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RAINFOREST ACTION NETWORK

ANNUAL REPORT | **2020 - 2021**



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Rainforest Action Network **preserves forests, protects the climate** and **upholds human rights** by challenging corporate power and systemic injustice through frontline partnerships and strategic campaigns.

VISION

Rainforest Action Network works toward a world where the rights and dignity of all communities are respected and where healthy forests, a stable climate and wild biodiversity are protected and celebrated.

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COVER: Yellow Coat COP26 Collective / Nanang Sujana



“The alarm bells are **deafening**,
and the evidence is **irrefutable**.”

– **UN Secretary General António Guterres** on the latest
Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change assessment.

Dear Friends,

Without question, the need to rally and combat the climate crisis is more urgent than ever. And while 2021 has been one of the most difficult for environmental organizing as the pandemic continues to impact the world, it has equally offered us opportunities to innovate, adapt, and secure milestone achievements across our campaigns.

That's because at RAN, we don't do what is considered politically or logistically feasible, we do what is necessary.

This year we saw new climate commitments — albeit weak ones — from key target banks, including JPMorgan Chase and Wells Fargo. We watched one of the biggest insurance companies in the world, Chubb, share that it is not providing insurance coverage for any tar sands projects. We witnessed three massive brands, Unilever, Colgate-Palmolive and Nestle, publicly respond to our Keep Forests Standing campaign by releasing their forest footprints, acknowledging their destructive impact.

And this past summer, after over a year of lockdowns, I was honored to be back on the frontlines in solidarity with hundreds of water protectors on Anishinaabe land in northern Minnesota. For ten hours I was locked to Enbridge's Line 3 pipeline as it underwent active construction. I ended up being extracted and detained and spent the night in the county jail with other activists. It gave me a lot of time to reflect on the important role that RAN has played in the resistance for over thirty-five years, and to think critically about where we are going.

Always, it comes back to our mission: We will preserve the rainforests, protect the climate, and uphold human rights. It may not be easy, but it is that simple.

Preserve the Rainforests

Tropical forests are one of our best natural solutions against the climate crisis, but big corporations continue to profit from their destruction. Major banks and consumer brands driving the expansion of forest-risk commodities into intact forests, peatlands, natural



RAN Executive Director Ginger Cassady and Senior Communications Strategist Laurel Sutherlin locked to Enbridge's Line 3 pipeline in Anishinaabe land in northern Minnesota. PHOTO: Giniw Collective

ecosystems and Indigenous territories must adopt and enforce policies to keep forests standing and uphold rights, immediately.

Protect the Climate

This year we saw finance take center stage in the discussions at the global UN climate summit, COP26. To halt the worst of the climate crisis we have to keep fossil fuels in the ground — and in order to do so, banks and insurers must immediately cut off the money pipeline supporting fossil fuel expansion. That's why RAN has been leading the way with our cutting-edge data analysis and reporting on the worst financiers of climate chaos. And with the support of our network, we will continue to put our energy into outing and pressuring the corporations fueling the crisis.

Uphold Human Rights

The recognition of the sovereignty of Indigenous Peoples to decide what happens in their own territories is crucial and urgent. Indigenous water protectors, pipeline fighters and many other grassroots

organizations are dedicating themselves to defending land rights. The IPCC has confirmed that strong and organized local and Indigenous communities are a key defense against deforestation and ecological collapse.

As headlines for the last several months have recounted one climate disaster after the other, securing the systemic change that is urgently needed sometimes feels like an impossible task. But when I think on the incredible movement we have seen this year, in spite of the challenges we faced, I feel a renewed sense of hope and determination, and commitment to doing what is necessary.

For People and Planet,

Ginger Cassady
Executive Director



FOSSIL FUEL Folly



We are all on the frontlines of the climate crisis. In the past year alone, we've seen:



- » Increasing hurricanes in the Gulf of Mexico.
- » Unprecedented floods in Germany.
- » The hottest temperatures ever recorded in Europe.
- » Wildfires once again ravaging California.

And yet, disastrous fossil fuel projects like the Line 3 and the TransMountain pipelines are being funded, insured and built every day. It is beyond illogical. It is criminal.

That's why Rainforest Action Network has been challenging the expansion of the fossil fuel sector any way we can — even through the challenging times of a global pandemic. But RAN, our partners and our community of supporters have shown up in force, peacefully and safely.

In early June, the entire RAN Organizing Team was on the ground for the Treaty Peoples' Gathering in Northern Minnesota to stand in opposition to the Line 3 pipeline. We supported two thousand people taking on two different Enbridge pipeline work sites resulting in a prolonged encampment on a drill site Enbridge had set up on the Mississippi River.

Just weeks later, in late June and July, a delegation of more than 10 staff and board members arrived in solidarity and support of Indigenous-led efforts by Giniw Collective and other frontline leaders fighting to protect their water, their community and our future. Our Executive Director Ginger Cassady joined protestors in a peaceful action, locking down to the pipeline and temporarily halting construction.

