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Dedication
To the memory of Benjamin Linder and to his family and other activists carrying on the spirit of Ben’s commitment to the self-determination of the Central American people. ¡Ben Linder, Presente! (Photo/Richard Brown)

About the Cover
Photos from organizations representing MRG’s major issue areas. (top) Peace and Solidarity: The Oregon tour of Madeline West, from Nicaragua’s Atlantic Coast, was sponsored by Witness for Peace. (bottom left) Human Rights: Migrant workers hold SALUD literature on pesticide hazards. (bottom right) Environment and Community Organizing: KMUN-FM trainee represents station’s commitment to giving social change groups access to the air waves. Photos/Witness for Peace, Helga Motley, KMUN.

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Introduction

It is with great pleasure that the McKenzie River Gathering Foundation (MRG) presents this annual report which marks the beginning of our second decade of funding grassroots activist work in Oregon.

As Oregon’s social change foundation, MRG serves as both resource and catalyst for groups and projects organizing in support of peace, human rights and environmental concerns.

During the past year, MRG’s Grantmaking Committee of community activists made 50 grants to organizations working on projects addressing the most critical social and political issues of our times.

The work of MRG grantees creatively addresses fundamental problems facing the nation and the world today. In 1986-87, MRG funded Oregon groups fighting for the rights of low-income people, undocumented workers, gays and lesbians, people of color and women. Other grantees worked to challenge U.S. intervention in Central America, nuclear weapons technology, apartheid in South Africa and environmental destruction. These projects are only a brief sample of the work that was made possible by the commitment and generosity of MRG supporters.

MRG continues to be a dynamic organization fueled by a unique partnership between activists and donors dedicated to supporting and promoting a comprehensive progressive agenda.

As you review the work of the organizations included in this annual report, we know you will share our excitement over the depth, the seriousness and the quality of grassroots activism in Oregon today.

Internally, this past year has been a time of change and growth for MRG. From the hiring of a new Development Director, to the initiation of an ambitious long-range planning process, the year’s progress has been an exciting taste of what challenges and possibilities MRG’s second decade will hold.

To inaugurate our second decade, MRG opened a Portland office in March 1987. Staffed by Deb Ross, our new Development Director, this office will increase MRG’s statewide visibility and enhance the foundation’s accessibility to donors and grantees. Linda Reymer’s, MRG’s Program Director, will continue to work from the Eugene office. Our Eugene location will be the mailing address for all correspondence and donations. We have been encouraged by the enthusiastic response to our Portland presence and look forward to increasing our outreach to new donors and to possible grantees through this expansion.

MRG’s mission is to channel resources to grassroots organizations working for social change. The need for funding has never been greater. This past year, the work of MRG has been made possible by the support of 300 donors and volunteers. It is the commitment of these individuals which sustains MRG and much of the grassroots activism alive in Oregon today.

As MRG starts its second decade, we re dedicate ourselves to the fight for social justice and environmental sanity in this country. We will continue to fund work that searches out and confronts the source of society’s problems, not just the symptoms.

MRG is a community foundation, a foundation that belongs to the progressive community of Oregon. We offer this annual report to you, donors and activists united by a vision of a world in which social and economic justice prevail and where societies are built on cooperation and the conservation of our natural resources. Please join us in the coming year as we continue to build on the strong base of progressive work outlined in these pages. Together, we will bring about genuine and lasting social change.

Members of Pineros y Campestros Unidos del Noroeste gather in a mid-valley orchard.
(Photo/PCUN)
The Funding Process

The MRG funding process is designed to involve grantmakers and grant applicants in constructive, evaluative dialogue.

MRG’s funding cycles occur semi-annually, in the fall and in the spring. Application forms and funding criteria are distributed to progressive groups throughout Oregon at the beginning of each funding cycle (by September 5th and February 15th). Appropriate organizations that have contacted MRG’s Eugene office or have been identified by MRG members receive applications. They are also sent to grantees from the previous two funding cycles.

The grantmaking committee, which consists of activists in the issues MRG funds, reads and evaluates each of the applications submitted. The grantmakers then meet to share their evaluations and determine the funding cycle finalists.

