



“We are the
ones we’ve been
waiting for.”

—Hopi Prayer





Our Mission

The McKenzie River Gathering Foundation inspires people to work together for justice and mobilizes resources for Oregon communities as they build collective power to change the world.

Letter from the Director

Leadership.

The word “leadership” is being used a lot this year as people debate who has the vision, skill and backbone to be the next President of the United States.

But for me, leadership isn’t a quality that’s reserved for people in positions of authority. It’s a quality each of us has. We show leadership when we use our hearts and minds to make the things we’re involved in go well for everyone.

- It’s the teacher who stays after school with children whose parents have been picked up in an immigration raid, to make sure they have a safe place to go.
- It’s the volunteer who shows up early to set up an event—and then stays late to clean up.
- Or an Iraq war veteran who speaks up at a town hall meeting for the first time to show her congressperson that there are people who want to end the war in Iraq.

At MRG, leadership is a core value, which means that we encourage learning, experimentation, and innovation. It means we support the development of emerging leaders, embrace our own role as a leader in social justice philanthropy, and take strategic risks in service of our vision of a just world.

This year’s annual report features volunteer leaders at MRG. They are activists who bring years of experience to our grantmaking committees to ensure the best possible funding decisions. They are community members who contribute their skills as organizers, accountants and fundraisers to help us attract and manage the resources that fund the movement.

This past year, their leadership made it possible for us to:

- Award more than \$500,000 in activist led grants—the largest amount in MRG’s history.
- Redesign our Peace Fund to provide multi-year funding and opportunities for groups to get together to create a stronger, more cohesive peace movement.
- Throw two amazing parties—our first annual Justice Within Reach event and a lively summer gathering in the park—to celebrate our 30th anniversary.

This next year will be big for MRG. We’re growing, and in the months to come you’ll hear more about our plans to expand our impact in Oregon.

I hope you’ll join us by making a gift to MRG today. We need your leadership—as an MRG supporter and as an engaged member of the community. Together, we can make Oregon a better, more just place to live. For all of us.

In Peace,



Marjory Hamann
Executive Director



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America Solidarity Committee

Grant Programs at MRG

General Fund

This is the primary emphasis for MRG Foundation's grantmaking. Groups receive funding to build community power and organize for social justice and institutional change. MRG Foundation awards grants for both general operating expenses and special projects.

Peace Fund

This fund is dedicated to strengthening Oregon's peace movement so that it has the tools needed to shift public policy away from war and towards peace and social justice.

Travel Fund

Travel Grants provide opportunities for MRG grantees to participate in conferences or training opportunities that strengthen their organizing work.

Critical Response Fund

Critical Response grants provide groups with an opportunity to organize a progressive response to an unanticipated event, opportunity, or crisis.

Technical Assistance Fund

This short-term program helps MRG grantees expand their organizational capacity and effectiveness.

Lilla Jewel Award

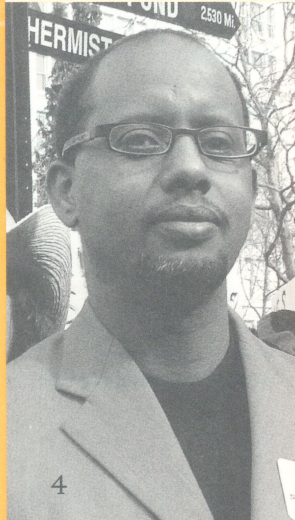
The Lilla Jewel Award for Women Artists is open to women artists residing in Oregon.

Donor Advised Grants

The Donor Advised Giving Program is a service for those who want to support specific organizations above and beyond their donations to MRG's activist led grantmaking programs.

For more information

Visit our website at www.mrgfoundation.org

A black and white portrait of Kayse Jama, a Black man with glasses and a goatee, wearing a light-colored jacket over a dark shirt. He is looking slightly to the left of the camera. In the background, a sign with the word 'HERMIST' is partially visible.

“MRG is a foundation that practices its vision, mission and values not just with words but with its actions. It allows me to get a glimpse of what the future would be like if we achieved our vision for justice. MRG is an interconnected community where minds, hearts and hands are united to build a better world for all.”

—Kayse Jama, MRG Board Vice-Chair
Coalition builder | Teacher | Poet



2006-2007 General Fund Grantees

\$3,500

African Women's Coalition Portland

AWC empowers and mobilizes African women to address the challenges and barriers African women and their families face in Oregon.

