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### MRG GRANTEES, *photos this page*

▪ **Love Makes a Family** is one of many groups throughout the state effectively countering homophobia through public education and advocacy. Photo: Bonnie Tinker

▪ **Sojourner Truth Theater** celebrates the history of African Americans through its presentations in public schools.

▪ Presentation of the **Anne Frank Exhibit** led to community discussion about racist harassment in Cottage Grove area schools.

*photos, left*

▪ Activists with the multi-cultural Hotel Workers Organizing Committee.

▪ MRG's Anti-Bigotry Fund supplements the Foundation's long record of funding human rights groups at this crucial time in our state.

*photo, back cover*

▪ Part of the mural produced by artists of color for ALANA's commemoration of 500 years of Resistance, 1492-1992.

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# INTRODUCTION

It is with a great sense of accomplishment that all of us involved in MRG can look back on the fiscal year ending June 30th, 1994. The combined dedication, hard work, and political vision of our donors, grantees, Board of Directors, volunteers, and staff have produced major gains in MRG's ability to support Oregon's progressive, grassroots organizations. This is good news for MRG, and it's good news for the progressive movement as a whole. As MRG continues to provide increased resources for grassroots activism, we are better able to fulfill our mission of serving as a catalyst for Oregon's social-change community.

A major leap in MRG's organizational growth occurred with the launch of MRG's Endowment Campaign in October of 1993. The campaign's goal is to raise \$1 million to underwrite ongoing operating costs of the foundation, which will result in significantly more money for grants from

which was established to temporarily augment MRG's historical commitment to this critical work. In addition, MRG's Critical Response Grants provided timely support for many unanticipated organizing opportunities. We hope you'll take some time to read about the work of our grantees in the following pages. Their work is more than an inspiration and cause for hope — our grantees are truly creating change that will result in more socially, economically, and environmentally just communities.

MRG's growth over the past few years has created a unique opportunity for us to reflect on our history as an organization, and to implement changes that facilitate our work of supporting progressive activism. In January, 1993 MRG hired a half-time Outreach Coordinator to increase our accessibility to new grantees and donors. At the same time, we have been revamping our grant-making to facilitate the distribution of our increased resources and keep our application process as "user friendly" as possible.

In the spring of 1994, we raised our maximum grant size to \$6,000 and began planning for an increase to \$10,000 maximum grants for the fall of 1994. We are tremendously excited by our expanded ability to provide an appropriate range of grant support to progressive organizations in this state — to emerging activist groups with modest needs, and to more established groups whose scope of work requires greater financial resources to move their work forward. This increased grantmaking flexibility has been warmly embraced by Oregon's social-change organizations: the spring of 1994 saw a 40% increase in proposals over the previous two spring funding cycles — and our total grant requests represented four times the amount of grant funds available. Clearly, MRG's ability to provide increased resources is critically needed.

As we look back on this year, we wish to thank everyone who made so much good work possible. Truly, we are laying the groundwork for a permanent base of support for Oregon's progressive movements. We look forward to continuing this work together in the coming years.

*Brigette Sarabi & Linda Reymers*

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Co-Directors



*Theater Adelante/Teatro  
Nuestro sponsors activist  
theater workshops and  
plays for and with  
Latino/a youth.*

our general fund. By the end of June, 1994, MRG had received \$800,000 in gifts and pledges for the endowment! The incredible generosity of MRG's donors has been a source of inspiration to all of us. The beginning of an MRG endowment, combined with MRG's share of the Funding Exchange's national endowment, has already made it possible for us to rapidly increase the amount of money available as grants to better meet the needs of progressive activism in this state.

In fiscal year 93/94, MRG gave out a total of \$366,800 in grants to progressive groups working on a broad spectrum of social-change issues. Our total grants include \$177,800 in grants given out through our regular, activist-controlled process, as well as \$189,000 in additional grantmaking programs (e.g. donor-advised grantmaking). Our activist-controlled grantmaking was supplemented this year by \$20,000 from our Anti-Bigotry Fund,



**ANTI-RACISM TRAINING/STRATEGIZING COMMITTEE, SCAPPOOSE, \$6,000.**

For: Trainings for 35 rural human rights organizations that will equip them to incorporate racial justice work in their anti-bigotry agenda. This project will conclude with a statewide long-range planning session that will focus on developing an inclusive progressive movement in Oregon.

**BLUE MOUNTAINS BIODIVERSITY PROJECT, FOSSIL, \$3,370.**

For: General support for rural eastern Oregon group addressing destructive forest practices, livestock grazing on public lands, pesticide use, and endangered species in their region.

**CENTRAL OREGON COALITION FOR HUMAN DIGNITY, BEND, \$3,000.**

For: General support for group whose mission is to safeguard human rights and teach the value of diversity as they challenge sexism, racism and homophobia.

**CENTRO DE AYUDA, NEWPORT, \$3,000.**

For: General support for group promoting multi-cultural awareness and providing crisis intervention on behalf of this coastal area's growing Latino community.

**CITIZENS FOR ACCEPTANCE/RURAL JUSTICE PROJECT, COTTAGE GROVE, \$2,500.**

For: Seed funding for group opposing racist violence in their community while providing an organizational model and resources for other rural communities. This group was formed in response to the harassment of students of color at Cottage Grove High School.

**CITIZENS FOR HUMAN DIGNITY, PENDLETON, \$2,000.**

For: General support for group notable for its success in preventing inroads by the radical right in their generally conservative community. They are focusing on coalition-building among the Native American, Latino, and lesbian/gay communities in their large rural county.

**COALITION FOR HUMAN DIGNITY, PORTLAND, \$6,000.**

For: General support for this resource group monitoring and opposing right-wing attacks. Their work will include: strategic research for credible responses to right-wing bigotry and technical trainings for grassroots groups on opposition research.

**COMMITTEE IN SOLIDARITY WITH THE CENTRAL AMERICAN PEOPLE, EUGENE, \$3,000.**

For: General support for organization building broad-based alliances for peace and justice at home and abroad; their work will include challenging the trade embargo with Cuba and the negative impacts of international lending institutions and treaties like NAFTA on peoples and the environment.

**COMMUNITIES AGAINST HATE, EUGENE, \$5,000.**

For: 1) Youth Art Against Fascism, directed toward bringing marginalized youth together to examine how the radical right is trying to influence them, and 2) a Lane County gathering of clergy to confront the impact of white supremacy on the increasing incidence of local hate crimes.

**CONCERNED CITIZENS FOR RESPONSIBLE MINING, ONTARIO, \$4,000.**

For: Production of public education materials used to monitor the powerful mining industry and challenge cyanide heap leach gold mining.

**COOS COUNTY COALITION FOR HUMAN RIGHTS, COOS BAY, \$2,500.**

For: General support for group formed to confront the religious right's attempts to curtail the civil rights of lesbians and gay men. They will focus on expanding their agenda to challenge all forms of bigotry in their rural region.

*Participants in Proyecto's leadership and organizing skills development program for Latino/a youth.*



*Public Forestry Foundation trains local activists in forestry skills that will help them challenge environmentally damaging forest practices*



**CRISIS INTERVENTION CENTER,  
LAKEVIEW, \$1,000.**

For: Planning and presentation of "Celebrating Diversity" activities with schools, civic groups and the general public in rural Lake County.

**EAST TIMOR ACTION NETWORK,  
PORTLAND, \$1,600.**

For: General support for group educating and mobilizing the public to respond to the brutal Indonesian occupation of East Timor.