PHOTO: Jake Conroy / RAN

Wrong in Every Way: **THE LINE 3 PIPELINE**



- » Predicted to carry approx. 1,000,000 barrels of Canadian tar sands oil per day.
- » Carries the carbon emissions equivalent to building 50 new coal fired power plants.
- » Slices through hundreds of sensitive rivers and waterways at the headwaters of the Mississippi River.
- » Illegally cuts through Indigenous treaty lands and waters.



There is simply no form of climate leadership compatible with support for this pipeline and we continue to call on elected officials to drop charges against peaceful protestors and to reverse this climate disaster.

RAN has been supporting the campaign to stop Line 3 on the ground in Minnesota for four years — and that support includes direct grants

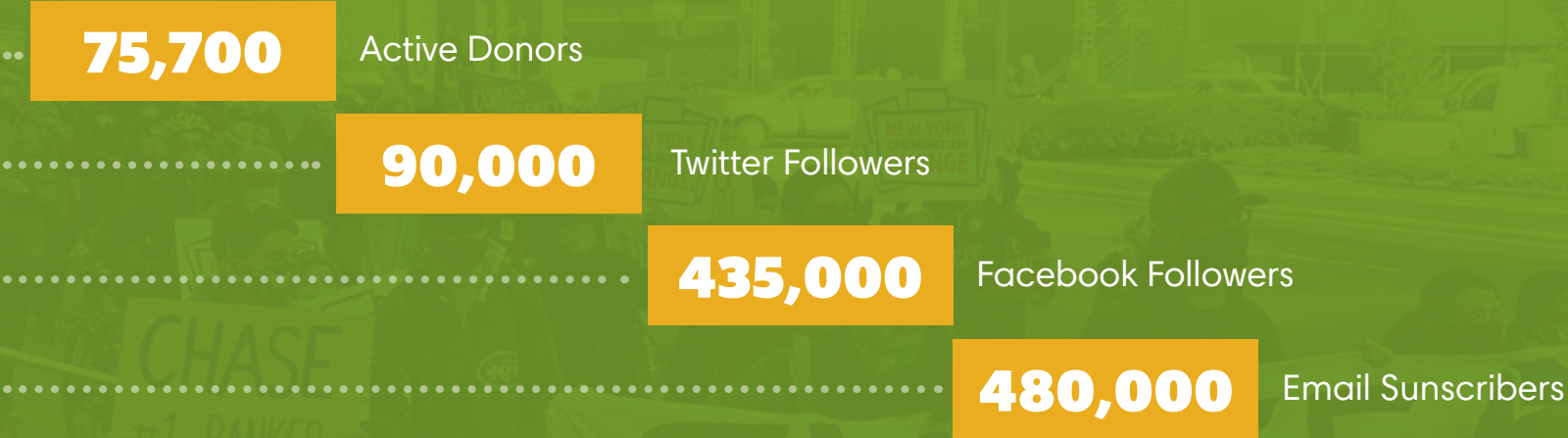
from our Community Action Grants program to frontline organizations, such as the Giniw Collective, an Indigenous women-led effort to protect Anishinaabe territory from the destruction of Enbridge's Line 3 tar sands project; and The Gitchigumi Scouts, an Anishinaabe-led group supporting resistance to the pipeline.

PHOTO: Toben Dilworth / RAN; Jessie Fetting



PHOTO: Andres David Lopez

RAN only has a staff of **50 people** stationed across the globe, but we have always had a major impact thanks to our network of supporters, which includes people from all **50 states**, and **151 countries** on every continent except Antarctica.



Big Impact

RAN supporters took **850,000** urgent actions in the last year. And those email subscribers supported RAN campaigns with more than **\$1.2 million**

Thanks to you, RAN saw a **1,000%** increase in email actions over the past two years!



CLIMATE *Emergency*

As political, economic and social leaders gathered in Glasgow, Scotland, for the Conference of Parties (COP26) for the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC), Rainforest Action Network joined with a global network of allies demanding real results toward the goals of the Paris Climate Agreement in order to limit global warming to 1.5°C.

“Net Zero by 2050” became a common claim from government and private sector players in the lead up to COP26. However by 2050, carbon emissions may have already reached levels that could spark catastrophic impacts. Far too often, false solutions like carbon offsets or climate goals set decades in the future are simply used to delay real and meaningful action.

RAN sent a delegation of staff members to Glasgow with this message: We need action now. We must reduce emissions to as close to zero as possible as soon as possible. With fossil fuels as the main contributor to global emissions, this means corporate and government net zero commitments cannot be taken seriously without an immediate end to fossil fuel expansion and a clear and actionable plan to phase out fossil fuels overall as quickly as possible.

Protecting forests, which act as carbon sinks and maximize carbon removal from the atmosphere, is also one of the cheapest and fastest means of reducing emissions. Net zero commitments from global brands cannot be taken seriously without proof of an immediate end to the expansion of industrial logging, monoculture plantations and livestock ranches into forests and other natural ecosystems in their supply chains.

