



The Overbrook Foundation

2017 Annual Report on Grants

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The Overbrook Foundation is a progressive family foundation that supports organizations advancing human rights and conserving the natural environment.

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The Annual Report on Grants provides Directors and those following The Overbrook Foundation with a concise summary of all grants awarded in 2017. 2017 presented many challenges to Overbrook grantees, and those challenges continue into 2018.

2017 Program Recap

In 2017, The Overbrook Foundation's Environment and Human Rights Programs awarded 104 Grants totaling \$4,688,500. Of those awards, 52 were grants awarded in the Environment Program, for a total of \$2,476,000, while 52 grants, totaling \$2,212,500 were awarded in the Human Rights Program. In the Environment Program approximately 56% of all grant dollars were awarded to support two initiatives: Latin American Biodiversity Conservation and Movement Building in the United States. Movement Building is a newer initiative of the Environment Program with close ties to the Human Rights Program. Behavioral Change, Corporate Practices and Innovative Solutions were the other principal Environment Program initiatives funded in 2017. The Human Rights Program funded organizations through four initiatives: Advancing Gender Rights (32%); Challenging Mass Incarceration and Criminalization (15%); Reforming Money in Politics (26%) and Defending Human Rights Defenders (26%).

Challenges and Reflections

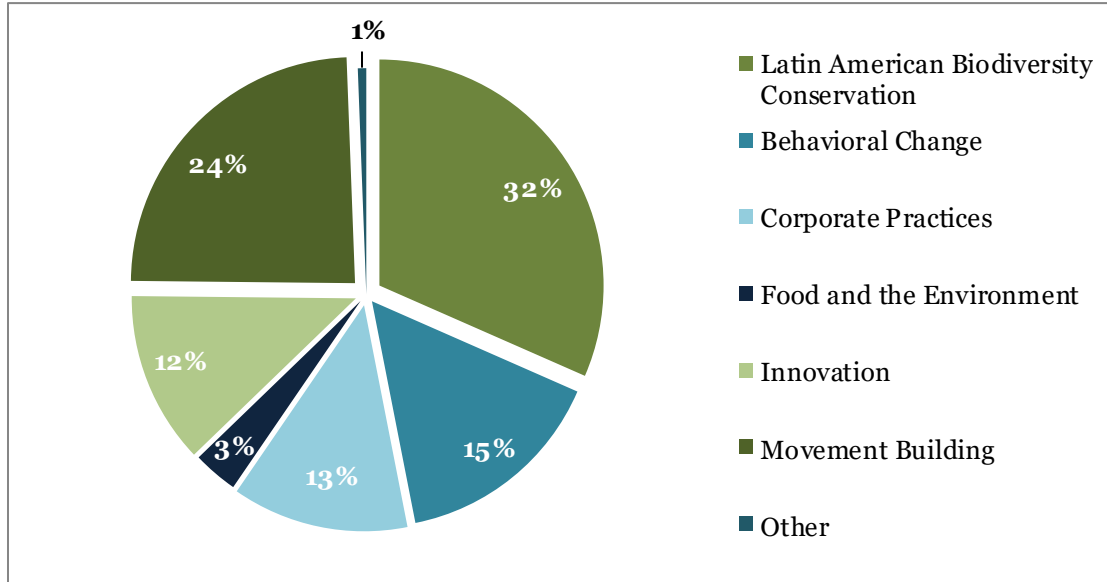
As 2017 progressed, it became ever clearer that The Overbrook Foundation faced new and formidable obstacles in advancing its mission of *advancing human rights and conserving the natural environment* and for its grantees in advancing their work. Over the course of the year, the new Administration in Washington launched a systematic attack on the progress that has been achieved over past decades in areas ranging from voting rights and racial justice to engaging in world-wide commitments to slowing climate change and protecting the planet.

