





Earth Island Institute is a nonprofit environmental organization and fiscal sponsor to more than seventy-five projects working in the areas of conservation, energy and climate, women's environmental leadership, international and Indigenous communities, sustainability and community resilience, and more. The organization includes a Project Support Program, which provides essential services and assistance for our projects; a legal division, Earth Island Advocates; a youth leadership program, New Leaders Initiative; and an award-winning magazine, *Earth Island Journal*. Founded in 1982 by legendary environmentalist David Brower, Earth Island Institute is one of the leading environmental activist organizations in the United States.

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A MESSAGE FROM OUR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Dear Friends,

Our fiscal year 2020–2021, like much of the world, was severely impacted by a whirlwind of disruption as a result of the Covid-19 pandemic. It required closing our offices and finding ways for staff to work remotely. We had to put a hold on our in-person public events and fundamentally change the way we do our work.

At first, we had great concerns about whether we would be able to do all the necessary support work to assist our network of more than 75 projects working on leading-edge environmental protection campaigns around the world.

But thankfully our **Project Support Program** staff is a talented and resilient bunch, and our projects are not to be deterred in their efforts to protect the environment and build a better world.

I'm very proud to report that we had a year of exceptional growth and accomplishments.

We held our annual **Brower Youth Awards** program with an inspirational virtual event that successfully conveyed the amazing work of this next generation of young environmental leaders from around North America.

Our legal arm, **Earth Island Advocates**, filed lawsuits to prevent unlawful logging on federal land and to stop corporate greenwashing, and obtained settlements that protect wildlife.

Our news magazine, **Earth Island Journal**, kept up its bold reporting on a wide range of environmental issues both in the United States and abroad, including the ways in which climate change is already manifesting around us, how regulatory systems often prioritize corporations over people, and how brave environmental activists are fighting powerful interests to preserve their lands and communities.

Despite the pandemic, a steady stream of project applicants sought to be part of Earth Island, and we added five new projects. We've continued to build a powerful network — sharing resources and benefiting from synergistic exchanges of experience and energy.

Earth Island has stayed strong and unwavering in our commitment to stepping up to reverse the perilous environmental course we are all on.

Best Regards,



David Phillips
Executive Director

MISSION STATEMENT

Earth Island supports environmental action projects and celebrates the next generation of leaders in order to achieve solutions to the environmental crises threatening the survival of life on Earth.

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

	2019	2020	2021
ASSETS			
Cash	\$ 1,666,796	\$ 7,496,222	\$ 6,642,560
Accounts Receivable	1,674,362	1,268,146	1,023,018
Fixed Assets	1,099,938	1,020,762	971,404
Investments	9,893,856	8,213,168	15,738,183
Deposit for Land Purchase	4,100,000	4,100,000	4,100,000
Other assets	315,351	304,067	282,857
Total Assets	18,750,303	22,402,365	28,758,022
LIABILITIES			
Accounts Payable	281,502	314,832	396,357
Deferred Revenue	161,112	47,341	100,028
PPP Loan Payable	--	1,530,727	--
Other Liabilities	314,791	479,450	508,974
Total Liabilities	757,405	2,372,350	1,005,359
Net Assets	17,992,898	20,030,015	27,752,663

Earth Island Institute is recognized by the IRS as a 501(c)(3) organization. Our fiscal year is from July 1 to June 30. Our financial 990 reports and yearly independent audits are available on our website at earthisland.org.

SELECT FINANCIAL DATA

STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENSES	2019	2020	2021
INCOME			
Contributions and Grants	\$15,812,657	\$ 17,729,939	\$19,020,122
Program Service Revenue	1,801,478	2,050,249	1,512,431
Investment Income	742,309	78,865	2,838,619
Other Income	75,730	231,077	77,831
Total Income	18,432,174	20,090,130	23,449,003
EXPENSES			
Program Service Expenses	12,984,176	16,242,471	13,720,465*
Administrative Expenses	939,275	1,069,510	1,213,102
Fundraising Expenses	659,069	741,032	792,788
Total Expenses	14,582,520	18,053,013	15,726,355
Revenue Less Expenses	3,849,654	2,037,117	7,722,648

* See page 8 for the 2021 program service expenses by major program categories.