**EL CONVENIO DE RAICES MEXICANAS,  
PHOENIX, \$4,000.**

For: General support for group confronting Southern Oregon farmworkers' isolation and dependency on seasonal labor. Their project includes community-based economic development cooperatives, leadership development, and Latino cultural awareness programs.

**GORGE ALLIANCE FOR HUMAN DIGNITY,  
HOOD RIVER, \$2,500.**

For: General support for group addressing the radical right, community attitudes toward Hispanics, gay and lesbian liberation, and gang activity; their bi-lingual work includes a "Listening Project" designed to develop a community dialogue on these issues.

**HOTEL WORKERS ORGANIZING  
COMMITTEE, PORTLAND, \$4,000.**

For: Campaign to win economic and environmental justice for hotel workers and their communities. HWOC's surveys show that 50% of the workers earn less than \$9,000 per year, 43% have no health care, 47% receive no work breaks, 63% are people of color, and 53% are women.

**KA LAHUI HAWAI'I MOKU HONU/WAINUI,  
PORTLAND, \$4,000.**

For: Education and outreach to Oregonians concerning Native Hawai'i self-governance, cultural integrity, and control of trust lands; this group is primarily comprised of Native Hawai'i residents residing on Turtle Island/Columbia (U.S./Oregon).

**KALMIOPSIS AUDUBON SOCIETY,  
PORT ORFORD, \$4,000.**

For: General support for award-winning environmental group (autonomous from the national Audubon Society) focusing on land use issues affecting their region's forests, rivers and ocean shores.

**LESBIAN COMMUNITY PROJECT,  
PORTLAND, \$3,000.**

For: Expansion of LCP's Anti-Violence Project challenging the rise in hate crimes against lesbians and gay men. LCP gave over 200 workshops and presentations around the state last year in an atmosphere charged by the increased visibility of the homophobic far right.



**LOGIC: LESBIANS, OTHERS AND GAYS IN COMMUNITY SERVICE, EUGENE, \$4,000.**

For: Seed funding for group addressing homophobic stereotypes by mobilizing their membership to perform service projects for organizations in communities targeted by the religious right.

**THE MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. THEATER, EUGENE, \$4,000.**

For: School performances and discussions of two plays: "The Meeting" about Martin Luther King, Jr., and "Food for the Dead" about how a Hispanic family deals with the deaths of the father and a gay son.

**MECHA, PORTLAND, \$3,000.**

For: Seed funding for statewide Latino/a group addressing racism and inequities within the educational system. The high school drop-out rate for Latino/a youth is the highest in the state, which MEChA confronts through mentoring, public education, and cultural awareness programs.

**THE MEDIA PROJECT, PORTLAND, \$4,000.**

For: The Project's "Democracy Media" will produce videos countering the lies and distortions about lesbians and gay men in the religious right's videos; these organizing materials will be directed toward populations that are vulnerable to the message of the right.

**THE MPOWERMENT PROJECT, EUGENE, \$3,000.**

For: General support for this group's men's center, which houses gay-positive activities used in organizing the gay men's community for HIV/AIDS prevention.

**NATIVE AMERICAN PROGRAM, OREGON LEGAL SERVICES, PORTLAND, \$6,000.**

For: Statewide public education and organizing to address Native American religious freedom issues and secure rights for Native American prisoners.

**NORTHWEST ALLIANCE FOR ALTERNATIVE MEDIA AND EDUCATION, PORTLAND, \$5,000.**

For: General support for production of the nationally-recognized *Portland Alliance*, a progressive newspaper promoting activism among its readership.

**NORTHWEST VETERANS FOR PEACE, PORTLAND, \$4,000.**

For: A speakers bureau educating high school students throughout the state; last year, this group made over 140 presentations countering military recruitment and offering alternatives to enlistment for economically marginalized youth.



*Setting-up for a gathering of the Oregon Native Youth Council.*



# GRANTEES

## **OREGON HUMAN RIGHTS COALITION, PORTLAND, \$4,000.**

For: General support for grass-roots organization empowering low-income people to influence the decisions that affect their lives. OHRC advocates humane alternatives to the increasingly punitive welfare system.

## **OREGON NATIVE YOUTH COUNCIL, OTIS, \$3,000.**

For: Youth and elders gathering bringing Native Americans from Oregon reservations and urban areas together; their purpose is to strengthen cultural identity and address social problems affecting Native youth.

## **PEOPLE OF FAITH AGAINST BIGOTRY, PORTLAND, \$4,000.**

For: Project by this group countering the religious right that will involve faith communities of color in developing a common agenda that can serve as a basis for coalition-building.

## **PORTLAND JOBS WITH JUSTICE, PORTLAND, \$4,000.**

For: Initiation of three projects: 1) promoting labor issues as an integral part of economic development planning; 2) establishing a workers rights board to respond to abuses and promote labor rights criteria; and 3) confronting NAFTA by supporting democratic labor organizing in Mexico.



*Staff and volunteers of Communities Against Hate, which organizes against the radical Right throughout Lane County.*

## **PCUN PORTLAND BOYCOTT COMMITTEE, PORTLAND, \$5,000.**

For: Providing organizing support for the boycott of Kramer Farm's products marketed under the NORPAC and Steinfeld brands. The boycott was initiated by PCUN, the Oregon farmworker union, in response to the unfair treatment of workers at the bottom of the economic food chain.

## **PEACE HOUSE, ASHLAND, \$2,500.**

For: Implementing a "listening project" on gay and lesbian rights that will help their polarized community look behind the political rhetoric of the far right while mobilizing support and information that will aid regional human rights groups in implementing effective strategies.

## **PROJECT DOVE, ONTARIO, \$4,000.**

For: Improving this domestic violence organization's accessibility to the Latino community by offering Spanish-language videos and written materials; they will also sponsor Anti-Racism and Oppression workshops for their region.

## **PROYECTO, INDEPENDENCE, \$4,000.**

For: PRO-MECH, a program for Latino youth featuring leadership and organizing skills development. Their curriculum will assist young people in hurdling the educational and social barriers students of color frequently encounter.



**PUBLIC FORESTRY FOUNDATION,  
EUGENE, \$4,000.**

For: This group's professional foresters work with local community activists to challenge timber sales that do not recover forest health; they will also use local and national media to promote good models of forestry.

**RELIGIOUS RESPONSE NETWORK,  
EUGENE, \$2,500.**

For: General support for this interfaith group's efforts to deny the Right the mantle of religious legitimacy and counter the attempts of the religious right to influence local congregations and the general community.

**ROGUE AIDS AWARENESS,  
GRANTS PASS, \$4,000.**

For: General support for group working in an area that has survived a far right attempt to isolate the county as an "AIDS-FreeZone"; their programs are directed at youth, gays and bisexuals, people living with HIV, I-V users, and women.

**SABIN COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT  
CORPORATION, PORTLAND, \$3,000.**

For: Expanding the broad base of support and involvement for this community-based organization that focuses on stemming the gentrification and speculation displacing low-income people in their culturally diverse neighborhood.

**SISKIYOU REGIONAL EDUCATION  
PROJECT, CAVE JUNCTION, \$5,000.**

For: A Watershed Stewardship Project providing organizational, technical, and networking skills to small communities organizing to protect local water quality from further deterioration. Area "wise use" groups, working in coalition with the Oregon Citizens Alliance, are attempting to vilify this group which integrates human rights and environmental issues.