PHOTOS: Trevor Bexon / shutterstock; Nanang Sujana; Reno Yunanto; Erik McGregor



Climate Action: **WHAT WE NEED TO DO NOW**



- » Respect Indigenous rights and end violence towards frontline communities
- » End financing for fossil fuel expansion and rapidly phase out all fossil fuels
- » Prioritize the protection of forests and peatlands, critical habitats that are crucial in the fight against climate change
- » Stop the clearing of forests for cheap agricultural products like conflict palm oil, pulp, paper, beef, soy, cocoa, and timber products

As forests and carbon-rich peatlands are burned and bulldozed, and fossil fuels are extracted and burned, massive amounts of greenhouse gasses are released into our atmosphere. And the very forests and peatlands that serve as carbon sinks are not only destroyed, but instead release CO₂, contributing to the rise in temperatures. It is absurd and downright irresponsible. Our planet needs a climate deal that holds corporations and financial institutions accountable for their contribution to these existential threats.

As our banner that we unfurled on the streets of New York and Glasgow clearly states, the time for action is now — It's a Code Red for Humanity.

Read more at: [RAN.org/Glasgow](https://ran.org/Glasgow).





Banking on **CLIMATE CHAOS**

We must immediately transition away from a fossil fuel economy. Even the conservative International Energy Agency has made it clear that in order to salvage a livable future, countries should end all new fossil fuel exploration and production and stop fossil fuel subsidies.

And yet, Wall Street and banks around the globe continue to pump billions into the fossil fuel sector.

In March 2021, RAN released our 12th annual report on finance and the fossil fuel sector, *Banking on Climate Chaos* — the most comprehensive report of its kind.

We found an alarming if unsurprising disconnect between the global scientific consensus on climate change and the continued practices of the world's largest financial institutions — **the world's 60 largest banks have poured \$3.8 trillion into fossil fuels since the Paris Agreement.**

To make matters worse, over the past five years these banks pumped \$1.5 trillion into the top 100 companies *expanding* the fossil fuel sector.

This includes companies behind highly controversial projects like the Line 3 tar sands oil pipeline and the expansion of fracking on the land of Indigenous Mapuche communities in Argentina's Patagonia region, which are just two of the nearly 20 case studies featured in the report.

Banking on Climate Chaos was authored by Rainforest Action Network, BankTrack, Indigenous Environmental Network, Oil Change International, Reclaim Finance, and Sierra Club, and is endorsed by over 300 organizations from 50 countries around the world.

U.S.-based banks continue to be the largest global drivers of emissions in 2020, with JPMorgan Chase remaining the world's worst fossil bank. Chase recently committed to align its financing with the Paris Agreement and yet continues essentially unrestrained financing of fossil fuels. From 2016 through 2020, Chase's lending and underwriting activities have provided nearly \$317 billion to fossil fuels.

These figures came in as many of the world's largest banks, including all six major U.S. banks, made major public announcements about "net-zero" commitments over the next 30 years.

But the numbers don't lie — and they don't add up to the empty promises by these banks. Commitments for 2030 and 2050 are simply delay tactics — and at this point climate delay equals climate denialism.

You can read the full report and view interactive data at:

BankingOnClimateChaos.org.

PHOTOS: Bayne Stanley / Alamy Stock Photo; 350 Japan; Laurel Sutherland / RAN





Insuring our FUTURE

**STOP INSURING
DIRTY FOSSIL FUELS**

**STOP INSURING
THE CLIMATE CRISIS**

We know that any fossil fuel project needs three things to go forward:



- » Capital
- » Permits
- » Insurance.

That's why Rainforest Action Network has been pressuring insurance companies to stop insuring disastrous fossil fuel projects that are threatening the very future of our planet.

Activists took to the streets in dozens of actions at insurance offices across four continents as part of the "Stop Insuring Trans Mountain" week of action, many thousands signed petitions and sent emails, and hundreds have made phone calls to insurance executives. In Seattle, we painted a 15-foot, colorful mural in front of Liberty Mutual's Pacific Northwest headquarters, demanding they pull support for the pipeline.

PHOTOS: George Day; Tom Dodge
ARTWORK: Jessica Thornton

And in September, after two years of tireless campaigning from RAN, Indigenous land defenders, and grassroots activists, Chubb, one of the largest insurance companies in the world, became the sixteenth insurer to rule out support for the Trans Mountain pipeline — including five in the past year alone. The company, previously one of Trans Mountain's largest insurers, told *The Financial Times* that the company "does not provide insurance coverage for any tar sands projects."

This milestone comes after a lot of hard work as RAN's insurance team coordinated a pressure campaign targeting the insurance backers of the Trans Mountain tar sands pipeline.

Tar sands exit policies are making their mark on the industry, resulting in increased difficulty securing insurance for these projects as mainstream media outlets — like CBC, *The Canadian Press*, and *The Star Tribune* — have reported on this issue (with the help of RAN staff).

