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RAINFOREST ACTION NETWORK campaigns for the forests, their inhabitants and the natural systems that sustain life by transforming the global marketplace through education, grassroots organizing and non-violent direct action.

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Critically-endangered Sumatra tiger
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That statement was not ripped from today’s headlines. Rather, it describes James Watt and Anne Gorsuch, who led the Department of the Interior and the Environmental Protection Agency under Ronald Reagan. Under that administration we witnessed tens of millions of acres of national lands leased for oil, gas, and coal development — more than any other administration in history up to that point.

That president also famously claimed that trees cause more pollution than automobiles, and that if “you’ve seen one tree, you’ve seen them all.”

That was the 1980s, the same era when RAN was founded. So when we read today’s headlines we can truly say: We have been here before.

But RAN has always operated outside ‘the Beltway’ — our theory of change works so well because we find the leverage points in systems and use our research, our industry expertise, our corporate negotiation skills, our communications systems, and our direct action experience to create real, lasting change.

For more than 30 years, Rainforest Action Network has made a real impact protecting people and planet in the most unfriendly of circumstances. Taking on the logging industry, the banking industry, the coal mining industry, the biggest snack food companies on the planet — there’s never really an easy time to do this work. But we are ready, we are committed, and we will succeed.

But this past year we’ve produced some of our best work yet. We’ve stopped auctions for fossil fuel leases in cities across the country. We’ve exposed the role banks are playing by bankrolling fossil fuels and hastening climate chaos. We’ve launched a new campaign connecting the dots between deforestation and the finance industry that was featured in The New York Times. We’ve exposed rampant human rights abuse in the production of Conflict Palm Oil — including human trafficking and child labor. Our work to protect the communities, the climate and the Leuser rainforest was featured in Leonardo DiCaprio’s groundbreaking documentary “Before the Flood.”

But we also know where to look for true leadership and inspiration. This past December, we saw the historic announcement that the Dakota Access Pipeline’s permit would be denied by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. It was yet another shining example of what can
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be accomplished through people power and through following the leadership of frontline and Indigenous communities.

The leadership shown by the Standing Rock Sioux and the hundreds of other tribes that fought this pipeline is truly an inspiration to everyone who is standing up for people and planet. The RAN staff and the RAN community sends their deep respect and thanks to those responsible for this victory. We are eager to continue sharing our support on these and other efforts going forward in the fight to protect Indigenous Rights and to Keep Fossil Fuels in the Ground.

At RAN, we know that fossil fuels are a dead end. We know that clean energy is the next technological and economic frontier. And we know that more than 70% of the country supports the Paris Climate Agreement — and that more and more communities are coming together and standing up against disastrous pipelines and fracked gas terminals.

We also know that the false “jobs versus environment” argument has been used against us for years — since well before the 1980s. But today, we must center our environmental and human rights solutions around a just economic transition for workers. And we must ensure that those solutions do not perpetuate existing systemic injustices.

This is how we will win going forward.
And I am incredibly grateful for your support as we face our challenges of tomorrow, together.

For the Future,

Lindsey Allen
Executive Director
Since 1985, RAN has fought against the biggest global drivers of deforestation — from the palm oil trade to the publishing industry; from high fashion labels to the biggest banks in the world. Our carefully chosen and highly effective campaigns target not just corporations, but entire corporate and financial sectors — the worst of the worst culprits responsible for this environmental and human rights global crisis. And we get results.

Rainforests provide livelihoods for millions of local communities across the globe. They provide a home for millions of people and some of the world’s most threatened and endangered animals.

And the intersection between deforestation and climate change is very real.

Rainforests keep massive amounts of carbon in the ground and out of our atmosphere. In recent years, RAN has focused much of our forest protection work in Indonesia, home to some of the most ancient rainforest ecosystems in the world. Over millennia, these tropical forests have been pulling carbon out of the atmosphere and storing it in vast, water covered peat domes. When peatland forests are drained and cleared, carbon is released into the atmosphere in tremendous quantities.