**SOJOURNER TRUTH THEATER,  
PORTLAND, \$4,000.**

For: Performances of "African-American Culture 101" in schools and other venues; their folk art dispels racist stereotypes and celebrates the historical contributions of African-Americans.

**THEATER ADELANTE/TEATRO NUESTRO,  
EUGENE, \$4,000.**

For: A project sponsoring social-change theater workshops and plays by at-risk Latino youth. Working at the invitation of local groups, their performances will provide a community-based forum for finding solutions to issues confronting Latino youth.

**VERNON NEIGHBORHOOD ACTION  
GROUP, PORTLAND, \$4,000.**

For: General support for housing group seeking to remedy the displacement of low-income people in this neighborhood by creating affordable housing stock and monitoring/rehabilitating property owned by slumlords.

**WEST VALLEY HUMAN RIGHTS  
COALITION, SHERIDAN, \$2,000.**

For: General support for group in Yamhill and Polk Counties addressing homophobia, racial justice, and the radical right.

**WILLAMETTE SACRED SITES  
COMMITTEE, PORTLAND, \$3,530.**

For: "Sacred Sites News", a public outreach tool for group whose work includes seeking the return of their Native American ancestors' remains, protecting burial mounds, and promoting the Native perspective on civil rights, Oregon history, educational issues, and religious freedom.

**WOMEN'S CRISIS CENTER, TILLAMOOK,  
\$4,000.**

For: General support for group addressing violence against women and children in a rural, isolated, economically-depressed area with 158% of the state-wide average in domestic violence calls.

*Many MRG grantees are working with young people to train a new generation of activists and leaders. Pictured here are participants in one of the youth programs of Clergy and Laity Concerned in Eugene.*





## GENERAL FUND DESIGNATED GRANTEES

MRG has several programs that contribute toward the awards made to our regular funding cycle grantees. These groups receive their designations following their selection as funding cycle grantees by the MRG grant-making committee. They are supported by contributions to the MRG general fund for the purposes described below.

### ■ ANTI-BIGOTRY FUND

A seed gift from the former No on 9 Campaign was given to MRG to begin an Anti-Bigotry Fund that would serve as a resource to continue the work countering all forms of prejudice in Oregon; the money raised by MRG for this effort supplements our longstanding grantmaking for human rights by providing additional funding at this critical time in our state. While the groups below are the designated recipients for Anti-Bigotry Fund grants, many other organizations actively engaged in anti-bigotry work received funding through MRG's general fund this year. The 1993/94 Anti-Bigotry Fund grantees are:

- Anti-Racism Training/Strategizing Committee
- Citizens for Human Dignity
- Coalition for Human Dignity
- Communities Against Hate
- Gorge Alliance for Human Dignity
- The Media Project
- People of Faith Against Bigotry
- Proyecto

### ■ MICHAEL SMITH MEMORIAL GRANT

This special fund was established to support MRG grantees that reflect the social change issues that were of special concern to long-time MRG supporter Michael Smith. The following grantee was chosen to commemorate Michael's commitment to building a peaceful and just society:

- Northwest Alliance for Alternative Media and Education/Portland Alliance

### ■ WEST END FUND GRANTS

Proceeds from the sale of two Eugene food co-operatives created MRG's West End Loan Fund. The loan fund has been converted to support MRG funding cycle grantees addressing the food-related concerns supported by the loan fund. This year's West End Fund grantees are:

- El Convenio de Raices Mexicanas
- Portland PCUN Boycott Committee



Members of the NW Radiation Health Alliance meeting with Downwinders exposed to radiation in U.S. Department of Energy experiments.

## MRG GRANTMAKING PROGRAMS

In addition to the general fund grants described in the preceding pages, MRG has several other grantmaking programs available to assist progressive organizations. To be eligible for any of these funding options, groups must: 1) educate and organize for progressive social change; 2) be based in Oregon; 3) be committed to diversity; and 4) have little access to traditional funding sources. Complete information on these programs can be obtained by contacting the Eugene MRG office.

### ■ TRAVEL GRANTS

Through a program supported in part by the Ralph L. Smith Foundation, MRG is providing grants that enable non-profit Oregon groups to send representatives to conferences that further organizing work or provide training in organizational development. Travel grants of up to \$250 were awarded to:

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|---|-------------------------------------|
| • Council for Prostitution Alternatives                                       | • PEACE                             |
| • Crisis Intervention Center  | • People Overseeing Police          |
| • Fight the Right Conference  | • Project Dove                      |
| • Lesbian Community Project   | • Public Forestry Foundation        |
| • Love Makes a Family   | • Rural Organizing Project          |
| • MECHA   | • SHELTER                           |
| • Oregon Coalition Against Domestic and Sexual Violence/Women of Color Caucus | • Vernon Neighborhood Action Group  |
|   | • Women's Action for New Directions |
|   | • Womenspace                        |

### ■ CRITICAL RESPONSE FUND

MRG's Critical Response Fund was established to make a limited number of grants available between our regular funding cycles for projects addressing unforeseen social change organizing opportunities. Groups receiving Critical Response grants of up to \$500 were:

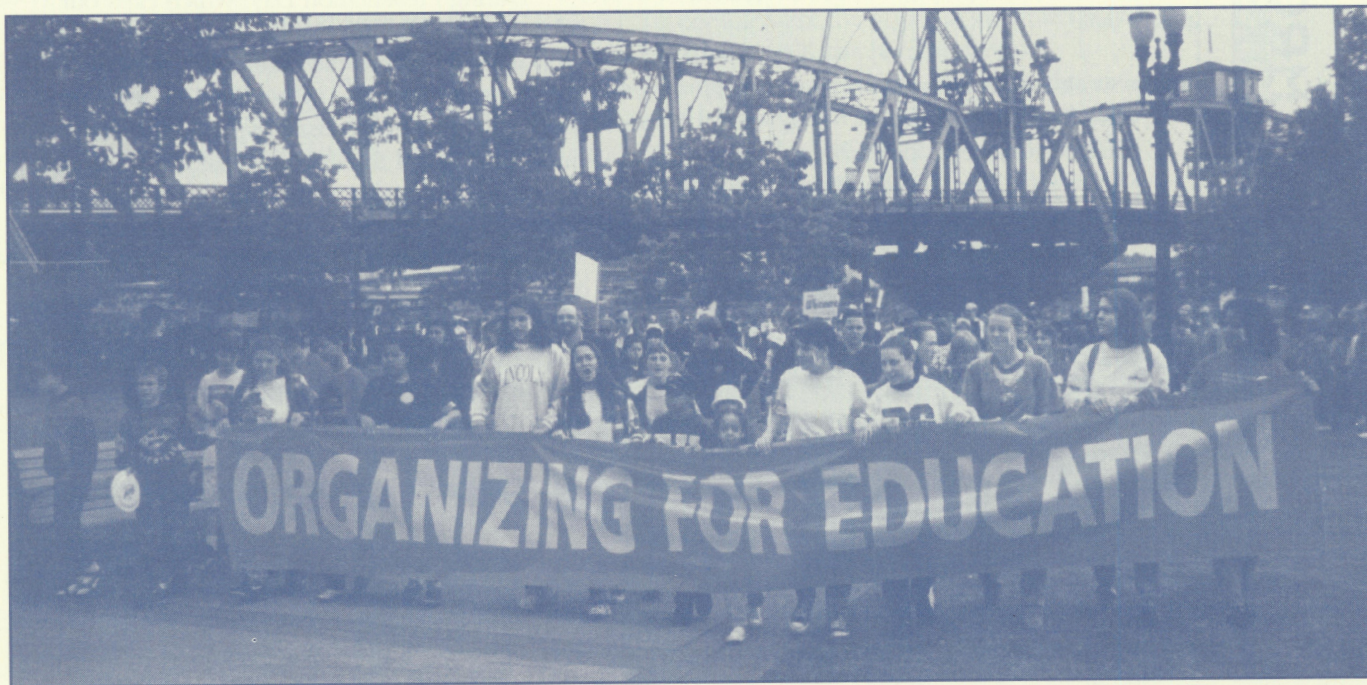
- *Allies: People to People*, Hillsboro, for developing an information packet on homophobia following an upsurge in local religious right activity.
- *American Indian Association of Portland*, for advocacy for Indian religious freedom at critically timed Oregon Department of Corrections and Oregon State Prison meetings.
- *Anne Frank Exhibit*, Cottage Grove, for expanding the impact of this exhibit to respond to recent incidents of harassment of high school students of color.
- *Friends of the Columbia Gorge*, Portland, for responding to developers' plans threatening environmental integrity and Native American fishing rights on the Columbia River.
- *Hispanos Unidos*, Lakeview, for community meeting to respond to the ongoing police harassment of the Latino community; the meeting was motivated by the beating of a Latino man by a police officer.
- *MECHA*, Portland, for rally following a Portland School Board meeting in which the Board continued to cut programs directly impacting Latino youth.
- *NW Radiation Health Alliance*, Portland, for surveys and public education in the wake of U.S. Department of Energy exposure of government radiation experiments on humans.
- *Organizing for Education*, Portland, for responding to the recent round of budget cuts by Portland Public Schools that will further erode the schools' ability to provide equal access to quality education.