An MRG grantmaker visits or calls each finalist. The interviewee asks for additional information on the group’s proposal, answers any questions about MRG’s funding process, and offers assistance in the group’s preparation for its oral presentation to the MRG grantmaking committee.

“Presentation Day” is a unique and important part of MRG’s grantmaking cycle. At these meetings, representatives of each applicant group give a brief description of their project and then answer questions from the grantmakers and other applicants. Presentation Day provides a rare opportunity for activists in a range of issues from throughout the state to learn from each others’ work. Participants leave with a sense of the dynamism, success, and potential of Oregon’s social change community.

The grantmakers meet after the presentations to decide on the final grantee roster and grant amounts. Grant recommendations made by the committee are submitted to the MRG Board of Directors for approval.

Grantees submit a project evaluation report at the end of their grant term (usually six months to a year). Their report is a part of the group’s field interview if they should become a finalist in a future funding cycle. No new grant can be made unless the evaluation report on their past grant has been submitted.

MRG’s funding process is one of the few in the nation giving grantees the opportunity to directly address the actual funding decision-makers. We believe this democratic process benefits both our grantees and MRG’s grantmaking process.

The Granting Criteria

MRG 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 creating a peaceful, just, and environmentally sound society.

MRG will only consider proposals for funding from groups:

- Working actively for social change.
- Operating in a democratic manner which is responsible to the constituency served.
- Located in the state of Oregon.
- Unlikely to receive sufficient funding from other sources.
- Incorporating affirmative action goals in the group’s composition and work.

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, and homophobia.
- Organize for economic justice.
- Work to promote environmentally sound practices.
- Focus on non-violent social change actions.
- Encourage networking of similar social change groups.
- Support the self-determination of all nations and peoples.
- Oppose over-consumption in our society.
- Connect local problems with the overall issues of social change.
- Work for nuclear disarmament and against militarism.
- Present cultural and artistic work with social change impact.
- Conduct social change research.

MRG generally does not fund co-ops, health centers, alternative schools, or social service agencies unless these projects are promoting social change beyond their basic function. We cannot fund lobbying on behalf of political candidates, ballot initiatives, or legislative bills.
Grantees

Lesbian Community Project contingent in Portland’s Gay and Lesbian Pride March. (Photo/LCP)

I. Human Rights:

Black United Fund of Oregon, Portland, $1,400. Black United Funds support projects important to Black communities through payroll deduction programs. MRG provided support for Oregon’s developing BUF at the crucial stage preceding financial self-sufficiency.

CALYX, Corvallis, $1,000. CALYX, a feminist literary journal, received support for their special Asian-American issue. This anthology is being guest edited by Asian-American women and continues CALYX’s commitment to publishing voices that go unheard in mainstream publications.

Clergy and Laity Concerned, Eugene, $1,400. Support was given for a Racism Free Zone project focusing on the Eugene school system. The project involves school board members, teachers, and parents and includes curriculum development and in-service workshops for school district employees.

Center for Farmworker Services, Woodburn, $1,000. The choices too often faced by many Latino workers are poverty and hunger in Mexico, government military terror in El Salvador and Guatemala, or leaving their homelands for the U.S. MRG funding assisted CFS, formerly the Willamette Valley Immigration Project, in contending with the dramatic increase in their work due to the new immigration legalization program.

Church Women United in Oregon, Portland, $500. CWU was given funding to complete their video, “Signs and Signals: Conversations in Color,” which consists of interviews with Oregon Asian, Black and Latina women. The video is being used to educate church women throughout the state on racism in Oregon and to stimulate their involvement in “undoing racism” advocacy projects.

Coos Co. Women’s Crisis Services, Coos Bay, $750. This organization provides crisis intervention and public education on domestic and sexual violence issues for three southwestern counties—a region experiencing prolonged economic recession. MRG provided interim support while they replaced income lost from government cutbacks with more stable funding sources.

Eugene Big Mountain Support, Eugene, $1,400. This Native American-led group’s grant project included public education and material aid fundraising. Their work is in support of the Hopi and Navajo people facing removal from their traditional homelands in order to allow unrestricted corporate coal and uranium mining.