Yet these peatlands continue to be not only cleared, but they are intentionally set on fire — every year — for short-sighted, short-term corporate profits. And when these peatlands are burned, virtual carbon bombs are released into our atmosphere. During the ‘fire season,’ the carbon emissions produced are greater than the combined carbon emissions from the collective economic activity of the entire United States. And the haze from these fires spans across oceans. A recent Harvard and Columbia study estimated that these fires were responsible for approximately 100,000 premature deaths throughout Southeast Asia.

This past year, RAN continued to make a real impact in stopping these horrendous practices and preserving these forests. In April of 2016,
for example, thanks to consistent pressure from RAN and our regional allies, the Indonesian government announced a moratorium on palm oil and mining expansion, with a specific emphasis on stemming the destruction of the critically important Leuser Ecosystem. The Leuser Ecosystem is a high priority area of intact forests and the last place on Earth where Sumatran orangutans, tigers, elephants, rhinos and sunbears still live together in the wild. RAN has been working to protect the Leuser for years and this announcement was highly encouraging — yet still requires relentless monitoring as actual change on the ground requires much more than promises.

That is why RAN has been pressuring the primary drivers of this destruction, including corporate targets like snack food giant PepsiCo and fashion brands such as Abercrombie and Fitch to get these industry leaders to reform their policies and ensure that deforestation, human rights abuses and climate change are not part of their supply chains.
Palm Oil is the most widely used vegetable oil on Earth. It is found in roughly half of the packaged goods in your local grocery. Chances are that palm oil is present in some form in nearly every room of your home.

Conflict Palm Oil is also one of the world’s biggest threats to rainforests. As demand has skyrocketed, palm oil plantations have cut deep into the heart of some of the most culturally and biologically diverse ecosystems on the planet. Irreplaceable wildlife species like Sumatra’s orangutans, rhinos, and elephants are being driven to the brink of extinction for the sake of this commodity.

Rainforest Action Network was one of the first organizations to sound the alarm on this industry almost a decade ago. And this year, we released another groundbreaking report — this time focused on the human rights and labor abuses facing the estimated 3.5 million people who work in the palm oil industry. RAN also produced a short animated film, “The Human Cost of Conflict Palm Oil,” that illustrates the labor violations, human trafficking and child labor practices associated with Conflict Palm Oil. Thanks to these efforts, the issue of labor rights was front and center for the first time at the 2016 Roundtable for Sustainable Palm Oil (RSPO) — an annual meeting of major palm oil industry executives. In years past, these issues had been dismissed out of hand.

But the pressure to reform the industry continues. RAN’s Conflict Palm Oil campaign has been successfully convincing some of the biggest, most well-known snack food brands across the globe to adopt and enact responsible palm oil sourcing policies. In 2016, we narrowed our focus to one of our biggest targets yet: PepsiCo. PepsiCo is not only one of the largest snack food companies in the world, they also partner with Indofood — the largest food manufacturer in Indonesia and the sole maker of PepsiCo-branded products within Indonesia. Indofood is the largest private palm oil company in Indonesia yet to commit to protect forests, the rights of workers and resolve conflicts with communities.

In response, our campaign has delivered thousands of petitions to Pepsi executives...
at their shareholder meeting, sent a parade of elephants to deliver a 10 foot high Pepsi Crystal bottle and photo petitions to their corporate headquarters, and placed billboards and magazine ads calling out Pepsi’s role in forest destruction and animal extinction in the hometown of their corporate leadership. We dropped a massive 100 foot banner reading “Cut Conflict Palm Oil” off the iconic Pepsi Cola sign on the East River of New York City. And that’s just a few of the campaign highlights. But we won’t rest until we have reformed the entire sector and preserved these rainforests for future generations.
OUT OF FASHION

In 2014, when RAN discovered links between rainforest destruction and the wood pulp that goes into producing fabrics for major clothing brands, we put the fashion industry on notice.