- *Rogue Institute for Ecology and Economy*, Ashland, for a conference focused on insuring that industry doesn't dominate the "community based partnerships" being formed in local timber area communities following the release of President Clinton's Forest Policy Plan.
- *Willamette Sacred Sites Preservation Committee*, Springfield, for exposing the reality of Native American genocide during celebrations of the myths represented in the Oregon Trail celebrations.

#### ■ LILLA JEWEL FUND FOR WOMEN ARTISTS

This fund was established with MRG by a donor for the purpose of supporting MRG's funding of projects for lesbians and other women through our regular grant-making, and through annual awards to Oregon women artists. Due to a change in the grantmaking schedule for this program, announcement of the 1994 awards will be made in the next fiscal year.



*The "Organizing for Education" rally in response to the most recent round of budget cuts by Portland Public Schools.*

#### ■ DONOR-ADVISED GRANTS

The following grantees were nominated by MRG donors as a way of supporting specific social change organizations, while making use of MRG's administrative services and staff expertise, and the option of anonymity in their giving:

- *ACLU of Oregon*
- *Amnesty International*
- *Aslan*
- *Birth to Three*
- *Breast Cancer Action*
- *Central Oregon Diversity Project*
- *CISPES Education Fund*
- *Clearinghouse on Human Rights in Psychiatry*
- *Coalition for Human Dignity*
- *Committee in Solidarity with the People of El Salvador*
- *Community Outreach*
- *Concerned Citizens for Responsible Mining*
- *Dougy Center*
- *Eugene-Springfield Solidarity Network Foundation*
- *Food for Lane County*
- *Hotel Workers Organizing Committee*
- *Human Rights Watch*
- *Ka Labui Hawaii*
- *Lane County Relief Nursery*
- *Library Foundation of San Francisco*
- *LOGIC: Lesbians, Others, & Gays in Service*
- *Medical Aid for El Salvador*
- *Musica Femina*
- *National Women's Health Network*
- *Nearby Nature*
- *Northwest Coalition for Alternatives to Pesticides*
- *Oregon Fair Trade Coalition*
- *Oregon Native Youth Council*
- *Oregon Natural Resources Council*
- *Oregon Shores Conservation Coalition*
- *Pacific Rivers Council*
- *Pineros y Campesinos Unidos del Noroeste*
- *Portland Central America Solidarity Committee*
- *Portland-Corinto Sister City Association*
- *Reflective Imaging*
- *Resourceful Women*
- *Rural Organizing Project*
- *Save the West*
- *Self-Enhancement, Inc.*
- *Share Foundation*
- *Siskiyou Regional Education Project*
- *Women's Cancer Resource Center*
- *Women's Community Education Project*
- *Women's Foundation*
- *Womenspace*

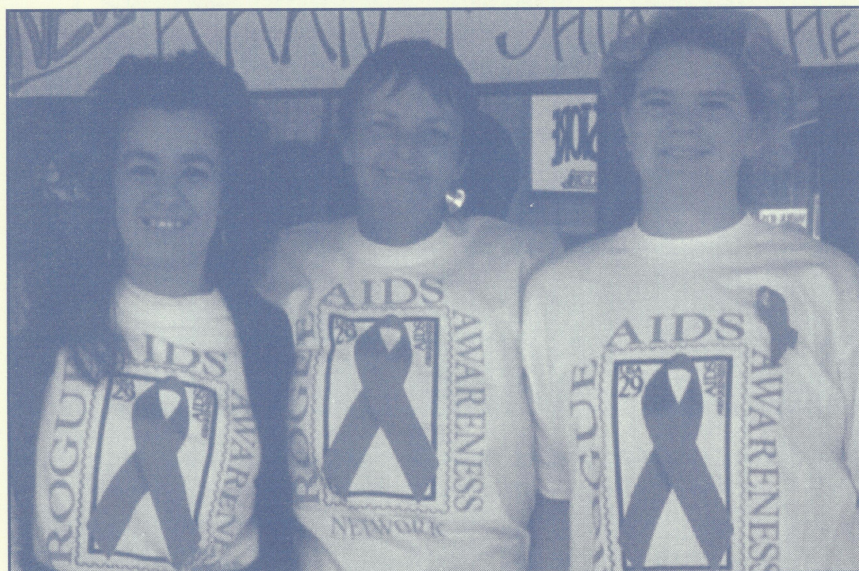


## THE FUNDING CRITERIA

MRG funds organizations that educate and bring people together to work for progressive social change. We support groups challenging the vast social, economic and political inequities around us. Funding is directed toward creating a peaceful, just, and environmentally sound society.

MRG considers proposals for funding from groups that::

- work for progressive social change;
- are located in Oregon;
- are committed to diversity; and
- have little access to traditional funding sources, e.g. United Way, government, and mainstream foundation grants.



*Members of the Rogue AIDS Awareness Network, who organize HIV/AIDS education and prevention activities in the Grants Pass area.*

Grantmaking is directed toward organizing efforts addressing human rights, economic justice, environmental protection, peace and international solidarity. Within these broad areas, MRG grants are supporting work on concerns including: anti-bigotry, racial justice, domestic violence, homeless rights, community-labor coalitions, HIV-AIDS, reproductive rights, lesbian and gay liberation, ancient forest protection, sustainable economic development, watershed protection, air quality, progressive media, anti-militarism, and self-determination in Central America.

## THE FUNDING PROCESS

MRG's funding process is designed to involve applicants and grantmakers in constructive dialogue, and to assist novice grantseekers in learning about foundations.

Our fall and spring funding cycles each involve four months of evaluation activities. Organizations interested in submitting a funding cycle proposal begin by contacting MRG's Eugene

office to receive an application packet; only proposals submitted by completing MRG's application form can be considered.

