We launched Equation Campaign in 2020 to raise funds and fast-track resources to organizations filling gaps in two critically under-resourced pieces of the climate solutions equation. Our grantmaking: (1) prevents future warming and hastens the transition to a more just and sustainable future by funding supply side campaigns to halt or delay the expansion of oil and gas in the United States; and (2) invests in the power of frontline communities to protect their rights and homelands from fossil fuel industry harms while strengthening their leadership in the growing movement for climate and racial justice. In 2021, we substantially increased our grantmaking, enabling historically marginalized groups to access the powerful levers of finance, media, law, and policy that can deliver the changes they urgently need.

Scaling Impact in 2021

» **Expanding Our Grantmaking**: we tripled our support to climate justice organizations, moving $10 million to 46 grantees leading movements on the ground to keep fossil fuels in the ground.

» **Raising More Money for the Movement**: We established the Frontline Environmental Justice Fund and the Climate Legal Defense Fund, two funding intermediaries that raise and direct resources to ground zero of the climate crisis by supporting brave and effective leaders and groups who often lack visibility within the philanthropic community.

» **Building the Bench**: We provided seed funding for new programs designed to strengthen and diversify the climate movement, including the Just Transition Lawyering Institute and the Thurgood Marshall Civil Rights Project at Howard Law School. And we launched the Equation Fellows Program to support grantees that mentor emerging climate leaders from underrepresented communities.

» **Supporting Beyond the Check**: As part of our holistic approach and commitment to Trust Based Philanthropy, we provided additional services and support to grantees, including strategic convenings, legal advice, resiliency and healing justice, management consulting, and website design. We launched Dispatches from the Frontlines, a platform to amplify the voices of leaders fighting – and winning – the battle for a fossil free future, and partnered with The Nation to expand its reach.

» **Shifting Paradigms**: The Equation Campaign continued to host and support a Racial Justice Community of Practice for climate philanthropy, designed to explore and shift attitudes, systems, and structures, and drive more climate funding to BIPOC-led climate organizations.
OUR DONOR PARTNERS

We work with philanthropic and individual donors to give historically underfunded groups a fighting chance to challenge climate injustice and build a sustainable future. In addition to our $7 million in grantmaking and direct program support in 2021, we leveraged $3 million in funding through co-investments in our grantees. We are grateful to our generous individual donors, philanthropic contributors, and to our partners making aligned grants, including: 11th Hour Foundation, Bioneers, Climate Cousins, David Rockefeller Fund, Dietel & Partners, Funder Collaborative on Oil & Gas, High Tide Foundation, Hive Fund, Jordan Park Group, The JPB Foundation, MacArthur Foundation, Marshall and Yuko Hung Foundation, Open Society Foundations, Preston-Werner Ventures, Rachel’s Network, Rockefeller Brothers Fund, Solidaire Network, The Overbrook Foundation, True Costs Initiative, Wallace Global Fund, Zegar Family Foundation, and anonymous contributors.

How We’re Funding the Movement

- $5.9M Frontline Environmental Justice Fund
- $2.0M Climate Legal Defense Fund
- $2.1M Movement Infrastructure
- $0.6M Operations

85% of our grantees are women- and BIPOC-led

These charts reflect the combined grantmaking of the Equation Campaign and our donor partners through or in alignment with our funding intermediaries.

2021 GRANTEES

- 7 Directions of Service
- Action Center on Race & the Economy
- Alliance for Affordable Energy
- Bad River Band of Lake Superior Chippewa
- Bay Mills Indian Community
- Bold Nebraska/Pipeline Fighters Hub
- Carrizo Comecrudo Tribe of Texas
- Center for Protest Law and Litigation
- Climate Defense Project
- Floodlight
- Giniw Collective
- Healthy Gulf
- Honor the Earth
- Indigenous Environmental Network
- Just Transition Lawyering Institute
- Mazaska Talks
- Memphis Community Against the Pipeline
- Michigan Environmental Justice Coalition
- Minnesota Center for Environmental Advocacy
- Minnesota Interfaith Power & Light
- Native Roots Radio
- Oil and Water Don’t Mix
- Our Kids’ Climate
- Protect Our Water, Heritage, Rights (POWHR)
- Resilience Force
- Society of Native Nations
- Stop the Money Pipeline
- Texas Civil Rights Project
- Unkitawa
- US Climate Action Network
- Water Protectors Legal Collective
- West Virginia Rivers
- Women’s Earth Alliance
- Women’s Earth and Climate Action Network (WECAN)

Please visit our website for a full list of grantees.