Gay and Lesbian Alliance, Roseburg, $1,075. MRG supported expansion of GALA’s membership through fundraising mailings and newsletters, and networking to assist development of other rural lesbian and gay groups.

Harney’s Hope, Burns, $1,060. HHOPE confronts domestic and sexual violence in conservative rural Eastern Oregon, an area of personal and physical isolation for many women. MRG’s grant for their newsletter helped produce a tripling of their client calls, and a 44% increase in volunteers.

In the Spirit of John Adams, Logsden, $1,400. John Adams was a Siletz Indian who fought to maintain his tribe’s cultural identity and lands before federal decertification of the Siletz. This group’s research proposal, focusing on rediscovery of the sacred sites and traditional practices of the Siletz, benefits seven related coastal tribes and serves as a model nationally for Native Americans challenging cultural genocide.
Lakota Oyate-Ki, Salem, $1,000. MRG funded the annual publication of the Native American club at the Oregon State Prison. As the only publication written from within the walls of OSP, the club is committed to providing a cross-cultural voice for all people of color, lesbian/gays, and women confined there.

Lavendar Network, Eugene, $1,400. MRG provided seed money establishing an office for this lesbian and gay publication. The office houses a resource library and community council, and enhances the Network’s ability to increase their advertising revenue.

Lesbian Community Project, Portland, $1,400. LCP is a multi-cultural, multi-issue group organizing the lesbian community for internal empowerment and to join with other groups working for social justice. MRG gave LCP a “matching grant” which facilitated the development of their self-sufficiency fundraising program.

Northwest Big Mountain Support, Portland, $1,370. This group was formed for an educational and fundraising effort to aid 12,000 Navaho and Hopi people threatened with forced relocation. MRG supported maintenance of their office, which serves the Portland community and links Big Mountain support groups regionally and nationally.

Pineros y Campesinos Unidos del Noreste, Woodburn, $1,000. PCUN works to improve the substandard living and working conditions of Mexican and Chicano farmworkers, treeplanters, and nursery workers. Their grant sponsored a bilingual volunteer program designed to respond to the tripling of the organization’s work because of the new immigration law.

Portland Feminist Women’s Health Center, Portland, $1,400. The Center is engaged in a lawsuit to prevent harassment of their clients by right-wing anti-abortion forces. MRG funding was for expenses, excluding attorney fees, involved in this effort to protect women’s privacy and access to health care.

Rape Crisis Network, Eugene, $1,052 and $1,000. RCN received funding for a public outreach campaign to underserved communities: people of color, rural residents, low-income people, and the disabled. RCN’s campaign involved working with representatives of these communities to develop culturally sensitive programs that are specific to the needs of the women served.

SALUD, Jacksonville, $1,400 and $1,400. Funding sponsored a bi-lingual outreach staff person whose work includes 1) educating migrant laborers about pesticide exposure problems, 2) assisting educational efforts about the new immigration law, and 3) helping to organize the SALUD-initiated alliance of all groups active in the Southern Oregon farmworker community.

Teatro Nuestro, Eugene, $1,400. Teatro’s recent theatrical production alerting migrant workers to the dangers of pesticide exposure toured nine Oregon migrant camps. MRG funded videotaping of the production, thereby making it available to the many additional communities and organizations requesting it.

Valley Lesbian Organizing Committee, Salem, $500. MRG provided seed money for this new group. Their organizing focuses on countering the isolation and homophobia experienced by lesbians in the conservative mid-valley region.
II. Peace and Solidarity

American Friends Service Committee Southern Africa Program, Portland, $1,400. MRG funded development of the Pacific Northwest portion of a national South Africa emergency response network and an educational campaign to stop movement of South African cargo to and from West Coast ports.

Central American Action Committee, Toledo, $500. General support was given to this coastal group involved in educating the public, responding to human rights abuses, and fundraising for humanitarian aid to Central America.

Committee for a Conference on the Middle East, Portland, $1,400. A coalition of Arab, Jewish, and other progressive groups received support for a three-day October conference. “Just Peace: Building an Alliance for Middle East Peace.” The conference focused on developing an ongoing movement to encourage Arab-Jewish dialogue on mid-east peace.