MRG's grantmaking committee consists of activists with expertise in the issues funded. After evaluating all of the submitted applications, committee members interview each finalist to learn more about their project and to assist them in participating effectively in MRG's process.

During Presentation Day, which caps our information-gathering efforts, finalists describe their proposed projects to the committee and respond to questions. MRG is one of the handful of foundations nationally that enable applicants to make their case before all of the decision-makers — part of our commitment to a democratic grantmaking process.

Presentation Day is also one of the few opportunities that activists from throughout the state have to come together to learn from each other's work and to develop relationships that can help to unite the broad range of social change work into a progressive movement.

## SERVICES TO GRANTEEES

MRG's support for Oregon's progressive social change organizations extends beyond our primary mission of providing grants through the funding cycle process. MRG's services to grantees include:

### ■ SUPPLEMENTARY MRG GRANT PROGRAMS

In addition to our spring and fall funding cycles, MRG has several other grantmaking programs that can be applied to: Critical Response Grants, Travel Grants, and the Lilla Jewel Award. Donor-advised grants are provided by MRG supporters who would like to nominate specific social change groups as grantees. (These programs are described in more detail in the grants section of this report.)

### ■ TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

In addition to helping groups new to foundations with our grantmaking process, MRG assists grantees in identifying resources that can assist them with fundraising and other organizational development issues.

### ■ LEVERAGING GRANTS

MRG provides references for grantees in their proposals to other foundations and advocates on behalf of Oregon social change groups in contacts with foundation representatives.



MRG is a founding member of the Funding Exchange (FEX), a network of regionally-based social change foundations throughout the United States, with a national office in New York City.

All FEX members share a commitment to funding grassroots groups addressing fundamental, progressive social change. Like MRG, member funds receive contributions from a broad spectrum of donors, and involve community activists as the primary decision-makers.

The Funding Exchange provides resources, networking opportunities and skills development to member funds. In addition, FEX provides services to national donors including publications, conferences, and technical assistance on issues in philanthropy.

In 1992, the Funding Exchange completed an endowment campaign that raised \$10 million to

help support and stabilize the FEX member funds. This incredible accomplishment provides an important financial resource for progressive activism in the U.S. for generations to come. As a member of the Funding Exchange, MRG receives a share of the income from the FEX Endowment. During the past year, MRG received \$30,000 from the endowment. These funds are used to offset MRG's operating expenses, thus allowing us to use a greater percentage of local gifts for direct grants.

To complement the regional grantmaking of member funds, FEX has several national grantmaking programs which provide additional resources for progressive activism both nationally and internationally. National grantmaking funds include programs to specifically support lesbian and gay liberation, organizing in communities of color, women's issues, and progressive media.

## FEX MEMBER FUNDS

### ■ APPALACHIAN COMMUNITY FUND

West Virginia and the Appalachian counties of Virginia, Kentucky and Tennessee

### ■ BREAD AND ROSES COMMUNITY FUND

Philadelphia

### ■ CHINOOK FUND

Colorado

### ■ CROSSROADS FUND

Chicago

### ■ FUND FOR SOUTHERN COMMUNITIES

Georgia and the Carolinas

### ■ HAWAII PEOPLE'S FUND

Hawaii (affiliate member)

### ■ HAYMARKET PEOPLE'S FUND

New England

### ■ HEADWATERS FUND

Minneapolis-St. Paul

### ■ LIBERTY HILL FOUNDATION

Los Angeles and San Diego

### ■ MCKENZIE RIVER GATHERING FOUNDATION

Oregon

### ■ NORTH STAR FUND

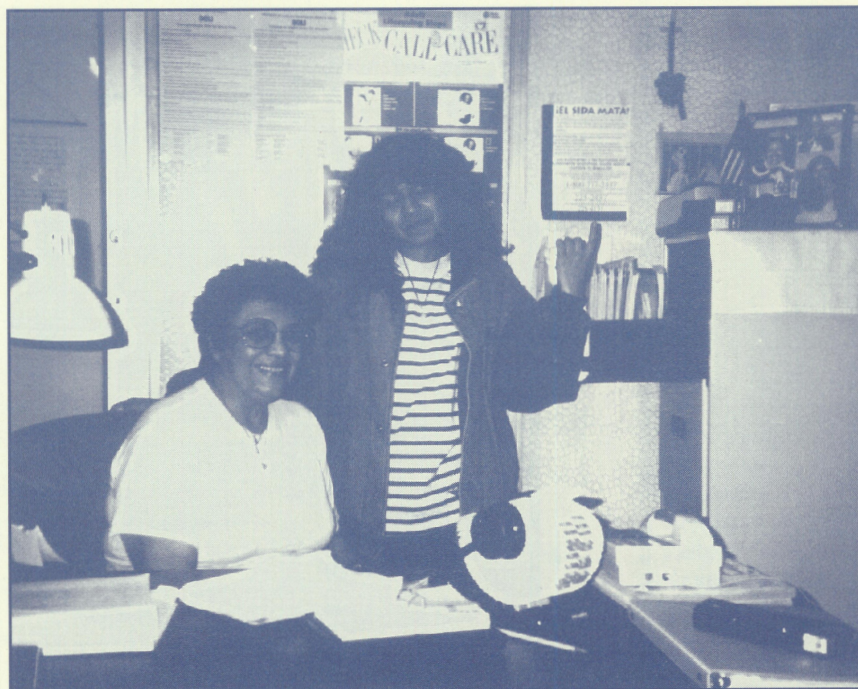
New York City

### ■ VANGUARD PUBLIC FOUNDATION

San Francisco

### ■ WISCONSIN COMMUNITY FUND

Wisconsin



*Centro de Ayuda provides crisis intervention for the central Coast's growing Latino population, as well as multicultural awareness programs for the general community.*



## DONOR INFORMATION

Financial gifts are critical to the success of grass-roots organizing efforts in Oregon. Hundreds of Oregonians use the McKenzie River Gathering Foundation (MRG) as their vehicle for providing this support. MRG unites individual visions of what is possible with the work and organizations bringing those visions into reality.

When you give to MRG, your gift joins with many others to create a significant financial resource that will foster and sustain progressive organizing throughout the entire state. MRG donors support the work of the foundation, and the organizations it funds, with annual gifts of from \$5 to \$25,000. Each gift is important and helps to build a lasting movement for positive and fundamental social change.



*Members of MRG's grantmaking committee and representatives from activist groups applying for grants, at MRG's spring Presentation Day.*

People give to MRG's general fund for many good reasons. It is an opportunity to provide seed money to emerging groups and issues. MRG's activist grantmaking committee provides a pool of informed, decision-making expertise second to none. MRG's staff monitors all funded projects, and donors may maintain total anonymity. Donors are able to support many important projects with one gift.

In the past year, the foundation distributed \$366,800 in grants (\$177,800 through activist-controlled allocations, and \$189,000 through additional grantmaking programs). We deeply appreciate the support of our donors that made these grants possible. If you are interested in learning more about MRG and supporting progressive social change in Oregon, please contact one of our offices.

## DONOR SERVICES

*MRG offers a range of resources and services to help meet particular needs of our donors.*

### ■ DONOR-ADVISED GIVING

Donor-Advised giving is a way for MRG donors to nominate grantees or designate a particular field of interest to be the final recipient of their gift. As in any MRG grant, donor anonymity is assured and grants are monitored. MRG staff are available to provide donors with background information on specific organizations or interest areas.

