

A Catalyst for Social Change in Oregon



1997 - 1998

Annual Report

SOCIAL CHANGE - A Definition

SOCIAL CHANGE, n. 1. The structural transformation of political, social and economic systems and institutions to create a more equitable and just society. 2. Proponents target the underlying causes of critical social problems such as homelessness, discrimination, and poverty. 3. While a variety of organizing and advocacy methods are utilized, social change organizations are characterized by the activism, cooperation, persistence, and dedication of their members. (example: An association of people with developmental disabilities work collectively to address issues of discrimination by empowering its members to advocate for themselves and collectively challenge service providers, government agencies, and other institutions to ensure equal access and rights for developmentally disabled people.)

syn.: community empowerment, just society, common good, grassroots democracy, accountability.

ant.: Status quo, charity, business as usual, temporary solutions.

1997-98 was the 22nd year since MRG's founding at a gathering of progressive activists and donors on the banks of the McKenzie River. The original gathering committed the foundation to a strategy of pooling the financial resources of Oregon's progressive community and distributing those resources to activists throughout the state.

For 22 years, MRG has built upon this mission, acting as a bridge between wealthy Oregonians with a progressive vision of social change, and low-income activists employing innovative strategies to eliminate the root causes of prejudice, urban and rural poverty, violence, militarism, and environmental degradation. That bridge has served as a conduit for needed resources, and as a unifying force among communities too long divided by prejudice, economic inequality, and geography.

Serving as a bridge builder continues to be a cornerstone of MRG's work:

- breaking down divisions between rural and urban communities;
- fostering collaboration between diverse racial and ethnic communities;
- promoting a multi-issue approach to social change among activists working on a wide array of social and economic justice, peace, international solidarity, and environmental protection concerns;
- and creating a partnership between wealthy donors and low-income activists, strengthening the efforts of each to win justice through organizing their peers and demanding change.

This year MRG has continued to realize this vision. The list of grantees contained in this year-end report reveals that 40% of general cycle grants were awarded to organizations based in rural Oregon communities; nearly 30% of grants went to start-up groups organizing newly emerging constituencies and/or pioneering new and innovative strategies for resolving societal problems; and 30% of grants went to organizations based in communities of color who are taking leadership in addressing the long history of racial inequality and violence in Oregon.

Every MRG general cycle grantee is a bridge builder, working to win power and recognition for groups too long excluded from the democratic process; bridging gaps of ignorance, and interrupting historical patterns of discrimination, exploitation or environmental destruction; building bridges to new traditions of fairness, compassion, justice, and good stewardship.

We invite you to join us in supporting the work of these vitally important groups, and help us build a bridge to a better future for Oregon.



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Blue Mountain Biodiversity Project, Fossil, \$5,000.

For: General support for rural eastern Oregon group working to protect environmental integrity by challenging profit-driven mis-management of public lands. They are founding organizers of a statewide "end corporate dominance" movement that unites human rights, economic justice and environmental activists.

Cascadia Wildlands Project, Eugene, \$4,000.

For: Seed funding for group promoting responsible forest stewardship through grassroots organizing and by monitoring timber sales in the Willamette National Forest and the northern Umpqua National Forest.

Causa '98, Salem, \$9,500.

For: General support of diverse statewide coalition challenging the rise in anti-immigrant sentiment. Their program builds immigrant leadership, increases immigrant civic participation and awareness of legal and civil rights, expands collaboration of concerned organizations, educates the public on immigration issues, and documents discrimination and abuse against immigrants in Oregon.

Chetco Tribe of Southern Oregon, Agness, \$3,000.

For: Special project building support for becoming a federally-recognized and reinstated tribe. They will host a pow wow to promote a movement for cultural survival, counter racist stereotypes, and build relationships with the surrounding community.

Chiapas Urgent Call, Portland, \$2,000.

For: The Aguascalientes Regional Dialogue, which consists of a series of gatherings and a diverse statewide organizing network formed to support the Chiapas, Mexico uprising. These gatherings bring a Zapatista-inspired unifying vision to groups addressing peace, human rights, economic justice and environmental issues.

Chicano Culture Club, Salem, \$2,000.

For: Project by Latino inmates at the Oregon State Prison alerting the public to the culturally-biased use of psychological testing within the state judicial system. They will be mobilizing psychologists, attorneys and community advocates in support of this work.

