



PARTNERING
for **PROGRESS**

ANNUAL REPORT 2017



SIERRA CLUB
FOUNDATION



REAL CHANGE *through* TRANSFORMATIVE PARTNERSHIPS

Meaningful collaborations bring us together to move beyond a dirty fossil fuel-based economy and toward a sustainable, healthy future. The climate change crisis deepens social inequalities and can only be addressed in conjunction with other societal injustices. We are learning to become true partners in building a just and sustainable world. Our success in 2017 was rooted in strong relationships with community groups, local officials, Native American Tribes, social justice organizations, and others. By increasingly centering our support in community-based organizing, non-traditional partnerships, grassroots action, and power-building, we are **PARTNERING FOR PROGRESS.**

A small cross section of the amazing people who have partnered together this year to bring positive environmental change.



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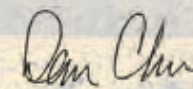
OUR EXECUTIVE LETTER

2017 was a very tumultuous year. Donald Trump was sworn in as president and wasted no time undermining environmental protections and reversing the progress we made on addressing the climate crisis. He withdrew the United States from the Paris Climate Accord; signed executive orders to ditch fundamental environmental protections; created a Cabinet of climate deniers, polluters and anti-public land advocates; appointed federal judges who don't believe individuals have a right to challenge corporate greed; and emboldened racists and misogynists.

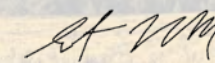
Such disturbing attacks on decency and democracy sparked an immense groundswell of action. We joined the Women's March with our partners and friends. We marched with the People's Climate Movement. We engaged with asset managers to invest in climate progress. We partnered with Tribal and outdoor recreation leaders to challenge Trump's decision to shrink our national monuments by millions of acres. We realized that, once again, we must be vigilant. As Sierra Club's first Executive Director David Brower said about protecting the environment, *"In this line of work, all victories are temporary, all defeats permanent."*

We are excited to share six stories of partners who joined with us to help create a world where every person has access to clean water, fresh air, nature outdoors and affordable clean energy. They all believe that truth and justice must prevail. These stories of powerful partnerships uplift our spirits and deepen our resolve.

We are deeply grateful to you and over 3 million other supporters. Humanity and the natural world are at an historic crossroads. Partnering with others who are committed to creating a healthy, clean, and equitable world makes us all more powerful, together!



Dan Chu
Executive Director



Steven Berkenfeld
Chair



CLIMATE *and* CLEAN ENERGY SOLUTIONS

THE SIERRA CLUB AND ALLIES

have made profound structural changes to U.S. electricity production through campaigns rooted in state and local advocacy, grassroots power, and robust partnerships. This success is transforming how energy is generated, saving thousands of lives and positioning our country to lead on solving the climate crisis—regardless of who is in the White House.

After President Trump announced he would withdraw the United States from the Paris Climate Agreement, the Sierra Club leveraged its relationships with state and local officials nationwide to secure #WeAreStillIn commitments and continue progress toward the Paris goals.

Since 2010, working with partners, we have retired more than half of all U.S. coal-fired power plants. New analysis shows that between 60 and 100 percent of the carbon reductions needed to hit the country's Paris pledge can be achieved by replacing coal with clean energy.

Due to our success in reducing emissions from the electric sector, transportation is now the largest source of U.S. greenhouse gas emissions and advancing clean transportation for all is a priority. In addition to working in coalition to secure electric vehicle infrastructure around the country, the Sierra Club celebrated alongside our partners when the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Agency established a new goal to convert its entire bus fleet to electric buses powered by 100 percent renewable energy.

Seed funded three years ago by the Sierra Club Foundation's Forward Fund, the Ready for 100 Campaign is now active in more than 100 communities. The campaign provides an "open-source" opportunity for local action to advance bipartisan clean energy solutions for all. More than 50 cities have committed to transitioning to clean energy since early 2016.

We cannot solve the climate crisis alone. As evidenced by the launch of Europe Beyond Coal, strong partnerships are often at the heart of major clean energy wins with the biggest benefits being ecological sustainability, public health, and shared prosperity for all.

2017 highlights

#WeAreStillIn

More than 1,200 U.S. mayors, governors, college and university leaders, businesses, and investors countered President Trump's irresponsible decision to withdraw from the Paris climate accord, declaring, "We are still in." The Sierra Club's local clean energy progress was bolstered by this overwhelming resistance to the administration's anti-climate agenda, with #WeAreStillIn reinforcing the Paris agreement in the absence of federal leadership.

