

# April 2017 Awards 18 grants; \$792,479

## **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 Watershad Program

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

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