Clatsop County AIDS Coalition, Astoria, \$3,000.

For: Development of a gay and lesbian resource center and a speakers bureau. They will focus on HIV education and on increasing the visibility and safety of the lesbian and gay community.

Committee in Solidarity with the Central American People, Eugene, \$4,000.

For: General support with an emphasis on CISCAP's efforts to diversify their organization. Plans include increasing their bi-lingual activities, participating in coalitions addressing immigrant issues, supporting farmworker and Mexican border factory worker struggles, and solidarity work with the Zapatista movement in Chiapas.

Community Alliance of Lane County, Eugene, \$8,000.

For: Youth Leadership Development Project which includes mobilizing and training anti-racist skinheads, coordinating CALC's existing Youth for Justice group, developing a new Youth for Justice group in Springfield, and networking these and other progressive youth groups to produce joint activities.

Community Alliance of Tenants, Portland, \$5,000.

For: Developing a base of power for tenants as Portland contends with skyrocketing rents, low vacancy rates, and worsening living conditions. Activities include leadership development, a renters' rights hot-line, neighborhood organizing, educational forums, and a city-wide renters' rights campaign.

Community Networking Technologies, Eugene, \$5,000.

For: General support for CNT which will assist environmental and human rights group throughout the state to organize more effectively by giving them access to computer technology and training.

Confederated Tribes of the Lower Rogue, Coos Bay, \$3,150.

For: Cultural survival project by descendants of the few area Native Americans that were not removed from their aboriginal homeland. It will involve copying historical photographs, documents and maps for use in a booklet and curriculum guide to be distributed to libraries, schools and the general public.

Convenio de Raices Mexicanas, Phoenix, \$6,500.

For: General support for a group providing economic alternatives and advocacy for southern Oregon farmworkers.

Eaglecap AIDS Support Team, La Grande, \$2,000.

For: General support for group involved in educating the public and remedying the lack of services for people with HIV/AIDS in three conservative rural counties. High-risk populations are closeted in the region because of homophobia and hostility towards people with the disease.

Grant County Conservationists, John Day, \$3,500.

For: Watershed restoration project which includes the wetlands, fish habitat and salmon critical to the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs with whom GCC is working.

HIV Advocacy Council of Oregon and Southwest Washington, Portland, \$3,500.

For: The HIV+Letter which is directed at ensuring that people living with HIV have access to information as well as representation in decision-making affecting HIV services and policies.

Illinois Valley Peer Educational Teen Theatre, Cave Junction, \$3,000.

For: Theater performances by young people that focus on HIV, human rights, and sexuality issues in a conservative county that is the second poorest in the state and has the second highest teen pregnancy rate.

Institute for Economic Justice and Indigenous Technology, Eugene, \$3,000.

For: Educational tour by Mayan weavers to explain the link between the war in Guatemala, U.S. economic interests, and immigration policy.

Jefferson Center for Education and Research, Wolf Creek, \$5,000.

For: General support for group forming an association of Southeast Asian, Latino, Native American, and Euro-American forest products workers. They address labor, environmental, ethnic relations, and economic issues.

Klamath Siskiyou Wildlands Center, Williams, \$4,000.

For: Project aimed at reducing road densities on public lands, which affects stream erosion and the survival of wildlife. They will monitor and respond to timber sales while mobilizing public involvement in forest agency decisions.

La Expresion, Eugene, \$4,000.

For: Seed funding for a Spanish-language newspaper mobilizing the Lane County Latino community on a range of issues including the human rights abuses experienced by deported immigrants.

Latino Coalition, Eugene, \$3,000.

For: General support to develop organizational infrastructure and to sponsor "Platicas - Conversations with our Community" in Eugene and rural towns throughout Lane County. Follow-up organizing to the platicas will build a regional grassroots Latino network.

Lesbian Community Project, Portland, \$4,500.

For: General support for LCP which includes: providing political education on race, class and gender; community-building activities; and a program for women in rural communities.

Lomakatsi Restoration Project, Ashland, \$2,000.

For: Education and organizing through a community-based reforestation project on the "Masters Clear Cut", an area widely recognized as a major logging disaster.

Los Hermanos Youth Crime Prevention Program, Salem, \$4,000.