\$6,000

Amigos Multicultural Services Center Eugene

AMSC promotes respect for the human rights of Latin American immigrants whose dignity and livelihood have been challenged by poverty, discrimination, and social exclusion.

\$7,000

Blue Mountains Biodiversity Project Fossil

BMBP challenges the root causes of community and ecological instability by exposing and dismantling the systems of corporate dominance over ecosystems and communities.

\$8,000

Brother to Brother Portland

Brother to Brother is creating a strong LGBTQ presence and voice in the African-American community to confront systemic injustices in Oregon.

\$8,000

Cascade Resources Advocacy Group Portland

CRAG provides environmental and social justice activists with the legal tools and information needed to create a strong voice for justice.

\$10,000

Cascadia Wildlands Project Eugene

CWP has saved more than 60,000 acres of old-growth forest and roadless wilderness from logging and development by empowering local residents to change the way government and industry manage public lands.

\$7,000

CAUSA Salem

CAUSA, a statewide grassroots coalition, builds leadership and power in Oregon's immigrant communities.

\$8,000

Center for Intercultural Organizing Portland

CIO combats widespread anti-Muslim sentiment by developing leadership in new immigrant and refugee communities to educate the public and promote human rights.

\$8,000

Central Oregon Jobs with Justice Bend

Central Oregon JwJ is a coalition of 21 labor, community, human rights and environmental groups working for higher living standards, better working conditions and increased human rights.



- \$7,000** **Community Alliance of Lane County** Eugene
 CALC challenges discrimination and harassment directed against the LGBTQ community and people of color while demanding institutional accountability for their safety and well-being.
- \$8,500** **Community Alliance of Tenants** Portland
 CAT develops the leadership of low-income tenants to hold landlords and officials accountable for housing conditions and to permanently decrease barriers to affordable, safe, stable housing.
- \$6,500** **Community of Welcoming Congregations** Portland
 Through education, advocacy and coalition building, CWC builds a strong religious voice that affirms LGBTQ people in Oregon.
- \$6,000** **Confederated Tribes of the Lower Rogue** Coos Bay
 CTRLR was founded in 1996 to reclaim their history, language, culture and sovereignty.
- \$5,000** **Disabled United in Direct Empowerment** Medford
 DUDE is an advocacy group by and for the disabled community that effectively builds the leadership of people living with disabilities to organize for their rights.
- \$6,000** **Environmental Justice Action Group** Portland
 EJAG is dedicated to the elimination of environmental hazards through community education and organizing in low-income communities of color.
- \$6,000** **Eugene Middle East Peace Group** Eugene
 Under the banner “we will not be enemies”, EMEPG creates dialogue between Israelis, Palestinians, Jews and Muslims and educates the community on issues of peace in the Middle East.
- \$3,500** **Gender Center** Eugene
 The Gender Center is a “go to” resource for transgender, transsexual and queer individuals. GC works to stop gender violence and the oppression of gender and sexual minorities.
- \$8,000** **Human Dignity Coalition** Bend
 HDC is creating a grassroots movement for social change in central Oregon to prevent discrimination, oppression and hate.
- \$5,000** **Immigrant Shape** Portland
 Immigrant Shape is creating, training and supporting a network of leaders in eastern Oregon to protect civil rights and minimize the community disruption that result from government raids on immigrant communities.
- \$8,500** **International Center for Traditional Childbearing** Portland
 Facing high infant mortality rates and discrimination in the health care system, ICTC trains black midwives in Oregon and organizes the power of black women to be a strong voice for social justice.

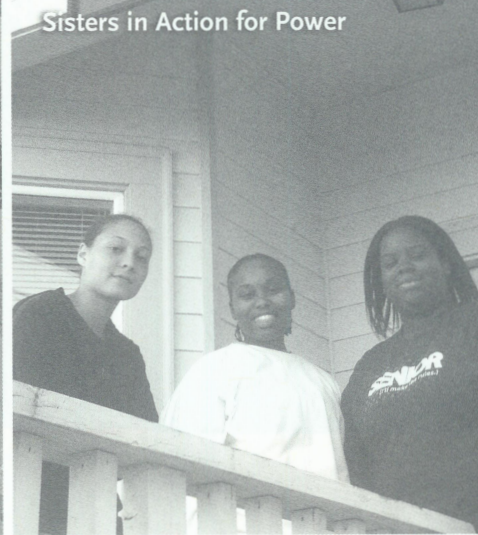


“I can’t imagine what southern Oregon would be like without the local groups funded by MRC Foundation. I’m honored to be part of a foundation that has stepped up over the years to help rural communities defend our land, protect our civil rights, and preserve our cultural traditions.”