### ■ DONOR POOLS

MRG donors can set up special accounts with the foundation known as "donor pools." These accounts are advantageous to the donor who wants to make a large charitable contribution

before they have decided on the interest area or specific organizations they wish to support. Many people choose to establish donor pools in a year when they sell appreciated stocks or real estate that result in significant capital gains. Additional gifts can be added at any time. A donor can transfer gifts from a donor pool to MRG's general fund, and/or nominate fields of interest or other charitable organizations to be the recipients of grants.

### ■ SOCIALLY RESPONSIBLE INVESTING SEMINARS

MRG's SRI seminars draw upon the expertise of leaders in the field to explore practical and profitable means of investing individual assets without compromising social and environmental values.



## ■ INHERITED WEALTH CONFERENCES

These conferences offer a safe place for progressive women and men with wealth to come together and explore personal, technical and political issues specific to their situation.

## ■ FINANCIAL AND ESTATE PLANNING WORKSHOPS

MRG brings in financial and estate planning professionals to teach donors from all income levels about longterm financial planning options and strategies for meeting individual needs and objectives.

## ■ DONOR/ACTIVIST BRIEFINGS

MRG offers occasional briefings on critical social change issues for the donors and activists of our community. Each briefing concentrates on a specific issue, and includes presentations by, and discussion with, leading activists in the issue of concern.

## ■ PLANNED GIVING

MRG staff and advisors are available to assist in identifying and developing long-term vehicles to perpetuate the progressive, charitable goals of individual donors throughout their lifetime and beyond. For specific information about the planned giving program, donors should contact MRG's Portland office.



*Leslie Brockelbank, MRG co-founder and member of the Endowment Committee, discussing the evolution of MRG's work at the endowment campaign kick-off.*



## WAYS TO CONTRIBUTE TO MRG

MRG's donors come in all shapes and sizes, and from all walks of life. But they share one thing in common — a commitment to giving and helping to create a more peaceful, just and environmentally sound society.

Whether your financial situation allows you to give \$25, \$250, or \$25,000, you are an important partner in MRG's efforts to create social transformation. If you're already a donor, thank you! If you'd like to begin participating in MRG by becoming a donor, here are some of your options:

- ☐ Write a check today.
- ☐ Make a monthly, quarterly or annual pledge.
- ☐ Donate appreciated stock or real property and avoid capital gains taxes, while receiving a tax deduction.
- ☐ Write MRG into your will, or talk to family members about planning a bequest to MRG in your name.
- ☐ Contact MRG about establishing a charitable trust.
- ☐ Make MRG a beneficiary of your insurance policy.
- ☐ Establish a designated fund (donor pool) to fit your philanthropic purposes and MRG's tax-exempt program.
- ☐ Honor a special person or celebrate a birthday or wedding by giving a gift in their name.
- ☐ Volunteer time, or other goods or services.

All contributions are tax-deductible to the maximum extent allowed by law. MRG is a non-profit, 501(c)(3) public foundation. Our tax ID Number is 93-0691187.

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 your giving.

## ■ MRG'S ENDOWMENT CAMPAIGN ■

In October, 1993 the McKenzie River Gathering Foundation kicked-off an endowment campaign with a goal of raising \$1 million by December, 1995. As of June 30th, 1994, MRG had received \$800,000 in gifts and pledges to the endowment!

Why an endowment? Working for social change is inherently risky. Groups are born, grow, flourish, or die in direct relation to their financial management and fundraising skills. The McKenzie River Gathering Foundation has successfully navigated these waters for eighteen years. A local endowment is the next logical step for a community foundation that has always taken its responsibilities to donors and applicants seriously. The income from an endowment will make sure our kind of progressive philanthropy continues in Oregon in our lifetime, and in our children's lifetime.

Endowment income will be used for program and operating costs, making more of the money raised annually available for grants, and raising MRG's grantmaking ability significantly. For more information about the MRG endowment, please contact MRG's Portland office.



## BOARD OF DIRECTORS

**Peter Cervantes-Gautschi** is an organizer with the Hotel Workers Organizing Committee. An environmental and economic justice activist, Peter has been active in farmworker, peace, Chicano, low-income, and toxic exposure issues.

**Teresa Enrico** is organizing an environmental justice conference as program coordinator for the Hotel Workers Organizing Committee. She is an anti-bigotry activist and trainer on eliminating racism, sexism and homophobia. Teresa is vice-chair of the MRG Board.



MRG Board of Directors  
(back row, l-r)

Tarso Ramos,  
Marcy Westerling,  
Foncy Prescott,  
Scot Nakagawa,  
Cliff Jones.

(front, l-r)

Kelly Weigel,  
Cecil Prescod,  
Teresa Enrico,  
Jan Fenton.

Not pictured: Peter  
Cervantes-Gautschi,  
Brett KenCairn,  
Anne Sweet.

**Jan Fenton** works with Technical Assistance for Community Services, providing bookkeeping and related support for non-profit groups. She has been active in the Laughing Horse Books Collective and the Portland Central America Solidarity Committee.

**Cliff Jones** is a senior associate with Technical Assistance for Community Services. He has been involved in low-income, AIDS/HIV, gay and lesbian, African-American, anti-racism, and labor issues. Cliff is the MRG representative serving on the Funding Exchange Board of Directors.

**Brett KenCairn** is the executive director of the Rogue Institute for Ecology and Economy. He is active in environmental, labor, and rural community issues.

**Scot Nakagawa** is the Fight the Right organizing director with the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force. He has been involved in Native Hawaiian, anti-hate group, AIDS/HIV, progressive media, youth, and low-income issues. Scot also serves on the Saguaro Fund, a national grantmaking program of the Funding Exchange.

**Cecil Prescod** is a pastor and anti-bigotry activist who works with the Oregon Fellowship of Reconciliation's Listening Project, the Coalition for Human Dignity, and People of Faith Against Bigotry. He has been an organizer on human rights and militarism issues in the Caribbean and a tour leader for the African National Congress Youth League in Oregon.

**Foncy Prescott** is a staff person with the Committee in Solidarity with the Central American People. She is active in anti-intervention work on local and national levels and has been involved in pesticide reform and social justice organizations.

**Tarso Ramos** is the lead researcher for the Western States Center's Wise Use Public Exposure Project. He has been active in progressive media, anti-apartheid work, and efforts countering the Far Right. Tarso is MRG's Board chair and co-chair of the Grantmaking Committee.

**Donna Red Wing** is the organizer for the national Gay and Lesbian Anti-Discrimination League (GLAD) and was formerly executive director of Portland's Lesbian Community Project. She has been active in human rights, economic justice, peace, and children's issues.

**Anne Sweet** is a trainer on diversity issues and a labor activist. She has been active in Oregon Alliance for Progressive Policy and the Hotel Workers Organizing Committee.

**Kelley Weigel** is on staff of Clergy and Laity Concerned of Western Oregon as an anti-bigotry organizer. She recently took a leave of absence from CALC to organize the "Democracy Under Siege" Conference for western United States activists challenging the Far Right. Kelley has also been involved in peace, nuclear disarmament, and environmental issues. She serves as co-chair of MRG's Grantmaking Committee.

**Marcy Westerling** is director/organizer for the Rural Organizing Project which links and develops over 50 human dignity groups across the state. She has been active in anti-bigotry, domestic violence, and disabilities issues.



## GRANTMAKING COMMITTEE

**George-Ann Baker** is a Native American activist. She was the director of the University of Oregon Native American Student Union and has helped organize national conferences on issues affecting Native Americans. George-Ann has served as a cultural resource person for multi-cultural camps and in school settings.

