmental power. Citizens' gains in such diverse areas as land use planning, international human rights, and reproductive rights are under well-financed attack from multi-national corporate interests and the "religious" Right.

The years ahead will be difficult, but people in the Pacific Northwest are responding; in unprecedented numbers they are organizing with determination to build their vision of the future. Progressive politics of the 80's spring from the realities of community life and draw together families and friends from all walks of life, from urban and rural areas. People dedicated to basic social change can be found within the government as officials, clerks, and administrators; they can be found in business as secretaries, executives, and stockbrokers. Working people with all kinds of skills are seeking better lives for their children through unions, churches, and community groups.

And supportive members of the press are telling the story of grassroots change in the making. McKenzie River Gathering joins these efforts by putting people and groups in touch with each other, and by providing the needed boost of hard cash.

As the Foundation completes its fifth year, McKenzie River Gathering shows the strength, responsibility, and independence of a volunteer organization, one which raises its entire operating and grantmaking budget through gifts from private individuals. The shift from dependence on the founding gift to ongoing fundraising has now been completed. This shift has meant that the dollar amount granted last year was lower than in previous years. Now, gifts and pledges from McKenzie River Gathering's principal donors continue to provide the stability necessary for long term growth, while those contributions are a decreasing percentage of the total revenue received. The future looks good, as the total number of contributors, new and old, steadily increases.

During the past program year, July 1, 1980 to June 30, 1981, 130 people donated a total of \$126,716, and pledged an additional \$36,000 toward future gifts. The three Caucuses in Eugene, Portland and Seattle, each supported by an office and a full time staff person, made 99 grants and loans. All this was made possible through generous donations and the work of over 60 volunteer caucus and committee members who raised funds, reviewed grant applications, and made funding decisions. These people recognize McKenzie River Gathering's role as a community fund which targets our financial resources for effective action.

**McKenzie River Gathering** is not an endowed foundation; its work is made possible through annual contributions from many individuals, and the investment of thousands of volunteer hours. Community members are invited to participate in

McKenzie River Gathering in a variety of ways. Local Caucus members review grant proposals, make funding and policy decisions, and carry out organizational tasks. Donors form the backbone of the local and regional fundraising committees, and many volunteers pitch in to help with various special projects. In order to fulfill its grant-making purpose, McKenzie River Gathering is continuously involved in fundraising activities. Staff, caucus and committee members participate in producing audio/visual materials, publishing of printed information, organizing an Annual Celebration, informal McKenzie River Gathering coffees, direct mail appeals, and individual solicitation of larger gifts. In addition, 1981 marks the first year that McKenzie River Gathering will be included in the Portland Combined Federal Campaign, and it is likely that this will lead to new fundraising approaches in the future.

McKenzie River Gathering exists through the dedication of many individuals working towards a more democratic, ecologically sound society where economic inequalities are minimized, cultural diversity is respected, and non-violence and sexual equality are a way of life. McKenzie River Gathering members believe that the vision of grassroots groups can be effectively brought into focus through careful organization and the development of community resources. Everyone who shares this vision is invited to join McKenzie River Gathering in providing a community fund for social change in the Pacific Northwest.



# The Caucus Members

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## Portland

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**Amani** a member of the Diversity Alliance steering committee, an organization primarily directed at eliminating racism, sexism, and homophobic attitudes, and co-chair of the Metropolitan Community Church social action committee. Amani has also been involved in the acquisition of housing and tenant rights through organizing and legislating.

**Ruth Frankel** a teacher at Metropolitan Learning Center, an alternative public school, and president of Food Front, a co-operative grocery store. Ruth also works for social justice and anti-militarism through the Women's International League for Peace and Freedom.

**Hideo Hashimoto** a Professor Emeritus in Religious Studies at Lewis and Clark College. Hideo is on the State Board for the Fellowship of Reconciliation and is an executive committee member for American Friends Service Committee.

**Paul Libby** a lay leader of the Centenary Wilbur Methodist Church. Paul is active with the Trident Resistance Group and lives at the Mahonia Land Trust.

**Ramon Ramirez** a member of the Willamette Valley Immigration Project, a program assisting in the legal defense of undocumented workers. Ramon is also involved in cultural affairs work within the Mexican Community.

**Michael Stoops** a Skid Road resident and coordinator of the Burnside Community Council, a neighborhood association providing services to residents and transient members of Portland's skid road area. Michael is also director of Northwest Draft Counseling Center and is active in gay rights issues.



**Portland Caucus:** (left to right) Michael Stoops, Amani, Ruth Frankel, Daniel Dallabrida, Elizabeth Waters, Bonnie Tinker, Tina Tau. Not pictured: Hideo Hashimoto, Paul Libby, Kay Sohl, and Ramon Ramirez.

**Kay Sohl** a director of Technical Assistance for Community Services, a firm which provides training and consulting to community groups. Kay is also active in women's organizing.

**Tina Tau** a part-time high school English teacher and Board member for the Northwest Women's History Committee. Tina also serves on the community relations committee for the American Friends Service Committee.

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## Eugene

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**Terri Yaffe** a playwright, poet and dancer. Terrie has worked with *Women's Press*, and has organized women's cultural events for the Wallflower Order Dancers. She has recently moved to Seattle.

**Paul Bestler** a construction supervisor for Homestead Housing, Inc. Paul is the Treasurer of MRG, serves on the Budget Committee of the City of Eugene, is Treasurer of OUR Federal Credit Union and serves on the Boards of White Bird Clinic and Grower's Market.





**Eugene Caucus:** (Front row, left to right) Ronna Friend, Norma Sax, Marion Malcolm, Chinosole; (Back row, left to right) Leslie Brockelbank, Paul Bestler, Jill Heiman, Alan Siporin, Misa Jo, Peter Jensen. Not pictured: Kathy Smith, Terrie Yaffe, Dee Dee Akiyama, Colleen Higgins and Dorothy Granada.

**Norma Sax\*** an office manager for Homestead, Inc., a self-help housing construction company. Norma is on the Boards of the Rape Crisis Network and White Bird Clinic.

**Dorothy Granada** a staff person for the Nonviolent Tactics Development Project, First Step. Dorothy is an organizer for social justice within the Episcopal Church of America.

**Misa Jo** a junior high school teacher. Misa organizes within the Asian community and is a member of the Native American longhouse.

**Chinosole** a teacher of Ethnic Studies at Lane Community College. Chinosole is the publicity director of the Friends of Myra Willard Committee and a member of the Homefried Truckstop Collective.

**Alan Siporin** a co-coordinator of the Coalition Opposing Registration and the Draft. Alan is a member of the Board of Grower's Market and is rebuilding an old farmhouse near Cottage Grove.

**Marion Malcolm** a staff member of Clergy and Laity Concerned. Marion works on human rights and peace issues, and as the mother of her year-old daughter, Beth.

**Kathy Smith** a staff member of Lane County Clergy and Laity Concerned and a student of journalism. Kathy is presently working in Alaskan canneries and plans to research alternative community newspapers across the U.S.

**Leslie Brockelbank** an active member of Clergy and Laity Concerned. Leslie works on disarmament issues, counsels on taxes and tax-exempt giving and is active in fund-raising for MRG.

**Dee Dee Akiyama** an organizer with the Indian Women's Support Group. Dee Dee is a member of the Ethnic Women's Alliance and co-ordinated the Women's Symposium at the University of Oregon.

**Ronna Friend\*** a counselor/hypnotist at Eugene Psychological Services. Ronna is a Board member of Grower's Market and a member of the Coalition Opposing Registration and the Draft.

**Colleen Higgins** a treeplanter and a student. Colleen has organized against apartheid in South Africa as a member of People for Southern African Freedom.

*\*MRG Board members*





**Seattle Caucus:** (Front row, left to right) Art Ceniza, Cathy Carter, Kim Ewing. (Back row, left to right) Craig Shimbakuro, Jeanette Aguilar, Ron Chew. Not pictured: Ron Dickens, Maryamu Eltayeb & Kathy Reichgerdt.

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## Seattle

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**Jeanette Aguilar** a counselor for Puget Sound Big Sisters of Seattle. Jeanette is a staunch advocate for affirmative action and the rights of Third World Women.

**Cathy Carter** a member of union Local #131 of the United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners. Cathy is also a gay activist in Seattle.

**Ron Chew** Editor for the *International Examiner*, a newspaper focusing on Seattle's Asian-American community. Ron is also active in other Asian-American issues.

**Kathy Reichgerdt\*** a manager of Bulk Commodities Exchange, a cooperative produce warehouse. Skills in agriculture and cooperative economics are what Kathy contributes to the field of social change.

**Art Ceniza\*** a graduate student in Public Administration at Seattle University. Art is a member/volunteer for non-commercial KRAB Radio and active in Filipino Community affairs.

