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PROGRESS IS ALWAYS WITHIN REACH

Tapping the expertise of a network of 120 volunteer advisors around the world, Global Greengrants Fund makes small grants to grassroots groups.

Thanks to these advisors we gain a reach that allows us to learn about promising work in some of the world's most despoiled and impoverished places.

A fishing village in the Pacific trying to sustain its fisheries, a township in South Africa fighting a polluter — in every community in every country there are opportunities to make progress.

Where the need is greatest, and where opportunities are most promising, it is our hope to be there. ●●●



Dear Friends,

When a few key players in India's environmental community got wind of a plan to quietly gut the country's pollution laws, they knew how to bring together the right people to mount an effective response.

They knew the skills and resources needed, and they did what people everywhere do in these situations: they got on the phone, they wrote emails, they began to learn more about what was going on, and they began to strategize.

Soon, an alliance of more than 70 organizations across the country had come together to decry the changes proposed by industry and the World Bank. In the name of 'streamlining,' these changes would drastically reduce government oversight and weaken the environmental impact assessment process.

Not surprisingly, two of Greengrants' India advisors were at the center of the maelstrom. The \$5,000 we provided to support this new coalition is a fine example of how a small and strategic grant can dramatically boost prospects for success, especially in places where little or no money is available for this kind of work.

Our advisors cover more than a hundred countries and a broad range of issues, helping to alert us to critically important opportunities just like this one. Even the smallest of grants to the smallest of isolated groups helps support local success and a climate of hope that can lead to further action.

We made nearly 600 grants in 2006, thanks to the help of our advisors. With each passing day, our advisors and our grantees are racking up successes, forging new connections, and creating new worlds of possibility.

Global environmental progress depends—absolutely—on the ability of people everywhere to work together and to have the financial resources they need.

Thanks to our advisors, progress is always within reach.