In very short order, Overbrook's grantees and many other organizations and people, both long-time activists and those newly engaged, rose up in protest expressing their concerns about human rights, social justice and the environment. They began taking both affirmative and defensive steps to protect those at risk from this intense conservative effort to reverse America's evolution toward a more progressive and equitable society. From the Women's Marches, cumulatively the largest single protest action in U.S. history, to the March for Our Lives earlier this year, individuals and organizations have mobilized beyond that which anyone could have imagined even five years ago. On the streets and in the courts, the Administration's regressive and harmful agenda has been challenged at every corner. Off-year election results demonstrate the level of antipathy against the Administration and its policy agenda. They also offer the possibility that mid-term elections this year will bring a wave of progressive reformers to all levels of government.

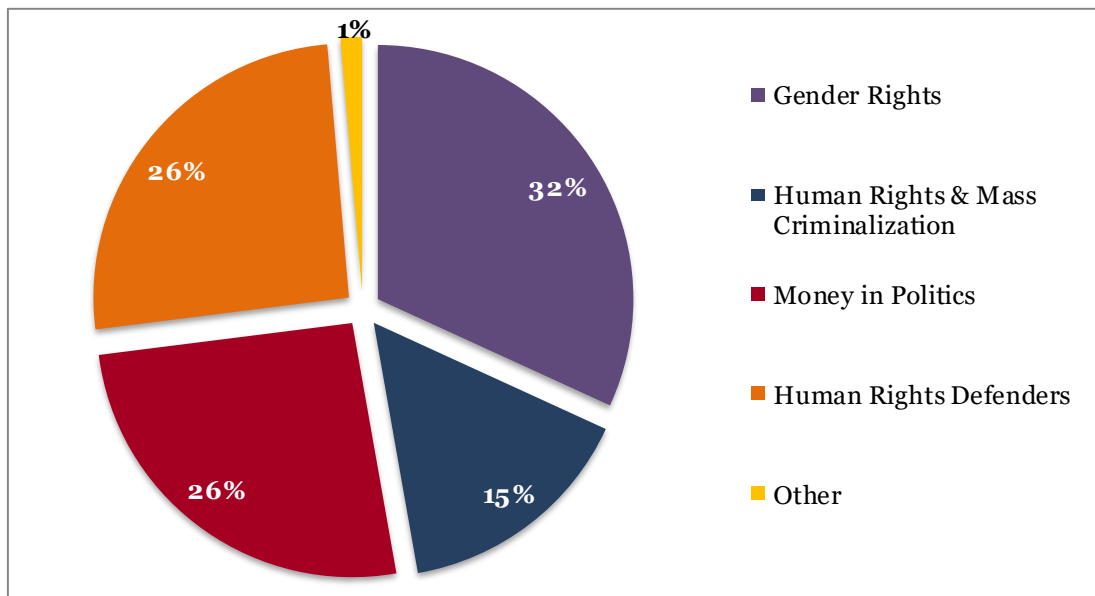
The Overbrook Foundation's Board of Directors recognizes the additional challenges facing progressive movements and vulnerable communities. While efforts to reach a more perfect union may never be fully achieved, there are vast numbers of likeminded progressive individuals and organizations in this country ready and willing to continue the struggle. The Foundation's Board of Directors is firmly committed to supporting the progressive community's response to this struggle and the organizations and individuals endeavoring to push it forward. In 2018, the Foundation through its ongoing commitment to advancing human rights and conserving the natural environment will steadfastly support those individuals and groups who remain at the forefront of the progressive battle to make the U.S. and the world a better place for all.