—Esther Stutzman, MRC Board Chair
Storyteller | Tribal leader | Grandmother



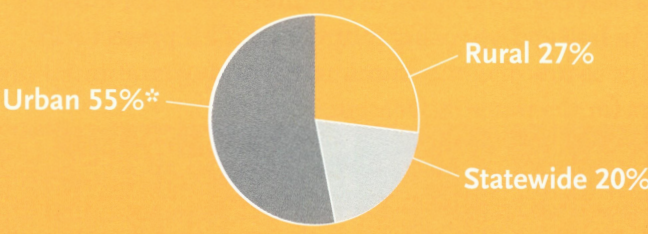
- \$8,000** **Jefferson Center for Education and Research** Portland
The Jefferson Center builds the leadership of low-income rural workers and their families to seek social, economic, environmental and racial justice.
- \$8,000** **Komemmma Cultural Protection Association** Yoncalla
KCPA researches and preserves the culture, history and traditions of the Kalapuya Indians of western Oregon, while dismantling the entrenched anti-Indian infrastructure in Douglas County.
- \$7,500** **Love Makes a Family** Portland
Since 1993, LMF has raised a public voice for families who face social, economic and legal discrimination due to sexual orientation or gender identity/expression.
- \$8,000** **MindFreedom Oregon** Eugene
Led by and for mental health consumers and psychiatric survivors, MFO organizes grassroots campaigns for empowerment and self-determination in Oregon’s mental health system.
- \$7,000** **Mujeres Luchadoras Progresistas** Woodburn
MLP fosters farm worker women’s skills and self-confidence to address home and workplace discrimination and oppression.
- \$4,500** **Network for Reproductive Options** Eugene
NRO’s Grassroots Health Education Program empowers women to be active and vocal about their fundamental human rights to full reproductive health and to lives free of oppression.
- \$4,000** **Not Straight, Not Sure** Medford
NSNS is creating a visible, inclusive, safe community for queer youth and young adults in southern Oregon.
- \$7,000** **Oregon Fair Trade Campaign** Portland
ORFTC organizes those most directly affected by free trade to support fair trade policies that promote health, labor rights, a future for family farmers, and jobs in rural Oregon.
- \$6,000** **Oregon Farm Worker Ministry** Portland
OFWM provides a vital link between faith communities and farm worker organizations to support farm workers as they strive for better living and working conditions.
- \$8,000** **Oregon Rural Action** La Grande
ORA organizes residents from immigrant, farming, ranching and timber communities to unite around issues such as toxic pesticide exposure in Ontario, food insecurity in Malheur County and renewable energy development in Union County.
- \$6,000** **Oregon Women’s Action for New Directions** Eugene
Oregon WAND highlights injustices within the federal budget and inspires people to take action to redirect military spending to human and environmental needs.



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| \$7,000 | <p>Peace House Ashland</p> <p>Peace House promotes alternatives to militarism, addresses economic injustice and strives to build a culture of nonviolence in southern Oregon.</p> |
| \$8,000 | <p>Portland Jobs with Justice Portland</p> <p>PJwJ is a coalition of 85 labor, community, environmental, student, social justice and faith-based groups who are united to defend the rights of working people and advance social and economic justice.</p> |
| \$7,500 | <p>Portland Central America Solidarity Committee Portland</p> <p>PCASC educates and mobilizes students, union members and community activists around struggles for human rights and economic justice in Latin America and supports the fight for immigrant rights in Oregon and the United States.</p> |
| \$5,000 | <p>Rogue Valley Oregon Action Medford</p> <p>RVOA organizes low and moderate-income people in Jackson County to take leadership in addressing the root causes of critical economic justice issues.</p> |
| \$8,500 | <p>Salem/Keizer Coalition for Equality Salem</p> <p>SKCE promotes equality in the education and criminal justice systems by uniting parents to end discrimination.</p> |
| \$5,000 | <p>Senseless Violence Leads to Silence Portland</p> <p>SVLS gives African Americans in Portland the tools and skills to stop cycles of violence in their own lives and then move to stop the cycle of violence in the larger community.</p> |
| \$8,000 | <p>Sisters in Action for Power Portland</p> <p>Sisters in Action is a youth led, community based, multi-racial organization that develops the critical analysis and community organizing skills of low-income women and girls of color. Their work reshapes dominate culture around issues of race, class and gender equity.</p> |
| \$6,000 | <p>Somali Women's Association Portland</p> <p>SWA empowers Somali women through leadership development, civic engagement, advocacy and education.</p> |
| \$5,000 | <p>Southern Oregon Jobs with Justice Ashland</p> <p>SOJwJ organizes disenfranchised people to create a healthy community with more locally owned businesses, sustainable economies, strong unions, and responsive government.</p> |
| \$4,000 | <p>South Umpqua Traditional Pow Wow Myrtle Creek</p> <p>The South Umpqua Traditional Pow Wow preserves Umpqua Indian traditions and teaches the community their ancestral way of life.</p> |

