Building Community portfolio

Grants awarded: 4
Total awarded: $40,000

Our Building Community portfolio is focused on improving conditions for communities of color, Oregonians living on low incomes and other marginalized populations. The singular goal: to help all Oregonians contribute to building vibrant communities, influence the decisions that affect them and reach their full potential. We aim to invest in strategies that dismantle inequities and create new opportunities to advance equity, to support efforts to encourage and strengthen civic engagement and public participation in democratic processes, and to support arts and cultural initiatives that create inclusive communities.

Children First for Oregon
Portland
Multnomah County
Award amount: $10,000
For participation in the Meyer Capacity Builders Learning Collaborative

Intertwine Alliance Foundation
Portland
Multnomah County
Award amount: $10,000
For participation in the Meyer Capacity Builders Learning Collaborative

Willamette Valley Development Officers
Portland
Multnomah County
Award amount: $10,000
For participation in the Meyer Capacity Builders Learning Collaborative

Center for Diversity and the Environment
Portland
Multnomah County
Award amount: $10,000
For participation in the Meyer Capacity Builders Learning Collaborative
Healthy Environment portfolio

Grants awarded: 1
Total awarded: $16,000

Our Healthy Environment portfolio investments are grounded in the belief that a flourishing Oregon depends on healthy ecosystems and clean water and air for all. To that end, we focus on the environment on two levels, by prioritizing efforts that protect and improve the health of the environment and by addressing the underlying disparities affecting specific populations and communities. Meyer supports healthy and adaptive natural systems. We further commit to an environmental movement that is effective and relevant to all Oregon’s diverse communities and statewide efforts to equitably spread environmental impacts and benefits among communities. Ultimately, we aim to support community well-being, economic vitality and environmental stewardship.

Affiliated Tribes of Northwest Indians
Portland
Multnomah County
Award amount: $16,000
To build relationships and collaboration between Oregon tribes and environmental and social justice organizations

Willamette River Initiative

Grants awarded: 7
Total awarded: $708,479

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Bonneville Environmental Foundation
Portland
Multnomah County
Award amount: $197,879
To support the Bonneville Environmental Foundation’s continued management of WRI's Model Watershed Program

Calapooia Watershed Council
Brownsville
Linn County
Award amount: $56,000
To support the Calapooia Watershed Council’s continued participation in WRI’s Model Watershed Program

Long Tom Watershed Council
Eugene
Lane County
Award amount: $140,700
To support the Long Tom Watershed Council’s continued participation in WRI’s Model Watershed Program

Marys River Watershed Council
Corvallis
Benton County
Award amount: $68,300
To support the Marys River Watershed Council’s continued participation in WRI’s Model Watershed Program

Middle Fork Willamette Watershed Council
Lowell
Lane County
Award amount: $64,700
To support the Middle Fork Willamette Watershed Council’s continued participation in WRI’s Model Watershed Program

South Santiam Watershed Council
Sweet Home
Linn County
Award amount: $111,200
To support the continued participation of the North Santiam Watershed Council and South Santiam Watershed Council in WRI’s Model Watershed Program

Meyer-Directed Grants
Grants awarded: 6
Total awarded: $28,000

Beyond our portfolio specific awards, Meyer occasionally makes grants to respond to timely needs and opportunities during these changing times.

Grantmakers for Effective Organizations
Washington, D.C.
Award amount: $5,000
To sponsor the 2017 Leading Change Conference, which inspires and equips change agents inside grantmaking organizations to better support nonprofits

Willamette Valley Development Officers
Portland
Multnomah County
Award amount: $5,000
To provide training for social justice, grassroots organizations that promotes connections between fundraising, social justice and movement-building

MRG Foundation
Portland
Multnomah County
Award amount: $15,000
To establish a rapid response fund as part of the Oregon Immigration and Refugee Funders Collaborative, which addresses critical and time-sensitive issues facing immigrants and refugees

Muslim Educational Trust
Portland
Multnomah County
Award amount: $1,000
To bridge divides in Oregon through education and dialogue about pressing civil rights issues

Rural Organizing Project
Scappoose
Columbia County
Award amount: $1,000
To bridge divides in Oregon through education and dialogue about pressing civil rights issues

Unite Oregon
Portland
Multnomah County
Award amount: $1,000
To bridge divides in Oregon through education and dialogue about pressing civil rights issues