Environment Grants Awarded 2017



Human Rights Grants Awarded 2017



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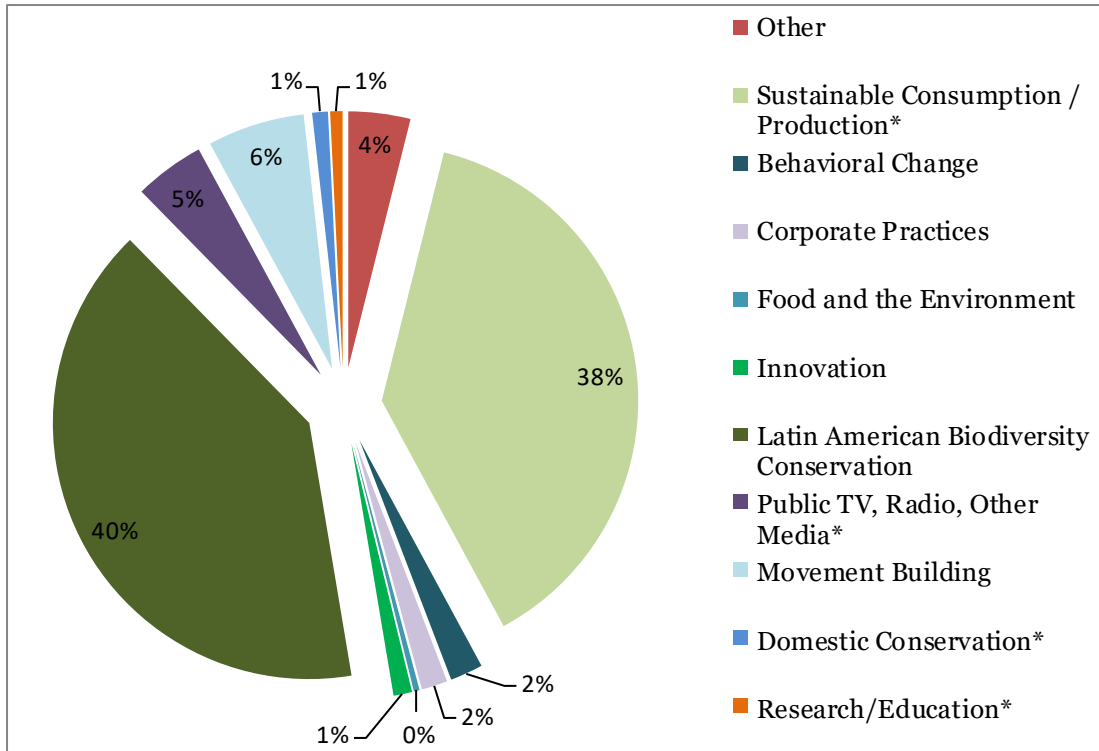
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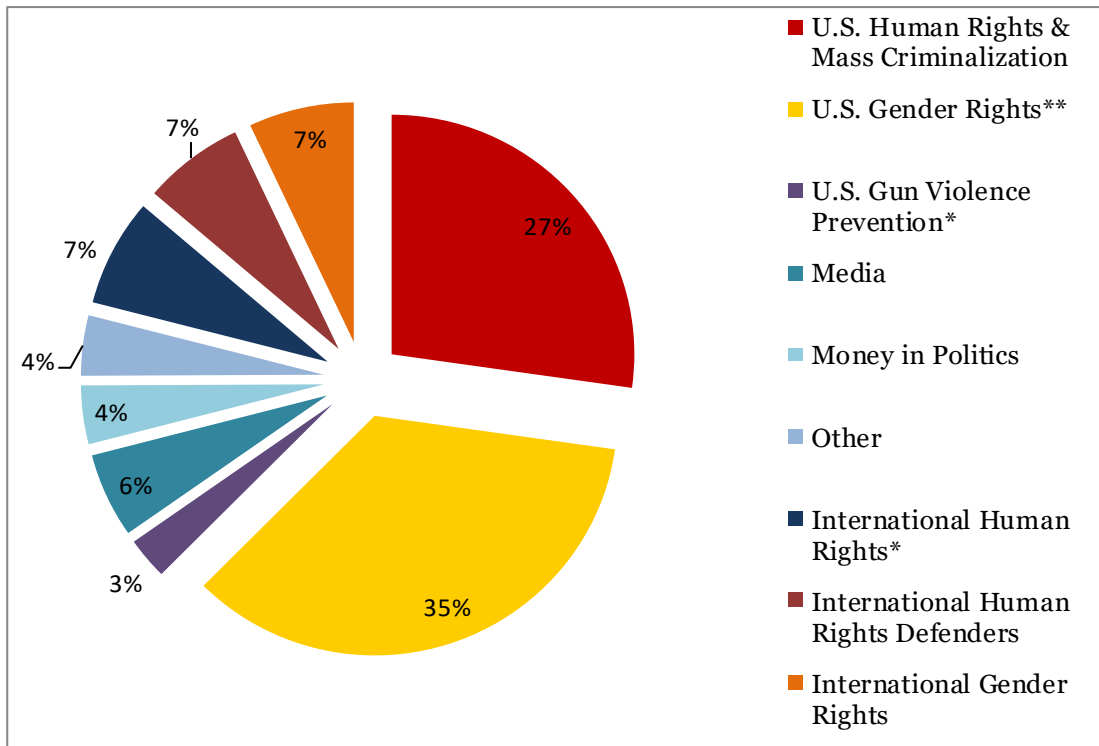
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Environment Grants Awarded: 2000-2017