*\*MRG Board members*

**Maryamu Eltayeb** a Coordinator for a South African Solidarity Project, sponsored by the American Friends Service Committee. Maryamu's political skills revolve around the Third World Community as well as international solidarity issues.

**Craig Shimabakuro** a Community Organizing specialist for the Washington State Commission on Asian Affairs. Craig is a well-known and dedicated advocate for economic development in Third World communities.

## The Funding Exchange

While McKenzie River Gathering limits its direct funding to the Pacific Northwest, it is committed to supporting social change nationally and internationally. Local conditions will not improve dramatically unless conditions improve elsewhere as well.

To promote its broad-based commitment to social change, MRG has joined with 5 other similar community-based funds to create the Funding Exchange. The other founding organizations are: Bread and Roses Community Fund in Philadelphia, Haymarket People's Fund in Boston, North Star Fund in New York City, Liberty Hill in Los Angeles and Vanguard Public Foundation in San Francisco.

This network of progressive community funds has grown since early seventies and now raises over \$1.2 million each year. The Funding Exchange consolidates that growth by increasing our national visibility and by facilitating a frequent exchange of ideas and information. McKenzie River Gathering has received substantial technical assistance and some outright financial support from the Funding Exchange.



# The Funding Process

The McKenzie River Gathering funding process is designed to involve caucus members and grant applicants in constructive, evaluative dialogue with each other. The process is the heart of the community building and social change that Gathering members, grantees and friends are committed to.

At the beginning of each cycle groups are notified through the *MRG Network*, a quarterly newsletter, as well as by word of mouth. The staff is always ready to assist the groups with their proposals. This helps ensure that the best groups, not the best grantwriters, get funded.

Caucus members read and evaluate each of the proposals that come into their area office. At screening meetings caucus members share their evaluations and add other information that they may have about the group or its proposal. The number of projects considered is narrowed down to fifteen to twenty per office.

Each finalist is then visited by the area staff person and at least one Caucus member. During field interview, MRG members ask the group for additional information about their project. The interview is a time to share observations about the group's program and budget plans, and to share information about related community resources. The interview team also answers questions about MRG, and helps the applicant group prepare their oral presentation.

The Community Presentation is the most important part of the funding process. At these open meetings each applicant group gives a brief description of the project they want funded, and then responds to questions from the local Caucus and community members. This meeting helps groups to develop skills in program presentation and provides them with the opportunity to network with other community activists. The Community Presentations are usually followed with a potluck meal and prove to be one of the most exciting community building events sponsored by McKenzie River Gathering.

After the Community Presentation, the local Caucus meets again to evaluate all of the information and prioritize the funding requests. All grant recommendations are made by consensus and are formally approved by the Regional Board. Regional grant applications are also heard and decided by the Board.

At the end of the grant term, usually six months to a year, each grantee is asked to submit a project evaluation. The group is asked to evaluate both the success of their projects and the quality of their program planning. If a group applies for another grant, an evaluation is a part of their field interview, and no new grant is made unless the evaluation of their past grant is complete.





# The Granting Criteria

McKenzie River Gathering funds organizations which bring people together to work for progressive social change. We support groups involved in educating the community and challenging the vast social, political and economic inequalities around us. Our funding is aimed at moving us toward a democratic, non-violent, decentralized, ecologically sound society.

MRG will only consider proposals for funding from groups:

- Working actively for social change.
- Operating in a democratic, non-discriminatory manner which is responsive to the constituency served.
- Located in the Pacific Northwest, defined as the states of Oregon and Washington and the areas directly adjacent.
- Unlikely to receive sufficient funding from other sources.

In order to more clearly describe our definition of "working for social change", MRG particularly supports projects which:

- Promote grassroots organizing of women, people of color, and low-income and working people.
- Work against violence, racism, sexism, anti-gay attitudes and economic exploitation.
- Organize for economic self-control and confront our corporate dominated society.
- Work to promote an environmentally sensitive society.
- Focus on non-violent social change actions.
- Encourage networking of similar social change groups.
- Support the self-determination of Third World and low-income people.
- Oppose over-consumption in our society.
- Connect local problems with the overall issues of social change.
- Work for peace conversion or reduction of the military.
- Present cultural and artistic work with social change impact.
- Conduct social change research.

MRG generally does not fund food co-ops, health centers, alternative schools, or social services unless these projects are promoting social change beyond their basic function.



# The Grants

## I. Community Organizing

### Portland

A Child's Place/Un Lugar Para Ninos	\$1,800
Burnside Community Council	700
The Girl Artists (funded twice)	950
Northwest Provender Alliance	500
Tillicum Foundation	1,000
T.H.E. C.R.I.B. (funded twice)	1,500
Urban Indian Council	300
WHO Farm (loan)	500
West Valley Planners	1,200

### Eugene

Lane Economic Development Council	\$410
Neighborhood Economic Development Corporation (loan)	15,000
Springfield Fair Share	800
The West End Co-operative Fund:	
Grower's Market (loan)	3,000
Surata Soyfoods, Inc. (loan)	12,000
Thistle Organics Farm (loan)	1,400
Zoo Zoo's Co-operative Restaurant (loan)	13,000

### Seattle

Across the Lines Caucus	\$1,000
Central Area Housing Alliance	1,250
Central Area Motivation Program/	
Community Food And Nutrition Program	500
Filipinos for Action and Reform	500
International District Emergency Center	500
Philippine National Day Organizing Committee	500
Philippine People's Far West Convention	1,000
Rank And File Committee	1,150

## II. Energy and Environment

### Portland

Center for Energy Research	\$500
No on Port in Mulino	500
Oregon Wilderness Coalition	500
Ratepayers Education Project	1,000
Responsible Urban Neighborhood Technology	500
Sunflower Recycling (loan)	500

### Eugene

Concerned Ratepayers	\$410
Josephine's Environment Matters	1,000
Northwest Coalition for Alternatives to Pesticides	1,000
Save Our Ecosystems	1,000
Snake River Alliance	1,200

### Seattle

Preservation of Mt. Tolman Alliance	\$1,000
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## III. Human Rights

### Portland

Black United Front	\$1,200
Centenary Wilbur Methodist Church	1,200
Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde	1,200
Oregon Legal Services Native American Project	200
Town Council Foundation Speaker's Bureau	1,500
Tribal Sovereignty Program of the Youth Project	1,500

### Eugene

Battered Person's Advocacy	\$1,300
Clergy and Laity Concerned (funded twice)	1,600
Coalition Opposing Registration and the Draft (funded twice)	1,500
Ethnic Women's Alliance	500
Eugene Council for Human Rights in Latin America	500
Friends of Myra Willard Committee (funded twice)	1,400
The Leonard Peltier Defense Committee	1,200
Pacific Rim Economic Project	575
Peoples for Southern African Freedom (\$1,000 loan)	1,420
Rape Crisis Network, Men's Group	250
Treasure Valley Immigration Counseling Service	1,200
Wallflower Dance Collective	1,000
Women Against War	500
Women's Coalition of Josephine County	1,450

### Seattle

Committee in Solidarity with the People of El Salvador	\$1,650
The Committee to Support South African Freedom	525
Jewish Lesbian Group	725
Left Bank Prison Book Project	1,000
National Anti-Racist Organizing Committee (Seattle Chapter)	750
Seattle Anti-Klan Network	1,000
Seattle Reproductive Rights Alliance	900
Seattle United Trades Committee	1,000

## IV. Donor Advised Grants

### Portland

Forelaws on Board	\$50
Oregon Environmental Foundation	4,160

### Eugene

The Art Club	\$270
The Eugene Committee for a Free Chile	161
Northside Downtown Cultural Committee	500
Northwest Coalition for Alternatives to Pesticides	2,000
OUR Federal Credit Union	250
Oregon Community Land Trust	1,000
People for Southern African Freedom	25
People to Preserve Agricultural Lands	7,000
The Wallflower Dance Collective	500

### Seattle

Native Generation	\$1,000
Mt. Zion Ethnic School	500

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Total grants and loans \$126,211



# Community Organizing

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## Portland

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### **Burnside Community Council**

As a Neighborhood Association, Burnside Community Council is run by and provides a variety of services to skid road residents. This grant went toward rent for Baloney Joe's, a non-alcoholic, non-mission oriented community center that serves as a combined emergency shelter and recreation center for transients.

*\$700. 313 E. Burnside St. Portland, OR 97214*

### **West Valley Planners**

After the closure of a local plywood mill, the residents of Willamina united to develop the economic diversity of their community. This grant provides that group, West Valley Planners, with operating support for an office while they pursue their first major project: assisting with the purchase and operation of the plywood mill as a worker owned cooperative.

*\$1,200. P.O. Box 345. Willamina, OR 97396.*

### **A Child's Place/Un Lugar Para Ninos**

A Child's Place/UN Lugar Para Ninos is a bilingual day care center serving low-income, predominately Spanish Speaking children while providing advocacy and translation as requested by their parents. This grant provided basic operational support in their persistent, and finally successful, drive to become a United Way member agency.