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2021 PROGRAM SERVICE EXPENSES — BY MAJOR PROGRAM CATEGORIES

Earth Island Advocates	\$ 103,989
Earth Island Journal	361,917
New Leaders Initiative and Brower Youth Awards	213,055
Agriculture and Food Systems	2,518,498
Clean Energy and Climate Solutions	339,698
Conservation, Preservation, and Restoration	2,402,179
Environmental Education	1,275,567
Environmental Justice	341,310
International and Indigenous Communities	865,674
Ocean and Water	105,619
Pollution and Toxics	1,493,143
Sustainability and Community Resilience	720,273
Wildlife Protection	1,717,045
Women's Environmental Leadership	1,193,315
Youth Empowerment	69,183
Program Service Expenses – Total	13,720,465

PROJECT SUPPORT PROGRAM



Earth Island's Project Support Program provides essential services and support for new and established projects working across a spectrum of bold environmental initiatives. Since our founding in 1982, we have helped launch some 200 projects. Some have remained with Earth Island for the entirety of their existence, while others have spun off to become independent nonprofit organizations. In fiscal year 2021, our Project Support Program provided services for 83 projects located across the United States and around the world. A designated project advisor works with each project to coordinate financial and administrative operations, technical assistance, and expert consultation that helps them succeed in the growth and development of their business. By providing an institutional home with robust systems and infrastructure, we have become a social impact platform for community groups and activist leaders responding to today's urgent environmental issues.

PROJECT HIGHLIGHTS

Overview

In fiscal year 2021, Earth Island:

- Provided fiscal sponsorship support for 83 projects
- Onboarded five new projects and decommissioned five existing projects
- Processed combined revenue of \$17,903,895 and expenses of \$14,705,575, including \$57,304 in pro bono donated services
- Received \$6,708,817 in grants on behalf of projects
 - Supported 258 employees in 31 states
- Made \$1,701,400 in grants to other organizations on behalf of projects
 - Launched a project speakers bureau

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Conservation Impact

In South Central Siberia, **The Altai Project** supported surveys of more than 2,000 nesting sites for raptors (saker falcons, steppe eagles, and others), including the care and release of captive-bred young, banding, and GPS-tagging and tracking of migration of a dozen raptors.

While coordinating local campaigns to fight industrial logging operations in Malaysian Borneo, **The Borneo Project** completed eight months of rigorous data collection for the Baram Heritage Survey. Indigenous technicians walked 768 kilometers (477 miles) of transects to collect data on flora, fauna, socioeconomics, and land use. The data will be used to support efforts to establish a protected area.

Using its expertise in establishing living schoolyard programs, **Green Schoolyards America** founded and led the National COVID-19 Outdoor Learning Initiative, a large-scale effort to help schools around the country teach outdoors as a way to address the pandemic and reduce virus transmission. The initiative included more than 25 collaborating partner organizations and more than 300 volunteers, while winning two awards for its work.

With an increase in wildfires in the western United States, the work of the **John Muir Project** has become more crucial than ever to counter some of the common misconceptions about these ecological events. *Smokescreen*, a new book by Project Director Chad Hanson, debunks some of the myths of “forest management” and “fuels reduction,” and advocates for science-based alternatives that protect forests and mitigate climate change while also keeping communities safe.

The **Kelly Creek Protection Project** celebrated the Petaluma, California, Planning Commission’s unanimous decision to proceed with finalizing an environmental impact report associated with the project’s efforts to protect a 58-acre parcel of land from excessive development.

With studies revealing that proximity to nature is critical for well-being during troubling times, **Nature in the City** continues to facilitate access to the outdoors in San Francisco, while also participating in the city’s Climate Action Plan, creating a Climate Career Corps program, organizing 60 volunteer habitat-restoration workdays, putting together eight educational nature walks, servicing 38 garden clients, and planting 500 native plants.

Public Lands Media continued reporting on topics critical to the preservation of public lands, such as wildfire ecology, livestock grazing, and forest service policies. Coverage was widespread in media outlets throughout the western United States, with audiences expressing appreciation for analysis on issues that are often under-reported.

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In partnership with Grupo Ecológico Sierra Gorda, **Viva Sierra Gorda** created a carbon-footprint campaign that directly supports local landowners and communities working to protect the Sierra Gorda Biosphere Reserve in Mexico.