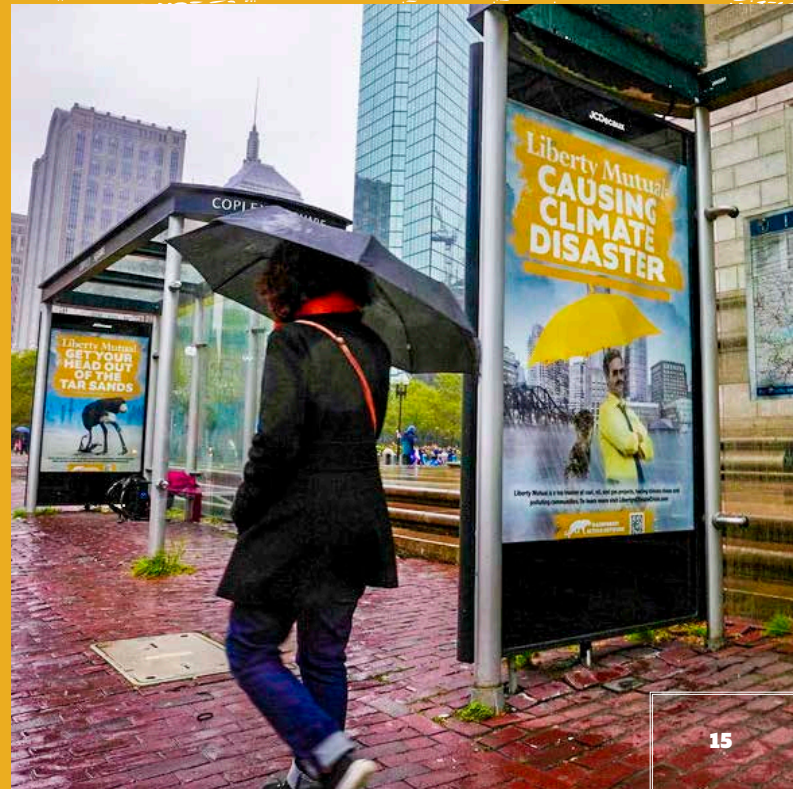
This past April, we also escalated our campaign to pressure insurance giant Liberty Mutual around the corporation's annual meeting. In the lead up, we delivered 140,000 petition signatures to executives' homes via billboard truck to make sure that they got the message to stop insuring fossil fuels.

Liberty Mutual spends \$435 million on advertisements each year. What their ads don't say is that they are a top fossil fuel insurer, backing tar sands pipelines, coal mines, and oil and fracked gas extraction that is polluting communities and fueling climate destruction globally.

Despite repeated invitations from communities in Alaska, Australia, Canada, and beyond, Liberty Mutual has refused every single request to meet from Indigenous leaders and frontline communities impacted by its insurance and investment practices — and have hardly changed their practices. In a scorecard report just released evaluating the climate progress of 30 of the largest insurers globally, Liberty Mutual ranked #20 on fossil fuel insurance, #14 on fossil fuel investing, and tied for last on other climate leadership.

That's why we wanted to set the record straight on Liberty Mutual's climate and human rights policies.

To learn more about RAN's work to Insure our Future, visit: LibertysClimateCrisis.com.





Forests & Finance

In 2016, RAN began our Forests & Finance campaign, to expose the financing going into deforestation across all three tropical forest basins.

Tropical deforestation and degradation contribute up to 21% of global greenhouse gas emissions. This is largely due to the burning and bulldozing of forests and peatlands for palm oil plantations, pulp and paper production, or for the rubber, timber, soy, and beef industries.

Our goal is to challenge the social and market license for those financing toxic and destructive industries and to pull back the curtain on those profiting from climate chaos. We have confronted major financiers directly, loudly and consistently and made them

acknowledge their crucial role in our collective crisis. Our analysis has shown that just since 2016, there has been over \$230 billion from the financial sector going into companies responsible for deforestation and rights violations.

This work has already resulted in loans in excess of \$100 million being cancelled as a reaction to RAN campaigns. We work directly with local activists and communities literally fighting to defend their ancestral lands and forests. People whose farms have been stolen and watched their local forests bulldozed all in the name of corporate greed. Just three years ago, the three major Japanese banks had no policies on forests. And now after RAN's campaigning, we've secured major new policies by all three Japanese 'megabanks' banks — MUFG, Mizuho, and Sumitomo.

In June of 2021, we launched the new Forests & Finance website with a redesigned user-friendly interface, holding five launch webinars in six languages. We scour financial sector databases, media reports and financial reports of companies to determine where the money behind deforestation is coming from. We compile that data and we make it publicly available for activists and campaigners around the world to use.

And we devise strategies to target those banks to expose what they're doing, and to get them to change their practices.

Covering from 2016 to 2020, the revamped website features updated investor data but also includes extended policy assessments of more than 50 financial institutions. All of this information is open sourced and readily available in English, French, Indonesian, Portuguese, and Japanese.