For: Program conducted by Oregon State Prison Latino inmates bringing Latino youth at risk of involvement with drugs, violence, and gangs to the prison for intervention; they also provide organizing technical assistance to grassroots youth groups.

Love Makes a Family, Portland, \$5,000.

For: Statewide outreach to community organizations concerned with sexual minority family issues.

Mano a Mano, Salem, \$5,000.

For: The Latino Unidos Siempre Youth Group that develops youth-directed projects designed to give voice to cultural identity and exercise collective power in challenging institutional racism. They plan to bring more than 300 youth into the project during the coming year.

Multicultural HIV/AIDS Alliance of Oregon, Portland, \$7,000.

For: General support for this group's work pressing for a competent, culturally appropriate HIV prevention and service delivery system within Oregon. Their meetings throughout the state facilitate immersion in a variety of cultures so that they can advocate together for all communities.



Multicultural HIV/AIDS Alliance of Oregon

NAACP, Eugene, \$4,000.

For: ACT-SO, a youth empowerment project, bringing together African-American youth and mentors to develop cultural presentations and ongoing youth organizing; this project dispels stereotypes and provides media visibility for the Lane County African-American community.

Neighborhood Women, Portland, \$2,500.

For: Women's Leadership Support Project whose purpose is to identify and train low-income women to become leaders in issues including domestic violence, economic development, housing affordability, child care, and racism.

Northwest Trails Archive and Restoration Project, Springfield, \$2,500.

For: General support for group addressing ecosystem protection on public lands by pressuring for preservation of historic trails. Their work will link Native American and forestry issues, provide a vehicle to be used in appealing timber sales, and respond to the exemption of Pacific Northwest lands from the current federal moratorium on building roads in road-less areas.

Nuevo Amanecer Resident Association, Woodburn, \$2,150.

For: General support for this group in a farmworker housing development that will develop leadership, strengthen local social and economic justice programs, and assist other resident associations.

O.N.E./Portland Taiko, Portland, \$3,000.

For: Cultural organizing project featuring a performance piece connecting WWII internment of people of Japanese ancestry at Tule Lake with current anti-immigrant sentiments. The inter-generational Asian-American project will be performed throughout the state, including the Tule Lake pilgrimage commemorating the 10th anniversary of the U.S. government's apology to camp survivors.

Oregon Housing Now Coalition, Portland, \$5,000.

For: The Civil Rights Organizing Project, which is a response to the violation of civil rights of homeless people by the police, policy makers and local communities throughout the state. The project will involve educating the public and decision-makers, organizing homeless people to be aware of and defend their rights, and creating a statewide advocacy network.

Oregon NARAL/Lane County Team, Eugene, \$3,000.

For: General support for a project organizing for reproductive rights in Lane, Benton, Linn and Jackson Counties and for participating in coalitions addressing the agenda of the radical right.

Oregon Native Youth Council - New Voices, Otis, \$1,700.

For: Organizing and training activities of this youth group working with Native elders. They will develop youth leadership and provide support grounded in traditional culture for at-risk and incarcerated Native youth.

Peace House, Ashland, \$3,500.

For: General support for grassroots organizing on issues including hate crimes, homelessness, youth, immigration, non-violence, progressive coalition-building, and anti-bigotry in an area with five active white supremacist groups.

Portland Central America Solidarity Committee, Portland, \$6,000.

For: General support for this group opposing U.S. military and economic intervention in Latin America through an immigrant rights theater project and a cross border labor organizing coalition.

Portland Jobs with Justice, Portland, \$7,000.

For: General support for 35-member group coalition that includes a youth and rank-and-file workers organizing effort, a sustainable economics program addressing welfare reform and tax justice, and an anti-international sweatshop project.

Rogue Valley Oregon Action, Medford, \$5,000.

For: The Living Wage Jobs Project which addresses the issues facing the working poor in Oregon. They will research economic data, develop a coalition of community institutions and low-wage workers, and tell the stories of the working poor in a model effort that will challenge decision-makers to realize that living wages translate into good economic policy.

Rural Organizing Project, Scappoose, \$8,000.

For: General support for statewide network of 60 human dignity groups, with a focus on ROP's racial justice strategy. This strategy will involve a community-based action plan to address the immigration backlash in rural communities.