Chet Tchozewski

Chet Tchozewski
Executive Director

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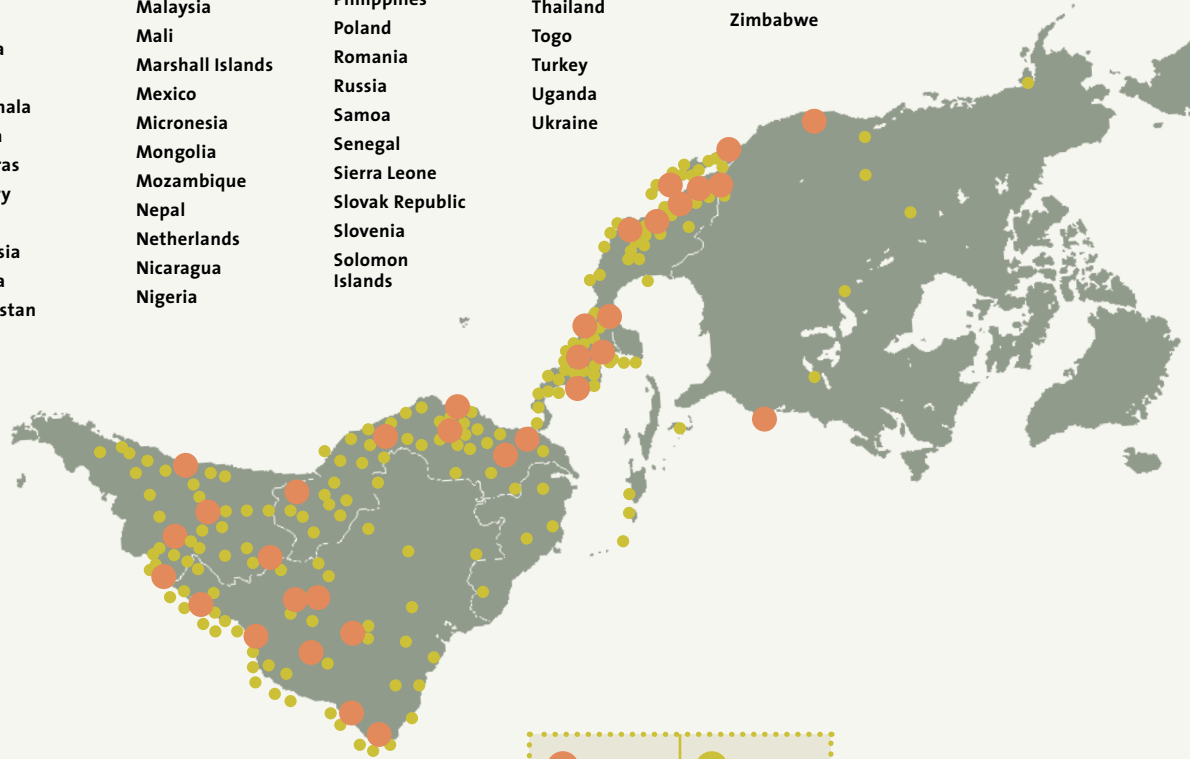
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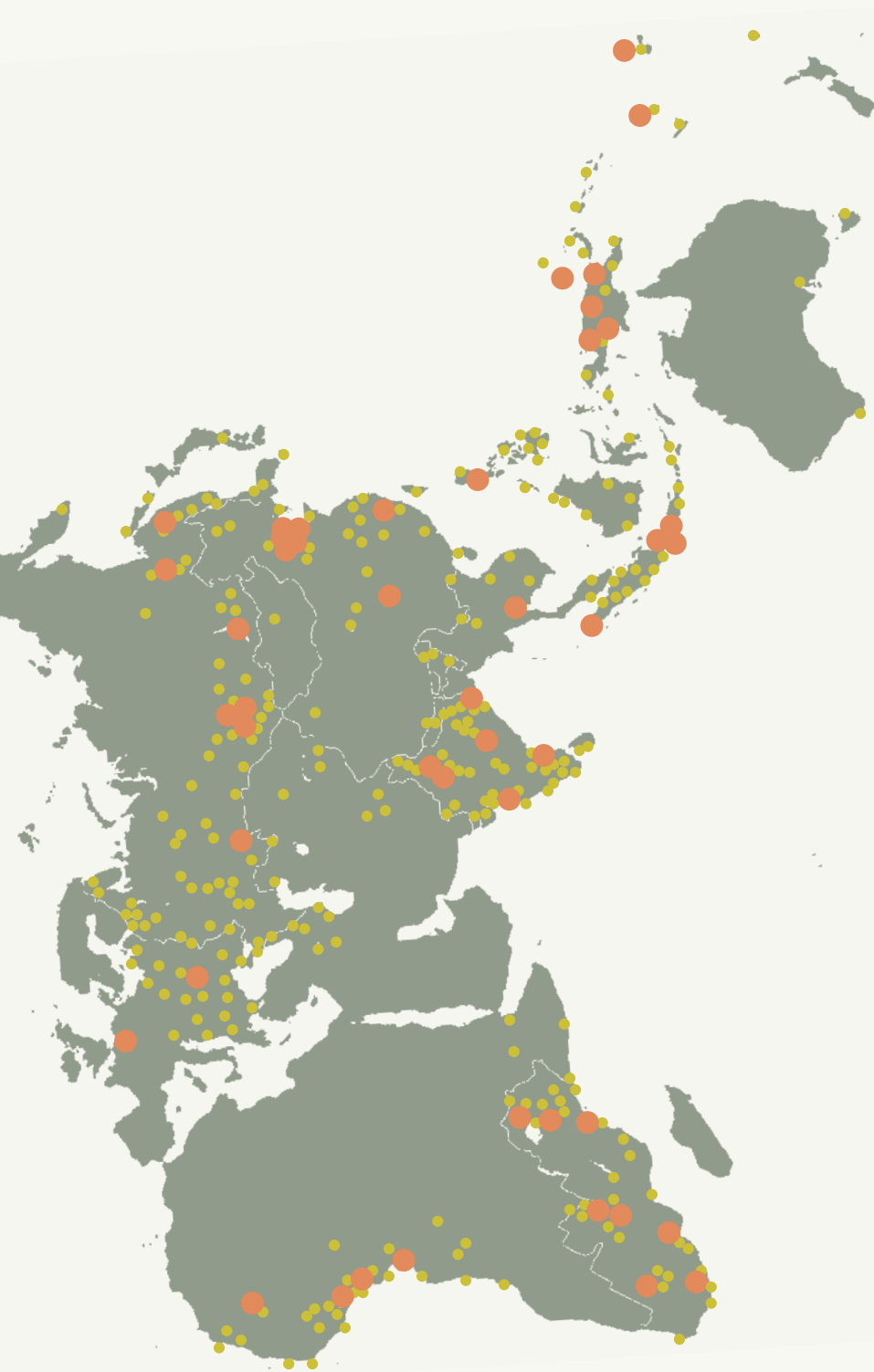
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CONNECTING THE DOTS