Advancing **Wild Heritage's** work of advocating for the protection of primary forests in the United States and throughout the world, the project's Chief Scientist, Dominick DellaSala, has been a sought-after spokesperson on the issue for several major media outlets, including *The New York Times* and *The Washington Post*. Wild Heritage also became a key advisor to the Coordinator of Indigenous Organizations of the Amazon River Basin, a new initiative endorsed by the IUCN World Conservation Congress to protect 80 percent of the Amazon by 2025.

Clean Energy and Climate Solutions

EcoEquity brought the issue of climate equity to the forefront through coverage of its work in a piece by Bill McKibben in *The New Yorker* and other high-profile media outlets, in addition to the COP26 climate summit in Glasgow, Scotland.

ÉnergieRich is developing a permanent Center for Innovation to bring together engineers from West Africa and the United States to work with communities across West Africa on renewable-energy systems. Many of the students that have participated in ÉnergieRich's innovation workshops have said that the experience has been life changing and has inspired them to improve their communities and the world for the better.

Although the pandemic severely curtailed their ability to gather for tree-planting events, **Richmond Trees** maintained a group of dedicated volunteers to care for the trees already planted, contributing to climate solutions in their community.



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Sustainable Agriculture and Food Systems

Thanks to the advocacy of the **California Climate & Agriculture Network** (CalCAN) and a diverse coalition, unprecedented investments of \$1.3 billion were included in California's 2021–2022 budget to build a more healthy, just, and resilient food and farming system. CalCAN also won improvements that will make it easier for small and limited-resource farmers to apply to an on-farm water-conservation grant program, developed new partnerships to advance agricultural policy solutions to wildfire mitigation, and continued the growth of a national network of farmer-centered organizations focused on passing healthy soils policy.

Castanea Fellowship supported and developed programming for its 23 fellows, who are established leaders working at the intersections of food, health, environment, agriculture, regional economies, and community development. The effort resulted in increased collaboration between a diverse group of fellows, creating new synergy, partnerships, and projects.

Despite being impacted by drought and a devastating wildfire in Southern Oregon, **Cultivate Oregon** managed to distribute seeds to 50 low-income and underserved households through its “Seeds to the People” program, while also hosting a successful Fall Seed Swap and the Living Soil Awards to honor farmers who are cultivating healthy soils while growing food for the community.

Food Shift expanded its Covid-19 relief program, Operation Together, from a pilot to a full program, filling in the gaps where regular food supply chains are interrupted by the pandemic and connecting excess produce from wholesalers with frontline food assistance organizations.

All of the 25,000 pounds of produce produced by **Friends of Alemany Farm** was donated to 7,500 low-income, food-insecure residents in San Francisco, truly an essential service meeting basic needs in the community.



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As one of the leading farm-to-school programs in Mississippi, the **Mississippi Farm to School Network** provided several home-garden grants to Mississippi families, hosted the Mississippi Farm to School Institute, and participated in the statewide Mississippi Farm to School Week.

Numi Foundation shifted its focus during the pandemic to provide critical food relief. In collaboration with local partners, the project delivered more than 637,000 pounds of fresh, organic, culturally valued produce to 6,000 high-need households, including 1,841 low-income seniors, in the San Francisco Bay Area.

Real Food Real Stories added 13 new storytellers to its virtual events on Listening to Black Leaders, Celebrating Indigenous Foodways, and Grief Medicine. The stories that emerged reminded us that in a time of distance, narratives that draw us into solidarity and community are essential to collective healing and transformation.

Urban Beet is one of Earth Island's newest projects, run by 2020 Brower Youth Award winner Chander Payne. The pandemic spurred the project's team to begin delivering "Free Little Farms" — small container gardens designed to fit in a windowsill — to food banks and homeless shelters. Urban Beet also built 11 urban farms to help connect urban residents to the earth and empower people experiencing homelessness.

Community Resilience

With its activities rooted in the One Health approach, a framework embraced by leading global health organizations that recognizes the interconnection of people, animals, plants, and their shared environment, **EcoVet Global** has redoubled its commitment to preventing the next pandemic by addressing animal health and welfare needs (domestic and wildlife) as a key component to community and ecosystem resilience.



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Keeping up its work catalyzing the power of vulnerable populations and igniting community capacity, **EFCWest**, in partnership with the U.S. Climate Action Network, trained five grassroots organizations throughout the country in root-cause analysis and systems thinking to address racial disparities in climate activism.