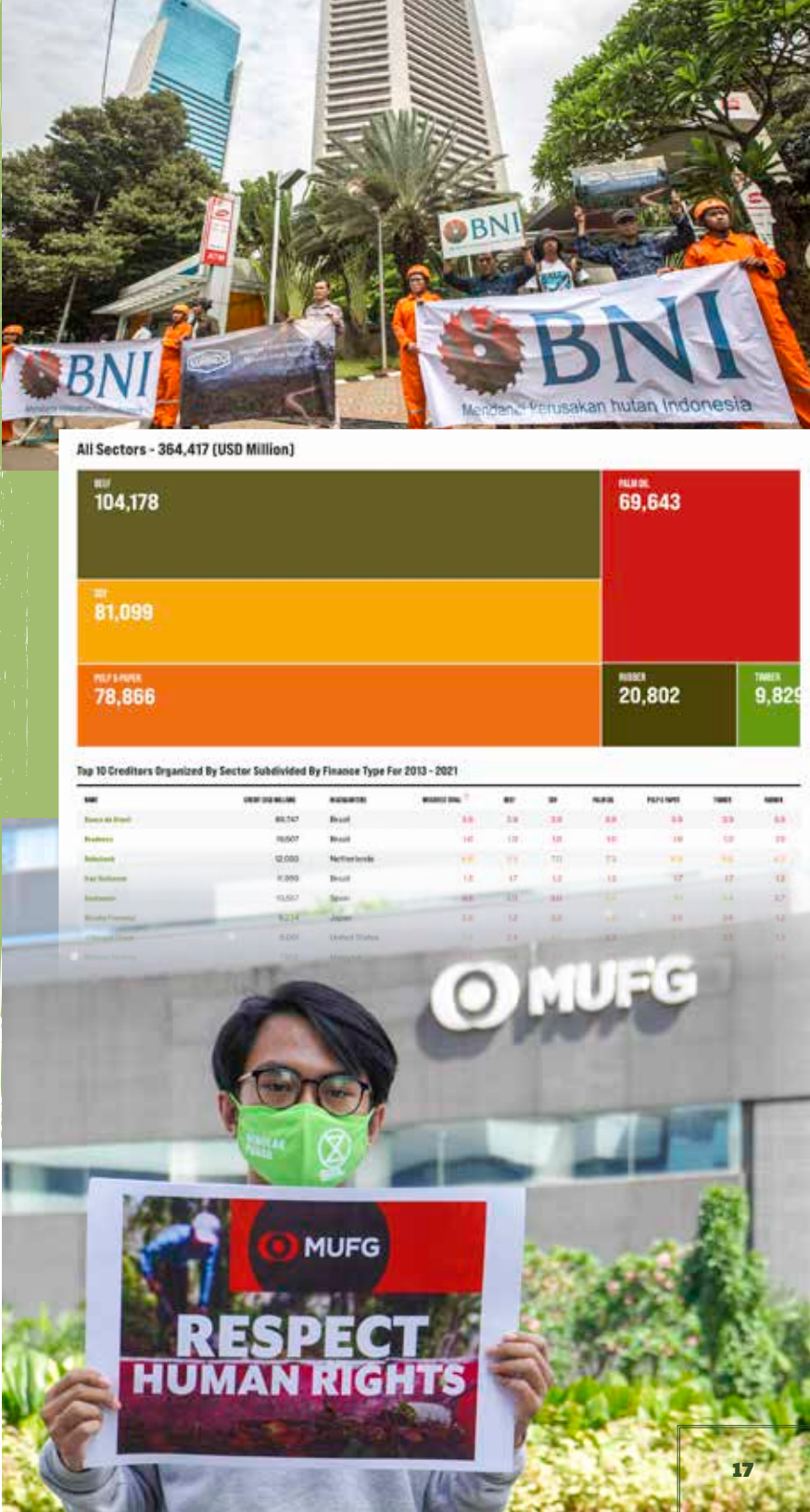
One of the many facts revealed in this new data is that, over the past year, forest-risk commodity investments have risen from \$37.2 billion to \$45.3 billion (April 2020 - April 2021).

In addition to these investments, the site tracks \$128 billion in credit and underwriting for deforestation-linked commodities. The site also attributes a forest protection score to institutions — a ranking of the strength of internal bank or investment policies to prevent rampant forest destruction. The average scores are 2.4 out of a possible 10.

The Forest and Finance Coalition has now expanded from the original founding groups of RAN, Profundo, and Tuk Indonesia to also include Reporter Brasil, Amazon Watch, Sahabat Alam Malaysia (FoE Malaysia), Friends of the Earth U.S., and BankTrack.

You can see this information and explore the data at: forestsandfinance.org.

PHOTO: Nanang Sujana / RAN; Tuk Indonesia; Reno Yunanto





KEEP *Forests* STANDING

There is no solution to our climate crisis that does not prioritize forests.

Forests and peatlands sustain watersheds, mitigate rising sea level disasters, nurture biodiversity, and — critically — absorb and sequester carbon, just to name few benefits.

That's why RAN has launched a game-changing new campaign to track the 'forest footprint' of banks and brands. Last year, RAN published *Keep Forests Standing: Evaluating Brands and Banks Driving Deforestation and Human Rights Abuses*.

The forest footprint is the full accounting of how a corporation has already impacted and could impact forests and communities through past activities and potential future expansion of industrial logging and agriculture.

