



WATER FUND

2021 ANNUAL REPORT

"We knew that this truly is, One Small Planet... when everywhere we've been organizing from the streets of Oakland, to the thunderous plains of the Lakota Rosebud Reservation, to the thick jungle in the depths of the Amazon, we have met and collaborated with other grantees in the One Small Planet nexus.

Our work has preserved culture and ancestral medicines, increased food sovereignty, facilitated intergenerational healing through storytelling and education, and worked towards the support of human dignity for all. The support we have received has allowed us to spread our wings like a flock of eagles sailing on the winds of change."

- XOCHITL & ASHEL, ESSENTIAL FOOD & MEDICINE



ABOUT THE WATER FUND

In a world forgetting that all is sacred, One Small Planet believes in the human capacity to remember and restore balance. Through listening to and elevating Indigenous ways of being – while building a regenerative economy – we believe we can harmonize the wealth of people and planet. One Small Planet envisions a decolonized world perceived as sacred, imbued with meaning, and engaged with intention. Where relations are authentic and the wheel of sacred reciprocity turns in balance.

One Small Planet focuses its energy and grant-making on supporting largely Indigenous led and other frontline organizations to continue the great work of preserving and caring for what is vital. This often takes form in regenerative projects related to water, land, and culture.

OSP does this through working with both large networked partners as well as small community-based projects across the Americas. One Small Planet recognizes the shoulders we stand on and gives thanks for the opportunity to support this profound and necessary work at this time.





BELOVED ECONOMIES

Beloved Economies is a two-year initiative to co-create a new story for the American economy. This initiative seeks to boost economic justice and opportunity efforts in the U.S. through a targeted strategy centered on narrative change: altering the underlying story that influences our economic policy, expectations, and behavior. One Small Planet has supported this project since its inception with unrestricted funding.

MOTHERS OF THE AMAZON

Mothers of the Amazon is a global network of people dedicated to the protection of the Amazon rainforest and the health of its communities through restorative and regenerative community projects in the Amazon. Mothers of the Amazon is partnered with FEPHAC – the Huni Kuin Federation – to collaboratively develop and implement projects needed and desired by the Huni Kuin people of Acre, Brazil.

With the support of One Small Planet, Mothers of the Amazon installed 13 solar powered wells in 12 Huni Kuin villages, answering the call from the Fepach to focus immediate efforts on creating access to dependable clean water. This project is woven in with the Huni Kuin comprehensive development plan created by the Huni Kuin people.



BIONEERS UNIVERSITY

Bioneers is beginning the development of Bioneers University. This initiative will train citizens, professionals, educators, leaders, and emerging leaders to advance initiatives in specific highly strategic arenas and strengthen movement building. One Small Planet has supported the initial development and implementation of this work.



NIBI WALKS

The Nibi (Water) Walks are Indigenous-led, extended ceremonies where people from all over come to celebrate and pray over water. Every step is taken in prayer and gratitude for water. This organization performs these sacred walks all over the world, honoring and thanking the various bodies of water that provide nourishment. One Small Planet has financially supported the next Nibi Walk, which is scheduled for 2022 in Mississippi.

KENE RAO

Kene Rao is a grassroots Indigenous-led project elevating the ancestral arts of the Shipibo-Conibo people around Pucallpa, Peru through the creation of textiles and digital media. Kene Rao also serves as a center of strength and development for the community by holding workshops and exploring the protection of intellectual property related to ancestral patterns. The OSP team has supported this great work over the last couple of years and we are excited to watch this community continue to grow and thrive.





EKVN-YEFOLECV

Ekvn-Yefolecv (ee-gun yee-full-lee-juh) is an intentional ecovillage community of Indigenous Maskoke people. After 180 years of being forcibly removed from traditional homelands in what is commonly/colonially known as Alabama, the Maskoke have returned to their ancestral lands to practice linguistic, cultural, and ecological sustainability. The term Ekvn-Yefolecv implicitly embodies a double meaning: returning to the earth, and returning to our homelands. Designed as a holistic decolonization paradigm shift and departure from an extractive economy, residents of the ecovillage are manifesting an off-grid, income-sharing community with natural building construction, renewable energy, and low-tech integrated regenerative systems. The community is revitalizing the Maskoke ways of being through language immersion and educational curriculum centered on traditional agricultural and ecological knowledge, reintroduction of culturally significant and threatened animal species like buffalo and sturgeon, growing heirloom crops, and reviving traditional matriarchal governance.

The vision of the Ekvn-Yefolecv Maskoke ecovillage seeks to serve as an archetype for other Indigenous communities to model for a just transition to more equitable and linguistically, culturally, and ecologically sustainable lifeways.

With support from One Small Planet, Ekvn-Yefolecv was able to rescue an adjacent 326 acres of an endangered montane longleaf pine ecosystem from being clear cut by a timber company, as well as acquire 117 acres of previously clear cut land in order to restore it in longleaf silvopasture for the implementation of the holistic management practice of rotational bison grazing. One Small Planet also provided Ekvn-Yefolecv a solar-powered tractor to support the ecovillage's commitment to be climate-positive.





BIONEERS

Bioneers is an innovative nonprofit organization that highlights breakthrough solutions for restoring people and the planet. One Small Planet and Bioneers have partnered together over the last couple of years. OSP continues to support the great work in public education, media outreach, and community leadership programs.