Human Rights Grants Awarded: 2000-2017



Between 2000 and 2017, The Overbrook Foundation's Environment and Human Rights Programs Awarded Approximately \$83,773,127 in Grants.

* Categories are currently Inactive

** U.S. Gender Rights includes: Marriage Equality/LGBT Rights, Reproductive Justice, and HIV/AIDS

The Human Rights Program: Grants Awarded in 2017



In 2017, Overbrook's human rights program supported organizations promoting and defending human rights in the United States and Latin America. More specifically, the Foundation funded organizations that support human rights defenders in Central America and Mexico who face significant personal risk as they work to protect human rights and the environment. In the U.S., the Foundation supported organizations challenging the undue influence of moneyed interests in the political system. The Foundation's gender rights program provided support to organizations working across reproductive justice and LGBT rights issues. This included a focus on funding organizations advancing the reproductive justice movement and organizations challenging overly broad religious exemptions being used to undermine LGBT rights, racial justice and reproductive justice. Finally, through its most recent initiative approved in 2017, the Foundation has begun funding organizations challenging mass incarceration and criminalization, building on Overbrook's long-term support for organizations using human rights principles and framing to advance their missions.

<u>Domestic Human Rights</u>	<u>Gender Rights</u>	<u>The University of Oklahoma Women's and Gender Studies Program Center for Social Justice</u>
<u>Human Rights & Mass Criminalization</u>	<u>Advocates for Youth</u>	<u>Justice</u> (University of Oklahoma Foundation—Fiscal Sponsor)
<u>American Civil Liberties Union Foundation</u>	<u>COLOR</u>	<i>Take Root: Red State Perspectives on Reproductive Justice</i>
General Operating Support \$10,000	General Operating Support \$25,000	\$10,000
<u>Borealis Philanthropy</u>	<u>Forward Together</u>	<u>Third Wave Fund</u> (Proteus Fund—Fiscal Sponsor)
Transforming Movements Fund \$75,000	General Operating Support \$50,000	General Operating Support \$70,000
<u>Innocence Project</u>	<u>Freedom for All Americans Education Fund</u>	<u>Transgender Law Center</u>
General Operating Support: <i>Uniting Science and Law on Behalf of Justice</i> \$40,000	Making the Case—Litigation Program Support \$25,000	General Operating Support \$30,000
<u>JustLeadershipUSA</u>	<u> funders Network on Population, Reproductive Health and Rights</u>	<u>URGE</u>
General Operating Support \$40,000	Rockwood Fellowship \$20,000	General Operating Support \$40,000
<u>Legal Services for Prisoners with Children</u>	<u>Groundswell Fund</u>	<u>Western States Center</u>
General Operating Support \$25,000	General Operating Support \$75,000	General Operating Support & Support its Executive Leadership Transition \$45,000
<u>National Economic & Social Rights Initiative</u>	<u>Lambda Legal Defense & Education Fund</u>	<u>Young Women United</u>
General Operating Support \$50,000	Law and Policy Project \$60,000	General Operating Support \$25,000
<u>New York Civil Liberties Union Foundation</u>	<u>National Advocates for Pregnant Women</u>	Total Amount in Active Grants for Gender Rights: \$705,000
General Operating Support \$20,000	General Operating Support \$60,000	
<u>Solitary Watch</u> (Institute for Non-profit News—Fiscal Sponsor)	<u>National Latina Institute for Reproductive Health</u>	
General Operating Support \$30,000	General Operating Support \$25,000	
<u>US Human Rights Network</u>	<u>New Voices Pittsburgh</u>	
General Operating Support \$50,000	General Operating Support \$25,000	
Total Amount in Active Grants for Human Rights & Mass Criminalization: \$340,000	<u>Proteus Fund, Inc.</u>	
	<i>Religious Liberties & Exemptions Collaborative</i>	
	\$100,000	