100%

OVER 30 CITIES PLEDGE 100% CLEAN ENERGY

In 2017 alone, more than 30 cities committed to transition to renewable energy as a result of Ready for 100 Campaign efforts. After the People's Climate March and leading up to the U.S. Conference of Mayors, we launched Mayors for 100% Clean Energy, recruiting 150 mayors from both sides of the aisle to lead ambitious national progress by endorsing a vision of 100 percent clean energy.



2017 highlights

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MORE COAL PLANTS BEING RETIRED

Despite the empty promises of the Trump administration to “bring back coal,” we continued to make big strides toward moving the United States beyond coal in 2017, with 22 plants retired or committed to retire, even after Trump took office. Since 2010, our work with partners has enabled the retirement of half of the country’s coal-fired power plants, at the rate of 1 every 14 days.

EUROPE: COAL FREE BY 2030

After several years of collaboration with the Beyond Coal and International Climate campaigns, 37 European Union allies across 28 countries launched the Europe Beyond Coal Campaign. The initiative is modeled after the Sierra Club’s campaign in the United States as we continue to make progress toward Paris Climate Agreement goals.



“I appreciate the Sierra Club’s proactive coalition building—to align our partners and build in our equity priorities—so that (even for a small organization like us) our perspective is represented. It speaks volumes to the organization’s leadership and advocacy work.”

Joel Espino
Environmental Equity Legal Counsel,
Greenlining Institute



“The decisions we make as a community today impact whether our kids need to carry inhalers in their lunchboxes or wear masks on the playground. By partnering with the Sierra Club, I have been able to showcase how other cities can find a path forward to 100% renewable energy, so that together we can pick up where our national leaders have dropped the ball.”

Mayor Jackie Biskupski
Salt Lake City, Utah

PARTNERING WITH COMMUNITIES of COLOR

The Greenlining Institute ensures clean transportation, such as electric vehicles, are accessible to communities of color. The organization advocates for low-income EV incentives and charging at the state level, as well as electric mobility programs. The Sierra Club has partnered with the Greenlining Institute to establish EV charging station programs in the state of California by working with major utilities and others to electrify the transportation sector.

PARTNERING WITH MAYORS for 100% CLEAN ENERGY

Within months of taking office, Mayor Biskupski announced Salt Lake City’s intent to transition to 100% renewable energy by 2032. This decision arose from a desire to take meaningful action to help clear the city’s air, which is frequently rated as unhealthy due to winter and summer inversions. Mayor Biskupski was able to negotiate an unprecedented agreement with the city’s energy provider, which acknowledged Salt Lake City’s goal, and set a clear timeframe for progress. The mayor has also focused her national efforts on the issue of climate change and was proud to be selected the co-chair of Sierra Club’s Mayors for 100% Clean Energy.

CONSERVATION

IN THE FIRST YEAR OF

Donald Trump's presidency, we saw an unprecedented assault on the environment and frontline communities, but the Sierra Club and its partners, with support from the Sierra Club Foundation, responded with creative strategies and unshakable resolve.

Working in coalition with local groups and communities, the Sierra Club ramped up efforts to stop dirty fuel projects across the country. Despite the Trump administration's approval of the Keystone XL pipeline, 2017 marked another year during which the pipeline wasn't completed. The Sierra Club took on this fight, and opposed many other proposed pipelines, with the full force of expert lawyers, organizers, and communications staff. Efforts to preserve public health safeguards, including Obama-era methane regulations, despite Trump administration pushback, continued. We celebrated a milestone victory when local organizing with community partners in Washington State ultimately led to the rejection of the largest proposed oil export terminal in the United States.

The Sierra Club's staff and volunteers also led a powerful coalition to protect public lands and wildlife in 2017. We turned out thousands of people across the country to speak on behalf of protecting national monuments that are slated by Trump's administration to be shrunk by millions of acres in size and opened up to mining and oil and gas development. We opposed any reductions to national monuments, most notably Bears Ears and Grand Staircase-Escalante in Utah, organizing 32,000 comments, high-profile rallies, and a day of action in partnership with Tribes, veterans, and outdoor businesses. Ultimately, the cuts were announced by Trump right after an annual Bears Ears Summer Gathering convened five Tribes supportive of the monument—the Hopi Tribe, Navajo Nation, Ute Indian Tribe, Ute Mountain Ute, and Zuni Pueblo.