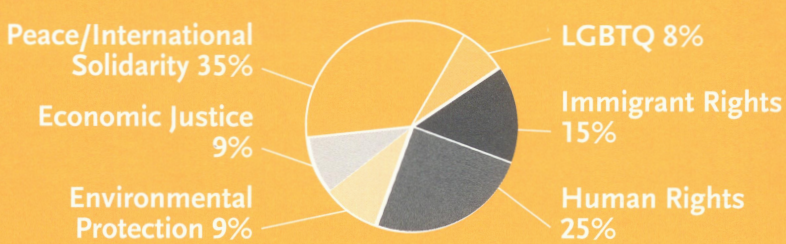
- \$7,500** **Street Roots** Portland
 Street Roots educates the community about social justice and homelessness through a grassroots, nonprofit newspaper that is written and sold by homeless individuals.
 - \$5,000** **Umatilla Morrow Alternatives** Irrigon
 UMA started in March of 2006 in response to the need for more HIV services in Umatilla and Morrow Counties. UMA plans to build a strong, visible movement for LGBTQ rights and HIV services.
 - \$8,000** **Umpqua Watersheds** Roseburg
 Umpqua Watersheds works tirelessly to protect a unique bioregion by exposing damaging forest management plans and developing solutions through public dialogue.
 - \$8,000** **Unete** Medford
 Unete empowers farm workers and immigrants to have an active voice in the issues, legislation, and actions that directly affect their lives.
 - \$8,000** **Voz Hispana Causa Chavista** Woodburn
 VHCC organizes Latino parents to create a strong political power base for Latinos in Woodburn.
 - \$10,000** **VOZ: Workers' Rights Education Project** Portland
 VOZ empowers Latino day laborers to gain control over their working conditions and to exercise their power to address the social and economic injustices that immigrant workers face.
- Total: \$320,000**

Geographic Distribution of Grants
(Activist led)

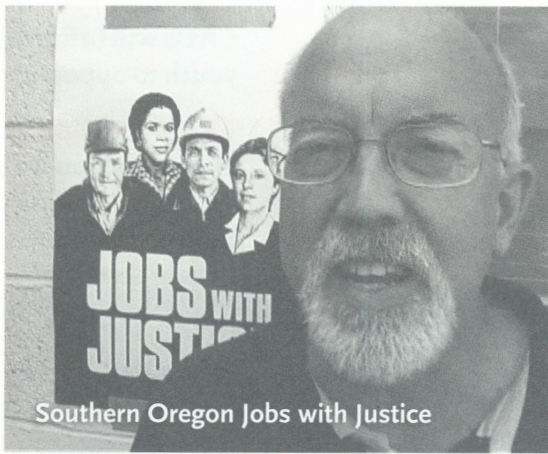


* Urban areas include Ashland, Medford, Bend, Eugene, Portland and Salem

Issue Areas
(Activist led)



MRG has a strong commitment to racial justice. Forty-three percent of our grantees are based in communities of color and are working to create a racially just Oregon.



Southern Oregon Jobs with Justice



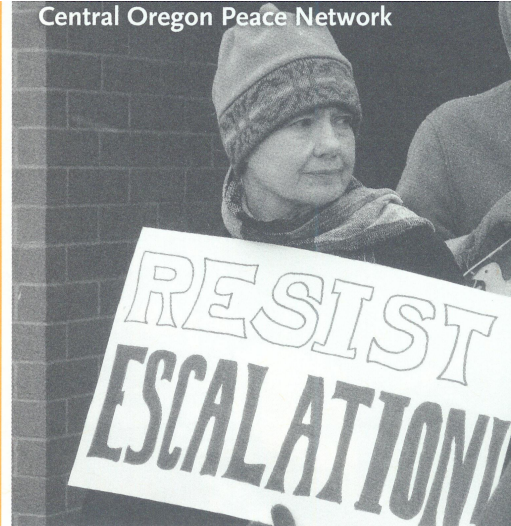
Unete



“MRG is poised to be around for a very long time. I am excited about being part of MRG’s present and future, and ensuring that the legacy of all of those who have come before me are honored and furthered.”