Committee for Self-Determination in Central America, Bandon, $500. Funding supported the educational program of this organization working to broaden southern coastal residents’ perspective on Central America.

Committee in Solidarity with the Central American People, Eugene, $1,400. CISCAP’s campaign to systematically build and sustain local Central American anti-intervention work was supported by MRG. The campaign raised donations for humanitarian aid and developed a network responding to human rights violations in Central America.

Draft and Pre-Enlistment Counseling Project, Eugene, $1,400. The project’s workload has increased significantly because of their success in convincing the Eugene school district to provide counter-recruitment counselors the same access to schools as the military. MRG’s grant was for educational outreach, counselor training, and counseling of youth and parents.

Interfaith Sanctuary Network, Eugene, $1,400 and $1,400. Seventy percent of the Salvadoreans and Guatemalans fleeing government-sponsored violence in their countries do not meet the requirements of the new immigration law. MRG funding supported IFN, a group of Central and North Americans, whose public education work with religious groups, rural residents, and schools has taken on new urgency because of the threat to the refugee community posed by the law.
No-GWEN Alliance, Eugene, $1,400. The GWEN communication system is proposed by the U.S. Air Force as part of their nuclear war technology. No-GWEN received funding to continue their success in 1) stopping placement of a GWEN tower in Eugene, 2) helping reduce the federal GWEN appropriation by 85%, and 3) serving as a resource for groups in Oregon and other states challenging construction of GWEN towers and the consequent targeting of their communities for nuclear attack.

November 29th Committee for Palestine, Portland, $1,400. MRG helped fund a “Twenty Years of Occupation” campaign. This series of six events educated the public on the effects of Israeli occupation on Palestinians living on the West Bank and Gaza strip.

Oregon Committee in Solidarity with the People of El Salvador, Eugene, $1,400. Oregon CISPEES works to increase the effectiveness of local Central America solidarity groups throughout the state. Funding provided technical assistance to local committees, developed new groups, and increased the network’s fundraising effectiveness.

Portland Central America Solidarity Committee, Portland, $1,400. PCASC’s strength comes from its volunteer, grassroots base. MRG funding was used to develop this strength through a program recruiting new members and activating their existing 400 volunteers more effectively.

Portland Labor Committee on Central America and the Caribbean, Portland, $1,000. PLCCAC concentrates on building labor opposition to U.S. intervention in Central America. Their grant was for publication of a booklet outlining the AFL-CIO’s active collaboration with U.S. government programs destabilizing legitimate popular movements in Central America.

Salem Committee on Latin America, Salem, $1,000. Funding supported SCOLA’s staffperson who coordinates their public education and coalition-building efforts. A major emphasis of this project is developing the group’s work with the mid-valley Latino community.

Witness for Peace, Eugene, $1,400 and $1,400. This group organizes delegations traveling to Nicaraguan war zones who return to their communities with first-hand reports on U.S.-sponsored Contra activity. MRG grants supported efforts to involve representatives of communities of color in their delegations.

III. Environment and Community Organizing:

Friends of Cathedral Forest, Eugene, $800. Less than 10% of Oregon’s old-growth forests remain intact. MRG funded publication of information packets educating the public about the need for protecting the remaining old-growth “Cathedral Forests.”

_Burning of a symbolic passport by activists in the AFSC Southern Africa Program. (Photo/AFSC)_
Grantees

**Headwaters, Grants Pass, $1,400 and $1,000.** Headwaters has pursued several dozen timber appeals as a strategy to prevent clearcutting and the subsequent use of forest herbicides. MRG supported 1) publication of a "how to" packet on timber sale appeal procedures, and 2) development of a multi-media presentation educating mainstream organizations about the ways in which timber corporations, subsidized by federal timber sales, are destroying the resource base essential to regional economic diversification.

**KMUN-FM, Astoria, $1,400.** KMUN received funding to expand their project linking national public affairs programming with the organizing work of North Coast social change groups. Sample programs included: Ku Klux Klan Watch, Who are the Contras, and Paranoia in American Politics.