*\$1,800. 951 SE 13th St. Hillsboro, OR 97123*

### **Urban Indian Council**

Urban Indian Council, Inc. is a multi-service umbrella organization composed of a legal services program, an employment and training program, a health program, and a community services program. Through this grant they provided sponsorship for a fundraising workshop attended by tribal leaders from throughout Oregon and Washington.

*\$300. 1634 SW Alder. Portland, OR 97205.*

### **T.H.E. C.R.I.B.**

Organized and operated entirely by community volunteers, T.H.E. C.R.I.B. sponsors a variety of projects in a predominately Black neighborhood of North East Portland. A grant of \$500 supported an after school tutoring program in which parent volunteers and older students assist younger children with the completion of daily homework assignments. An additional grant of \$1,000 supported the Septima Clark Advocacy Project. This program is designed to encourage active communication between parents and teachers, to assist parents in reviewing children's school records, and to develop advocacy teams of parents.

*\$500, \$1,000. 4814 NE 7th Ave. Portland, OR 97211.*

### **Who Farm**

Who Farm was purchased in 1973 to serve as a rural skills and visitor center for women and children. A loan of \$500 was made to help them meet their 1981 land payment.

*\$500 (loan). 37010 SE Snuffin Road. Estacada, OR 97023.*

### **The Girl Artists**

As women artists who must support themselves primarily through restaurant work, this group has produced "Split Shift Cafe", a collaborative and performance artwork which is a scaled to life rendition of the classic American diner speaking to the need for change in the way patrons and management treat restaurant employees. An emergency caucus grant of \$150 provided funds for documentation to enable the group to pursue showing the piece in Seattle and to obtain publicity through periodicals. The additional grant of \$800 supported a showing which was arranged in Seattle.

*\$150, \$800. 909 NE Tillamook. Portland, OR 97212.*

### **Northwest Provender Alliance**

Northwest Provender Alliance is an association of individuals and organizations that are involved in the alternative foods business. Their regional conference with the theme "Food: The Issue of the 80's" and featured speakers on World Hunger, Domestic Market Realities, and Grass Roots Organizing, was supported, in part, by this grant.

*\$500. 2675 NW Thurman. Portland, OR 97210*

### **Tillicum Foundation**

With the support of KBOO Radio in Portland, the Tillicum Foundation secured government funding to initiate development of North Coast Community Radio. This grant was aimed at building local community support for the station through publication of their newsletter, *The Current*, and purchase of a slide projector to use in presenting their slide show to local groups.

*\$1,000. P.O.Box 266. Astoria, OR 97103*



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## Seattle

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### **Filipino People's Far West Convention**

The Far West Convention is held every year in a major west coast city. The convention addresses issues which affect the daily lives of Filipinos. The MRG grant to this group will go to support the convention which will address issues for improving the economic and social conditions of the Filipino Community.

*\$,1000. 5321 25th South. Seattle, WA 98108.*

### **Central Area Housing Alliance**

The Central Area Housing Alliance (CAHA) is a group of residents and housing and equal rights advocates who came together to speak to the need for low-cost housing in Seattle's Central Area. The grant which CAHA has received from MRG will be used specifically to cover costs for office supplies and printing.

*\$1,250. P.O. Box 20671. Broadway Station. Seattle, WA 98102.*

### **International District Emergency Center**

International District Emergency Center (IDEC) was conceived and started in 1968, during civil strife, by International District street youth who saw a dire need for a local community controlled emergency services center. IDEC now provides networking, outreach educational and medical emergency services to residents of the International District and surrounding areas. The \$550 will go toward paying phone bills and purchasing equipment.

*\$550. 409 Maynard S. #25. Seattle, WA 98104.*



### **Central Area Motivation Program/ Community Food and Nutrition Program**

The volunteer staff of Central Area Motivation Program/Community Food and Nutrition Program (CAMP/CFNP) operates a full-time foodbank which serves 600 Central Area families per month. In addition to receiving food assistance, clients are provided with information on nutrition. They are also given assistance in developing self-help activities, such as community gardens and food buying clubs. The MRG grant that they receive will be used to raise additional funds for the program.

*\$500. 722 18th Ave. Seattle, WA 98122.*

### **Filipinos for Action and Reform**

The influx of immigrants from the Philippines has produced a fast-growing Filipino community in Seattle. Filipinos for Action and Reform (FAR) is dedicated to addressing the ever-increasing needs of this community. Their work is accomplished through a highly developed communication network, which will be updated and maintained with the help of their \$500.00 grant from MRG.

*\$500. 9901 Rainier Ave., S. Seattle, WA 98118.*



### **Across the Lines Caucus**

Comprised of the members of all five unions at Kenworth Trucking Co., Across the Lines is a multi-racial rank and file organization of men and women workers. Their purpose is to build unity among *all* workers and improve working conditions at Kenworth. They also work toward making the unions more accountable to their membership. Across the Lines is using their grant money to purchase office supplies.  
*\$1,000. 1719 E. Spring. Seattle, WA 98122.*

### **Rank and File Committee Local 37-ILWU**

The present rank and file committee was formed in 1977 by active and concerned members of the ILWU Local #37, which is a non-resident cannery workers' union involved in the Alaska seafood industry. The rank and file committee is striving to make Local 37 a democratic and honest union that will fight for, be accountable to and serve its rank and file membership. The grant monies received from MRG will be used to operate their office at a higher level, enabling members and staff to work more quickly toward self-sufficiency.  
*\$1,150. 416 8th Ave., S. Seattle, WA 98104.*

### **Philippine National Day Organizing Committee**

Philippine National Day (PND) is a national holiday initiated by members of the Filipino community in 1976 to recognize and popularize the contributions of Filipinos in the U.S. and in the Philippines. This \$500. grant from MRG will enable the PND Organizing Committee to organize a "Barrio Fiesta", a traditional Philippine festival, which will be an integral part of the PND Celebration.  
*\$500. 8025 25th Ave. NW. Seattle, WA 98117.*

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## **Eugene**

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### **Lane Economic Development Council**

LEDC promotes training programs, co-operatives and community-based businesses to combat unemployment in Lane County caused by a declining wood products industry. Currently LEDC is running a rural recycling program and a sales outlet, "The Company Store." This grant was used to buy film for a slide show on local, democratic economic planning.  
*\$410. P.O. Box 1473. Eugene, OR 97440.*

### **Neighborhood Economic Development Corporation (NEDCO)**

NEDCO is a local development group in the Whiteaker Neighborhood of Eugene. This loan provided interim financing for the first fourplex of CoHo Co-op Housing to provide low and moderate income housing.  
*\$15,000 (loan). 341 Van Buren. Eugene, OR 97402.*

### **Springfield Fair Share**

Springfield Fair Share is a grass-roots organization affiliated with the state-wide Oregon Fair Share. This grant was made to support work on: electric rates, the Springfield Utility Board's share of nuclear plants at Hanford, street repair, rent increases at mobile home parks and other local economic issues chosen by the 600 families which are Springfield members.  
*\$800. 532 C Street, Springfield, OR 97477*

### **The West End Co-Operative Fund**

This Fund was created when the West End Co-op went out of business and donated its building to MRG. In early 1981, the Willamette Peoples' Co-op donated its assets to MRG/WECF as well. This Fund is a restricted revolving Loan Fund for programs aimed at providing high quality, low cost nutrition in Lane County. The four most recent loans, which total \$29,400, are:

Grower's Market . . . . .	\$3,000 Loan
Surata Soyfoods, Inc. . . . .	\$12,000 Loan
Thistle Organics Farm . . . .	\$1,400 Loan
Zoo Zoo's	
Co-operative Restaurant . .	\$13,000 Loan



# Energy & Environment

## Portland

### Center For Energy Research

The Center For Energy Research was founded to sponsor projects providing public information about the dangers posed by nuclear power, and the viability of alternative energy sources. With this grant, their Nuclear Free Radio project was able to produce radio spots which provided information of potential long term dangers to public health from nuclear power production and waste storage.