We also continued to connect people of all backgrounds to the outdoors, leading outings for 250,000 people—including 14,000 veterans and 8,000 youth—in 2017 and advocating for equitable access to nature for all.

2017 highlights

KEYSTONE XL PIPELINE UPDATE

Through litigation and grassroots organizing, we secured rejection of TransCanada's preferred route for the Keystone XL pipeline through Nebraska, a major setback for the project. The Sierra Club also took the Trump administration to court over its approval of the pipeline, and our case is continuing to move forward in spite of attempts by the administration and TransCanada to have it thrown out.

BEYOND DIRTY FUELS

In spite of setbacks, the Beyond Dirty Fuels team scored important victories in 2017. Allying with community leaders, we laid the groundwork for rejection of the Tesoro Savage oil train terminal in Washington state, the largest proposed terminal in North America.

2017 highlights

REGULATIONS FOR METHANE EMISSIONS

The Sierra Club’s legal team defeated attempts in 2017 to delay new rules that would limit methane pollution, a potent contributor to climate change. Our diverse and powerful coalition of grassroots activists, labor partners, hunters and anglers, Tribal leaders, faith leaders, and business owners continue to resist ongoing Trump administration attempts to rollback critical methane safeguards.

250,000 PEOPLE ON OUTINGS

In 2017, we led 250,000 people on outings including 14,000 veterans and 8,000 youth, connecting Americans of all backgrounds to the outdoors.



“I stepped out of my comfort zone a long time ago when this pipeline came along. The first phone call I made was to the Sierra Club, and we’ve been able to push the construction two years behind schedule so far.”

Marvin Winstead
Rural farmer and landowner
(Nash County, North Carolina)



“Sierra Club has been a valuable ally in helping us mobilize support for protecting our ancestral land, and has made it a priority to honor and elevate our Tribes to the front of the movement.”

Cynthia Wilson
Traditional Foods Program Director,
Utah Dine Bikeyah

PARTNERING WITH

LOCAL *rural* LANDOWNERS

Marvin Winstead, a small crop farmer in rural North Carolina, received a notice by mail on May 21, 2014, of plans to build the Atlantic Coast Pipeline through the middle of his property. His farm is his livelihood, and he knew that no amount of remediation would salvage his land once it was torn up. He is one of thousands of landowners affected by this pipeline. As a landowner, he sees a clear abuse of eminent domain, given that Duke Energy and Dominion Energy are private utility companies making an economic gain with this seizure of private property. He has been an activist with the Sierra Club since, working with our allies to fight the pipeline construction.

PARTNERING WITH

TRIBAL *rights* SUPPORTERS

Utah Diné Bikéyah, a non-profit organization supporting the Tribal efforts to protect Bears Ears National Monument, is one of the plaintiffs joining Patagonia to sue the Trump Administration for overreach of authority in revoking the Bears Ears National Monument. Their Tribal-led conservation efforts include education programs to revitalize the indigenous food heritage and reconnect Tribal communities adjacent to the Bears Ears National Monument back to the sacred ecology of the land and foster healing—making a direct connection between human health and landscape health. However, Tribal and federal lands, like Bears Ears National Monument are regularly targeted by mining companies and polluters, which erodes community health by causing environmental degradation of the land it relies on for subsistence. The Sierra Club has been standing with Utah Diné Bikéyah to help build broad public support for protecting Bears Ears National Monument, including designing campaign and litigation plans, supporting high-profile rallies and events, and educating decision-makers to protect and defend this sacred place.

MOVEMENT

SINCE THE ELECTION OF

Donald Trump, concerned people across the country have joined the environmental and broader social justice movement, growing the Sierra Club's base of members and supporters to more than 3 million for the first time ever. Leveraging this powerful base, the Sierra Club's work in 2017 built a more powerful, inclusive movement with the strength and agility to counter the Trump administration's regressive rhetoric and policies. We are connecting environmentalism with the broader struggle for justice and equity in all the work we support. No longer can our work stand alone—we must join together and speak out against racism, xenophobia, sexism, bigotry, and hate.

In the first 100 days of Trump's presidency, the Sierra Club helped organize and promote resistance marches, events, and actions. In just the first 100 hours, 150 actions—vigils and press conferences—took place in 38 states. We contributed resources to support the Women's March, the Immigration Rally, and many other movement-building events. To mark the end of the first 100 days, the People's Climate March mobilized hundreds

of thousands of protesters nationwide to demand climate action, gaining international attention. The march's impact was enhanced by a focus on the arts, speakers from frontline communities, and local stories of resistance and hope.