**Lane County Clients Council, Eugene, $1,400.** MRG supported this low-income organizing group's public education and coalition-building efforts. Workshops on conflict resolution and "Undoing Racism" were a part of their efforts to develop organizing effectiveness.

**New Jewish Agenda, Portland, $1,000.** The Portland NJA is one of this progressive national organization's most active chapters. MRG funding was for their newsletter which covers issues including racism, Central America, nuclear disarmament, and Arab and Jewish dialogue over the mid-east.

**Oregon Human Rights Coalition, Beaverton, $1,400.** OHRIC organizes low-income people to participate in the public decision-making processes that affect their lives. MRG funded a project to expand and diversify the racial and geographic composition of this group.

**Oregon People for Prison Alternatives, Eugene, $1,400.** Oregon has the second highest national rate of incarceration of people of color. MRG provided general support for this multi-racial coalition empowering women to confront the prison system policies that effect their families' lives.

**Siskiyou Regional Education Project, Ashland, $1,400 and $1,400.** This project provides a voice for the environmental, economic, and social concerns of Southern Oregon activist organizations and individuals. These grants helped sponsor a weekly documentary program, a bimonthly magazine, and a membership development campaign.

**Waldo Wilderness Council, Eugene, $1,000.** Waldo Lake is the purest lake on earth. MRG supported a program encouraging public involvement in the formation of the Forest Service's plan for the Waldo Region—a plan which could affect the area through the end of the next century.

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*Wilderness protection is the goal of MRG grantees Waldo Wilderness Council and Friends of Cathedral Forest. (Photo/Oregon Natural Resources Council)*
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### II. Totals

- **Total Funding Cycle Grants**: $60,962.00
- **Total Donor Advised Grants**: $219,686.00
- **Total Grants for FY 1986/87**: $280,648.00
Donor Information

How can I make the most informed, strategic decisions on which social change groups to give my money to?

How can I possibly prioritize one issue over other important issues?

How can I have assurance that my donation will be used effectively and as specified by the group I want to fund?

How can I maintain anonymity in making my donations?

Oregon donors have these and other philanthropic concerns answered by giving to MRG. They participate in funding progressive social change through MRG because:

- One gift supports many issues and groups.
- Our grantmaking committee’s decisions are informed by their collective expertise as activists representing the issues MRG funds.
- MRG’s grantmaking process elicits the information needed to make the most strategic and viable grants.
- Many of Oregon’s most effective groups and important issues have gotten off the ground because of seed grants from MRG.
- The grant project and its effectiveness are monitored by grant reports, which also serve as one basis for evaluating any future funding requests from that grantee.
- MRG supporters retain their privacy as donors.

While our grantmaking process is the major service MRG provides, we also assist our donors in other ways. MRG administers and evaluates “donor-advised” gifts, in which the donor nominates grantees. As in any MRG grant, donor anonymity is assured and grants are monitored. MRG staff can help donors identify groups doing effective work in the areas of the donor’s concerns.

MRG will continue to sponsor meetings and events addressing specific donor interests. These include formal and informal groups addressing social change, personal and money issues affecting people with inherited wealth or surplus earned income.

MRG has played a pioneering role in informing Oregonians about Socially Responsible Investing (SRI). We sponsored the two major statewide SRI conferences, which were among the most successful nationally. An educational and networking organization, SRI/Northwest, was an outgrowth of the most recent conference. MRG, in conjunction with SRI/NW, will be offering future SRI conferences and workshops of interest to investors and investment professionals. A national SRI directory, published by the Funding Exchange, and MRG’s own Northwest Socially Responsible Investing Directory are available from the foundation.

Last year, donors supporting MRG with both large and small donations enabled us to distribute $280,000 in grants ($60,000 through our funding cycles and $220,000 in donor-advised gifts). While that’s a lot of money, the funding needs of our state’s peace, human rights, and environmental protection groups are, of course, much greater. MRG is committed to growth because of the important role we play in contributing to the development and success of these groups. Please contact either of our offices if you’re interested in learning more about MRG and how you can support progressive social change in Oregon.