The report calls on 17 of the most influential corporations fueling the destruction of rainforests and the violation of human rights to disclose their forest footprints. We are also calling on these institutions to outline strategic interventions to prevent further deforestation and rights violations. The banks that performed the worst in the report included BNI, CIMB, ICBC, JPMorgan Chase, and MUFG, together with the brands Colgate-Palmolive, Ferrero, Kao, Mondeléz, Nissin Foods, and Procter & Gamble. All received the lowest ranking of an 'F' grade.

Since publication, however, three companies — Unilever, Nestlé, and Colgate-Palmolive — have each published limited forest footprints for regions in northern Sumatra, Indonesia. However, half-measures are not sufficient to meet our crisis.

PHOTOS: Paul Hilton; Andres David Lopez; Tuk Indonesia;
Stand.earth / Nanang Sujana / RAN

To turn up the pressure, RAN joined with allies in August to deliver 260,000 signatures to Ferrero's new U.S. headquarters, urging the candy giant to take concrete action to clean up its palm oil and forest commodity supply chains.

In October of 2021, RAN released a further study naming ten well-known household brands complicit in the destruction of over 700,000 hectares — roughly the size of 1,750,000 football fields — of tropical rainforests in the Indonesian provinces of North and East Kalimantan due to their sourcing from palm oil, pulp, and forestry companies operating in the regions. The report details the carbon-rich forests and peatlands that have been lost over the past decade due to the brands' failure to implement their “No Deforestation” commitments and shows that over 8.25 million hectares of critical rainforest remain at risk in two Indonesian provinces alone.

The report calls on Colgate-Palmolive, Ferrero, Kao, Mars, Mondelēz, Nestlé, Nissin Foods, PepsiCo, Procter & Gamble, and Unilever to disclose their full global “forest footprint.”

This effort is urgent as we must secure and expand Indigenous communities' legal rights to their land, rather than hand the land over to corporations for forestry, commodity production or fossil fuel extraction. Just as we must immediately end the expansion of the fossil fuel sector, we must immediately stop the conversion of forests and reform commodity supply chains to align with clear and enforceable ‘No Deforestation, No Peatland and No Exploitation’ (NDPE) policies and practices.

You can see this information and explore the data at:
[RAN.org/keep-forests-standing](https://ran.org/keep-forests-standing).



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Telling our Story

As a nonprofit of roughly 50 people taking on the biggest corporate and financial players on the globe, RAN relies on several key factors to make an impact: our credibility, our voice, and — most importantly — our supporters.

Our campaigns target institutions that spend billions of dollars each year cultivating their brand images with carefully choreographed public relations and saturating ad campaigns. They understand the power of controlling the narrative and steering the story.

To confront this constant onslaught, RAN undertakes strategically targeted investigations, meticulous research and analysis, and well crafted messaging across traditional and social media platforms. We produce exposé-style pieces that name our targets and create reputational risk and brand damage by publicly revealing their

complicity in driving ills such as our climate crisis or Indigenous rights violations — all in the name of corporate profits.

But all of this work would have much less impact without our traditional media and social media presence and the amplification from our network. Sometimes that means months of behind the scenes work to place highly researched articles in global media outlets; sometimes that means pitching Op-Eds on flashpoint issues; sometimes that means creating eye-catching graphics that fit into our carefully crafted social media campaigns.

Whether through major news outlets, Instagram or email, we rely on informing the public and inspiring our supporters to increase positive, peaceful action — online or in the streets — in the fight for people and planet over corporate greed.

PETA BUTA BANK HIJAU

Bank-bank hijau adalah bank-bank yang memberikan pinjaman kepada perusahaan-perusahaan yang merusak lingkungan. Bank-bank ini memberikan pinjaman kepada perusahaan-perusahaan yang merusak lingkungan, seperti perusahaan-perusahaan yang merusak hutan hujan tropis.

Forestry Bank adalah bank yang memberikan pinjaman kepada perusahaan-perusahaan yang merusak lingkungan. Bank-bank ini memberikan pinjaman kepada perusahaan-perusahaan yang merusak lingkungan, seperti perusahaan-perusahaan yang merusak hutan hujan tropis.



AP

Palm oil labor abuses linked to world's top brands, banks

Child labor in palm oil industry tied to Girl Scout cookies



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The Guardian

Big banks' trillion-dollar finance for fossil fuels 'shocking', says report

Coal, oil and gas firms have received \$3.8tn in finance since the Paris climate deal in 2015

Newsweek

Tue, Aug 24, 2021

OPINION

Line 3 Pipeline Would be a Permanent Stain on Biden's Presidency | Opinion

GINGER CASSADY, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, RAINFOREST ACTION NETWORK

ON 8/11/21 AT 8:00 AM EDT

I was arrested and charged with felony theft for "stealing" the Line 3 pipeline in northern Minnesota a few weeks ago.



Rolling Stone

Op-Ed: Big Insurance Is Climate's Quiet Killer

A coalition of climate justice organizations is targeting Liberty Mutual for underwriting fossil fuels

By **SEARA SOLAKHANNA & TAMARA TOLES O'LAUGHLIN**

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CNBC

These are the world's largest banks that are increasing and decreasing their fossil fuel financing



5 YEARS 60 BANKS \$3.8 TRILLION

into fossil fuels and...