Many successes in 2017 were the result of thoughtful, meaningful partnerships with Tribal nations. The Sierra Club listened first, prioritized community needs, and supported Tribal-led efforts as requested. Respect and mutuality strengthened relationships with the Lummi Nation and the Moapa Band of Paiutes, leading to clean energy victories, such as preventing the Cherry Point coal export terminal and replacing the Reid Gardner coal plant with utility-scale solar.

2017 highlights

200,000 MARCHED IN DC

200,000 people joined the People's Climate March in D.C. and thousands more marched in nearly 400 sister events across the world, bringing global attention to climate impacts on frontline communities and the need for quick and decisive action.

WOMEN'S MARCH

Twenty-five Sierra Club chapters recruited more than 3,000 participants for women's marches around the country, marking Trump's first day in office with an undeniable show of solidarity and resistance.

CHARLOTTESVILLE RALLY

After the horrific racial violence in Charlottesville, Virginia, the Sierra Club joined with local leaders in Owensboro, Kentucky, at a solidarity rally lifting up shared values of inclusivity, and justice, and condemning white supremacist hate.

2017 highlights

IMMIGRANT RIGHTS

The Sierra Club took a strong stand in support of immigrant rights in 2017, supporting rallies and using its far-reaching communications to highlight the devastating environmental and human impacts of Trump’s proposed border wall.



“Through our work, we’ve been able to push back expansion of environmental waivers for borderwall construction over the years. We hope to continue to increase awareness on how environmentally destructive they are and lower national support for them.”

Scott Nicol
Co-chair and volunteer
Sierra Club Borderlands Campaign



“It matters deeply when an organization like the Sierra Club extends itself to our issue in significant ways. It is an example of cross-movement collaboration at its best, and it has made all the difference in the world.”

Kica Matos
Director of Immigrants Rights & Racial Justice, Center for Community Change

TRIBAL LEADERSHIP

The Sierra Club partnered with the native Gwich’in people of Alaska to protect the Arctic Wildlife Refuge against exploitative industry interests. Local leaders gathered thousands of public comments, landed wide-reaching media stories, and met with decision-makers to stop any plans to drill in this pristine wildlife haven.

INDIGENOUS RIGHTS

Although the Dakota Access Pipeline was ultimately built, the Tribal-led movement it sparked has taken hold across the country, with Indigenous rights at the forefront of the resistance against many illegal and unethical land grabs by extractive industries.

PARTNERING WITH

More than 160 DIVERSE ORGANIZATIONS

Scott Nicol has been involved in Sierra Club’s Borderlands Campaign since its inception in 2008 when border walls were getting built in large numbers right in his community. Walls and barriers have already been constructed across more than 650 miles of the U.S.-Mexico border. These barriers block wildlife migration, cause flooding, and damage pristine wild lands, including wildlife refuges, wilderness areas, and national forests. The Sierra Club advocates for real solutions, such as comprehensive immigration reform with a path to citizenship. Scott is one of our most active volunteers, playing a large part in coalition building, organizing, educating the community, and bringing national attention to the issue.

PARTNERING WITH

IMMIGRANT *rights* LEADERS

Center for Community Change (CCC) elevates voices of low-income people, particularly communities of color, to improve their communities and help shape the policies that affect their lives. CCC believes that those most affected by economic and social injustices are best equipped to identify what change is necessary and to make it happen. After the 2016 election, CCC has worked to broaden the tent of allies working on immigration justice issues with new organizations, including social justice allies that focus on other issues. This has transformed public engagement on the immigration reform landscape. The Sierra Club’s partnership this past year has helped with organizing, like driving thousands to attend rallies, and lent valuable resources in support of CCC efforts—most recently working on behalf of immigrant youth after their DACA status was eliminated.



our COMMITMENT

AT THE SIERRA CLUB FOUNDATION, we believe our fiduciary duty includes a responsibility to manage assets in a manner that advances our mission and values. In 2010, the board of directors began shifting our investments to better meet environmental, social, and governance standards. We divested from fossil fuels investments, moved to a bank that is fossil fuel-free, and are increasingly investing in climate solutions.