**Nicole Cuadra** is an activist with the Hotel Workers Organizing Committee. She has been involved in feminist, labor, racial justice, Central America solidarity, refugee rights, lesbian/gay liberation, women's and youth issues.

**Michael Donnelly** is an environmental activist who recycles houses by moving and restoring homes "in the path of progress". He has been active in ancient forest, racial justice, and neighborhood issues.

**Kyle Kajihiro** is an organizer for the Hotel Workers Organizing Project. He has been an activist with the multi-racial ALANA for Peace and Justice, the Ben Linder Construction Brigade, and KBOO-FM.

**Patricia McGuire** is a law student and board chair for the Coalition for Human Dignity. She is active in regional and national organizations challenging the Far Right and has been involved in feminist and racial justice issues.

**Juan Mendoza** is a translator who also serves as an organizer for Willamette Valley Reforestation, assisting Hispanic tree-planting cooperatives. He has been active in Hispanic, peace, labor and progressive media work.

**Adrian Murillo** works with at-risk youth in Southern Oregon. He is involved in lesbian and gay, racial justice, and youth issues as a trainer and organizer.

**Tarso Ramos** (see Board of Directors).

**Lindy Walsh** is on staff with a national river protection organization. She is a founder of the Lesbian Community Project and has been active in domestic violence, racial justice, consumer, environmental, and Religious Right issues.

**Eric Ward** was racial justice coordinator for Clergy and Laity Concerned of Western Oregon and an activist with Communities Against Hate; he is currently Associate Director of the Northwest Coalition Against Malicious Harassment. He has been involved in racial justice, anti-apartheid,

environmental justice, and student issues. Until recently, Eric was co-chair of the MRG Grant-making Committee.

**Kelley Weigel** (see Board of Directors).

## DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Rex Burkholder  
Glenn Harris  
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Laurie McClain  
Madeline Moore  
Scot Nakagawa  
Foncy Prescott  
Linda Reymers  
Brigette Sarabi  
Marcy Westerling



## ENDOWMENT COMMITTEE

Leslie Brockelbank  
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Madeline Moore  
Scot Nakagawa  
Linda Reymers  
Deb Ross  
Brigette Sarabi  
Lou Savage  
Doug Sherman  
Marion Sweeney

## STAFF

*Eugene Office:*

Linda Reymers, Co-Director  
Laurel Weissman-Gore, Office Manager  
*Portland Office:*

Brigette Sarabi, Co-Director  
Glenn Harris, Outreach Coordinator  
Madeline Moore, Development/Endowment Consultant

*The MRG staff (l-r):  
Laurel Weissman-Gore,  
Brigette Sarabi,  
Linda Reymers,  
Glenn Harris.*



# FINANCIAL REPORT

## McKenzie River Gathering Foundation - BALANCE SHEET - June 30, 1994

	CURRENT FUNDS	RESTRICTED FUNDS	ENDOWMENT FUNDS	TOTAL ALL FUNDS
	UNRESTRICTED FUNDS			
ASSETS				
Current Assets				
Cash & Cash Equivalents	\$284,092	\$111,099	\$	\$395,191
Investments, At Cost		110,635	384,245	494,880
Employee Advances	329			329
Pledges Receivable	3,100			3,100
West End Fund —Loans Receivable	17,307			17,307
Prepaid Expense	792			792
Total Current Assets	<u>305,620</u>	<u>221,734</u>	<u>384,245</u>	<u>911,599</u>
Fixed Assets				
Office Equip. & Furniture	30,613			30,613
Less Accum. Depreciation	<u>(19,881)</u>			<u>(19,881)</u>
Total Fixed Assets	<u>10,732</u>			<u>10,732</u>
Other Assets				
West End Fund —Loans Receivable	36,952			36,952
Less Current Portion	<u>(17,307)</u>			<u>(17,307)</u>
Long Term Portion	19,645			19,645
Loan Loss Reserve	<u>(7,390)</u>			<u>(7,390)</u>
Total Other Assets	<u>12,255</u>			<u>12,255</u>
Total Assets	<u>\$328,607</u>	<u>\$221,734</u>	<u>\$384,245</u>	<u>\$934,586</u>
LIABILITIES & FUND BALANCES				
Current Liabilities				
Accrued Vacation Pay	\$ 624	\$	\$	\$ 624
Accrued Payroll Taxes	546			546
Grants Payable	<u>78,600</u>	<u>6,000</u>		<u>84,600</u>
Total Current Liabilities	<u>79,770</u>	<u>6,000</u>		<u>85,770</u>
Fund Balances				
Unrestricted Funds:				
General Fund	178,211			178,211
Investment in Equip.	10,732			10,732
Donor Pools	30,332			30,332
West End Fund	29,562			29,562
Restricted Funds:				
Lilla Jewel Fund		105,112		105,112
Anti-Bigotry Fund		18,169		18,169
Michael Smith Fund		92,453		92,453
Endowment Fund			384,254	384,245
Total Fund Balances	<u>248,837</u>	<u>215,734</u>	<u>384,245</u>	<u>848,816</u>
Total Liabilities & Fund Balances	<u>\$328,607</u>	<u>\$221,734</u>	<u>\$384,245</u>	<u>\$934,586</u>

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

## McKenzie River Gathering Foundation - STATEMENT OF PUBLIC SUPPORT, REVENUE & EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES for the year ending June 30, 1994

	CURRENT FUNDS		ENDOWMENT FUNDS	TOTAL ALL FUNDS
	UNRESTRICTED FUNDS	RESTRICTED FUNDS		
<b>Public Support &amp; Revenues</b>				
<b>Public Support</b>				
Contributions:				
General	\$253,255	\$	\$	\$253,255
Donor Advised	122,200			122,200
Donor Pools	23,612			23,612
Michael Smith Fund		7,353		7,353
Inkind Rent	3,900			3,900
Funding Exchange	30,000			30,000
Endowment Fund			271,807	271,807
Anti-Bigotry Fund		14,743		14,743
Total Public Support	<u>432,967</u>	<u>22,096</u>	<u>271,807</u>	<u>726,870</u>
<b>Revenue:</b>				
Fundraising Events	760		820	1,580
Fex Women's Conference	6,764			6,764
Interest & Dividends	8,725	7,712	10,282	26,719
Gain (Loss) on Investment Transactions		(678)	219	(459)
Grant Returns	3,600			3,600
Loan Loss Reserve Adjustment	3,761			3,761
Other Revenue	3,059			3,059
Total Revenue	<u>26,669</u>	<u>7,034</u>	<u>11,321</u>	<u>45,024</u>
<b>Total Public Support &amp; Revenue</b>	<u>459,636</u>	<u>29,130</u>	<u>283,128</u>	<u>771,894</u>
<b>Functional Expenses:</b>				
Management & General	87,248	1,499	2,158	90,905
Fundraising	25,204	4,574	18,254	48,032
Program Services	<u>377,967</u>	<u>26,000</u>		<u>403,967</u>
<b>Total Functional Expenses</b>	<u>490,419</u>	<u>32,073</u>	<u>20,412</u>	<u>542,904</u>
Excess (deficiency) of Public Support & Revenue over Functional Expenses	(30,783)	(2,943)	262,716	228,990
Other Changes in Fund Balances:				
Net Transfers Between Fund	(2,240)	1,685	555	0
<b>Fund Balance Beginning of Year</b>	<u>281,860</u>	<u>216,992</u>	<u>120,974</u>	<u>619,826</u>
<b>Fund Balance End of Year</b>	<u>\$248,837</u>	<u>\$215,734</u>	<u>\$384,245</u>	<u>\$848,816</u>

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

## McKENZIE RIVER GATHERING FOUNDATION - NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - JUNE 30, 1994

### NOTE 1 - ORGANIZATION AND SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

**(a) General:** The accompanying financial statements of McKenzie River Gathering Foundation (MRG) have been prepared on an accrual basis of accounting and in conformity with the standards promulgated by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants in its audit guide for voluntary health and welfare organizations. Contributions are recorded when received unless susceptible to accrual. Restricted funds have been established to account for those resources available for use, but expendable only for the purpose specified by the donor.