INDIGENOUS RIGHTS VIOLATIONS
CLIMATE CHAOS
POLLUTION
COMMUNITY HEALTH IMPACTS

find out more at: BankingOnClimateChaos.org




RESPECT INDIGENOUS RIGHTS

SIGN THE PETITION
PROTECT THE ECOWARF AMAZON



California Wildfires

Liberty Mutual



WORLD RAINFOREST DAY



WE NEED TO TALK ABOUT

Liberty Mutual INSURANCE

AND THE TRANS MOUNTAIN PIPELINE



KEEP FORESTS STANDING



A person wearing a red long-sleeved shirt, a dark vest, and green rubber boots is climbing a tree trunk in a dense, lush forest. The person is positioned on the left side of the frame, reaching up towards the canopy. The forest is filled with various types of trees and ferns, creating a vibrant green background. The title 'Community ACTION GRANTS' is overlaid on the upper right portion of the image.

Community ACTION GRANTS



Since **1993**, RAN's Community Action Grants program has distributed more than **5.5 million dollars** through over **1,000 grants** to frontline communities, Indigenous-led organizations, and allies, helping their efforts to secure protection for **millions of acres of traditional territory** in forests around the world and helping to keep **millions of tons of carbon** in the ground. *

* including grants made through RAN's partnership with Global Greengrants Fund

PHOTO: Nanang Sujana / RAN

Community-led solutions are key to preserving forests, protecting our climate and upholding human rights — this is a core principle at Rainforest Action Network. For nearly 30 years, RAN has made direct grants to Indigenous and grassroots organizations that are working on the frontlines of the battle to save our planet.

In the face of unprecedented challenges in the last year, RAN's Community Action Grants program remained dynamic and responsive to evolving needs to stand in solidarity and provide direct

support to Indigenous and frontline communities across the globe disproportionately impacted by the compounding effects of a deadly pandemic, corporate resource plundering, and increasingly destructive and frequent fires and natural disasters. We increased the dollar amounts for some of our grants, provided critical mutual aid, and released rapid funds for Indigenous communities that despite the pandemic continued their fights on the frontlines against unwanted extractive industry projects on their territories, while also continuing to scale up and implement their own visions and solutions.

RAN's Community Action Grants are distributed under two categories: **Protect an Acre grants** and **Climate Action Fund grants**.

Protect an Acre grants support grassroots leadership and local organizations in forest regions to protect threatened forest lands and to protect the human rights of communities that have coexisted with and depended on these regions for generations. These grants are critical to help local efforts to regain control of and sustainably manage traditional territories. The priority region for Protect an Acre is the Amazon, where we have provided over \$900,000 in grants to Indigenous-led organizations over the last 2 years to support their critical actions from forming fire brigades to directly put out fires, to confronting and stopping illegal deforestation on their territories, to organizing peaceful mass mobilizations, and implementing sustainable economic alternative models.

Climate Action Fund grants support frontline communities directly challenging the damage caused by the fossil fuel industry. These

small grants go to local groups tackling the root causes of climate change — the extraction and combustion of dirty fossil fuels such as coal and oil. Over the last 2 years, RAN distributed more than \$100,000 in Climate Action Fund grants to support remarkable grassroots and Indigenous-led efforts aimed at stopping the construction of Enbridge's Line 3 tar sands pipeline, bisecting unceded Anishinaabe lands in Northern Minnesota.

As the latest UN reports on the climate emergency have confirmed, Indigenous and frontline communities are the best stewards of the world's rainforests and the best organizers against climate change. Local and Indigenous communities have been defending their forests, protecting the biodiversity on their lands, and slowing the effects of climate change for years. It is imperative that we continue to support them in the fight.



Protect-an-Acre (PAA) Highlights

Articulação Nacional das Mulheres Guerreiras da Ancestralidade (ANMIGA) and Mujeres Amazonicas

\$15,000 to support delegations of Indigenous women to participate in the 2nd Indigenous Women's March in Brasilia to mobilize against the attacks on Indigenous land rights that are being pushed through Congress and the judiciary in Brazil. This grant provided support for a major delegation of women from the Xokleng, Kaingang, and Guarani communities that are at the center of a land rights legal case being considered by the Brazilian Supreme Court, as well as for women delegates from Mundurucu territory in Brazil and from Sarayaku, Shuar and Shiwiar communities in the Ecuadorian Amazon.

Cabildo Siona de Buenavista

\$15,000 to support a Siona community in the Colombian Amazon to defend their rights and fortify their community land patrols to defend their territory against illegal incursions by extractive interests and armed actors. This grant supported: assemblies to facilitate collective decision making around conservation efforts; ongoing activities by the Indigenous Guard program, including land patrols and training for young rangers; legal strategies to defend Siona rights and lands, including advancing a pending case before the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights (IACHR); and land titling efforts to secure 7,166 acres of ancestral territory.