Massive logging giants — like Asia Pulp and Paper (APP), Asia Pacific Resources International (APRIL) and Toba Pulp Lestari — have been destroying pristine forests for profit for too long. Rainforests, animals and forest-dependent communities in Indonesia and around the world are paying the price for the production of rayon, viscose, and other textiles found in some of the biggest brands on the market.

RAN’s Out of Fashion campaign addresses this growing threat by demanding that the biggest names in fashion take action to eliminate deforestation, human rights abuses, and species loss from their supply chains.

We began this campaign by targeting companies such as Prada, Tory Burch, Michael Kors, Marc Jacobs, Louis Vuitton, Vince, Guess, Velvet, L Brands, Forever 21, Under Armour, Footlocker, GAIAM and Beyond Yoga. We have labeled them The Fashion Fifteen.

This past year, we focused on one high visibility brand: Abercrombie & Fitch. Tens of thousands of American shoppers have directly contacted Abercrombie & Fitch to call attention to the disastrous environmental and social impacts of forest-sourced fabrics and to ask the company to take immediate action. In 2016, we organized multiple actions, including in-store actions (including public protest dance routines!), re-labeling store clothing with “Warning: May Contain Deforestation” stickers, and petition deliveries. And in September of 2016, 50 RAN activists arrived at Abercrombie & Fitch’s biggest event of the year — its annual 5K staff charity run at its corporate headquarters near Columbus, Ohio.

Running as #TeamRainforest, our team presented a positive and encouraging message, asking Abercrombie & Fitch’s employees and their families to join the movement to ensure that rainforest destruction and human rights abuses are never part of its clothing. And we made sure our message was
seen and heard by overtaking the social media hashtag for the event and even hiring an airplane to circle overhead trailing a massive banner that asked: “Is A&F with #TeamRainforest?”

Our team of activists from nearby Ohio State University and Kenyon College drew attention to the fact that Abercrombie & Fitch stocks almost 300 items that are driving rainforest destruction in places like Indonesia. The action was highly successful, and we have first hand confirmation that most staff members on hand — and specifically the Abercrombie & Fitch executive leadership — got the message loud and clear. They know that RAN is ready to continue our campaign until Abercrombie & Fitch joins other industry leaders like H&M, Zara, Levis & Co, and other brands that have chosen to make responsible supply chain commitments.

Currently, we are very optimistic that progress on this front is possible — which will only open the door to better and stronger policies throughout the industry.
Three and a half billion people around the world have bank accounts — but the sad truth is that many big banks use our money to bankroll some of the world’s most egregious tropical forest destroyers.

But they can’t cut down the forests, if we cut off their money.

That’s the theory that is behind RAN’s newest campaign — Forests and Finance. By connecting the dots between companies that operate the bulldozers and chainsaws and the financial institutions that fund this dirty work, we are working to hold banks and government agencies accountable — and apply pressure on them to change their policies and change their practices.

RAN has a successful track record working in the financial sector to create real change on the ground. And with strategic campaigns and the support of our network, we can force banks to stop investing in companies engaged in deforestation, habitat destruction, species extinction, climate pollution and human rights violations.

The worst offending banks are based in Malaysia, China, Japan, Indonesia, Singapore, Europe and the U.S., bankrolling massive deforestation operations in the Southeast Asia palm oil and pulp and paper industries. For too long, big banks located far from any rainforests have funded this growing disaster with impunity.

If we value our planet and if we want to support future healthy societies, we need to halt deforestation. Currently, though, there is no law anywhere in the world that could sanction a bank for providing finance to a company illegally clearing forests, using forced labor or stealing land from indigenous communities. These institutions are earning billions of dollars without being held accountable for the consequences of their investments.