The Human Rights Program: Grants Awarded in 2017

Money in Politics

Brennan Center for Justice of NYU School of Law

Money in Politics

\$100,000

Democracy Initiative Education Fund

General Operating Support

\$50,000

Demos: A Network for Ideas & Action

Inclusive Democracy Partnership

\$100,000

Free Speech For People

General Operating Support

\$50,000

Not An Alternative, Inc.

The Natural History Museum

\$20,000

OLE Education Fund

New Mexico Inclusive Democracy

Project/Democracy Dollars

\$30,000

Proteus Fund, Inc.

Piper Fund's Collaborative

Communications Initiative

\$75,000

Proteus Fund, Inc.

Piper Fund—General Operating

Support

\$50,000

Represent.Us Education Fund

General Operating Support

\$95,000

Total Amount in Active Grants for Money in Politics : \$570,000

Other

The New Press

Support for The New Press "Fearless Books in Perilous Times" Series

\$30,000

Total Amount in Active Grants for Other : \$30,000

Total Amount in Active Grants for Domestic Human Rights Program: \$1,645,000

International Human Rights

Human Rights Defenders

Amazon Conservation Team

Linking Human Rights and Environmental Protection in the Colombian Amazon

\$17,500

American Jewish World Service (AJWS)

Promoting Human Rights for Marginalized People in Mesoamerica, with a Special Focus on Human Rights Defenders

\$70,000

Center for Justice and International Law

General Operating Support

\$40,000

Committee to Protect Journalists

Press Freedom in the Americas

\$25,000

Environmental Defender Law Center

General Operating Support

\$80,000

Front Line USA

Protection of Latin American Human Rights Defenders

\$50,000

Fund for Global Human Rights

Piloting New Protection and Security Interventions for Activists in Honduras

\$50,000

Indian Law Resource Center

Protecting Maya Q'eqchi' Lands and Resources in Guatemala

\$35,000

Just Associates, Inc.

Mesoamerican WHRD Initiative, Honduran WHRD Network, and JASS in Honduras.