—Darryl Moch, MRG Board, General Fund Grantmaking Committee Co-Chair
Actor | Advocate | Bridge Builder

Central Oregon Peace Network



2006-2007 Peace Fund Grantees

THREE YEAR GRANTS

American Friends Services Committee Portland

The Oregon chapter of AFSC will engage young people to combine arts and activism; organize the “Eyes Wide Open” exhibit to expose the human and financial costs of war; and build a strong coalition to expand the unified voice for peace.

Center for Intercultural Organizing Portland

Led by immigrants and refugees, “Organizing for Peace and Engaging Newcomers (OPEN) Project” will expand the peace movement to include immigrants and refugees and strengthen the alliances between peace and social justice activists.

Community Alliance of Lane County Eugene

CALC will bring together diverse voices including labor, communities of color and youth to oppose the war and gather support for alternatives to war.

Oregon Action Portland

Oregon Action will create a new coalition based in communities of color that is focused on ending the war in Iraq and opposing future wars. This project will connect the peace movement to low-income communities and communities of color to help develop new leaders for the peace movement.

Pineros y Campesinos Unidos del Noroeste Woodburn

As the state’s largest Latino rights organization, PCUN will organize to bring issues of peace, war and justice to the Latino community via a new weekly radio show on KPCN-LP.

Rural Organizing Project Scappoose

ROP supports a vibrant network of 64 grassroots, social justice groups throughout small-town Oregon. Through coordinated actions to demand the truth from elected officials, ROP’s Co\$t of War Campaign will expose the true costs of war and promote policies that are based on principles of peace and justice.

Total for 2006-2007: \$120,000

Three year
grant recipients
will each receive

\$20,000 in 2007

\$15,000 in 2008

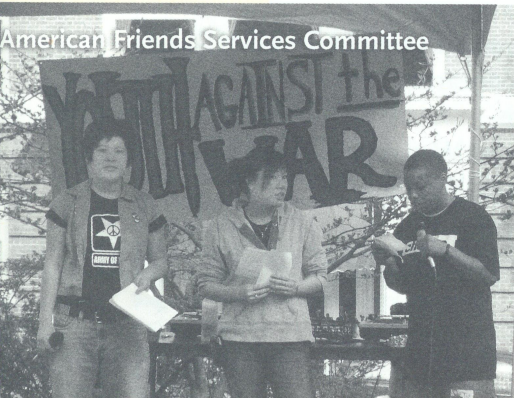
\$15,000 in 2009

\$50,000 total

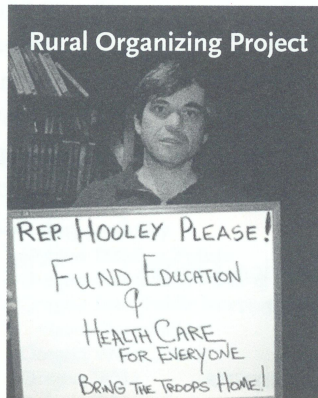
ONE YEAR GRANTS

- \$5,000 American Iranian Friendship Council** Portland
AIFC expands peoples' understanding of the complexities of Iranian history and contemporary realities. AIFC's ultimate goal is to prevent a military confrontation with the United States.
- \$5,000 Central Oregon Peace Network** Bend
COPN broadens the base of peace groups in central Oregon through public events, counter-recruitment activities and outreach to the religious community.
- \$5,000 Eugene PeaceWorks** Eugene
Eugene PeaceWorks' Committee for Countering Military Recruitment organizes and develops the leadership of young people to ensure that Lane County youth get accurate information about the military and explore alternatives to military service.
- \$4,500 Human Rights Advocates of Coos County** North Bend
In a very conservative part of Oregon, HRA works to create a climate of peace by organizing forums and community celebrations and advocating for peace.
- \$4,000 Military Families Speak Out** Portland
MFSO is comprised of people with relatives and loved ones in the military who are opposed to the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan. MFSO increases understanding of the personal impacts of war, advocates for the proper care of troops, and pushes for a viable exit strategy.
- \$5,000 Recruiter Watch PDX** Portland
RWPDX challenges the "poverty draft" in which low-income youth and youth of color are targeted by military recruiters in the Portland area. RWPDX links the mostly white, middle class peace movement with low-income youth and parents of color to stop the abuses of military recruitment tactics in our schools.