*\$500. 7560 Harmony Rd. Sheridan, OR 97378.*

### No On Port in Mulino (N.O.P.E.)

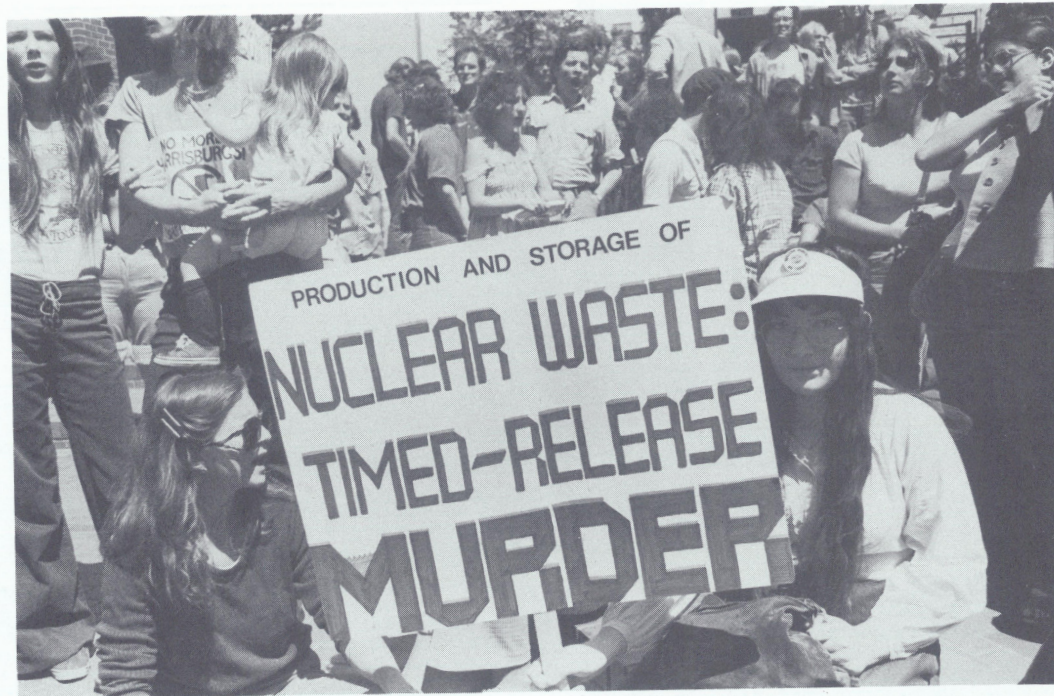
When the rural community of Mulino was confronted with the Port of Portland's intention to build a reliever airport on agricultural land directly across from their grade school, they organized a citizen's group to present their voice in the local planning process. This Portland Caucus Emergency grant provided a small contribution toward the high legal costs of community involvement in land use planning.

*\$500. P.O. Box 829. Mulino, OR 97042.*

### Oregon Wilderness Coalition

As a part of their concern for managing our natural resources for the best interests of future generations, the Oregon Wilderness Coalition works with the Mining Action Coalition to provide public education about the ways public health, welfare, and the environment would be affected by large strip mining operations proposed by multinational corporations. This grant covered a small staff stipend and initial printing costs.

*\$500. 2637 SW Water. Portland, OR 97201.*









### **Responsible Urban Neighborhood Technology (RUNT)**

RUNT is a non-profit community organization working to demonstrate low cost solutions to the high costs of energy and food, using the skills and potential skills of the average homeowner or renter. A raised bed garden was constructed and tools were purchased with this grant for use in organic gardening workshops for low income, minority, and handicapped residents of the neighborhood.

*\$500. 3116 N. Williams Ave. Portland, OR 97227.*

### **Sunflower Recycling**

Sunflower Recycling is a worker controlled, not-for-profit business providing garbage and recycling pick-up service in a low-income neighborhood. This loan enabled them to purchase needed additional equipment.

*\$500 (loan). P.O. Box 14061. Portland, OR 97214.*

### **Ratepayers Education Project**

The Ratepayers Education Project was organized to provide information that will help consumers participate in the regional energy decision making process. Two issues of a quarterly newspaper will be produced and distributed with this grant.

*\$1,000. P.O. Box 14244. Portland, OR 97214.*

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## **Eugene**

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### **Snake River Alliance**

Snake River Alliance (SRA) was organized to protect the Snake River aquifer from continued dumping of radioactive wastes by the large INEL nuclear facilities east of Idaho Falls. This grant was made to bring nuclear victims and opponents of the M-X missile from Utah on a tour of the farming and Mormon areas of Idaho to discuss the dangers and costs of the nuclear power and weapons industry.

*\$1,200. P.O. Box 1731. Boise, ID 83702.*

### **Concerned Ratepayers**

This group of rural residents organized to educate the public about the benefits and cost of public utility districts to ratepayers. This grant went for mailing costs to stimulate full public discussion of the issues of public power: rate structures, costs of establishing a PUD, the economic chaos and inflation caused by the nuclear power industry, and alternative, renewable energy sources.

*\$410. 37046 Conley Rd. Springfield, OR 97477.*

### **Josephine's Environment Matters**

Josephine's Environment Matters (JEM) is working to protect the Illinois River gorge, its green waters and the wildflower-covered areas around Eight Dollar Mountain, from corporate plans to strip mine for nickel, cobalt and chrome ores, which are wanted for the U.S. "strategic" stockpile. This grant pays for staff support as JEM takes a slide show to groups in the ore deposit areas of Southern Oregon and Northern California.

*\$1,000. P.O. Box 150. Selma, OR 97538.*

### **Northwest Coalition for Alternatives to Pesticides**

Northwest Coalition for Alternatives to Pesticides (NCAP) is a coalition of 37 groups, which are all working to find alternatives to spray applications on forests and crops, which present health risks. The smaller grant helped print 5,000 copies of *NCAP News*, a periodical that NCAP sends out across the Northwest, the U.S. and the world. The larger grant paid staff and costs as NCAP responded to an expanded Spring 1981 Spray Season in Northwest forests.

*\$500, \$1,000. P.O. Box 375. Eugene, OR 97440.*

### **Save Our Ecosystems**

Save Our Ecosystems (SOS) is a member group of NCAP that is also fighting the increased herbicide spraying Spring 1981 in the timber country of Lane and Douglas Counties. This grant paid for research on corporate techniques of promoting toxic sprays through public universities, as well as printing and public interest legal work.

*\$1,000. 540 Kingswood Ave. Eugene, OR 97405.*

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## **Seattle**

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### **Preservation of Mt. Tolman Alliance**

The Mt. Tolman Alliance was formed in 1979 for the purpose of educating the public about the effects of mining and nuclear development on the Colville Indian Reservation. With their grant from MRG, they will purchase a video tape recorder/player which will greatly enhance their educational and outreach efforts.

*\$1,000. P.O. Box 99. Incubium, WA 99138.*



# Human Rights

## Portland

### **Black United Front**

The Black United Front was formed in 1979 to provide a grass roots community response to racial discrimination in the public schools and throughout the community. This grant covered printing and production costs for a leaflet that will provide public education about increasing incidents of racial harassment and the growing danger posed by terrorist groups such as the Ku Klux Klan.

*\$1,200. P.O. Box 3976. Portland, OR 97208.*

### **Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde**

The Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde have organized to regain the identity and culture of the Grand Ronde people which was eroded through Federal termination of their Tribal status, the accompanying loss of their land base and pressure to assimilate into the white culture. The tribal office supported in part by this grant facilitates the publication of a tribal newsletter and the functioning to the tribal council.

*\$1,200. P.O. Box 94. Grand Ronde, OR 97347.*

### **Oregon Legal Services Native American Program**

Through Oregon Legal Services, several Oregon Tribes have received legal services that were vital to the survival of the individual tribal members, and to the tribe itself. This Portland Caucus emergency grant provided initial support for the provision of legal services to the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde.

*\$200. 2386 NW Hoyt St. Portland, OR 97210.*



### **Centenary Wilbur Methodist Church**

Centenary Wilbur Methodist Church has demonstrated a long standing commitment to issues of peace and social justice. This grant supported their work with the Portland Central America Solidarity Committee to provide public education about current events in Central America and their implications for public welfare, economic stability, and religious freedom in the United States.

*\$1,200. 627 SE Morrison. Portland, OR 97214.*

### **Tribal Sovereignty Program of the Youth Project**

The Tribal Sovereignty Program was organized in 1977 to support the Indian community's rebuilding of political and economic infra-structures which would allow sovereignty to become a reality. With their sponsorship and financial assistance from this grant, the Western Shoshone Sacred Lands Association was able to send a delegation to the Fourth Bertrand Russell Peace Foundation tribunal to provide testimony about the threat posed to their ancestral lands, culture, and traditions.

*\$1,500. P.O. Box 10. Forestville, CA 95436.*





### **Town Council Foundation Speaker's Bureau**

The goal of the Town Council Foundation Speaker's Bureau is to educate individuals and institutions to become more sensitive to the medical, mental health, educational, social service, religious, employment and legal needs of lesbians and gay men. This grant was applied toward personnel and printing costs.

*\$1,500. 408 SW 2nd, #408. Portland, OR 97204.*

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### **Eugene**

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#### **The Leonard Peltier Defense Committee**

This committee informs the public about uranium on Indian land and activists who opposed its sale to the Federal government and wound up in Federal prisons, where death threats and behavior modification used against these native men are being investigated by Congressional Committees. This grant was used by buy a van, print T-shirts, and pay for mailings.