\$40,000

Peace Brigades International - USA

Providing Protective Accompaniment Support to Human Rights Defenders in Latin America

\$35,000

Unit for Protection of Human Rights Defenders - Guatemala (UDEFEGUA)

Empowering Human Rights Defenders to Manage their Security and Protection

\$25,000

Urgent Action Fund for Women's Human Rights—Latin America

Integral Approach to Supporting WHRDs: Rapid Response Grantmaking, Training, Networking and Advocacy

\$50,000

WITNESS

General Operating Support—Latin America

\$50,000

Total Amount in Active Grants for International Human Rights Defenders: \$567,500

Total Amount in Active Grants for International Human Rights Program: \$567,500

Total Amount in Active Grants for the Human Rights Program: \$2,212,500

The Environment Program: Grants Awarded in 2017



The Environment Program partners with organizations in the United States and Latin America. In Latin America, the Program funds initiatives that advance biodiversity and community conservation, with a specific geographic focus on Mesoamerica. In the United States, it supports organizations that influence consumer behavior and change corporate practices, with a focus on plastic pollution, innovative approaches to conservation, and collaboration. The Program's Movement Building portfolio funds grassroots community-based organizations, networks, and capacity building initiatives to develop a stronger, more resilient environmental movement.

<p><u>Behavioral Change</u></p> <p><u>350.org</u> General Operating Support \$40,000</p> <p><u>ALIGN</u> Transform Don't Trash - NYC \$30,000</p> <p><u>Alliance for Climate Education (ACE)</u> General Operating Support \$65,000</p> <p><u>Grist Magazine Inc.</u> General Operating Support \$50,000</p> <p><u>Groundswell</u> General Operating Support \$40,000</p> <p><u>Natural Resources Defense Council</u> Addressing Climate Change, Community Engagement, and National Solid Waste \$65,000</p> <p><u>The Story of Stuff</u> General Operating Support \$50,000</p> <p><u>Urban Green</u> General Operating Support \$40,000</p> <p>Total Amount in Active Grants for Behavioral Change: \$380,000</p>	<p><u>Environmental Investigation Agency</u> General Operating Support \$55,000</p> <p><u>Environmental Paper Network</u> (Social & Environmental Entrepreneurs—Fiscal Sponsor) General Operating Support \$25,000</p> <p><u>Global Alliance for Incinerator Alternatives (GAIA)</u> General Operating Support \$50,000</p> <p><u>Rainforest Action Network</u> General Operating Support \$40,000</p> <p><u>Stand</u> General Operating Support \$50,000</p> <p>Total Amount in Active Grants for Corporate Practices: \$315,000</p>	<p><u>In Our Backyards (ioby.org)</u> General Operating Support \$50,000</p> <p><u>Not An Alternative, Inc.</u> The Natural History Museum \$30,000</p> <p><u>Plastic Solutions Fund</u> (Rockefeller Philanthropy Advisors—Fiscal Sponsor) General Operating Support \$200,000</p> <p>Total Amount in Active Grants for Innovation: \$305,000</p>
<p><u>Corporate Practices</u></p> <p><u>As You Sow</u> Ocean Plastics, Consumer Packaging and E-waste Recycling \$35,000</p> <p><u>Dogwood Alliance</u> The Paper Campaign \$25,000</p> <p><u>EARTHWORKS</u> Protecting Ecosystems & Communities from Dirty Mining \$35,000</p>	<p><u>Food and the Environment</u></p> <p><u>Corporate Accountability International</u> Real Food Media Project \$20,000</p> <p><u>Food Tank</u> General Operating Support \$25,000</p> <p><u>New York Harbor Foundation</u> Billion Oyster Project \$35,000</p> <p>Total Amount in Active Grants for Food and the Environment: \$80,000</p> <p><u>Innovation</u></p> <p><u>Food System 6 Accelerator</u> (New Venture Fund—Fiscal Sponsor) General Operating Support \$25,000</p>	<p><u>Latin American Biodiversity Conservation</u></p> <p><u>Amazon Conservation Team</u> Linking Human Rights and Environmental Protection in the Colombian Amazon \$17,500</p> <p><u>Amazon Watch</u> Protecting the Sacred Headwaters of the Amazon Basin \$50,000</p> <p><u>Asociación de Comunidades Forestales de Petén—ACOFOP</u> Promoting the Development of an Innovative Community Forest Model for Biodiversity Conservation of the Mayan Biosphere Reserve, Guatemala \$40,000</p> <p><u>Biodiversity Funders Group</u> Environmental Defenders Fund \$81,000</p> <p><u>Foundation for Ecodevelopment and Conservation—FUNDAECO</u> Community Participation in the Protection of The Lechugal and Mirador National Park in Guatemala \$40,000</p> <p><u>International Community Foundation</u> Grupo Ecologico Sierra Gorda \$25,000</p>