Friends of Muonde continues to provide support in Southern Zimbabwe for projects and local partners working on agroecological innovation and cultural restoration. The organization's training events and video tutorials are becoming more widely recognized, demonstrating how bottom-up initiatives can inspire and spread to others across society.

Green Life continued to organize and connect with frontline organizations and reentry service providers to support a collaborative network of care for those impacted by incarceration and Covid-19. In addition, reentry leaders and local youth volunteers worked on several successful environmental-service projects.

Transition Earth increased awareness of the effects of unsustainable growth and its impacts on people and the planet via online meetings, bringing people together to advocate for a global systems change that will enable a shift to a sustainable planet for all.

Environmental *Education*

All One Ocean transitioned its Ocean Warriors youth leadership initiative to a virtual program for 150 students in underserved communities, educated 75 students in a surf camp about the destructive impact of litter on our oceans and waterways, built 15 new beach cleanup stations, and performed 22 beach cleanups, which were critical during the pandemic when beaches had an uptick in users and, consequently, an increase in trash.



Through its Exploring a Sense of Place project, the **Children in Nature Collaborative** created a successful video that encourages people to connect with nature where they live. Exploring a Sense of Place also inspired place-based practices in Austria and China.

Conservation Kids continues to connect young adults with the environment through photography. Young people's drive to connect with the natural world, even in the most challenging of times, has been evident and encouraging, the project reports.

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Junior Wildlife Ranger programs opened at four new locations in California, Texas, Arizona, and Massachusetts, expanding the program's goal of teaching children about the significance of wildlife protection and about our nation's public lands. In Oakland, California, the project created its first-ever youth education program at one local park and estimates that more than 1,000 families have participated.

Kids for the Bay delivered its programs online during the Covid-19 pandemic during the 2020–2021 school year to bring hands-on learning to students in under-resourced schools. In partnership with classroom teachers, the project created virtual lessons with experiments and investigations that could be done at home, and encouraged outdoor activities to help students connect with nature in their local watersheds and take much-needed screen-time breaks.

West County DIGS has worked hard during the pandemic to keep its students in touch with nature and with health, wellness, and nutrition by digging deeper into online learning. The project increased its social media education and gave away a greenhouse full of plants to more than 60 families, sowing seeds of hope in a school district in which students face poverty, racial tension, and food deserts.

Wild Hope magazine expanded its project of sharing news and information about saving wild species by publishing two new issues and launching a digital flipbook edition to reach a wider audience. "As a college freshman trying to explore different subject areas, your magazine has been amazing in introducing me to wildlife conservation and organizations in a fun and interactive way," said a student reader.



Environmental Justice

Mapping for Environmental Justice produced a map of Colorado indicating that communities of color breathe nearly twice as much diesel pollution and are 1.5 times more likely to live near a Superfund site than white communities. The map caught the attention of media and policymakers in a position to effect change based on this data.

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People of the Global Majority in the Outdoors, Nature, and Environment (PGM ONE), which creates affinity spaces for Black, Indigenous, and People of Color (BIPOC), developed a series of monthly virtual programs that reach a national audience of 1,500, and established a Slack channel for sharing information with more than 600 participants. One participant said, “Thank you for creating this space. I always feel renewed and aligned after a PGM ONE gathering.”

Rise St. James, a new project with Earth Island, has been fighting to prevent Formosa Plastics from building its next petrochemical plant in a community that has already suffered its share of polluting industries. In a major development, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers has suspended Formosa’s project until a full environmental review has been completed — a “victory for environmental justice,” said Rise St. James Director Sharon Lavigne.

Indigenous Communities

With support from the National Endowment for the Humanities, the **California Institute for Community, Art, and Nature** assembled an expert team to document six important California Indian artists’ archives to prepare them for preservation and their potential availability to public access. As a result of the project, the archives of several renowned artists will find long-term homes in museums and academic institutions.

Assisting Native American tribes in their efforts to transition to clean-energy sovereignty, **Indigenized Energy Initiative** completed the first residential solar project on the Standing Rock Reservation, trained and employed 20 Solar Warriors from five different tribes, and was designated the official renewable energy consultant for the Northern Cheyenne Tribe.



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In times that desperately call for wisdom and insight, **Sacred Land Film Project** turned to its rich trove of materials and launched the *Sacred Land Audio Archive*, a series of short outtakes and interviews with Indigenous leaders and leading environmentalists sharing their thoughts on traditional sacred lands, human rights, and the environment.