Teatro Nuestro performing one of their musical numbers.
(Photograph courtesy of Teatro Nuestro)
While MRG may be unlike most foundations, we are not unique—not in our social change perspective nor in our source of financial support nor in our activist grantmaking committee. In fact, MRG is a founding member of the Funding Exchange, a national network of regionally-based, similarly structured social change foundations. The Funding Exchange works to strengthen member funds through skills sharing, technical assistance, and development projects. It seeks to expand the number of community-based foundations by assisting developing funds in Appalachia, Baltimore, Minneapolis/St. Paul, Southwest Ohio, and Wisconsin. In addition to MRG, other members of the Funding Exchange and the regions they serve are:

- Bread and Roses Community Fund, Philadelphia
- Crossroads Fund, Chicago
- Fund for Southern Communities, Georgia, North Carolina, and South Carolina
- Haymarket People’s Fund, New England
- Liberty Hill Foundation, Southern California
- Live Oak Fund, Texas
- North Star Fund, New York City
- Vanguard Public Foundation, San Francisco Bay Area

We would like to see social change foundations develop in every region of the country. Meanwhile, there are local and national projects that cannot be supported by existing Funding Exchange members. These projects are, however, eligible for grants from the Funding Exchange’s National Community Funds (NCF) program. NCF staff advise individual donors in grantmaking and provide a central clearinghouse for local and national proposals. By administering grants for 120 donor-advised funds last year, NCF distributed more than $3,000,000 to a wide range of national and international projects, and to grassroots organizations outside the regions of its member funds.

Ways To Contribute To MRG

Because MRG is not an endowed foundation, we must continually raise money for ongoing grantmaking. There are many ways for you to make tax-exempt contributions to MRG:

- **Cash**—MRG will provide a receipt for tax purposes for any cash donations.
- **Checks**—Please make your checks payable to MRG.
- **Pledge**—Gifts pledged for pre-determined amounts monthly, quarterly or semi-annually assist MRG’s planning.
- **Stocks and Property**—There are very favorable tax consequences in giving appreciated stocks and/or property directly to MRG.

- **Office Equipment**—MRG needs an IBM compatible computer, a typewriter, new office equipment, and furniture; non-cash gifts are tax-deductible.
- **Donor Agreements**—Agreement terms with individuals or incorporated donors can be designed to fit donor purposes and MRG’s tax-exempt program.
- **Endowments**—We are hoping to become a partially-endowed, public foundation and have prepared ourselves to manage long-range resources.

When appropriate, we suggest verifying details of specific arrangements with your accountant or lawyer as we do at MRG. MRG staff and development committee members are always available for consulting as you plan for your giving.
Bill Lutz has worked in a wide range of progressive organizations in Oregon since 1973. He was the Development Director of Lane County Clergy and Laity Concerned and coordinator of the Oregon Committee in Solidarity with the People of El Salvador (CISPES) before moving to San Francisco to fundraise for the western region of CISPES.

Mary Sellin owns a small business. She works on environmental and women’s issues and is involved in KMUN-FM, the North Coast progressive community radio station.

Howard Shapiro is a management and marketing consultant with a special interest in linking socially responsible philanthropy with socially responsible investing.

Cathy Siemens is the director of the Lesbian Community Project. She works from a multicultural, multi-issue feminist perspective to link social change issues.

Karen Timenwa is a Native American activist who works on Big Mountain support and runs sweat lodges at the Oregon State Women’s Prison. She has been involved with Native American Consortium, Rape Crisis Network, Clergy and Laity Concerned, and Peace House.

Grantmaking Committee:

Tom Bowerman is a designer-builder who specializes in small energy-efficient homes and sustainable living systems.

Guy Burton is the Development Director of Clergy and Laity Concerned and staffperson for the Committee in Solidarity with the Central American People. He has been active in disarmament issues, Big Mountain support, and racial justice program work.

Bill Farver is a lawyer and staff assistant to a Multnomah County Commissioner. He is involved in alternative education issues and Central American solidarity work.

Paquita Garatca is a graduate student in history at Portland State University and is active in anti-apartheid, Latino, and Afro-American issues. She is coordinator for the Board of Hispanic Affairs and chair of the Minority International Student Advisory Board, both at PSU.
Bobbi Gary (see Board of Directors).