Local innovation and energy have always driven progress. Yet, as communities around the world reckon with devastating environmental challenges, groups on the front lines have few sources of financial support.

Our advisors can provide that help, identifying groups that can make good use of a small grant. These grants nurture new ideas and leaders, often supporting projects at the earliest stages.

But further, our advisors help connect these often isolated groups to growing networks of groups, many doing similar work. Even the smallest project in the most remote place has the potential to have far-reaching impact given access to a community of people that can support its mission and carry its message.

Thanks to the ability of our advisors to make these connections, the Greengrants network plays a strategic role linking groups across vast regions. While our grants seed progress, our advisors and their networks provide the framework for lasting change.



THE RIGHT TO A HEALTHY ENVIRONMENT

It is a fact of modern life that people facing the world's worst pollution are often in the weakest position to do anything about it. In the United States, we take for granted our right to an environment that is not harmful to our health or well-being, but in many places people have no such rights. While we might appeal to government officials, courts, and even the business community, citizens in many developing countries do not have recourse when their air and water are poisoned.

Every village and town facing a pollution challenge has the potential to make an astonishing difference with the right combination of creative ideas and strong local leadership. Financial support is the element most often lacking, and of course, this is where Global Greengrants Fund comes in.

Thanks to our advisors, Greengrants is able to learn about a sweeping range of projects, from the smallest local initiative

to broader opportunities for change. Some projects offer both: communities in India and South Africa near industrial zones have helped pioneer the use of inexpensive air monitoring equipment with “bucket brigades” of local people trained to use simple techniques to test air samples. The data has helped force government to step in and monitor the pollution—and enforce the law. Like many projects we support, this simple idea is being replicated in communities elsewhere and has vast potential to spread further. ●●●

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GRANT 51-258 | NIGERIA | \$8,000
GAS FLARE IMPACTED COMMUNITIES GROUP

After decades of illegal natural gas flaring, some literally in people's backyards, impoverished communities in the Niger Delta took Shell and other oil companies to court and won, obtaining a court order that requires the companies to cease this extremely hazardous practice.

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“Resisting and mobilizing for change is an ongoing process. Constant vigilance, unrelenting pressure, and working with local people in building the environmental justice movement have been powerful tools to get governments to hold companies accountable.” - BOBBY PEEK



BOBBY PEEK

Bobby Peek of groundWork has spent more than a decade fighting polluters in South Africa’s poorest neighborhoods, home to some of the world’s most egregious examples of environmental injustice. Peek was a 1998 winner of the Goldman Environmental Prize, considered the environmental “Nobel.” Bobby is known for organizing and for his ability to marshal sound scientific evidence of the health hazards he and his neighbors have endured. Perhaps Bobby’s greatest claim to fame is his fearlessness in the face of the aggressive corporate power that has been brought to bear against him.

Bobby’s organization, groundWork, recently started its own prize program, the Corpse Awards, calling attention to the worst polluters in the region. Among its other 2006 achievements, groundWork succeeded in pressuring Shell to replace leaky pipelines contaminating large areas of South Durban.