Acting in kinship and building community in order to seed solutions based on respect, honor, and mutual care, **Seeding Sovereignty** launched the Community Defense and Land Liberation program to get security gear and essential legal self-defense training to frontline environmental protectors; filed a landmark case against the federal government on a right to wilderness; established a program to assist in the healing process of residential-school survivors amid the recent tragic discovery of thousands of murdered Indigenous children during the last century; created Medicine Wheels to meet the mental health needs of Indigenous and BIPOC youths who have been worn down and isolated by the pandemic quarantine; and opened Ancestral Acres Farm and Garden to grow food sovereignty and distribute health nutrition to food-insecure communities.

Preserving Oceans and Water

Alaska Clean Water Advocacy maintains its momentum in the effort to thwart the development of a major copper and zinc mine in the Chilkat Valley in Alaska, which is home to the Chilkat Bald Eagle Preserve and a critical habitat for salmon. The project has succeeded in blocking numerous permits and has brought international attention to the issue through widespread media coverage.

A multiyear effort by the **California Urban Streams Partnership** culminated in a stream-restoration project on Codornices Creek, which runs out of the hills near an urban neighborhood in the San Francisco East Bay and is an important part of the area's watershed.

Thanks to a significant grant, **South Coast Habitat Restoration** was finally able to apply their engineering designs to a critical creek-restoration project in the Los Padres National Forest. After being blocked for decades, access was restored to 3.13 miles of creeks, enhancing aquatic-organism passage and greatly improving the watershed.

In sensitive marine areas in Malaysia, **Stop Fish Bombing** has been able to protect fragile coral reefs and successfully reduce fish bombing — the destructive practice of using explosives in the ocean to kill fish — with its state-of-the-art bomb-detection technology and alert system.

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Wholly H2O produced an engaging series of livestream videos that explore local watersheds, called “Walking Waterhoods,” and launched a fascinating podcast series called *H2whOa!* featuring interviews on the topic of water with a diverse group of expert guests, including chemists, artists, physicists, biologists, and others.

Wild Oyster Project gathered more than 10,000 pounds of oyster shells from San Francisco Bay Area restaurants, built oyster reefs with the shells, educated more than 400 students about oyster restoration, and partnered with a company in Australia to design an app to collect oyster data around the bay.

Preventing Pollution and Toxics

Compelled by the need for safety and sanitation during the pandemic, **1000 Fountains** redesigned the prototype for its public drinking fountain to make the system touchless. The project is building alliances with San Francisco city leaders in the effort to install fountains throughout the city and reduce the need for plastic water bottles.

The **ALERT Project** prevailed in its lawsuit against the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) in a landmark decision requiring the EPA to update its decades-old regulations on the use of toxic chemical dispersants in oil spill responses.

Plastic Pollution Coalition (PPC) helped push for reintroduction of the Break Free From Plastic Pollution Act in Congress — the most comprehensive piece of legislation on plastic pollution to date. And as a contributor to the inaugural TED Countdown, PPC took part in TEDxPlasticPollutionCoalition, during which speakers addressed the connections between plastic pollution and climate, health, justice, and equity.



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Working to raise awareness of toxic fertilizers and the impact of degraded soils on climate change, **Save Our Soil** continues to participate in events and collaborate with others to keep communities safe. Most recently, Save Our Soil reviewed Michigan's fertilizer regulations, helping to develop a road map for those working on sustainable agriculture issues in Michigan.

Wildlife Protection

In collaboration with Earth Island's International Marine Mammal Project, **Baikal Watch** has been working to provide training for Russian environmentalists that have launched the first program in their country for rescuing marine mammals found in distress. Since the program began, nearly 90 marine mammals (mostly northern fur seals) on Russian shorelines have been disentangled from fish netting and other plastic debris.

As part of its work to end the captivity of dolphins and whales, the **International Marine Mammal Project** succeeded in getting the U.S. National Marine Fisheries

Service to enact a first-ever ban on the breeding of five beluga whales imported from Canada for the Mystic Aquarium in Connecticut.

Project Coyote prevailed in its multiyear battle to convince the Mendocino Board of Supervisors to terminate a long-standing contract with the U.S. Department of Agriculture's misnamed Wildlife Services program, which will save countless numbers of animals from brutal and unnecessary death. And after nearly a decade of campaigning by Project Coyote and allies, New Mexico finally banned traps, snares, and poisons on the state's public lands.