Total for 2006-2007: \$28,500



American Friends Services Committee



Rural Organizing Project



Military Families Speak Out



"It has been an honor to be a leader at MRG where people share their skills, knowledge and experience to create collective power and build a more just world. I look forward to a future where MRG continues to innovate, take strategic risks and grapple with difficult questions as we move towards a more just and peaceful world."

—Amy Doering Smith, MRG Board, Donor Relations Committee Chair

Fundraiser | Mentor | Dog Lover



Critical Response Grants

American Iranian Friendship Council
CAUSA
Community Alliance of Tenants
Military Families Speak Out Oregon
Oregon PeaceWorks
Rural Organizing Project
VOZ: Workers' Rights Education Project

Total: \$7,000

Travel Grants

Band of Empowered Advocates
Reclaiming Self-Determination
Cascadia Wildlands Project
Community of Welcoming Congregations
Disabled United in Direct Empowerment
Environmental Justice Action Group
Jefferson Center for Education and Research
Komemmma Cultural Protection Association
OPAL
Portland Central America Solidarity Committee
Portland Jobs with Justice
Sisters in Action for Power
VOZ: Workers' Rights Education Project

Total: \$5,000

Technical Assistance Fund

Amigos Multicultural Services Center
Cascadia Wildlands Project
CAUSA
Community Alliance of Tenants
Disabled United in Direct Empowerment
Human Dignity Coalition
Love Makes a Family
NW Alliance for Alternative Media and Education

Oregon Rural Action
Recruiter Watch PDX
Rogue Valley Oregon Action
Salem/Keizer Coalition for Equality
Somali Women's Association
Umpqua Watersheds

Total: \$22,000

Lilla Jewel Award

Lara Mulvaney (aka Moe Bowstern)

The following grants were made possible by the support from long term funds at MRG.

L'Chaim Fund

Cascade Resources Advocacy Group
Oregon Women's Action for New Directions
American Iranian Friendship Council
Military Families Speak Out Oregon

Maud T. Kernan Fund

African Women's Coalition
International Center for Traditional Childbearing
Unete
Umpqua Watersheds
Cascadia Wildlands
CAUSA
Voz Workers' Rights Education Project

Lilla Jewel Fund

Somali Women's Association

Michael Smith Fund

Jefferson Center

“I have been involved with MRG for many years now. Over the years, I have seen MRG expand the scope of its vision and mission and yet remain familiar and recognizable. It is this expansiveness that most excites me about MRG. We are adapting and responding to a changing world.”

—Olga Turner, MRG Board, Finance Committee Chair

Unitarian | Feminist | Aunt



Donor Advised Grantees

1,000 Friends of Oregon
50 Years is Enough
Access, Inc.
ACLU Foundation
ACLU Foundation of Oregon
Albina Rotary Club Foundation
American Friends Service Committee
American Jewish World Service
American Near East Refugee Aid
Amigos Multicultural Services Center
Amnesty International USA, Inc.
Artists Repertory Theatre
Belladonna Sanctuary
Bicycle Transportation Alliance
Bradley-Angle House
Bring Recycling
Cascade AIDS Project
Cascade Resources Advocacy Group
Cascadia Wildlands Project
CAUSA
Center for Intercultural Organizing
Central City Concern
Climate Trust
CODEPINK
Committee in Solidarity with the Central American People
Community Alliance of Lane County
Community Alliance of Tenants
Community Partners for Affordable Housing
Community Transitional School
Corporate Accountability International
De La Salle North Catholic High School
DEMOS
Deschutes Basin Land Trust
Doctors Without Borders
Dougry Center
Earth Action Network
Earth and Spirit Council
Earth Island Institute
Earthjustice
Echo Theater-Do Jump Dance Theater
Eugene Friends Meeting
Eugene-Springfield Solidarity Network
Family School
Fondasyon Mapou
Food First
Food for Lane County
Friends of Buford Park & Mt. Pisgah
Friends of Mount Pisgah Arboretum
Friends of Zenger Farm
Global Exchange
Global Greengrants Fund Inc
GLSEN
Grassroots International
Green Empowerment
Greenhill Humane Society
Greenpeace Foundation
Haiti Reborn
Hand in Hand
Hanford Watch