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GRANT 51-495 | BULGARIA | \$3,200
FEDERATION GREEN BALKANS/COALITION
‘CYANIDE-FREE BULGARIA’

Responding to strong local opposition to cyanide leaching at the Chelopech gold mine, this coalition helped gather scientific data about the mine’s potential impact and launched a campaign targeting government and financial institutions that are behind the project.

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ADVISOR SPOTLIGHT



ARTEMISA CASTRO FÉLIX

For more than a decade, Artemisa Castro has worked with fishing communities in northern Mexico. As a PhD marine biologist, she knew the value of learning from the people who spend their days—their entire lives—earning a living from the sea. And as the declining health of the Sea of Cortez became clear, she began to engage a new set of skills: her ability to help communities organize. She has also helped encourage a rapid deployment of new opportunities for sustainable economic development, such as tourism and crafts, and of course, more sustainable fishing. Thanks to her work, villagers are now taking the lead in developing education programs to help spread the word about the fragile condition of local marine ecosystems.

“Overfishing and other stresses are causing severe challenges, but now the communities that most depend on these resources are stepping up and taking primary responsibility for local ecosystem health.”

–ARTEMISA CASTRO FÉLIX



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GRANT 51-364 | ECUADOR | \$5,000
FEDERATION OF THE KICHWA PEOPLE
OF ECUADOR'S NORTHERN SIERRA

This grant funded a leadership training for 40 young indigenous Kichwa to help them gain skills to manage their lands sustainably in the face of new pressures, such as the arrival of oil and gas companies, and to defend their territorial rights.

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CITIZEN ENGAGEMENT AND PUBLIC VOICE



Social movements have an extraordinary ability to transform the world. The environment continues to be a growing source of passion for people everywhere, and Greengrants supports emerging and more mature citizen movements in places such as India, Brazil, and Indonesia, where momentum is gaining for environmental action. In these countries, citizen groups are increasingly well-equipped to push for local remedies as well as policy change at the highest levels of government.

Yet the greatest challenge everywhere is still rooted in a common belief that ordinary citizens are powerless. This clearly can be true in many countries, but our advisors are identifying vast new opportunities even in places like China and Russia where no tradition of citizen engagement has existed. A new spirit of activism is gaining a foothold, and our

grants can be there to support these groups and leaders in the crucial early stages of their work.

As new groups lead by example, many more groups rise in their wake. Environmental progress will not happen without public pressure, and grants to support greater citizen participation can encourage responsive government and strengthen democratic institutions. ●●●

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GRANT 51-515 | CHINA | \$5,000
GREEN LONGJIANG

After a large benzene spill poisoned the Songhua River, this student group helped publicize the spill to demand a government response and then founded an environmental resource center that continues to provide leadership and facilitate citizen action on pollution issues.

“Illegal logging and mining have been dramatically reduced as people in sensitive and remote regions have learned to exercise their power as landowners and citizens. They’re gaining tremendous clout by organizing for common purpose to protect their lands.” – DAMIEN ASE



DAMIEN ASE

Damien Ase was essentially a corporate lawyer working for a state-owned mining company, and he knew first hand how hard it was for indigenous communities in the highlands of Papua New Guinea to get a fair shake from companies that had arrived to exploit mineral and forest resources. He founded the Center for Environmental Law and Community Rights, Inc. (CELCOR) to support indigenous efforts to gain a voice in the development of their lands and participate in policy decisions that would affect them. The customary village-based land tenure system has been a great tool for galvanizing resistance to ecologically harmful projects, and CELCOR has helped nurture growth of community activism based on traditional values and strengthened communal land ownership.



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GRANT 51-979 | CHILE | \$4,975
DEFENDERS OF THE SPIRIT OF PATAGONIA

A planned multi-dam hydroelectric project would flood sections of the Baker and Pascua watersheds, and this community-based group is helping to ensure that people who will be affected by the dam are fully informed, have the chance to participate in decisions, and have legal help when necessary.