*\$1,200. P.O. Box 10812. Eugene, OR 97441.*

### **Coalition Opposing Registration And The Draft**

Coalition Opposing Registration And The Draft (CORD) was organized to protect the rights of young people faced with involuntary registration, to inform the public about draft-related laws, and to warn the public about wars that would require draftees. The first grant was made for printing sheets about current registration, the privacy act and young peoples' rights and options. The second grant enabled CORD to reach rural high schools, where a majority of Lane County casualties came from in the Vietnam War.

*\$500, \$1,000.*

### **Women's Coalition of Josephine County**

This is a sheltering network for victims of domestic violence, which helps women from a large rural area get away from battering and restart their lives. This grant was made for operating costs in an area where violence against women was once considered "a way of life."

*\$1,450. 748 NW 5th Street. Grants Pass, OR 97526.*

### **People for Southern African Freedom**

People for Southern African Freedom (PSAF) educates investors about U.S. corporate ties to the apartheid system in Southern Africa. The MRG loan enabled PSAF to bring a play about the pain of apartheid, "Sizwe Bansi is Dead," to Eugene. The grant paid for films and materials about the life of Steve Biko for use in Eugene area high schools.

*\$1,000 (Loan). \$420.*



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## Seattle

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### **Jewish Lesbian Group**

The Jewish Lesbian Group has created a Jewish Resource Center, given potlucks and events for Jewish and non-Jewish women and most recently planned a Jewish Women's Conference which was held in Seattle on March 14. They have done workshops and written articles on anti-semitism and racism. They will use the MRG grant to publish a book and produce a radio show about anti-semitism and racism.

*\$725. 5518 33rd Ave., NE. Seattle, WA 98105.*

### **Seattle Anti-Klan Network**

Seattle Anti-Klan Network (SAKN) is a coalition of equal rights advocates and organizations concerned with the increased activity of the Ku Klux Klan and the Nazi Party in the United States. Their goal is to educate the community concerning this trend. They will use their MRG grant to cover operating costs for their office.

*\$1,000. P.O. Box 3317. International Station. Seattle, WA 98114.*

### **Committee In Solidarity With the People of El Salvador**

Committee In Solidarity With the People of El Salvador (CISPES) is an organization dedicated to educating the American public about the historical and contemporary situation in El Salvador. The money that they have received from MRG will go toward the salary of a half time staffperson to carry out educational work in Seattle.

*5318 Ravenna Ave. NE. Seattle, WA 98105.*





### **Battered Persons' Advocacy**

The Battered Persons' Advocacy (BPA) is a network of Douglas County people organized to protect victims of domestic violence as soon as battering is reported by women, hospital, police or churches. This grant was for a staff stipend, direct client aid and volunteer expenses, to help BPA reorganize after the end of CETA funding. \$1,300. P.O. Box 1942. Roseburg, OR 97470.

### **Clergy and Laity Concerned**

Clergy and Laity Concerned (CALC) is a central organizing group in Lane County for activists working against nuclear weapons, for human rights, and on world hunger caused by the world-wide arms race. The first, smaller grant helped CALC hold its weekly evening forums on Korea, Northwest agribusiness, new nuclear weapons, and infant formula in the Third World. The second grant helped CALC collect and promote educational materials for high school global studies programs that would present alternative views to materials from large corporations. \$500, \$1,100. 795 Willamette. 3rd Floor. Eugene, OR 97401.

### **Ethnic Women's Alliance**

Ethnic Women's Alliance (EWA) was organized by women of color to defend affirmative action and form a support group. This grant started a newsletter and set up an office. It also enabled EWA members to attend three conferences and do workshops on local racism. \$500. 841 E. 18th. Eugene, OR 97403.

### **Eugene Council for Human Rights in Latin America**

Members of this council are using this grant to make a slide show on human rights violations in Guatemala since 1978, focusing on the killing of 100 peasants at Panzos, repression of the union at Coca Cola, closing of the University of San Carlos, and the driving into exile of the Diocese of El Quiche. \$500. 547 1/2 E. 13th. Eugene, OR 97401.

### **Friends of Myra Willard Committee**

Myra was the affirmative action officer at the University of Oregon, who alleges in a suit that she was fired for doing her job too well. This committee used these two grants to inform the public about Myra's case and to provide seed money for fund-raising events. \$410, \$1,000. P.O. Box 3949. Eugene, OR 97403.

### **Pacific Rim Economic Project**

This is a printing grant for 300 copies of *The Political Economy of the Pacific Rim* by Tim Shorrock. This booklet details how corporate and military plans threaten human rights on the Pacific Rim, and it is being translated into Japanese. \$575. c/o CALC. 795 Willamette. 3rd Floor. Eugene, OR 97401.

### **Rape Crisis Network, Men's Group**

The men's groups of this network works with men who are violent, male friends and relatives of rape victims, and with victims of rape as well. This grant was used to buy research resources to help with the writing of a book on men and violence, based on experiences in Eugene. \$250. 841 E. 18th. Eugene, OR 97403.

### **Treasure Valley Immigration Counseling Service**

Treasure Valley Immigration Counseling Service (TVICS) helps with the legal problems of farmworkers from the large but vulnerable labor force that harvests the potatoes, sugar beets and onions in the farm area that straddles the Oregon/Idaho border. This grant paid for staff training in immigration law. \$1,200. 1052 SW 4th Ave. Ontario, OR 97914.

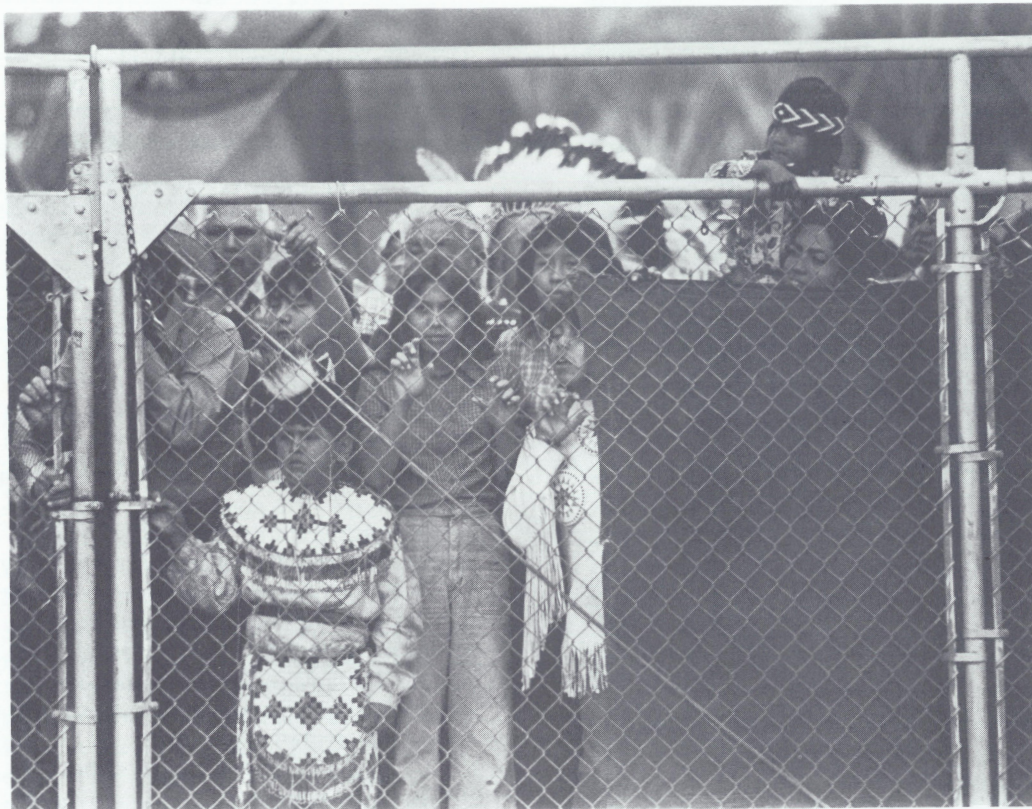
### **Wallflower Dance Collective**

The Wallflower dancers are five feminist dancers who mix art and politics in the most moving ways. This grant helped with their Spring Northwest tour with Grupo Raiez, which portrayed the killing of flamingoes by the Chilean junta, the reality of a woman political prisoner after torture, and the ageless joy of music of the Indians of the Andes. The Wallflowers are moving their home base from Eugene to Boston, and we will miss them in the Northwest. \$1,000. 1736. W. Broadway. Eugene, OR 97402.

### **Women Against War**

Women Against War (WAW) was organized to educate women about the effects on the rights of women of the new Federal budget transfer of money from social programs to military spending. This grant pays for travel, printing, film rental and subscription costs. \$500. P.O. Box 10954. Eugene, OR 97401.





#### **Left Bank Prison Book Project**

The project provides postage-free books to prisoners in Washington state. The books are sold at cost or donated by the public. This project not only provides books to those who have only inadequate libraries or no access, but gives prisoners a sense of being cared about. All postage costs for this project will be covered by the MRG grant. \$1,000. 92 Pike Street. Seattle, WA 98101.