BUCKMINSTER FULLER & REGENEROSITY

Buckminster Fuller Institute teamed up with pioneers of the regenerative movement to create the Regenerosity Network (Regenerosity). Regenerosity aims to accelerate regenerative practices by mobilizing resources and technical support for high potential projects, facilitating peer-learning, knowledge sharing, and inspiring a worldwide movement. This project is predicated on the urgency to accelerate a global shift in agricultural practices — to move away from unsustainable, extractive practices that deplete our soils, create ecological imbalance, further destabilize our climate, propel cycles of poverty and inequality, and threaten the livelihoods and security of farming communities, worldwide. One Small Planet supported the development of this network.

ESSENTIAL FOOD AND MEDICINE

Essential Food and Medicine (EFAM) recovers, transforms, and distributes food surplus and natural medicines to unhoused, formerly incarcerated, and low-income communities to further the regeneration of people and land. EFAM is a longtime partner of other One Small Planet grantees and this year's grant supported the operations and capital expenses of the organization.





HONOR THE EARTH

Honor the Earth uses Indigenous wisdom, music, art, and the media to raise awareness and support for Indigenous environmental issues. One initiative the organization leads is the fight to put land back into the hands of its traditional stewards. Both One Small Planet and the Living Forest Project granted to Honor the Earth this year for general operating support and to support their land back initiative, respectively.

Indigenous ayahuasca conference

The Indigenous Conference of Ayahuasca gathers leaders and medicine practitioners from Ayahuasca tribes all over South America – and trusted scientists, anthropologists, and policymakers – to connect around all topics related to Ayahuasca and forest conservation. One Small Planet funded the organization, analysis, and articulation of the conference over the last three sessions, resulting in a report that will be used to inform international communities and foster collaboration amongst policymakers, scientists, and Indigenous communities.

Indigenous environmental network

The Indigenous Environmental Network (IEN) works to address environmental and economic justice issues. IEN's activities include building the capacity of Indigenous communities and tribal governments to develop mechanisms to protect sacred sites, land, water, air, natural resources, the health of both people and all living things, and to build economically sustainable communities. One Small Planet supported the organization's work at the Red Feather Lakes camp, where they fought to resist the construction of the Enbridge Line 3 Pipeline.



KANA SAMURAI

Kana Samurai Foundation is a nonprofit organization that aims to honor, protect, and preserve the Indigenous cultures of South America. One Small Planet supported the building of Pajé Pano, housing and gathering spaces for traditional medicine leaders of the Noke Kuin People.

LAKOTA FARM PROJECT

The Lakota Farm Project is developing a small farm food sovereignty ecosystem and workforce program by and for the people who produce, distribute, and consume food while allowing mechanisms and policies of food production and distribution to be shared locally. This project is being developed on Sicangu Lakota Oyate Land (Rosebud Reservation) in South Dakota. One Small Planet supported this work with an unrestricted grant.



Lamalama ka ulu

Lamalama Ka Ulu was conceived out of the collective need to make healing and healthy practices accessible for Hawaiian people in their homelands. One Small Planet has supported this initiative through multiple grants. The first was an initial capacity building grant focused on staff trainings and certifications, as well as board development and community building efforts. The second grant supported project design and implementation

Luna lodge

The Luna Lodge, located on the Osa Peninsula in Costa Rica, is a leading sustainable rainforest eco-lodge. The lodge also houses the White Hawk Foundation, which promotes the preservation of ecosystems and biodiversity. The grant from One Small Planet provided a solar battery bank, bolstering the lodge's existing solar network

RISING OF THE CONDOR AND THE EAGLE GATHERING

This gathering brings together indigenous from across the americas to share prayer and teachings to strengthen emerging leaders and the new generation; to keep alive our traditions and way of life; and, re-awaken an alternate path to our current global systems. One Small Planet supported this gathering through an unrestricted grant.

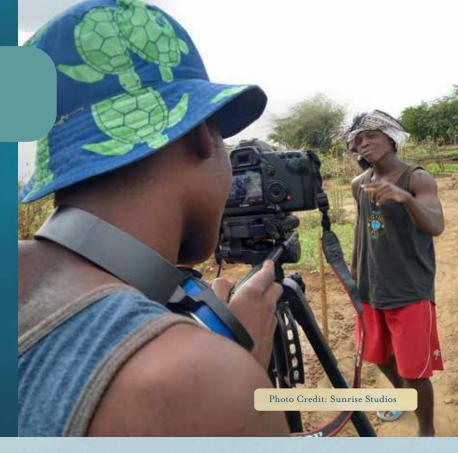
SEVENTH GENERATION

The Seventh Generation Fund is deeply intersectional, working as an intermediary between community organizing and movement and grassroots organizing. This work spans across supporting women globally, to language and its ties to traditions, song and ceremony, as well as supporting the revitalization of gardening, food and food systems, and traditional agricultural knowledge. Each fund of the Peterffy Foundation granted to this organization this year to support general operations as well as the Seventh Generation Thriving Women Project.



SUNRISE STUDIOS COLLECTIVE

SunRise Studios is a collective formed to create an impactful network of media labs around the globe connecting and restoring culture through music, storytelling, and regenerative practices. One Small Planet provided a capacity building grant that allowed the organization to hire a project director, moving the organization one step closer to incorporating as a 501 (c) 3 nonprofit.



THE SOCIETY FOR PSYCHEDELIC OUTREACH, REFORM, AND EDUCATION

The Society for Psychedelic Outreach, Reform, and Education (SPORE) works to educate the public, advocate, build trust, and organize community around holistic, equitable, and responsible stewardship of psychedelic medicines in our communities. The unrestricted grant from One Small Planet will to support two of SPORE's community programs - the Right to Heal Campaign and the MYCOalition.