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THE GREENGRANTS ALLIANCE OF FUNDS

Three of Greengrants' regional advisory boards have built independent local funds in Brazil, Indonesia and Mexico. These funds are continuing and expanding Greengrants grantmaking, pursuing new opportunities to extend their work, and developing a broader spectrum of ways to mobilize resources—not just money, but networks, mentors, important contacts, and volunteers.

By cultivating the broadest possible community of supporters, these funds can tap new sources that would not be available to Greengrants and ensure a diverse and stable funding base. This shift means that local activists are in charge of funding their own movements. Together, we are creating a family of environmental justice funders around the world. ●●●



“Our goal is to play a role that allows us to discover great new opportunities and serve the needs of our community—much like a community foundation. Yet, here it’s a community of values that happens to cover a vast and very diverse region.”

**—NONETTE ROYO,
THE SAMDHANA INSTITUTE**



SOLIDARITY IN ACTION FUND MEXICO

The Solidarity in Action Fund will incorporate in 2007 and make its first grants with funds committed personally by its grantmaking advisors.

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GRANT 51-519 | MEXICO | \$3,500
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIAN ARTISANS

To reduce loss of Baja California's endangered mesquite trees, this group is helping people who have traditionally produced mesquite charcoal develop and sell crafts made of leather and scrap metal, providing a more lucrative option for impoverished communities.

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THE SAMDHANA INSTITUTE INDONESIA

The Samdhana Institute is making grants throughout Southeast Asia, and its responsiveness to community needs has allowed it to play a valuable role in tsunami reconstruction.

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GRANT 51-806 | INDONESIA | \$3,300
MARINE SANCTUARY MANAGEMENT BODY

Fishing communities on the island of Sebesi, in the strait between Java and Sumatra, have joined together to create a marine sanctuary that is restoring reefs decimated by dynamite fishing and other abuses, and this grant will help expand local education programs.

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CENTER FOR SOCIO- ENVIRONMENTAL SUPPORT BRAZIL

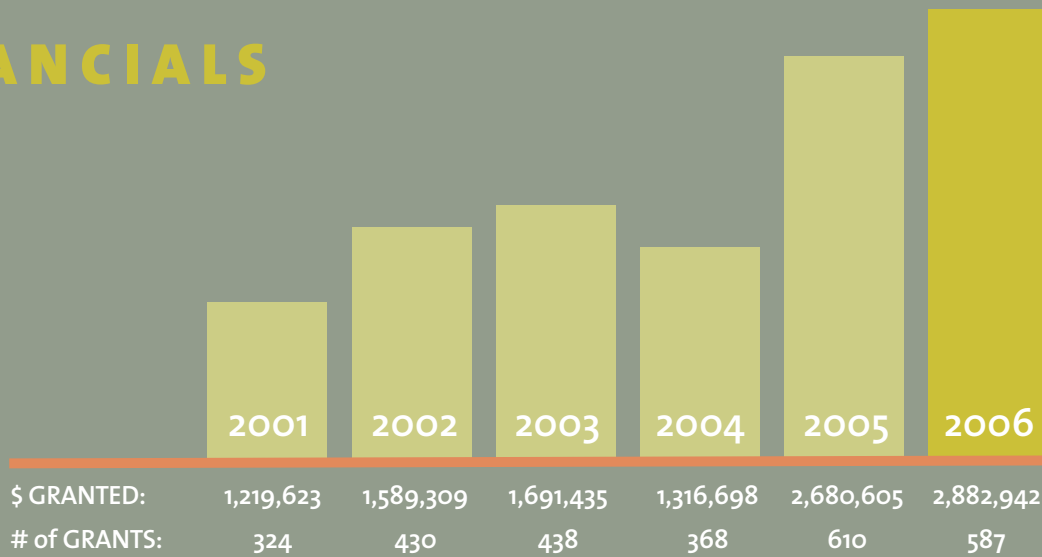
The Center for Socio-Environmental Support (CASA) has already matched Greengrants' annual financial commitment with funds that it has raised on its own.