Vic La Course, active in Native American issues for thirty years, works as a health programs advocate for 39 Northwest tribes. His nuclear disarmament work has included involvement with Asian-Pacific, radiation victims, and toxic waste issues.

Avel Gordly (see Board of Directors).

Dian Million is a political poet active in Native American and lesbian-feminist issues. She has worked with Red Spirit Creations, the Lesbian Community Project, Las Mujeres de Colores, Bradley-Angle House, and United Indian Women.

Jawea Mocabee has been involved in racial justice, women’s, and lesbian rights issues since 1968. She is currently active in the Valley Lesbian Organizing Project and has done support work for the United Farmworkers Union, Black and Native American groups, and political legal cases.

Judy Murase is active in peace work and in issues affecting communities of color. She is involved in the Japanese American Action League, the Buddhist Peace Fellowship, and an organization addressing the affirmative action practices of Portland-area public agencies.

Cynde Peirhats has been active in feminist organizations and Central American Solidarity work. She recently helped develop a community center for a coalition of progressive Corvallis groups.

Norman Riddle is involved in Native American issues and low-income organizing. He works with Clergy and Laity Concerned, Oregon Human Rights Coalition, Siskiyou Regional Education Project, and Native American Consortium.

Cheyney Ryan teaches at the University of Oregon and is involved in anti-militarism work and trade union organizing. His participation in local theater includes work with Teatro Nuestro, a bilingual theater group addressing migrant worker issues.

Cathy Siemens (see Board of Directors).

Karen Timentwa (see Board of Directors).

Debra Young is active in issues affecting the Black community. She has worked with Ebenezer Eyes and Clergy and Laity Concerned.

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Mark Bouvier
Jack Gray
Mary Heffernan
Carsten Henningsen
Mary Hotchkiss
Ellie Knapp
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Doug Sherman
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Staff
Linda Reymer, Program Director
Debra Ross, Development Director

MRG grantmaking committee members
(Photograph by Linda Reymer)
# Financial Report

## McKenzie River Gathering Foundation

### BALANCE SHEET

**June 30, 1987**

**ASSETS**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Description</th>
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<tr>
<td>Cash in bank—unrestricted</td>
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<td>Cash in bank—restricted</td>
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<td>Loans receivable, current (Note 3)</td>
<td>12,954</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Total current assets</strong></td>
<td><strong>166,082</strong></td>
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<td>Loans receivable, long-term (Note 3)</td>
<td>70,851</td>
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<td>Investment property—donated real estate (Note 4)</td>
<td>12,000</td>
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<tr>
<td>Equipment and furnishings (Note 1)</td>
<td>5,468</td>
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<td>Less: accumulated depreciation (Note 1)</td>
<td>(1,857)</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Net fixed assets</strong></td>
<td><strong>3,611</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Total assets</strong></td>
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**LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES**

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<td>Payroll taxes payable</td>
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<td>Grants payable—funding cycle</td>
<td>27,672</td>
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<td>Grants payable—donor-advised</td>
<td>21,400</td>
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<td><strong>Total current liabilities</strong></td>
<td><strong>50,461</strong></td>
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<td>Restricted, West End Co-operative Fund</td>
<td>86,288</td>
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<td>Restricted, Office renovation</td>
<td>1,181</td>
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<td>Investment in equipment</td>
<td>3,611</td>
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<td>Unrestricted—Undesignated</td>
<td>$33,908</td>
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<tr>
<td>—Designated for donor-advised grant purposes (Note 2)</td>
<td>77,095</td>
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<td><strong>Total fund balances</strong></td>
<td><strong>202,083</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Total liabilities and fund balances</strong></td>
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## McKenzie River Gathering Foundation