We were one of the initial signers of the Divest-Invest Philanthropy Initiative in 2014. In 2016, the signatories of Divest-Invest Philanthropy received the 2016 Nelson Mandela-Graça Machel Innovation Award for Brave Philanthropy from CIVICUS for our path-breaking commitment to divest from fossil fuels and invest in climate solutions.

Recognizing that this progress is not enough, the Foundation is increasing its impact investing portfolio, defined by the Global Impact Investment Network as “investments made into companies, organizations, and

funds with the intention to generate social and environmental impact alongside a financial return.” In 2017, the board of directors unanimously agreed that the Foundation should continue to better align its investment portfolios with its mission, and engage in strategic impact investing.

We seek investments that empower people and their communities with the resources, knowledge, and technologies needed to implement and scale clean energy and energy efficiency solutions. We are particularly interested in opportunities that benefit communities on the frontline of fossil fuel pollution and/or that align strongly with the Sierra Club’s community-oriented programs. We are excited to use our investments to increase equitable access to affordable clean energy, advance just economic transitions, ensure access to clean air and water, protect natural resources, and improve resiliency and adaptation to climate change.

“WE ARE PROACTIVELY SEEKING OPPORTUNITIES

to accelerate the efforts of all communities to develop affordable renewable energy and to implement other strategies in the face of climate change by providing capital via impact investments in addition to our traditional grantmaking.”

Gail Greenwald

Chair, Sierra Club Foundation
Investment Committee

GRANTS

paid

**IN 2017 WE MADE GRANTS
TOTALING: \$63,187,253**

OUR METHODS

We partner with individual and institutional donors to align financial resources with strategic, measurable outcomes; provide flexible funding for innovation; build capacity in the environmental movement; and create partnerships with a broad spectrum of allied organizations around shared values and goals. As the fiscal sponsor of the charitable programs of the Sierra Club, we provide resources to it and other nonprofit organizations to support scientific, educational, literary, organizing, advocacy, and legal programs that further our goals.

BEYOND COAL CAMPAIGN

Preventing construction of new coal-fired power plants; retiring existing plants; promoting clean energy alternatives

\$19,968,171

CLEAN ENERGY SOLUTIONS

Scaling clean, renewable energy solutions in the power and transportation sectors and building widespread public support for a clean energy economy

\$13,009,675

OUR WILD AMERICA

Bringing together national and local conservation efforts to end mining and drilling of fossil fuels on public lands, secure land protections, connect communities with nearby nature, and protect and restore wild forests

\$9,163,794

SIERRA CLUB OUTDOORS

Reaching across economic lines, cultures, and communities to engage all Americans – including military and youth – to explore, enjoy, and protect the natural world

\$1,964,537

CHAPTER AND GROUP EDUCATION PROGRAM

Supporting Sierra Club Chapters and Groups working at the local, state, and regional levels to educate the public about issues relating to protection of the natural and human environment

\$5,107,819

NATIONAL EDUCATION PROGRAM

Educating the public about issues relating to protection of the natural and human environment

\$1,338,853

SIERRA STUDENT COALITION

Training and empowering students to achieve tangible social and environmental progress by organizing grassroots campaigns that develop the next generation of environmental leaders

\$360,232

ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE AND COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS; LABOR PROGRAM

Ensuring communities of color and low-income communities have a voice in decisions that affect their community and bridging the gap between these communities and environmentalists; ensuring that the clean energy economy supports the health and livelihoods of working families.

\$624,265

ENVIRONMENTAL LAW PROGRAM

Providing legal strategy for Sierra Club's priority campaigns as well as state-level chapters

\$1,507,104



GENDER, EQUITY, AND ENVIRONMENT PROGRAM

Protecting the environment and preserving natural resources for future generations by advancing reproductive health and sustainable development initiatives

\$663,255

INTERNATIONAL CLIMATE AND ENERGY CAMPAIGN

Empowering grassroots activists and organizations in other nations by transferring knowledge and expertise related to coal; reforming international financial institution funding to support clean energy development

\$544,195

TRADE PROGRAM

Creating public support for trade and investment rules that protect the environment; demonstrating how existing trade rules undermine governments' ability to protect the environment and combat climate change

\$443,858

DEMOCRACY PROGRAM

Advocating for an equitable and participatory democracy system in the United States to ensure that public policy addresses the linkages between climate change and public health, and social, economic, and environmental justice.