That ends now. RAN and our global partners are now vigorously monitoring the financial backing for these disastrous projects — and we are making all that information public via our new site, ForestsAndFinance.org.

We will be working to strengthen the regulatory bodies that oversee big banks and we will be naming names and exposing bad actors to pressure them to adopt robust new corporate
policies that break the link between the projects banks finance and the worst impacts of forest destruction, human rights abuses and climate pollution.

As a society, we need to change our expectations. Bankrolling deforestation and the destruction of communities can no longer be seen as business as usual.

RAN’s new interactive online platform — ForestsAndFinance.org — shines a bright light on the financial players responsible for bankrolling tropical deforestation.

This site allows users to see the deals between banks and investors and the major palm oil, pulp and paper, and rubber and timber companies operating in Southeast Asia and features case studies to show the impacts of this money on forests and people.

Drawing from years of experience running finance campaigns to stop the funding of extreme energy projects like mountaintop removal coal mining, RAN and our allies are using field investigations, supply chain research, case studies and innovative online platforms to expose global deforestation.
Last year, the Paris Climate Agreement set a new standard for global awareness for climate change. And in 2016, RAN continued that momentum, challenging the assumption that deadly and outdated fossil fuel technology should power our homes, schools, hospitals, and businesses.

Extracting, burning and transporting fossil fuels all carry significant risks to our public health, to the climate and to those directly involved in these archaic industries.

From cutting off Wall Street financing for dirty energy projects, to challenging the giveaway of public lands to the wealthiest companies, RAN fights alongside people directly impacted by dirty energy, challenging corporate power that place profits above people and planet.

This past year alone, our movement to Keep It In the Ground stopped ten auctions of public lands for fossil fuel extraction across the county, covering hundreds of thousands of acres of lands and waters; we stopped drilling off the Atlantic coast; and we forced a moratorium to halt new leases for coal extraction on public lands.

We have seen people from across the country standing up for their right to unspoiled lands and waters, climate stability, intact ecosystems — and the ability to pass these treasured places onto their children and grandchildren.

These actions escalated throughout 2015, and in September they dovetailed with the effort to stop the Dakota Access Pipeline. During an event in Washington, D.C., to commemorate the anniversary of the Keep It in the Ground movement, RAN and our partners delivered more than one million petition signatures to President Obama. RAN leaders then joined with Indigenous allies to send a powerful message to the outgoing administration by occupying the Department of the Interior.
All of this work on the domestic front remains in the context of the groundbreaking Paris Agreement that was signed with a goal of limiting climate change to less than 1.5°C above pre-industrial levels. Yet while countries make these bold commitments, the financial sector continues to finance risky, environmentally destructive sectors of the fossil fuel industry.

That’s why our Climate and Energy program published our report on this topic, Shorting the Climate. This new report was produced by RAN and our partners at BankTrack, Sierra Club and Oil Change International. It calls on the global banking sector to end its support for dangerous fossil fuel sectors including coal mining, coal power, extreme oil (which means oil from tar sands, the Arctic, and from ultra-deepwater drilling), and the exporting of liquefied natural gas (LNG).

With an incoming administration that may be stocked with climate change deniers, we know that now, more than ever, we need to be committed to our mission of protecting our climate and upholding the rights of frontline communities.
CLIMATE FINANCE

For over a decade, Rainforest Action Network has engaged banks to stop funding destructive practices like coal mining, coal power and tar sands extraction, through research on their investments, pressure campaigns using direct action and other tactics, and galvanizing and supporting activists, shareholders, students and others across the country to hold big banks accountable for the consequences of their investment practices.

In June 2016, RAN released Shorting the Climate, the seventh edition of an in-depth, annual that evaluates the bank policies and exposure of 25 U.S., European, and Canadian banks when it comes to extreme fossil fuels. For the first time, this year’s report covered a broad spectrum of the most carbon intensive, financially risky, and environmentally destructive sub-sectors. This includes coal mining, coal power, extreme oil (tar sands, Arctic oil, ultra-deep drilling) and North American liquefied natural gas export.