### STATEMENT OF SUPPORT, REVENUES AND EXPENSES

**For the Year Ended June 30, 1987**

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<th>Description</th>
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<td>Support and revenues</td>
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<td>Contributions—undesignated</td>
<td>$119,13</td>
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<td>Contributions—donor-advised</td>
<td>210,87</td>
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<td>Interest—restricted fund</td>
<td>6</td>
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<td>Interest—undesignated</td>
<td>5,76</td>
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<td>Other revenues</td>
<td>2,33</td>
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<td>Donor-advised administrative charge</td>
<td>2,29</td>
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<td>Gain on sale of securities</td>
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<td><strong>Total support and revenues</strong></td>
<td><strong>$340,46</strong></td>
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<td>Direct expenses</td>
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<td>Grants made—general</td>
<td>60,96</td>
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<td>Grants made—donor-advised</td>
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<td>Broker fees</td>
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<td>Fundraising expense</td>
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<td><strong>Total direct expenses</strong></td>
<td><strong>285,26</strong></td>
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<td>Administrative expenses</td>
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<td>Salaries and wages</td>
<td>31,04</td>
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<td>Rent</td>
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<td>Telephone</td>
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<td>Staff child care</td>
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<td>Payroll taxes and insurance</td>
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<td>Postage</td>
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<td>Staff transportation</td>
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<td>Meetings and conferences expenses</td>
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<td>Professional fees</td>
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<td>Miscellaneous expenses</td>
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<td>Restricted fund expenses</td>
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<td>Fees and licenses</td>
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<td>Depreciation (Note 1)</td>
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<td><strong>Total administrative expenses</strong></td>
<td><strong>63,19</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Total operating expenses</strong></td>
<td><strong>348,45</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Net operating revenue (excess expense)</strong></td>
<td><strong>$(8,1)</strong></td>
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<td>Other expenses</td>
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<td>Loan write off—West End Fund</td>
<td>25</td>
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<tr>
<td>Asset valuation adjustment (Note 4)</td>
<td>7</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Total other expenses</strong></td>
<td><strong>32</strong></td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Excess (deficiency) of support and revenues over expenses</strong></td>
<td><strong>$(40)</strong></td>
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McKENZIE RIVER GATHERING FOUNDATION
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
June 30, 1987

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 the assets at date of contribution. Permanent decreases (but not increases) in values of such assets are recorded as losses in the year when the decrease in value is definitely determinable.

Fixed Assets and Depreciation—Fixed assets are depreciated by the straight-line method of depreciation over the estimated useful lives of the assets.

NOTE 2—FUNDS DESIGNATED FOR DONOR-ADvised GRANT PURPOSES

At June 30, 1987, $77,095 of cash funds were available from donor funds for subsequent donor-advised grants.

NOTE 3—LOANS RECEIVABLE

At June 30, 1987, loans receivable consisted of:

Loans from the West End Co-operative Fund
Riverbrook Farm Co-operative .......... $ 11,058
Surata Soyfoods, Inc. ................. 28,056
Organically Grown Co-operative ...... 24,067
Solstice Bakery Collective .......... 4,262
Growers Market ..................... 914
Earthright Livelihood Co-operative... 1,694
Starflower Co-operative ............. 2,000
Kestral Cafe .......................... 11,629
Welkin Woodland
Mushrooms—Equipment Loan ........ 125

Total WEF Loans ..................... $ 83,805

NOTE 4—DONATED REAL ESTATE

In the year ending June 30, 1985, McKenzie River Gathering received as an unrestricted contribution a parcel of land in Lane County, Oregon. The real estate parcel is valued at its estimated current market value of $12,000, representing an adjustment of $7,620 from its original contribution value of $19,620. The property is being held for resale.

McKENZIE RIVER GATHERING FOUNDATION
STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
For the Year Ended June 30, 1987

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<td>Renovation</td>
<td>Fund</td>
<td>in equip</td>
<td>Unrestricted</td>
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<td>Fund balances,</td>
<td>$111,625</td>
<td>$1,352</td>
<td>$3,628</td>
<td>$126,271</td>
<td>$242,876</td>
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<td>July 1, 1986</td>
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<td>$1,352</td>
<td>$3,628</td>
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<td>Excess (deficiency) of support and revenues</td>
<td>(25,337)</td>
<td>(910)</td>
<td>(14,546)</td>
<td>(40,793)</td>
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<td>Fixed asset purchases</td>
<td>(171)</td>
<td>893</td>
<td>(722)</td>
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Certified Public Accountants
August 14, 1987
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