Headwaters
Heifer Project International
Hell's Canyon Preservation Council
HIV Alliance
Huerto de la Familia
Insights Teen Parent Program
Institute for Traditional Medicine and Preventive Health Care
International Book Bank
International Development Exchange
International Forum on Globalization
International Media Project
Israeli Committee Against House Demolitions-USA
Jesuit Volunteer Corps NW
KBOO-FM
Klamath Siskiyou Wildlands
LEAD Program
Lesbian Community Project
Looking Glass Youth and Family Services
Love Makes a Family
Madre
Mercy Corps
Mobility International USA
Multnomah County Library Foundation
Museum of Contemporary Craft
NARAL Pro-Choice Oregon Foundation
National Audubon Society
Nearby Nature
New Israel Fund
Nonviolent Peaceforce
North Portland Nurse Practitioner Community Health Clinic
Northwest Coalition for Alternatives to Pesticides
Northwest Medical Teams International
Northwest Pilot Project
NW Alliance for Alternative Media and Education
Open Meadows Learning Center
Oregon Bus Project
Oregon Environmental Council
Oregon Fair Trade Campaign
Oregon Farm Worker Ministry
Oregon Food Bank
Oregon PeaceWorks
Oregon Physicians for Social Responsibility
Oregon Progress Forum
Oregon Public Broadcasting
Oregon State Public Interest Research Group Foundation
Oregon Water Trust
Oregon Wild
Oregon Women's Action for New Directions
OSU Foundation
Oxfam America
Pacific Environment and Resources Center
Pangaea Project
Partnership for Safety and Justice
Planned Parenthood Federation of America
Ploughshares Fund
Portland Community Land Trust
Portland Habitat for Humanity
Portland Piano International

Portland-Mutare Sister City Association
Reed Institute
Relief Nursery, Inc.
Rural Organizing Project
Samuel S. Johnson Foundation
Save the Children
School of Playback Theatre
Seeds of Peace
Sierra Club Foundation
Siskiyou Regional Education Project
Sisters of the Road Café
Slow Food Portland
Southern Poverty Law Center
Spencer Butte Middle School
St. Andrew Legal Clinic
St. Andrew Nativity School
St. Philip the Deacon Church
Street Roots
Sunnyside Environmental School
Transition Projects, Inc.
Umpqua Watersheds
Universal Health Care for Oregon
Wallace Medical Concern
Water Watch
Weston A. Price Foundation
Wildlife Conservation Society
Willamette Resources And Educational Network
Willamette Valley Law Project
William Temple House
Within Earthly Bounds
Witness for Peace
Women's Action for New Directions Education Fund
Women's Community Education Project

Total: \$227,693

In addition to our activist-led grantmaking, we expand giving through our Donor Advised Program. MRG Foundation offers a way for donors to simplify their giving by making a single donation to MRG that is then distributed to one or more community organizations the donor recommends.



Big Wins for Grantees in 2006-2007

Thanks to strong community support, MRG increased its grants this year. Here are just a few examples of the victories our grantees achieved:

- Rural Organizing Project organized town halls throughout rural Oregon attracting 650 people who overwhelmed Congressional staff with their opposition to the war in Iraq.
- The Center for Intercultural Organizing won passage of a citywide resolution in Portland that protects the rights of immigrants and refugees and better includes them in civic and public life.
- PCUN launched its own low-power, farm worker radio station, KPCN-LP 96.3 FM Radio Movimento, reaching over 22,000 people in the Woodburn area with its mission of “educating, entertaining and raising consciousness.”
- The Community Alliance of Tenants won a commitment that 30% of all new urban renewal money in Portland will be spent on affordable housing. This translates into \$168 million over the next 6 years.

Making a Difference

Building Community

While most people know about MRG for our grants to grassroots organizations, we also play a critical role expanding social change philanthropy throughout the community. We encourage people to think about the money they have as a tool for creating *change, not charity* by supporting organizations that are addressing the root causes of injustice.

We do this through community events that bring people together, public forums on emerging social justice issues, and workshops on estate planning and socially responsible investing that give people the information they need to make strategic decisions. Every other year, we organize a conference for progressive people with financial resources, and our donor advised grant program supports those folks with their personal giving.

One of the most effective ways to make a difference is through a donation to MRG.