The report was produced by RAN in partnership with BankTrack, Sierra Club and Oil Change International. It provided the first look at bank financing for fossil fuels since the signing of the Paris Climate Agreement, showing that the world’s biggest banks are driving climate change by pumping hundreds of billions of dollars into extreme fossil fuels.

The report card, which also graded banks on their human rights policies, shows that banks performed poorly in all sectors. Levels of exposure were high across the board on the order of tens or hundreds of billions of finance for extreme fuel companies, demonstrating that banks are locking the world onto a path of major climate instability. Grades on policies were also poor, with an overall D average for the Report Card, showing that a vast majority of banks have no significant policies in place to stop funding extreme fossil fuels.
In short, the report shows that the banking community is “shorting” the climate — or betting on its failure. These institutions are reaping billions in profits by bankrolling fossil fuel projects that are blatantly undermining our hope for a stable climate. These bets are also at the expense of some of the most vulnerable communities living in fossil fuel ‘sacrifice zones’ around the world — areas where the greatest impact of climate change has a high probability of wreaking havoc.

We need banks to stop these practices, now.
One year ago, on September 15, 2015, more than 450 climate groups and leaders gathered at the White House calling on the president to end new federal fossil fuel leasing. Since then, thousands of people have turned up to peacefully challenge more than 20 federal fossil fuel auctions across the country, calling on the Obama Administration to stem further fossil fuel extraction. The quickly-growing movement has caused the Administration to halt several fossil fuel lease sales and now to move auctions online to avoid public controversy.

Ending new fossil fuel leasing on public land and oceans would keep up to 450 billion tons of potential greenhouse gas pollution in the ground—half of the potential pollution from all remaining fossil fuels in the United States. Federal fossil fuels already leased to industry are capable of producing decades beyond the point by which the planet must transition to clean energy to avoid devastating global warming.

And on September 15, 2016, frontline community members, Indigenous leaders and climate activists from across the country gathered at the White House again — this time to deliver over one million signatures calling on the president to stop fossil fuel lease sales on public lands and oceans.

This year’s event also joined forces with several powerful community-led movements to protect people and planet. The D.C. event coincided with an action to support the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe, along with many allied tribes and other supporters who were waging a historic resistance against the Dakota Access pipeline in North Dakota to protect precious water sources. Gulf residents who are still recovering from unprecedented flooding in Louisiana and Mississippi exacerbated by climate change were also present. To underline the severity of the issue, activists from frontline and Indigenous communities as well as prominent leaders from organizations across the country — including RAN’s Executive Director Lindsey Allen — were arrested for occupying the U.S. Department of the Interior.
This past year, RAN has been part of a growing movement that has seen everyday people stand up for their communities and their planet by protesting and halting public lands fossil fuel auctions in Wyoming, Colorado, Utah, and Washington D.C. and Nevada. This fight has seen hundreds converging upon auctions in New Orleans, ground zero for climate change in the U.S.; in Colorado, the epicenter of the fight against dangerous and dirty fracking; and in Washington D.C., home to the Bureau of Land Management which manages this dysfunctional auction system.

As a new administration prepares to take charge in Washington, D.C., Rainforest Action Network is preparing to continue these efforts in new and innovative ways. If we are serious about saving our planet and preventing catastrophic climate change, we only have one choice: Keep It In the Ground.
Frontline Communities: Where Small Grants Have a Huge Impact

Indigenous and frontline communities are the best stewards of the world’s rainforests and the best organizers against climate change. History has proven that time and again — and that is why RAN created the Community Action Grants program.