#### **National Anti Racist Organizing Committee (Seattle Chapter)**

This group is committed to educating the community about the injustice of racism. The MRG grant that they have received will be used to cover the costs of printing educational materials. \$750. P.O. Box 22194. E. Union Station. Seattle, WA 98122.

#### **Seattle United Trades Committee**

Seattle United Trades Committee (SUTC) is a rank and file organization of members from the 13 unions at Todd and Lockheed Shipyards. SUTC struggles to eliminate poor working conditions, such as poor ventilation, lack of tools and lack of enforcement of safety and health regulations. SUTC also actively seeks to ensure the workers of their right to speak out on such conditions without threat of termination. The MRG grant will be used for the purchase of office supplies.

\$1,000. P.O. Box 235. Seattle, WA 98122.

#### **The Committee to Support South African Freedom**

The Committee to Support South African Freedom was developed by concerned Washington State University students to educate other students, staff of WSU and members of the Pullman community about the past and present situation in South Africa. The MRG grant of \$525.00 will be used for purchasing slide shows, renting films and for covering the costs of office supplies and speakers.

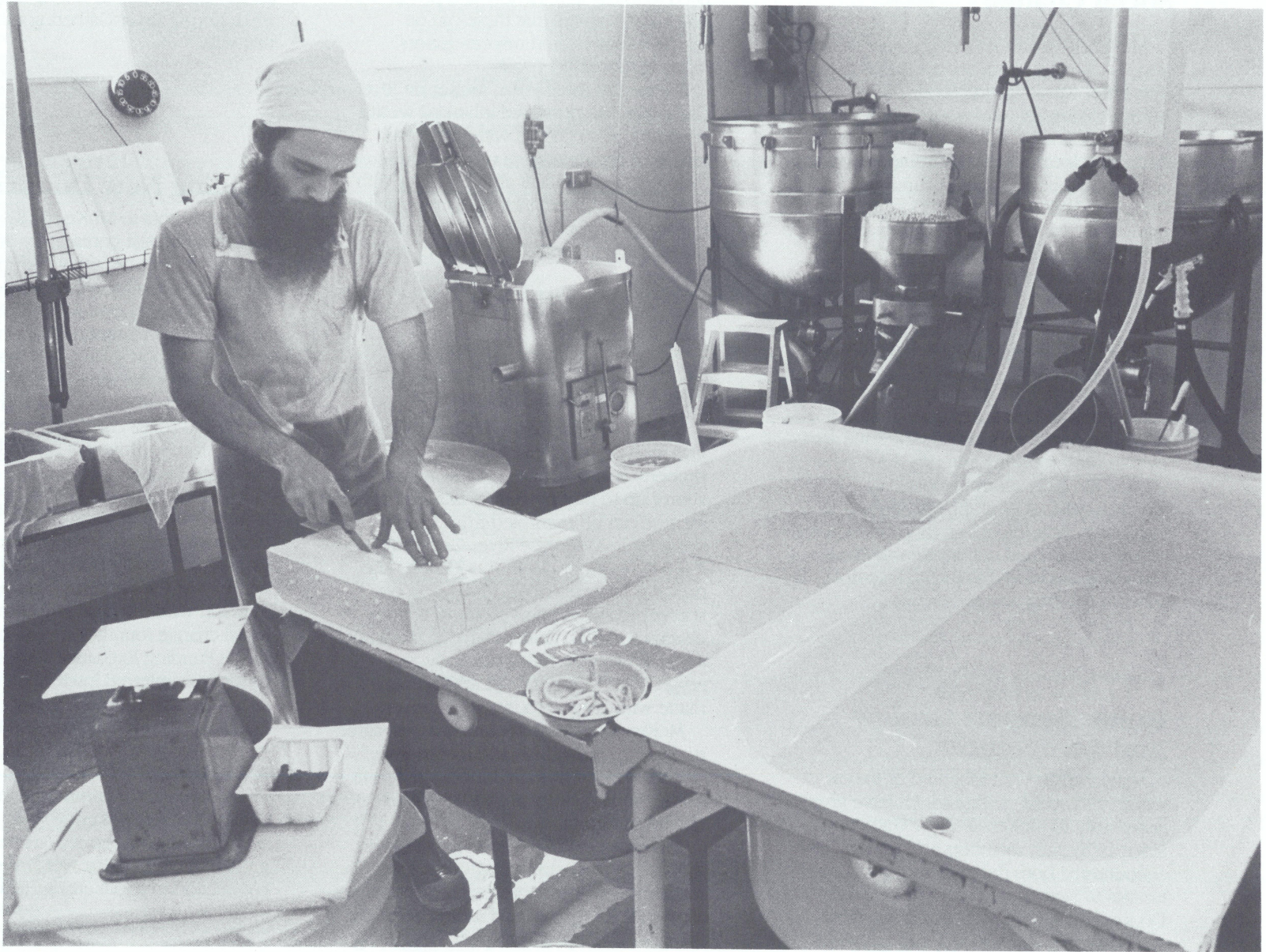
\$525. P.O. Box 2592. College Station. Pullman, WA 99163.

#### **Seattle Reproductive Rights Alliance**

The Seattle Reproductive Rights Alliance serves as a clearinghouse for information affecting the reproductive rights of women, primarily abortion and sterilization abuse. The MRG grant of \$900.00 will cover operating costs for their office.

\$900. 915 E. Pine, Rm. 426. Seattle, WA 98122.







# Meeting Donors' Needs

## Social Change

McKenzie River Gathering is an effective way to distribute your social change dollars. The MRG way of giving is our primary service to donors. Wide outreach in the Pacific Northwest is done for each funding cycle, and local activists thoroughly evaluate all proposals before making funding decisions. Follow-up evaluations monitor grant effectiveness. Your donations go to the most vital organizations.

Donations of all sizes are welcomed and needed by MRG. In the past year, individual gifts have ranged from a few dollars to twenty-five thousand dollars. Contributions are tax-deductible.

McKenzie River Gathering accepts, administers and evaluates donor-advised gifts. The donor may choose the issue area (within MRG granting criteria), the geographic area, and may nominate grantees. MRG staff work with donors to insure that their intentions and the purposes of MRG are carried out. McKenzie River Gathering has served as the tax-exempt sponsor for many citizen groups.

## Donor Support Groups And Conferences

Many people with inherited or excess wealth and social change values have given generously to McKenzie River Gathering. Since 1976 staff, members and donors have encountered both the problems and opportunities of putting money to its best use. Donors can get technical assistance from someone who has worked through problems that large donors face. Consulting legal and financial experts has given us experience to share. Donor support groups offer

personal support for finding out what you need to know in a friendly and private way. MRG staff is aware that these can be sensitive subjects and respect donors' requests for confidentiality.

For the last three years, McKenzie River Gathering has sponsored inherited wealth conferences, so people with interested resources can meet each other and discuss their feelings and ideas about dealing with wealth. Topics have included: taxes, giving money away, family, financial and legal experts, investments, loans, friends and spouses.

## How To Contribute:

McKenzie River Gathering has received gifts in the form of cash, checks, stock, property and trust agreements. In most situations, up to fifty percent of adjusted gross income can be exempted from tax by donating to McKenzie River Gathering, since it is a tax-exempt public foundation. Also, capital gains taxes need not be paid on appreciated stocks and property if given directly to MRG. Donors have worked out these details with MRG. Naturally, we suggest verifying details of arrangements made with your accountant or lawyer.

McKenzie River Gathering has trust agreements with individuals and incorporated donors. Trust terms can be designed to fit social change purposes and MRG's tax-exempt program.

It is very helpful if donors can pledge their support for upcoming years. Gifts made for specific amounts at specified times allow MRG to plan ahead more effectively. Pledges also help donors plan their giving.

A will protects our values as well as our assets. Each of us has particular goals for a will. Writing it challenges us to investigate

how some of our assets might change society for the better. A long-range bequest to McKenzie River Gathering can be part of that will.

## Finding New Donors:

Contributors to McKenzie River Gathering are often the best contacts for finding new donors. Friends or family members might want to join in giving or become involved in MRG donor activities like inherited wealth conferences, investment workshops and personal support groups. Or, you may wish to join one of the three local MRG fund-raising committees and help gather resources to grant to social change groups. Our donor base in the Northwest is larger than ever before and is growing.

In fact, if you have friends or family members in other parts of the United States who are interested in supporting progressive grant-making in their area, MRG can, as a member of the Funding Exchange, put them in touch with the nearest community-based, social change foundation. The national office of the Funding Exchange and other member funds have referred interested donors to us, and McKenzie River Gathering returns that assistance whenever possible. MRG can also help donors who wish to give on a national or international basis.

The strength of community-based foundations like the McKenzie River Gathering is its ability to grant money to effective local groups, while offering Northwest donors a connection to social change activists.