**(b) Organization:** McKenzie River Gathering Foundation is an exempt organization for Federal income tax purposes under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code and as a public benefit charity, qualified for charitable contributions under the Internal Revenue Code Section 170.

**(c) Fund Accounting:** To ensure observance of certain constraints and restrictions placed on the use of resources, the accounts are maintained in accordance with the principles of fund accounting. Accordingly, resources for various purposes are classified for accounting and reporting purposes into funds that are in accordance with the nature and purpose of such funds. Separate accounts are maintained for each fund; however, in the accompanying financial statements, funds that have similar characteristics have been combined into fund groups. The assets, liabilities and fund balances are reported in the following self-balancing fund groups:

- Current funds include unrestricted and restricted resources available for support of operations.
- Endowment funds include amounts whereby the donor has stipulated that the principal remain intact, with only the income used for operations of MRG.

**(d) Functional Expenses:** MRG allocates its expenses on a functional basis among its various programs and support services. Expenses that can be identified with a specific program and support service are allocated directly according to their natural expenditure classification. Other expenses that are common to several functions are allocated by various statistical bases.

**(e) Donated Materials and Services:** MRG records the value of donated goods or services when there is an objective basis available to measure their value. No amounts have been reflected in the statements for donated materials or donated services as no objective basis is available to measure the value of such materials and services.

The Portland office space is rented below the going market rate. Estimated donated value is \$3,900 for the year ended June 30, 1994.

**(f) Donated Assets:** Contributions in the form of assets, such as securities, are stated at the fair market value of the assets at the date of contribution. Fair market value of donated securities is \$127,036 for the year ended June 30, 1994.

**(g) Fixed Assets and Depreciation:** Fixed assets are recorded at cost, or at fair market value at date of donation. Depreciation is charged using the straight line method over the estimated useful lives of the respective assets. MRG's net investment in fixed assets is classified in a separate fund, which is included in the current unrestricted fund. Depreciation expense was \$5,957 for the year ended June 30, 1994.



# FINANCIAL REPORT

## McKenzie River Gathering Foundation - STATEMENT OF FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES for the year ending June 30, 1994

	MANAGEMENT & GENERAL	FUNDRAISING	PROGRAM SERVICES	TOTAL FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES
Payroll				
Wages	\$35,495	\$18,652	\$27,572	\$81,719
Payroll Taxes	3,370	1,803	2,665	7,838
Employee Benefits	7,138	3,817	5,644	16,599
Total Payroll	46,003	24,272	35,881	106,156
Other				
Accounting & Bookkeeping	9,095			9,095
Consultant Fees	838	6,239	663	7,740
Copying & Printing	3,963	5,971	287	10,221
Donor Services		239		239
Event Expense		1,805		1,805
Equipment Maintenance	2,403			2,403
Meetings & Transportation	2,083	219	2,126	4,428
Miscellaneous	2,626	345	681	3,652
MRG Publications		2,564	2,242	4,806
MRG Workshops			726	726
Office Rent	6,178	1,218	1,801	9,197
Office Supplies	676	244	360	1,280
Portfolio Management	3,468			3,468
Postage	2,521	2,999	383	5,903
Staff Development	373			373
Telephone	2,602	1,392	2,068	6,062
Transportation Staff	1,543	525	271	2,339
West End Fund Admin.	576			576
Women's Conference			4,293	4,293
Total Other	38,945	23,760	15,901	78,606
Direct grants				
Funding Exchange Tithe			7,100	7,100
Funding Cycle Grants			142,000	142,000
Critical Response Grants			4,849	4,849
Travel Grants			4,973	4,973
Lilla Jewel Grants			2,000	2,000
Donor Advised Grants			122,200	122,200
Donor Pool Grants			45,063	45,063
Anti-Bigotry Grants			20,000	20,000
Michael Smith Grants			4,000	4,000
Total Direct Grants			352,185	352,185
Total Expenses Before Depreciation	84,948	48,032	403,967	536,947
Depreciation	5,957			5,957
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$90,905</b>	<b>\$48,032</b>	<b>\$403,967</b>	<b>\$542,904</b>

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

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### Independent Auditor's Report

To the Board of Directors  
McKenzie River Gathering Foundation

We have audited the accompanying balance sheet of McKenzie River Gathering Foundation (a non-profit organization), as of June 30, 1994, and the related statements of public support, revenue and expenses and changes in fund balance and functional expenses for the year then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Foundation's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

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

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of McKenzie River Gathering Foundation as of June 30, 1994, and the results of its operations and changes in fund balances for the year then ended, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

Emge & Whyte

Emge & Whyte

July 27, 1994

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## McKENZIE RIVER GATHERING FOUNDATION ■ NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS ■ JUNE 30, 1994

**(h) Income Taxes:** Income taxes are not provided for in the financial statements since MRG is exempt from federal and state income taxes under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code and similar state provisions. The Agency is not classified as a private foundation.

### NOTE 2 - INVESTMENTS

Investment assets consist primarily of securities traded on the national stock exchanges. Securities are stated at cost or quoted market value of the securities at the date of donation.

Market values and unrealized appreciation (depreciation) at June 30, 1994 are summarized as follows:

	Cost or Donated Value	Market Value	Unrealized Appreciation (Depreciation)
Restricted	\$110,635	\$104,091	\$ (6,544)
Endowment	\$384,245	\$371,271	\$ (12,974)
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$494,880</b>	<b>\$475,362</b>	<b>\$ (19,518)</b>

Net realized gains or (losses) on the sale of marketable securities was \$(459) for the year ended June 30, 1994. Gains and losses on disposition of marketable securities are considered elements of revenue and expense when realized.

### NOTE 3 - CASH & CASH EQUIVALENTS

All cash funds were deposited in interest-bearing accounts at June 30, 1994.

### NOTE 4 - WEST END FUND

Before June 1992, MRG contracted with ARABLE to process loan applications and grant loans of West End Funds to community food-related enterprises, such as worker co-operatives. On the advice of legal counsel subsequent to an Internal Revenue Audit, the MRG Board of Directors resolved to cease West End Fund loan operations, except for collection of outstanding loans. MRG terminated the contract with ARABLE in June 1992.

As of June 30, 1994, the following West End Fund loans were outstanding:

Solstice Bakery Inc.	\$9,647
Surata Soyfoods Inc.	10,070
Riverbrook Farm Cooperative	1,962
Organically Grown Cooperative	6,786
Genesis Juice Cooperative	7,878
Genesis Juice Cooperative	609
	<b>\$36,952</b>

At June 30, 1994, MRG reduced the loan loss reserve related to outstanding loans to \$7,390, recognizing \$3,761 in revenue.



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