Many Ways to Give

People give to MRG for many reasons. Some donate because they know they can support racial justice, economic equality *and* environmental protection in a single gift. Others are motivated by a desire to support the infrastructure of Oregon's social justice movement. And some give to MRG because they believe in the radical idea of activists having greater control over financial resources.

Each year, hundreds of people make donations ranging from \$5 - \$50,000. These gifts are pooled to provide funding for effective grassroots organizing in Oregon.

At MRG, every gift really does matter. When people make a gift that is meaningful to them, they join a powerful movement for justice in Oregon.

When you add your name to the list of MRG supporters, it's like signing a petition that says you are part of Oregon's progressive movement and you are willing to put your money where your values are. And that makes a difference!

There are many ways to give:

- Send a check to MRG or give on line at www.mrgfoundation.org
- Name MRG as a beneficiary in your will, IRA or insurance policy
- Make monthly check or credit card donations to sustain our work year round
- Donate appreciated stocks or securities
- Ask you employer to match your gift to MRG
- Open a donor advised fund
- Invite others to join you in supporting MRG

If you want more information about ways to make your giving more effective or about donating to MRG, call us at 503-289-1517.

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MRG Foundation thanks the following for their support 2006 - 2007

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Statement of Financial Position

June 30, 2007

ASSETS

Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,004,978
Investments	4,165,495
Pledges and grants receivable	20,000
Property and Equipment	18,415
Other assets	10,573
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 5,219,461

LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS

LIABILITIES:

Grants payable	\$ 111,000
Accounts and other payables	34,410
Total Liabilities	145,410

NET ASSETS:

Unrestricted:

General Fund	293,528
Board Designated, Operating Reserve	360,400
Board Designated, Donor Advised Funds	444,097
Board Designated, Endowment	558,986
Board Designated, Michael Smith Fund	62,973
	1,719,984

Temporarily Restricted:

Maud T. Kernan Fund	938,520
Rob McCay Fund	531,611
Lilla Jewel Fund	71,424
L'Chaim Fund	333,152
Grants	6,985
	1,881,692

Permanently Restricted:

Endowment Fund	1,247,868
Michael Smith Fund	115,949
Lilla Jewel Fund	108,558
	1,472,375

Total Net Assets	5,074,051
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TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	\$ 5,219,461
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Statement of Activities

Year Ended June 30, 2007

PUBLIC SUPPORT AND REVENUE

Public Support:

	Unrestricted	Temporarily Restricted	Permanently Restricted	Total
General Fund contributions	\$ 390,080	\$ 12,138	\$ -	\$ 402,218
Donor Advised Funds contributions	158,458	-	-	158,458
Funding Exchange Endowment contributions	52,733	-	52,733	
Endowment Fund contributions	-	-	100	100
Michael Smith Fund contributions	-	-	50	50
Indirect public contributions	12,848	-	-	12,848
	614,119	12,138	150	626,407

Revenue:

Investment gains	258,731	244,271	-	503,002
Interest and dividends	117,707	41,400	-	159,107
Other revenue	12,543	-	-	12,543
Administrative fees earned	241	-	-	241
	389,222	285,671	-	674,893

Net Assets Released

From Restrictions:

Satisfaction of Maud T. Kernan Fund restrictions	86,248	(86,248)	-	-
Satisfaction of Rob McCay Fund restrictions	169,333	(169,333)	-	-
Satisfaction of Lilla Jewel Fund restrictions	7,940	(7,940)	-	-
Satisfaction of L'Chaim Fund restrictions	32,208	(32,208)	-	-
Satisfaction of other program restrictions	21,519	(21,519)	-	-
	317,248	(317,248)	-	-

Total Public Support and Revenue	1,320,589	(19,439)	150	1,301,300
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EXPENSES

Program services:

Grantmaking	842,107	-	-	842,107
Community Education	95,721	-	-	95,721
	937,828	-	-	937,828
Administrative	167,828	-	-	167,828
Fund raising	71,473	-	-	71,473

Total Expenses	1,177,129	-	-	1,177,129
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INCREASE (DECREASE) IN NET ASSETS

	143,460	(19,439)	150	124,171
NET ASSETS AT BEGINNING OF YEAR	1,576,524	1,901,131	1,472,225	4,949,880

NET ASSETS AT END OF YEAR

	\$1,719,984	\$1,881,692	\$ 1,472,375	\$5,074,051
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...We live in harmony with one another and the natural world we all share, and we commit to the peaceful resolution of conflicts.

...We all have the freedom, support and resources to pursue our dreams and live out our full potential as communities and as individuals.

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