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# Financial Report

## BALANCE SHEET

June 30, 1981

### Assets

Current assets	
Cash on hand	\$ 313
Cash in bank—unrestricted	38,470
Cash in bank—restricted (Note 3)	1,345
Loans and note receivable, current (Note 2)	20,172
Total current assets	60,300
Loans and note receivable, long-term (Note 2)	64,736
Equipment, at cost (Note 1)	2,008
Less: accumulated depreciation (Note 1)	(291)
Total equipment	1,717
Total assets	<u>\$126,753</u>

### Liabilities and Fund Balances

Current liabilities	
Grants payable	\$ 16,850
Payroll taxes payable	1,531
Loans payable—restricted fund (Note 3)	5,200
Total current liabilities	23,581
Fund balances	
Restricted, West End Co-operative Fund (Note 3)	67,214
Investment in equipment	1,717
Unrestricted	34,241
Total fund balances	103,172
Total liabilities and fund balances	<u>\$126,753</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the statement.

## STATEMENT OF SUPPORT, REVENUES AND EXPENSES

for the twelve months ended June 30, 1981

Support and revenues	
Contributions	\$126,716
Interest and dividends	344
Restricted fund income (Note 3)	33,896
Grant returns	3,825
Other revenues	2,774
Total support and revenues	167,555
Direct expenses	
Grants made	76,361
Broker fees	1,238
Fund-raising expenses	5,759
Total direct expenses	83,358
Administrative expenses	
Salaries and wages	35,902
Rent	3,438
Telephone	3,356
Utilities	36
Postage	1,845
Office supplies	825
Copying and printing	1,889
Transportation	2,439
Meetings expense	1,924
Equipment maintenance and expense	367
Professional fees	2,431
Health insurance	1,704
Payroll taxes and insurance	1,010
Regional program	300
Miscellaneous expense	2,701
Depreciation (Note 1)	186
Restricted fund administration (Note 3)	174
Total administrative expenses	60,527
Total expenses	143,885
Excess (deficiency) of support and revenues over expenses	<u>\$ 23,670</u>



# STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES

for the twelve months ended June 30, 1981

	Restricted (Note 3)	Investment in equipment	Un- restricted	Total fund balances
Fund balances, July 1, 1980 . . . . .	\$33,492	\$ 20	\$ 45,990	\$ 79,502
Add—support and revenues . . . . .	33,896	—	133,659	167,555
Less—direct expenses —administrative expenses . . . . .	(174)	(186)	(83,358)	(83,358)
Fund transfers— equipment purchases . . . . .	—	1,883	(1,883)	—
Fund balances, June 30, 1981 . . . . .	<u>\$67,214</u>	<u>\$ 1,717</u>	<u>\$ 34,241</u>	<u>\$103,172</u>

## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

June 30, 1981

### Note 1—Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

**Organization**—McKenzie River Gathering is a non-profit publicly supported foundation exempt from income taxation under Internal Revenue Code Section 501(c)(3).

**Donated assets**—Assets received as contributions are stated at the fair market value of such assets at date of contribution.

**Equipment and depreciation**—Equipment is depreciated by the straight-line method of depreciation over the estimated useful life of the equipment.

### Note 2—Loans and Note Receivable

	Current (Due within one year)	Long- term	Total receivable
General—Unrestricted Loans, non- interest bearing . . . . .	\$13,085	—	\$13,085
Loans from West-End Co-Operative Fund bearing interest at 10% . . . . .	6,979	\$27,596	34,575
Note receivable obtained from Willamette People's Food Cooperative, 11% interest, secured by trust deed on real property (part of WEF fund) . . . . .	108	34,140	37,248
Totals . . . . .	<u>\$20,172</u>	<u>\$64,736</u>	<u>\$84,908</u>

### Note 3—Restricted Fund, West End Co-Operative Fund

In December, 1978, the West End General Store, Inc. executed a trust agreement with McKenzie River Gathering, as trustees, whereby McKenzie River Gathering subsequently received several trust properties to be used for charitable, educational or any other purpose within the scope of Internal Revenue Code Section 501(c)(3). It was the intention of the West End General Store that the trust fund be used for food-related purposes as long as practicable, preferably as a revolving loan fund. This fund is geographically restricted to Lane County, Oregon.

## PATRICK N. VENTURA

CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT

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The Board of Directors  
McKenzie River Gathering

I have examined the balance sheet of McKenzie River Gathering as of June 30, 1981 and the related statements of support, revenues and expenses and of changes in fund balances for the twelve months then ended. My examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, and accordingly included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as I considered necessary in the circumstances.

In my opinion, the aforementioned financial statements present fairly the financial position of McKenzie River Gathering as of June 30, 1981, and the results of its operations and the changes in its fund balances for the twelve months then ended, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles applied on a basis consistent with that of the preceding year.

Patrick N. Ventura

Eugene, Oregon  
September 17, 1981



# MRG Grants: December 1976 through June 1980

## Community Organizing

### Eugene

Amazon Community Tenants	\$220
Ashland Skills Bank	1,000
Cascadian Regional Library (2 grants)	4,275
Community Center for the Performing Arts (3 grants)	3,432
Community Enterprise School	300
Connections, Newport	820
Estuary Legal Fund	1,650
Eugene News Collective	675
Garbaggio's Recycling Project	1,500
Grower's Market Co-op Building (2 grants, 1 loan)	4,300
Full Moon Circle Birthing Co-op	3,115
Homestead, Inc. (2 grants)	1,320
Lane Coalition to Save Jobs	400
Lane County New American Movement	415
Lane Economic Development Council (5 grants)	5,900
New American Movement, Corvallis	500
Northwest Working Press (2 grants)	5,900
Oregon Food Action Coalition	1,000
Pacific Northwest Research Center (4 grants)	30,921
People to Preserve Agricultural Lands (2 grants)	1,700
Rainbow Films (1 grant, 1 loan)	800
Stand-up/Labor Action Committee (2 grants)	1,295
Siuslaw Rural Health Center (2 grants)	1,790
Upper Willamette Economic Development Corporation (3 grants)	3,150
Willamette Workers' Association (2 grants)	3,350
Whiteaker Neighborhood Community Council (loan)	12,000
Women's Graphics Collective (4 grants)	5,000
West End Co-operative Loan Fund:	
Riverbrook Farm (2 loans)	6,495
Miso production training (loan)	500

### Portland

ANPO Native American Spiritual Encampment (3 grants)	\$2,625
Black Educational Center (1 grant, 1 loan)	2,500
Burnside Community Council (2 grants)	1,800
Centro de Comunicaciones Ricardo Flores Magon	434
A Child's Place/Un Lugar Para Ninos (2 grants)	2,580
Collaborative Arts Workshop	150
Community Professionals	500
Family Circus Theater	1,500
Fannie Lou Hamer Health Clinic (2 grants)	4,800
Food Front A Real Good Food Store	510
Hunger Action Coalition	300
La Amistad Juvenil	500
Las Mujeres de Colores de Oregon (2 grants)	1,200
Lincoln's Cracker Barrel	900
Mid-Willamette Displaced Homemakers	500
Northwest Area Economic Development Credit Union	200
Oregon Feminist Federal Credit Union	1,300
Peoples' Press Co-op	600

Portland Black Repertory Theater (3 grants, 1 loan)	3,395
Portland Clergy and Laity Concerned	740
Portland Printing Press Co-op	1,200
Portland Tenants' Union (2 grants)	2,460
Sisters of the Road Cafe	1,000
Technical Assistance for Community Services	2,100
United Front Bookstore, Speakers' Program	500
WHO Farm (2 grants)	1,500
Women's Book Center (2 grants)	1,335

### Seattle

AIM for Freedom Defense Committee	\$400
American Friends Service Committee (2 grants)	2,825
Battered Women's Help Center, Blackfoot	600
Chilean Refugee Group	600
Coalition Against Apartheid	300
Coalition on Government Spying	1,070
Comite de Solidaridad con Pueblo Argentino	765
Committee to Bring the "Battle of Chile"	500
Committee to Overturn the Bakke Decision	500
Committee to Support South African Freedom (2 grants)	1,030
El Centro de la Raza (3 grants)	7,000
Feminist Karate Union	2,000
Friends of the Filipino People	4,000
Gay Community Center (3 grants)	1,275
Intertribal Berdache Society	950
July 26th Choreopoets	800
KRAB-FM (2 grants)	3,750
KADIMA (2 grants)	800
Left Bank Books, books for prisoners	1,000
Leonard Peltier Defense Committee	1,500
Lesbian Feminist Radio	500
Lesbian Mother Defense Fund	2,000
Lesbians of Color Caucus	500
Libreria Resistencia, books in Spanish	500
Mujer	1,700
Native American Solidarity Committee (2 grants)	3,700
Nez Perce Fishermen's Committee	600
Northwest Immigration Alliance (2 grants)	3,400
Northwest Network for Peace and Justice	3,900
Seattle Anti-Klan Network	500
Seattle Anti-Martial Law Alliance	300
Seattle Anti-Racist Organizing Committee (2 grants)	1,200
Seattle INFAC	2,000
Seattle National Lawyers' Guild	1,950
Seattle Non-Intervention in Chile (2 grants)	4,300
Sojourner Truth House	500
Southern Africa Solidarity Committee	1,000
Spokane Fellowship of Reconciliation	660
Strong Women's Conference	500
Texas Farmworkers' Support Committee	1,000
Through the Looking Glass, Women's Prison Project	450
Toolbox Nonviolence Training	2,500
Union of Democratic Filipinos	300
United Construction Workers' Association	2,000
University of Washington Out of South Africa Committee	386
Venceremos Brigade, Films on Cuba	1,680