Sisters in Portland Impacting Real Issues Together, Portland, \$9,500.

For: General support for this organization of low-income women and women of color and girls. SPIRIT will build on their success in challenging the Portland public schools to address violence against girls, and forward public policy proposals expanding educational and economic opportunities for their constituency.

Somos Orgullo Latino, Portland, \$3,000.

For: General support for gay/bi/transgendered Latino men's group concerned with leadership development, visibility, political organizing, immigration issues, gay rights, and HIV education.

South Asian Women's Empowerment and Resource Alliance, Portland, \$3,000.

For: Seed funding for domestic violence group contending with the cultural, legal and linguistic issues affecting South Asian women and children. Through education and training, SAWERA is working to create an orchestrated community response ending any tolerance of domestic violence.

Support Coalition Northwest, Eugene, \$2,500.

For: Oregon outreach to build and sustain a community of psychiatric survivors. They will implement a statewide "right to know" campaign seeking full disclosure on the hazards of psychiatric drugs and electroshock.

Tillicum Foundation/KMUN, Astoria, \$3,000.

For: Increasing public radio station KMUN-FM's coverage of news in outlying areas, continuing their Spanish-language programs for the growing Latino community, providing training for participants in a multi-cultural youth center, and producing timely social and economic public affairs programming.

Unete al Movimiento de Conciencia Popular, Medford, \$5,000.

For: General support for this group educating and organizing farmworkers by visiting labor camps, producing educational meetings and materials, developing membership participation, and networking with groups concerned with labor, welfare reform, and immigration issues.

Women's Community Education Project, Portland, \$3,000.

For: General support with a focus on seed funding for three new programs: educational events to attract new women activists, workshops mobilizing young women organizers, and an "organization of the month" coalition-building campaign that assists featured groups with membership recruitment.

Workers Organizing Committee, Portland, \$9,000.

For: Development of a multi-racial, multi-trade workers center that unites workers in the communities in which they live and work; this community-based center is central to WOC's efforts to build a low-wage workers' movement.



*Institute for Economic Justice
and Indigenous Technology*

SPIRIT



**General Fund Designated Grantee
The Michael Smith Fund Grant:**

Institute for Economic Justice and Indigenous Technology
Tillicum Foundation/KMUN-FM

Travel Grants

Groups receiving grants of up to \$250 to support domestic travel:
• CAUSA '98 • Community Alliance of Lane County • Janus Youth Program • Latinos Unidos Siempre • Lesbian Community Project • Love Makes a Family • Oregon Housing Now • Oregon Peaceworks • Portland Central America Solidarity Committee • Portland Copwatch • Portland Jobs with Justice • Shelter Development Committee/RVDCD • Sisters in Portland Impacting Real Issues Together • St. Francis Dining Hall Immigration Project • Teatro Sin Fronteras • Workers Organizing Committee

Critical Response Fund

Groups receiving grants of up to \$500 for unanticipated organizing opportunities occurring between our regular funding cycles:
CAUSA '98 • CALC/Springfield Youth for Justice
• Q-BASIC • Youth Against Racism and Bigotry/ROP

Donor Advised Grants

ACLU of Oregon • Agape Foundation • Amnesty International • Centro Latino Americano • Committee in Solidarity with the Central American People • Community Alliance of Lane County • Council for Prostitution Alternatives • Decchen Ling • Episcopal Church of the Resurrection • Episcopal City Mission • Episcopal Community Services • Episcopal Divinity School • Eugene - Springfield Solidarity Network Fund • Friends of Buford Park and Mt. Pisgah • HIV Alliance • Lane County Audubon/FRESH • Mother Kali's • New Israel Fund • Northern Alaska Environmental Center • 1,000 Friends of Oregon • Oregon Action • Other Paper • Portland Arts and Lectures • Raphael House • Rural Organizing Project • Save the West • Season of Sharing • Sisters in Portland Impacting Real Issues Together • Southern Poverty Law Center • St. Mary's Home for Boys • UNCF • United Way of Lane County • Western States Center/BRO

Lilla Jewel Fund for Women Artists

- Lilla Jewel Award, \$2,000 to Elaine Velazquez
- Special Mention, \$1,000 to Miranda July



Nuevo Amanecer



Workers Organizing Committee

The Funding Criteria

MRG funds organizations that bring people together to challenge discrimination, violence, poverty, and environmental destruction through community-based, grassroots action. Funding is directed toward creating a peaceful, just, and environmentally stable Oregon.

