Dear Friend,

Thank you for considering donating to our organization! **Our goal this year is $20,000.** With your financial support in 2021, we will continue to tackle the climate emergency that scientists say we have less than 10 years to address.

In January we hired 2 staff members in order to substantially increase community outreach and education including:

- Organizing Climate Town Halls
- Reducing our community’s carbon footprint through the Eugene Carbon Free Challenge
- Organizing education about local energy with EWEB and solar experts
- Meeting with educators and school boards to push for classroom climate literacy
- Supporting arrestable actions in Salem to stop the Jordan Cove Project
- Joining in community bike rides to promote active transportation
- Tabling at the Good Earth show to share information about our various campaigns and to promote electric vehicles and solar panels
- Offering resilience workshops

When the pandemic arrived, we switched to online platforms so we could continue our work while following safety recommendations. We also created a seven-member steering committee to distribute workload and make decision-making more horizontal. This enables us to maintain capacity with fewer paid staff hours.

As realities around race, police brutality and COVID deaths came to a head, we realized that there was a definite intersectionality between the exploitation of people and places by treating them both as disposable. This means we need to build deeper relationships with BIPOC (Black, Indigenous, People of Color) to come up with solutions that protect both the planet and historically marginalized people. We supported Black Lives Matter protests as participants and legal observers. Since we can’t solve the climate crisis without understanding and dismantling the role of White Supremacy, we organized multiple book circles using the book “Me and White Supremacy” to help people realize personal and societal perceptions about race and commit to being explicitly anti-racist.
While we broadened our scope to further emphasize social justice issues, we continued our grassroots work on climate solutions in Oregon by:

- Participating in the city of Eugene’s final efforts to include community input into their Climate Action Plan 2.0 in the Mayor’s Adhoc Committee
- Continuing work on Fossil Fuel Risk Bond Requirements to protect communities
- Creating a series of newspaper ads to counter the expansion efforts of Northwest Natural Gas explaining why fracked gas is harmful to the climate and why electrification is preferable
- Working with our forest defender allies to oppose clear cuts and promote fire-wise public forest practices, e.g., Thurston Hills logging project and Elliott State Forest plan
- Assisting the campaigns of other organizations by sharing our “experts” to participate in their webinars
- Providing mutual aid to our conservation, landowner and fossil fuel fighter allies in Southern Oregon.
- Stealthily projecting climate & democracy messages on buildings throughout Eugene using a portable (powerful) stage light

We’re committed to making 2021 a different kind of year, one where we rejoin the Paris Climate Accords, push for a Green New Deal, get a price on carbon, stop the Jordan Cove project for good and pull our community together to make real climate solutions happen.

You can be part of making this happen. Please help us reach our goal of $20,000.

Let’s build a just recovery and the stable climate future our kids deserve. Together.

Thank you.

Patty Hine & Deb McGee, with the amazing 350 Eugene Team

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