Walla Walla Brothers Support Committee	500
War Resisters League	500
Washington Coalition for Sexual Minority Rights	250
Washington Prisoners' Journal	200
Washington State Penitentiary Native American Prisoner Support Group (2 grants)	1,000
Washington State University Gay Peoples' Alliance	440
Yakima Valley Immigration Project	1,625
Zimbabwe Action Campaign	300

## Human Rights

### Portland

American Friends Service Committee, South Africa work (2 grants)	\$1,225
American Indian Movement (3 grants)	5,600
Baba Yaga, a women's jazz band	500
Black United Front	1,000
Bradley-Angle House, Shelter	500
Chicano Affairs Center	200
Chile Democratico (2 grants)	2,425
Clatsop County Women's Crisis Service (2 grants)	3,500
Coalition Against Sexist Advertising	420
Coalition for Battered Women	1,300
Coalition for Victim's Rights	1,000
Colegio Cesar Chavez (2 grants)	4,290
Columbia County Women's Resource Center (2 grants)	2,800
Community Coalition for School Integration	350
Community Law Project (2 grants)	3,450
General Emergency Services	800
Human/Civil Rights Coalition	230
International Women's Day Art and Action Committee	150
Men's Resource Center (2 grants)	3,000
Mountain Moving Community Center	2,400
National Lawyers' Guild	3,130
Newman Foundation, peace conference	500
Northwest Minority Contractors Association (loan)	1,000
Oregon Fair Share, Albina Chapter	500
Oregon Coalition Against the Draft	1,800
Parting, Inc., restraining order handbook	600
Portland Birth Center	300
Portland Coalition for a Free Chile	2,800
Portland Committee Against Racism	500
Portland Committee to Support Prisoners	600
Portland Military and Veterans' Counseling Center (2 grants)	5,200
Portland National Lawyers' Guild/Fred Hampton Memorial Peoples' Health Clinic	887.14
Portland Nicaragua Support Committee	75
Radical Women	900
Rape Relief Hotline	500
United Indian Women (2 grants)	2,300
Ursa Minor Choir	1,800
Vancouver Women's Center (2 grants)	1,900

Willamette Valley Law Project, Immigration project (5 grants, 1 loan)	12,540
Winston Shelter House, Salem	2,300
Women's Mental Health Project	1,800
Women's Night Watch (loan)	195

### Eugene

Coos County Women's Center	\$500
Battered Persons' Advocacy (2 grants)	3,150
Clergy and Laity Concerned of Lane County (6 grants)	14,780
Chicano Affairs Center (3 grants)	2,770
Coalition Opposing Registration and the Draft (3 grants)	3,350
Eugene Committee for a Free Clinic (6 grants)	4,691
Footlight Faggots and Lesbian Thespians	2,000
Friends of Myra Willard Committee	800
Gertrude's Women's Community Center	1,500
Hands Across the Wall	650
Illinois Valley Women's Resource Center	900
Indian Economic Development, Inc.	1,000
Infant Formula Action Coalition	500
Iranian-American Friendship Association	500
Jackrabbit Press (2 grants)	1,700
Jackson County Task Force on Household Violence (2 grants)	2,000
Korea Information Action Project	1,440
March 1st Coalition	275
MICA, Treasure Valley Immigration Counseling Service	1,500
Native American Issues Committee	500
Native American Women's Support Group	400
Pacific Rim Economic Project (2 grants)	1,500
People for Southern African Freedom (2 grants)	1,300
Rape Crisis Network	1,100
Southern Oregon Indian Research (2 grants)	3,000
Sponsors, Inc. (1 grant, 1 loan)	2,700
Survivors Affected by the Vietnam Experience (3 grants)	2,400
Wallflower Order Dancers (3 grants)	3,250
Women's Coalition of Josephine County	1,200
Women's Press (3 grants)	2,000
Womenspace, Shelter House (5 grants)	4,100

### Seattle

Across the Lines Caucus	\$1,620
Alaska Cannery Workers' Association (5 grants)	12,600
Alligator Palace Vaudeville Theatre	1,000
Aradia Women's Health Clinic	650
Bay Area Military Studies Group, NW Bureau of <i>Enlisted Times</i>	3,400
Capitol Hill Community Council	1,000
Cascade Community Center	1,000
Central Seattle Community Health Centers	1,700
Cherry Hill Coalition	400
Financial Institution Employees of America, Labor and community Relations Department	470
Food Education for Action	1,000
International District Housing Alliance (3 grants)	3,800
<i>International Examiner</i> (3 grants)	6,020
Kingstreet Media Works	800
Lesbian Resource Center	2,000



Liberation News Service, NW Researcher	1,000
May 17th Planning Committee	485
National Coalition to Support Indian Treaties	800
Northwest Alternative Food System	1,980
Northwest Institute for Community Development	500
Northwest Provender Alliance	1,000
Northwest Teamster Education	4,000
Out and About	500
Paul Robeson Community Theatre Group	2,000
Philippine National Day Organizing Committee	600
Pragtree Farm	1,000
Puget Sound Conversion Project	1,000
Radio Cadena	3,000
Renters and Owners Organized for Fairness	1,800
Sea-King Media Access, audio production project	2,000
Seattle Tenants' Union	2,200
Seattle Working Women (2 grants)	3,400
South End Seattle Community Organization	650
South Seattle Women's Network	1,500
Storefront Press	1,000
Theatrical Reconstruction Company (2 grants)	650
Tilth	500
Tinig ng Pilipino (2 grants)	2,775
United Indians of All Tribes Foundation	500
Women Acting Together	500
Yakima Self-Help Organization	800

## Energy and Environment

### Eugene

Citizens Against Toxic Sprays (2 grants)	\$9,600
Coastal Communities for Responsible Forestry (3 grants)	1,951
Groundwork, Inc.	2,500
Hands in the Earth	300
Idaho Citizens Coalition	5,000
Josephine's Environment Matters (3 grants)	2,550
Northwest Coalition for Alternatives to Pesticides (7 grants)	22,744.15
Northwest Forestry Workers Organizing Committee (2 grants)	4,770
Nuclear CounterBalance	1,400
People Concerned About Liquid Natural Gas, Newport	2,500
Power Research Group (4 grants)	11,500
Radiation Education Council	500
Snake River Alliance (2 grants)	4,500
Southern Oregon Citizens Against Toxic Sprays (2 grants)	2,500
Trojan Decommissioning Alliance (8 grants)	6,735
Uranium Resistance Coalition	1,500
Vortex II	100
WILPF Cottage Grove, Anti-Herbicide Committee	1,000

### Portland

Centenary Wilbur, Trojan Refueling Legal Action	\$450
Center for Energy Research (3 grants)	2,250
Citizens Anti-Nuclear Development League	1,060
Citizens for a Healthy County	1,500

Citizens for Progressive Forestry (3 grants)	8,600
Columbia Alliance for Safe Energy (2 grants)	550
Columbia Environmental Council (3 grants)	3,000
Ecumenical Ministries of Oregon	350
Forelaws on Board (1 grant, 1 loan)	2,400
Hanford Conversion Project (4 grants)	15,000
Multnomah County Legal Aid	200
Nerve Gas Task Force	500
Northwest Committee on the Effects of Radiation/ NW Association of Atomic Veterans (3 grants)	3,550
Oregon Energy Independence Coalition	600
People for Peaceful Power	815
Portland Sun	300
Ratepayers Union	1,200
Safe Energy Today and Tomorrow	600
Sunflower Recycling (loan)	1,000
Trojan Decommissioning Alliance (4 grants, 1 loan)	6,660
Trojan Refueling Project	800
Uranium Resistance Coalition (2 grants)	500

### Seattle

Chimacum Watershed Association	\$500
Council for a Greater Everett	1,500
Crabshell Alliance (3 grants)	3,350
Ecotope/Women in Solar	500
EGAD, anti-nuke education	2,500
Ground Zero Center for Nonviolent Action	25
Indians Into Communications Association	500
Light Brigade (3 grants)	5,000
Live Without Trident (5 grants)	7,275
Methow Valley Citizens	500
Methow Valley Film	500
Native American Solidarity Committee	1,700
Preservation of Mount Tolman Alliance	500

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