Raptors Are the Solution was instrumental in the passage of the California Ecosystems Protection Act, curbing the use of second-generation anticoagulant rodenticides, which have been linked to deaths of nontargeted wildlife such as mountain lions, foxes, and owls. The bill places a moratorium on second-generation anticoagulant rodenticide use until the California Department of Pesticide Regulation reevaluates the products to ensure the poisons will not have significant adverse effects on wildlife.

SAVE International has been partnering with Birds Korea on a campaign to protect an important black-faced spoonbill habitat in the Hwaseong Wetlands from development. Recently, just over 1,000 hectares of the Maehyangri tidal flats, a core part of the Hwaseong Wetlands, were designated as a nationally protected Wetlands Conservation Area.

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Working to eliminate the global shark fin trade and protect sharks worldwide, **Shark Stewards** rallied 300,000 people to sign on in support of two bills making their way through Congress, one to eliminate the sale of shark fins and the other to address driftnet fishing, which harms marine life. Shark Stewards also expanded its education platforms with the production of the *Live Like a Shark* video series; developed a statewide training module for coordination on marine protected areas; premiered *Jin Yu (Metal Fish)* at the 2021 International Ocean Film Festival; and published a top-selling kids' book about sharks, *Sharks for Kids*.

WildFutures partnered with federal, state, and local agencies and organizations to produce the 2021 *California Mountain Lion* brochure — with almost 40,000 copies distributed throughout the state — to inform the public about the important role this apex predator plays in the landscape.

Youth Empowerment

Bay Area Wilderness Training cultivated several new partnerships to better serve the needs of its San Francisco Bay Area community. The effort has helped the project reach hundreds of students and train more than 75 educators and youth leaders to create equitable access to outdoor experiences.



Led by 2019 Brower Youth Award winner Mackenzie Feldman, **Herbicide-Free Campus (HFC)** is one of Earth Island's newest projects. HFC spearheaded a successful student fellowship program that empowered young environmental leaders to become advocates for organic land care on their campuses and beyond.

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We must solve the democracy crisis before we solve the environmental crisis. With that in mind, **Ultimate Civics** has been deep in development with the Cloud Institute for Sustainability Education to create lesson material about using civic power as responsible citizens to shape, operate, and maintain an equitable and more sustainable democracy for all.

Keeping its community safe during the pandemic by shifting to an online forum, **Youth Empowered Action Camp (YEA Camp)** ran four successful summer sessions and launched its first-ever winter camp. Campers were challenged to make a difference in a cause of their choosing, through actions such as calling legislators, posting activist messages on their social media, and launching fundraisers, which raised more than \$5,000.

International Initiatives

With collaborating partner the Foundation for Ecological Education and Design, the **Armenian Environmental Network** was awarded a grant to organize and implement the first permaculture design workshop held in Armenia.

The pandemic put a lid on most international travel, but **Ethical Traveler** remained a sought-after source for information on ethical and transformative travel, and on the ways travel will evolve as the world recovers from the pandemic. The project released its annual “Ten Best Ethical Destinations” list, which received widespread media coverage due to the increasing interest in sustainable travel.

With the pandemic affecting international tourism, **Guias Unidos** helped their local tour guides implement education and conservation activities on Ometepe Island, Nicaragua, by creating an adopt-a-tree program at the request of the kids that have attended the project’s environmental education classes in the past. The initiative has since planted 2,000 trees.

Working with and for the people of East Africa to build lasting protection of the Serengeti-Mara ecosystem, **Serengeti Watch** developed a program to supply Maasai women with beehives, the honey from which they sell, providing a source of income, empowerment, and enthusiasm.

Women's Environmental Leadership

Climate Wise Women effectively developed partnerships and shaped financial opportunities that meaningfully support women’s leadership on local climate initiatives. To that end, the project engaged 50 global philanthropies and

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government aid agencies in a substantive dialogue focused on shifting their efforts toward funding locally led enterprises.

Women for Wildlife supported the launch of Women for Conservation Botswana and cohosted its first leadership workshop for 15 Indigenous women in that country. The two-day event invited a diverse and supportive network of women to build strategy and vision that can expand women's leadership in wildlife conservation across Botswana.