The Environment Program: Grants Awarded in 2017

Legacy Philanthropy Works

Building Local Capacity for The East Cape's Conservation Future
\$40,000

Mongabay Org Corp

Mongabay: Latin America
\$75,000

Nature and Culture International

The Establishment of Municipal Reserves and Exploring Conservation Funding Mechanisms in the Ecuadorian Amazon
\$40,000

Pomona Impact

Central American Innovation in Agriculture Program
\$100,000

Rainforest Alliance

Sustainable Management of the Ramon Nut for Biodiversity Conservation and Landscape Recovery in Guatemala
\$70,000

Root Capital

Increasing the Resilience of Smallholder Farmers in the Western Highlands of Guatemala
\$50,000

Toledo Institute of Development and Environment

(Philanthropic Ventures Foundation—Fiscal Sponsor)
Effective management of Port Honduras Marine Reserve and Payne's Creek National Park through surveillance and engagement with the community
\$35,000

Wildlife Conservation Society (WCS)

Proactively Addressing Emerging Threats to Mesoamerica's Forests and Wildlife
\$82,500

Ya'axché Conservation Trust

Improving Protected Areas Management Through Innovative Technology for Long Term Biodiversity Conservation Within the Bladen Nature Reserve, Belize
\$35,000

Total Amount in Active Grants for Latin America Biodiversity Conservation: \$781,000

Movement Building

Building Equity & Alignment Initiative

(Social and Environmental Entrepreneurs—Fiscal Sponsor)
General Operating Support
\$210,000

Catskill Mountainkeeper Inc.

Extreme Energy Extraction Collaboration (E3C)
\$25,000

Climate Justice Alliance

(Movement Strategy Center—Fiscal Sponsor)
General Operating Support
\$50,000

Coming Clean, Inc.

Campaign for Healthier Solutions
\$35,000

EDGE Funders Alliance

Additional Support for Just Transition Collaborative
\$50,000

Grassroots Global Justice Alliance

General Operating Support
\$50,000

Just Transition Alliance

General Operating Support
\$30,000

Little Village Environmental Justice Organization

Great Lakes Just Transition
\$20,000

The New School

Design Waste and Justice Conference: Exploring Pathways for a Circular Economy, Zero Waste and Justice
\$10,000

The Wildfire Project

(Movement Strategy Center—Fiscal Sponsor)
General Operating Support
\$45,000

UPROSE

General Operating Support
\$35,000

Western New York

Environmental Alliance

Youth & Climate Justice Initiative
\$40,000

Total Amount in Active Grants for Movement Building: \$600,000

Other

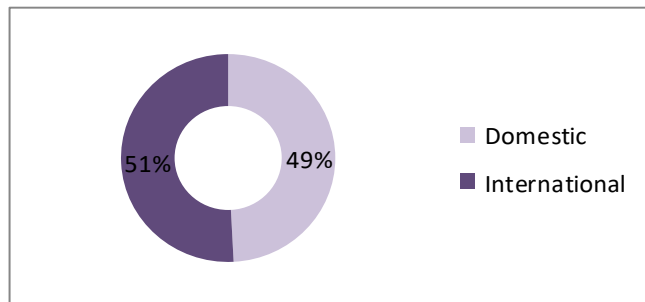
EAGLE U.S.

General Operating Support
\$15,000

Total Amount in Active Grants for Other: \$15,000

Total Amount in Active Grants for the Environment Program: \$2,476,000

Environment Program



Human Rights Program