Kelompok Studi dan Pengembangan Prakarsa Masyarakat (KSPPM)

\$10,000 to support work with 6 Indigenous Tano Bata communities in the Lake Toba region in Northern Sumatra, Indonesia, impacted by Toba Pulp Lestari – a notorious company which stole their land. The communities, including the Pargamanan Bintang Maria-Parlilitan community, are being supported with documentation, including mapping and aerial photos of forest cover in their customary areas, as well as through networking and advocacy work as part of a multi-year effort to secure land rights to more than 50,000 acres for Batak Toba communities.

Nación Sapara del Ecuador (NASE)

\$5,000 to support installing solar and shortwave radio communications systems in 2 Sapara communities in their territory in the Ecuadorian Amazon covering an area of over 500,000 acres of intact roadless rainforest that has been defended from oil development. The first phase of the project was supported by Fundación Kara Solar in 2020 to help address the Covid crisis and support territorial defense initiatives, with this phase expanding to additional communities and run by trained Sapara technicians.

PHOTOS: Sarah LittleRedFeather (OPPOSITE): Amazon Frontlines; Kamikia Kisedje ; Juli Hazlewood / Roots & Routes IC; Red Road to DC; Rise St. James; Asociacion de Raíces Indígenas Amazónicas Peruanas (ARIAP)

Climate Action Fund (CAF) Highlights

Giniw Collective

\$17,500 to support a grassroots, frontlines effort that is Indigenous women-led to protect Anishinaabe territory from the destruction of Enbridge's Line 3 tar sands pipeline, through trainings, community outreach and education, mobilizations and relationship building within the broader movement. The collective has been working to protect treaty rights of the Anishinaabe, as well as sacred wild rice and other food sources, medicine, diverse ecosystems, and wetlands and lakes throughout the territories. They are also working to protect communities of color that are disproportionately affected by health impacts and increased violence against women associated with an increase in fossil fuel infrastructure.

Native Organizers Alliance

\$10,000 to support the Red Road to DC project, executed over the summer, a Native-led coast-to-coast totem pole journey with ceremony that stopped in sacred places endangered by fracking, mining, dams, oil and gas transport, and other extractive industries. The journey ended in Washington, D.C. with the public gifting of the totem pole to Representative Deb Haaland at the Department of Interior, the first Native American in that role.

For a complete list of grant recipients, visit: » grants.RAN.org





Supporters

2020-2021

THE *Panther* CIRCLE - (\$25,000 AND UP)

(\$100,000 AND UP)

Alice and Fred Stanback
Anonymous (3)
Arcus Foundation
Bernard F. and Alva B. Gimbel Foundation
Dan and Krystyna Houser
Ford Foundation
Foundation For The Carolinas
Irene Gould
KR Foundation
Rockefeller Brothers Fund
The Sunrise Project
The Tilia Fund
UK Department For International Development

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JULY 1, 2020 - JUNE 30, 2021

SUPPORT AND REVENUE

Individuals	\$ 1,883,360	21%	
Major Gifts	2,556,717	29%	
Special Events (Net)	176,025	2%	
Grants	3,640,854	42%	
In-Kind Contributions	414,302	5%	
Other	40,123	0%	

TOTAL SUPPORT AND REVENUE **\$ 8,771,381**

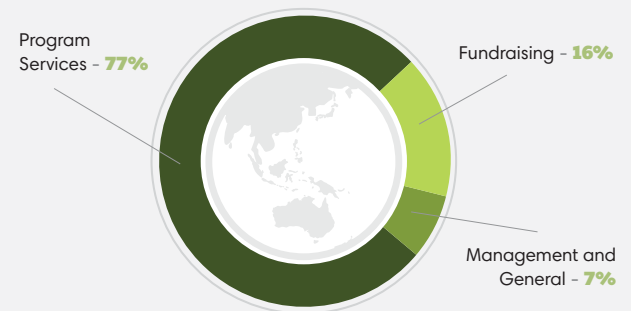
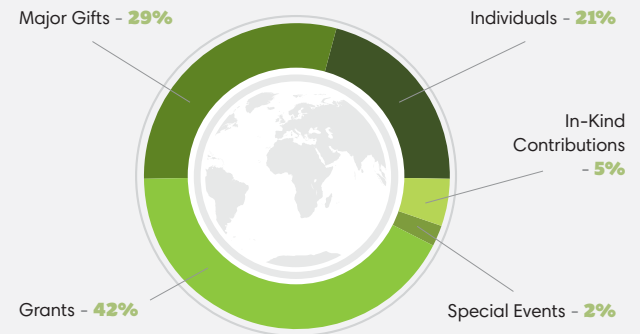
EXPENSES

Program Services	\$ 6,778,117	77%	
Management and General	570,740	7%	
Fundraising	1,424,156	16%	

TOTAL EXPENSES **\$ 8,773,013**

Gain of Extinguishment of Debt*	\$ 770,000
Change in Net Assets	708,368
Beginning	8,524,916
End	9,233,284

* PPP1 loan received and forgiven



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