RAN Community Action Grants provide crucial and rapid funding for people fighting in their own communities across the globe to protect millions of acres of forest, to keep millions of tons of carbon in the ground, and to protect the rights and self-determination of local communities. And you can be a part of this effort right now.
Direct Support to Grassroots Leadership

Indigenous and frontline communities suffer the disproportionate impacts to their health, livelihood and culture from the effects of global climate change and from destructive and invasive extractive industry mega-projects. From plantation expansion into rainforests to mountaintop removal coal mining; from illegal animal poaching to illegal land grabs; from massive water-source contamination to massive carbon pollution from profit-driven land management — these communities know these threats because they live with their environmental impact and their cost in human rights and species extinction.

And that is why RAN Community Action Grants are designed specifically to strengthen the capacity of Indigenous and frontline communities and to support grassroots leadership. Because local and Indigenous activists know how to co-exist with natural resources and they know how to organize in order to protect the planet and their communities.

With your support, we can create a stronger global movement to protect our planet.

Since 1993, RAN’s Protect-an-Acre program has distributed more than **1.5 million dollars in grants** to more than **200 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.
Protect An Acre (PAA) grants supports grassroots leadership and local organizations in forest regions to protect threatened forest lands and to protect the human rights of communities that have co-existed with and depended on these regions for generations.

These grants are critical to help local activists regain control of and sustainably manage traditional territories. With your support, grassroots organizations can launch successful land title initiatives, create powerful community education programs, develop sustainable economic alternatives and build lasting grassroots resistance to destructive industrial activities.

Since it began in 1993, RAN’s PAA program has distributed more than $1.5 million dollars in grants to more than 200 frontline communities and Indigenous-led organizations to protect millions of acres of forests around the world. PAA is core to RAN’s commitment to supporting the livelihoods and right to self-determination of forest communities, promoting safe and respectful labor rights, and fighting against human rights abuses frequently associated with logging, pulp and paper mills, mining and other extractive industries.

PAA grants are typically $5,000 or less, and they are targeted to regain control of and sustainably manage traditional territories. These grants are critical for local activist campaigns such as launching land title initiatives, creating community education programs, developing sustainable economic alternatives and building grassroots resistance to destructive industrial activities.

PAA is a direct alternative to “buy-an-acre” programs that seek to provide rainforest protection by buying tracts of land. Too often, those programs fail to address the priorities and rights of local Indigenous peoples. Also, uninhabited forest areas often go unprotected, even if purchased through a buy-an-acre program. It is not uncommon for loggers, oil and gas companies, cattle ranchers and miners to illegally extract resources from areas “protected” by these programs.

At the heart of PAA lies RAN’s firm belief that traditional forest communities are the best stewards of the land — because their way of life depends upon the health of their environment. Recent studies add to the growing body of evidence that Indigenous peoples are better protectors of their forests than governments or industry.

Protect-an-Acre grant recipients include: Ceibo Alliance, Tenaganita, Pueblo Originario Kichwa de Sarayaku (through Amazon Watch), Land is Life, WALHI Aceh, Grassy Narrows Women’s Drum Group, Comision por la Defensa de la Vida y la Naturaleza (CODEVIN), Indonesia Center For Conflict and Investment (ICCI), Link-AR Borneo, South Sumatra Network of Peatland Communities (JMGS), WALHI Kalimantan Timur, Kelompok Studi dan Pengembangan Prakarsa Masyarakat (KSPPM), Non-Timber Forest Products – Exchange Programme – Asia (NTFP-EP), WALHI Jambi, Riau Forest Rescue Network (JIKALAHARI), Riau Network of Peatland Communities (JMGR)
PROTECT-AN-ACRE Highlights

Ceibo Alliance
$5,000 to support trainings to develop community legal advocates and monitors from the Waorani, Secoya, Siona and Cofan nationalities in the northern Ecuadorian Amazon, as well as post-training activities to document and map threats, file petitions, utilize conflict resolution mechanisms and provide on-the-ground legal accompaniment.