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GRANT 52-022 | BRAZIL | \$5,128
PEACE AND NATURE PANTANAL

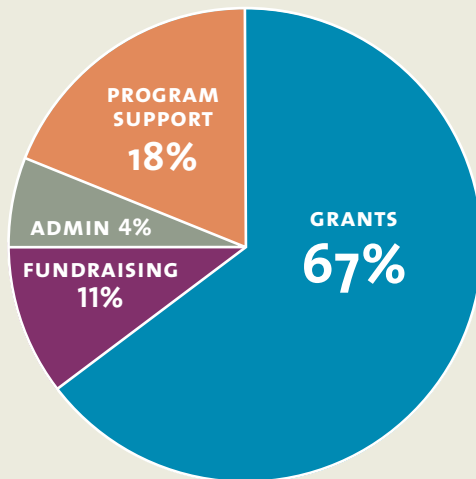
To help the once-isolated communities of Brazil's Pantanal develop sustainable options for economic growth, this grant will expand outreach programs so that communities can work together effectively and equitably to protect the region's vast wetlands.

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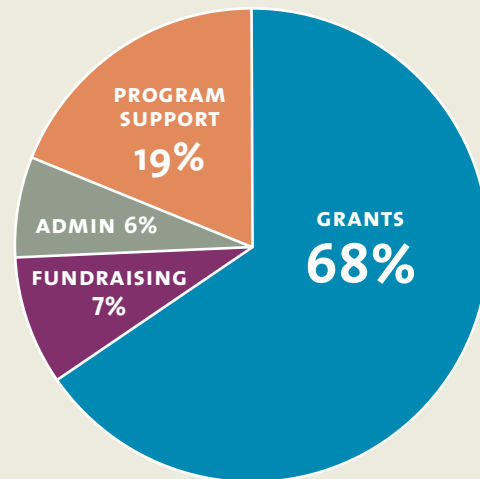
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GRANTMAKING



SPENDING CHART 2005



SPENDING CHART 2006

OPERATING SUMMARY

2005 (AUDITED) 2006 (UNAUDITED)

REVENUE

General Revenue	4,190,326	3,399,784
Donor Advised Revenue	939,145	1,337,110

TOTAL REVENUE	5,129,471	4,736,894
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EXPENSES / GRANTS

General Program Grants	2,221,885	2,008,212
Donor Advised Grants	458,720	874,730
Program Support & Services	707,797	830,454
Total Program	3,388,402	3,713,396
Administration & Development	607,230	556,595

TOTAL EXPENSE	3,995,631	4,269,991
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NET SURPLUS (LOSS)	1,133,840	466,903
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BALANCE SHEET DECEMBER 31, 2006

DECEMBER 31, 2006

ASSETS

Current Assets

Cash and Near Cash Equivalents	2,193,238
Marketable Securities	103,322
Accounts Receivable	30,762
Other Current Assets	212
Total Current Assets	2,327,534
Long Term Notes	509,363
Total Fixed Assets	38,787

TOTAL ASSETS	2,875,684
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LIABILITIES & FUND BALANCE

Current Liabilities

Grants Payable	317,437
Other Accounts Payable	39,063
Other Current Liabilities	5,568
Total Payables and Other Liabilities	362,068

Fund Balance

Unrestricted Fund Balance	993,220
Board Designated Operating Reserve	505,296
Temporarily Restricted Fund Balance	1,015,100
Total Fund Balance	2,513,616

TOTAL LIABILITIES & FUND BALANCE	2,875,684
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Audited Financials and Form 990 available upon request.

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Our work depends entirely on the generosity of donors like you, who understand the importance of supporting grassroots action to create long-term change.

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SUPPORT US by making a gift of cash, stock, or by putting Global Greengrants Fund in your will or long-term financial plans.

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