MRG considers proposals for funding from groups that:

- are involved in community activism;
- are located in Oregon;
- are committed to building bridges among diverse people and issues;
- have little access to traditional funding sources, e.g. United Way, government, and mainstream foundation grants.

MRG's grants program focuses on organizing efforts addressing human rights, economic justice, environmental protection, peace, indigenous land rights and sovereignty, and international solidarity. Within these broad areas, MRG grants support work on concerns including: racial prejudice, domestic violence, homelessness, poverty, community-labor relations, HIV-AIDS, reproductive rights, lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and transsexual liberation, disability rights, ancient forest and watershed protection, environmental justice, activist media, anti-militarism and international self-determination.

The Funding Process

MRG's Funding process is designed to involve applicants and grantors in constructive dialogue, and to assist novice grant seekers 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 Grants Director in Eugene to receive an application packet. Only proposals submitted by completing MRG's application form are considered.

MRG's grantmaking committee consists of activists with experience in the areas funded. After evaluating all of the submitted applications, committee members interview finalists 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 enables applicants to make their case before all of the decision-makers -- as part of our commitment to a democratic grant making 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 activist work across issue, geographic, cultural and economic divides.

Presentation Day



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Who are MRG Donors ?

Hundreds of Oregonians contribute to grassroots activism through MRG. They value the important, bridge-building leadership of MRG, funding across issues, communities, and strategies. By making contributions to MRG, donors are able to take advantage of our innovative grants program that involves activists chosen for their in-depth knowledge of the issues we fund and the groups active in those issues in every region of the state. These activists work with the staff to conduct the research necessary to understand the issues and organizations, and provide the outreach and technical assistance that is vital to ensuring that every activist group fitting our criteria finds MRG accessible.

People give to MRG's general fund for many good reasons. The general fund provides important seed money to emerging groups and issues. In fact, MRG is a pioneer among philanthropies in Oregon with an established track record of providing early money when and where it is needed to make seemingly marginal issues into mainstream concerns. Contributors are also attracted to our activist controlled process of distributing grants. Activist involvement ensures that we are as responsive as possible to the needs of the activist community. MRG's staff monitors all funded projects. Donors may maintain total anonymity, and are able to support a variety of projects with one gift.

In the past year, donor support at all levels made it possible for MRG to distribute nearly \$300,000 in grants to Oregon groups. If you are interested in learning more about MRG and joining our community of support, please contact our Portland office.

Donor Services

MRG offers a range of resources and services to help meet the particular needs of our donors including:

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 securities or real estate that result in significant capital gains for granting over the course of subsequent years. 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 interests or other 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 concerns. MRG's Spring Women and Wealth Conference is an annual event.

Financial and Estate Planning Workshops

MRG brings in financial and estate planning professionals to teach donors of all income levels about long term financial planning options.

Donor/Activist Briefings

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

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.

Ways to Contribute to MRG

MRG's donors are a diverse group of people who share one thing in common -- a commitment to creating a more peaceful, just and ecologically sound society. Whether you can give \$25, \$250 or \$25,000, you are an important partner in MRG's efforts. Become a donor to MRG by exercising one of the following 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 and services

Financial Statement

McKenzie River Gathering Foundation, Year Ended June 30, 1998

Public Support & Revenue

General Fund	\$	334,905
Other Public Support		215,113
Other Revenue		<u>359,370</u>
Total Public Support & Revenue	\$	909,388

Expenses

Program Services:		
Grants	\$	386,812
Community Education		<u>8,498</u>
Total Public Services	\$	395,310

Supporting Services:

Administrative	\$	73,853
Fund Raising		<u>54,381</u>
Total Supporting Services	\$	128,234

Increase in Net Assets	\$	385,844
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Net Assets at June 30, 1997	\$	<u>1,777,555</u>
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Net Assets at June 30, 1998	\$	<u>2,163,399</u>
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Permanently Restricted Net Assets

Endowment Fund	\$	1,076,374
Michael Smith Fund		106,958
Lilla Jewel Fund		<u>108,558</u>
Total Permanently Restricted Net Assets	\$	<u>1,291,890</u>

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