Pueblo Originario Kichwa de Sarayaku
$5,000 to support a delegation of Indigenous youth, women and leaders from the Kichwa territory of Sarayaku from the Ecuadorian Amazon to participate in COP21 climate summit in Paris, France to advocate for the protection of their ancestral territories and keeping oil in the ground in the Amazon, including through leading an Indigenous Flotilla on the Seine river.

Grassy Narrows Women’s Drum Group
$4,000 to support River Run 2016, a week of action against logging and mercury contamination on Grassy Narrows territory, including highlighting opposition to Ontario’s proposed 10-year Forest Management Plan, which calls for clear cutting forests on Grassy Narrows territory without consent.

Kelompok Studi dan Pengembangan Prakarsa Masyarakat (KSPPM)
$10,000 to support work with Indigenous Tano Batak families in the Lake Toba region in Northern Sumatra, Indonesia, impacted by Toba Pulp Lestari, a US$600 million pulp company, through trainings to build local capacity to protect and sustainably manage forests through agroforestry systems and conducting participatory mapping of Indigenous territories, among other activities. (PICTURED ON PAGE 21)

For a complete list of grant recipients, visit: www.ran.org/paa.

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CLIMATE ACTION FUND
Supporting Communities to Keep Fossil Fuels in the Ground

The Climate Action Fund (CAF) supports frontline communities directly challenging the fossil fuel industry. CAF provides small grants (generally $2,500 or less) to local groups tackling the root causes of climate change — the extraction and combustion of dirty fossil fuels such as coal and oil.

The Climate Action Fund is also an operational system to reduce RAN’s carbon footprint — and we are offering this system to any individuals and organizations looking for a grassroots alternative to carbon offset programs.

How it Works
After years of careful tracking, RAN estimated the carbon impact of the work-related activities of our staff. This ‘baseline emission’ estimate is an average of five tons of CO2 per year for each staff person.

RAN then contributes an equal amount to the Climate Action Fund to provide grants to activists fighting against the drivers of climate change such as the fossil fuel industry.

You can be part of this innovative response to climate change. By using this RAN baseline and contributing to CAF at one of the following sponsorship levels, you will help build the grassroots climate activist movement:

» **Bronze** – $5 per ton of CO2 – equivalent to the price set by low-end carbon offset schemes

» **Silver** – $25 per ton of CO2 – equivalent to the price set by mid-level carbon offset schemes

» **Gold** – $85 per ton of CO2 – based estimates by former World Bank Chief Economist, Sir Nicholas Stern. Stern holds that each ton of CO2 we emit causes $85 in social and environmental damages.

**Climate Action Fund grant recipients include:** Fundacion Red Colombiana, Wangan Jagalingou Traditional Owners Aboriginal Corporation, Deep South Center for Environmental Justice, Indigenous People’s Power Project (IP3), Youth for Environment & Sustainable Development, FANG (Fighting Against Natural Gas), Extreme Energy Extraction Coalition (E3C), Honor the Earth, Missourians Organizing for Reform and Empowerment (MORE), The Alliance for Appalachia, UK Tar Sands Network
Honor the Earth
$1,650 to support a coalition of Indigenous and frontline communities that led a successful challenge against a proposed fracked oil pipeline corridor that would have cut through the heart of Minnesota’s lake country and Native American homelands feeding 640,000 barrels a day to refineries in a neighborhood in Detroit that is already the most polluted area of Michigan.

Extreme Energy Extraction Coalition (E3C)
$2,500 to support the 6th Extreme Energy Extraction Summit in Mt Pleasant, PA, bringing together a wide variety of leaders representing groups across the country who are resisting all forms of extreme energy extraction, with a particular focus on strengthening regional organizing where the Marcellus Shale and Northern Appalachian coalfields overlap.

FANG (Fighting Against Natural Gas)
$2,000 to support community organizing towards the cancellation of a proposed fracked-gas power plant in Burrillville, RI, and to build a stronger local and regional movement against the fracked-gas industry and major pipeline expansion plans in the Northeast.