Women's Climate Centers International (WCCI) conducted a community baseline assessment in Tororo, Uganda, a rural agriculture community in East Africa, which provided new insights into what local people need and want, and how to translate that information into future activities, projects, and programs. WCCI's flagship center, also in Tororo, creates economic opportunities for local women as they implement climate-smart technologies in their communities.

In its mission to empower women's leadership, **Women's Earth Alliance** hosted its third annual Indonesia Grassroots Accelerator, catalyzing the efforts of 27 Indonesian women leaders, from 15 regions, who are protecting their communities and ecosystems from environmental and climate threats like palm oil extraction, plastic pollution, and sea level rise.



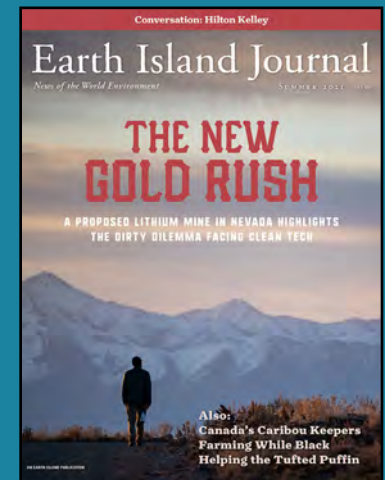
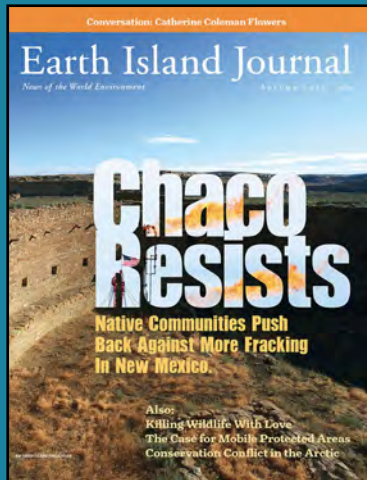
NEW LEADERS INITIATIVE

Since 2000, the New Leaders Initiative has celebrated and supported young environmental leaders throughout North America. Each year the New Leaders Initiative produces the Brower Youth Awards program, which honors the work of six outstanding young environmentalists, ages 13 to 22, for their leadership and achievements. Fiscal year 2021 recipients led projects on STEAM education, industrial air pollution, climate change solutions, environmental activism, community gardens, and healing space for incarcerated youth. In addition to a cash prize and public recognition, the winners received coaching, training, and peer support designed to provide them with the skills to advance their initiatives. More details about the winners and videos of their stories are available online at broweryouthawards.org.



Brower Youth Awards winners (clockwise from top left): Danielle Boyer, Alexandra Collins, Haana Edenshaw, Isabella Wallmow, Chander Payne, Diego Arreola Fernández.

EARTH ISLAND JOURNAL



For nearly four decades, *Earth Island Journal* has been publishing articles that offer a unique, wide-angle perspective, which strives to make the connections between the environment and human rights and social justice issues. Over the course of more than 140 issues, the *Journal* has broken ground on covering critical environmental topics and received a number of media awards for excellence in journalism.

In fiscal year 2021, the *Journal* published a mix of hard-hitting investigative features and powerful expository pieces in its print issues, including a cover story about a grassroots movement against a proposed lithium mine in Nevada calling attention to green tech's reliance on extractive industries and practices; a dispatch about an anti-science movement in Puglia, Italy, that has stymied efforts to combat a disease devastating the region's ancient olive trees; and an award-winning investigation into how a loophole in California's cap-and-trade program is allowing a Native Alaskan timber company to sell carbon offsets for forests that were likely never intended for logging. Online, the *Journal* highlighted the work of activists fighting fossil fuel companies and demanding bold climate action; reported on the ongoing persecution of apex predators in the U.S.; and dedicated a large share of its coverage to issues at the intersection of race, gender, poverty, and environment. The magazine's work has been recognized by awards from the Society of Environmental Journalists, the San Francisco Press Club, and the John Burroughs Association.

EARTH ISLAND ADVOCATES

Earth Island Advocates uses the law to fight for justice for the planet's beautiful and varied ecosystems and inhabitants. With the combined knowledge and expertise of our grassroots project network and the pro bono resources of law firms, legal clinics, and nonprofit organizations, Earth Island Advocates is achieving tangible results for the environment. In fiscal year 2021, Advocates filed lawsuits to prevent unlawful logging on federal land and to stop corporate greenwashing, and obtained settlements that protect wildlife.



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