For a complete list of grant recipients, visit: www.ran.org/climate_action_fund.

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THE PANTHER CIRCLE - ($25,000 and up)

($100,000 and up)
- Arcus Foundation
- California Community Foundation
- ClimateWorks Foundation
- Leonardo DiCaprio Foundation
- William H. Donner Foundation, Inc.
- Fidelity Charitable Gift Fund
- The Joshua Mailman Foundation
- Morgan Family Foundation
- The Norwegian Agency for Development Cooperation (NORAD)
- David and Lucile Packard Foundation
- Rockefeller Brothers Fund
- Silicon Valley Community Foundation
- Alice & Fred Stanback
- The Tiila Fund
- UK Department For International Development
- Wallace Global Fund

($50,000 - $99,999)
- Anonymous
- David & Chet Barclay
- CREDO Mobile
- John Densmore
- Mertz Gilmore Foundation
- The Houser Foundation Inc
- Dan Houser
- Overbrook Foundation
- Dan Scales
- The Scherman Foundation
- The Vanguard Charitable Endowment Program
- Winslow Foundation

($25,000 - $49,999)
- Anonymous
- AuctionCause
- The Benindi Fund
- W. E. Bosarge, Jr.
- Anne Butterfield
- Firuzeh Mahmoudi & Andre Carothers
- Ecology Trust
- Lisa and Douglas Goldman Fund
- Head Count, Inc.
- Humanity United
- Dasa & Bruce Katz

($5,000 - $24,999)
- Anonymous
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- Head Count, Inc.
- Humanity United
- Dasa & Bruce Katz

($1,000 - $4,999)
- Anonymous
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- Ecology Trust
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- Head Count, Inc.
- Humanity United
- Dasa & Bruce Katz
CATALYZING A MOVEMENT - ($1,000 to $24,999)

($10,000 - $24,999)

Colleen Kelly & Jonathan Altman
Amoeba Music
Anonymous (3)
Harold C. Appleton
Airtz Family Foundation
Avalon Trust
William C. Bannerman Foundation
Cynthia Beard & Gary Roland
Mimi & Peter Buckley
Kim & Andrea Costello
The Community Foundation Boulder County
Corinne Corrigan
Earthshine Foundation
Jodie Evans
Diane Israel & Lindsey Hansen-Sturm
Anna Hawken
Hidden Leaf Foundation
Urs Hoelzle
Lynn Israel
Renée Illyse & Rob Israel
JMG Foundation
Artemis Joukowsky
Joukowsky Family Foundation
The William Kistler Charitable Fund
Darcy & Richard Kopcho
Dal LaMagna
Pamela & Don Lichty
Living Forest Project
Loring, Wolcott, & Coolidge Trust, LLC
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Rainy Day Investments, Ltd.
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Anonymous (4)
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Lynda Goldstein Family Foundation
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ImpactAssets, Inc.
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Allen Carroll
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EarthShare California
Amy Roth & Bob Epstein
eQuiltec.com
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Jim Fournier
S.W. Friedman Foundation
Tirzah & David Friedman
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Goldman Environmental Foundation
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Highfield Foundation
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IML (US) Inc.
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($1,000 - $2,499)

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With remarkable strength and focus Rainforest Action Network knows how to pull the strategic bow and hit the mark...over and over again.

- Ginny Jordan
Co-founder Beadforlife, a RAN ‘lifer’
Boulder, Colorado

The Legacy Society

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## SUPPORT AND REVENUE

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<td>$803,984</td>
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**Total Support and Revenue** $7,591,424

## EXPENSES

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**Total Expenses** $6,462,021

Change in Net Assets $1,129,403

Net Assets at Beginning of Year $4,209,969

Net Assets at End of Year $5,339,372

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Rhinoceros hornbills in the Kluet peatland, Leuser Ecosystem.

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