\$225,864

SIERRA MAGAZINE

Supporting the charitable content of Sierra Magazine

\$1,431,539

OTHER PROGRAMS

Supporting a variety of environmental programs not otherwise included in categories listed here

\$5,490,166

GRANTS TO NON-SIERRA CLUB ORGANIZATIONS: DOMESTIC

Supporting partner organizations working to advance clean energy solutions, including community participation in policy formulation; supporting outdoor trails projects with a focus on connecting people with nature, particularly in urban areas

\$726,500

GRANTS TO NON-SIERRA CLUB ORGANIZATIONS: INTERNATIONAL

Supporting partner organizations in other countries that confront coal pollution and climate change; supporting efforts to protect wild tiger habitat, including against fossil fuel infrastructure development

\$296,560

our FINANCIALS

SIERRA CLUB FOUNDATION STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

December 31, 2017 and 2016	2017	2016
Assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$8,778,992	\$19,364,595
Money market securities	33,319,320	22,072,528
Contributions receivable, pledges and bequests, net	2,083,753	9,299,550
Contributions receivable, other	5,135,090	3,825,789
Contributions receivable, charitable trusts, net	7,149,143	6,252,753
Investments	84,514,114	67,015,643
Assets held under split-interest agreements	14,234,699	13,173,750
Other assets	3,033,593	2,980,713
Total Assets	\$158,248,704	143,985,321
Liabilities		
Accounts payable	\$147,737	131,196
Grants payable	8,701,334	5,404,745
Liabilities under split-interest agreements	14,020,297	13,162,592
Total Liabilities	\$22,869,368	18,698,533
Net Assets		
Unrestricted:		
Undesignated	22,055,171	17,054,976
Board-designated	23,403,287	14,989,745
Total unrestricted	45,458,458	32,044,721
Temporarily restricted	62,175,433	65,933,081
Permanently restricted	27,745,445	27,308,986
Total Net Assets	135,379,336	125,286,788
Total Liabilities & Net Assets	\$158,248,704	143,985,321

To view the complete audited financial statements, please visit www.sierraclubfoundation.org/financials or contact us directly.

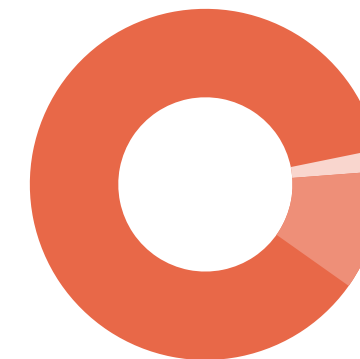
In 2017, we proudly earned our eighth consecutive four-star rating from nonprofit Charity Navigator, as well as an "A" from CharityWatch.



SIERRA CLUB FOUNDATION STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

December 31, 2017 and 2016	2017	2016
Revenues, Gains & Other Support		
Contributions	\$61,940,110	57,673,640
Contributions related to split-interest agreements	601,859	640,689
Bequests	5,966,345	13,570,177
Total Contributions	68,508,314	71,884,506
Net gains (losses) from investments	10,685,672	2,365,174
Interest and dividends	1,236,334	1,033,190
Net change in value of split-interest agreements	1,456,666	566,753
Other income	1,046,575	1,448,395
Total Revenues, Gains & Other Support	82,933,561	77,298,018
Expenses		
Program services	63,526,228	54,027,347
Support services:		
Administrative	1,464,098	1,292,523
Fundraising	7,850,687	9,920,371
Total Expenses	72,841,013	65,240,241
Change in net assets	10,092,548	12,057,777
Net assets, beginning of year	125,286,788	113,229,011
Net Assets, End of Year	\$135,379,336	\$125,286,788

SIERRA CLUB FOUNDATION SUMMARY OF EXPENSES 2017



BOARD of DIRECTORS

An independent, volunteer board of directors, supported by professional staff, governs the Sierra Club Foundation. The board primarily focuses on enhancing the overall performance of the Foundation and supporting the charitable and educational work of the Sierra Club and other grantees. We are grateful to collaborate with such an experienced team of leaders whose innovation, philanthropy, and advocacy guide and advance our strategic objectives.

Steven Berkenfeld – Chair
Managing Director in the Investment Banking Division, Barclays (Long Island, NY)

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Environmental activist and cancer biologist (Leesburg, VA)

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Academy Award-nominated filmmaker and environmental activist (Brooklyn, NY)

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Retired; Naval Officer, CEO, and Founder of law firm; State Chairman of three presidential campaigns; Chairman of Indiana University, Marian University, Federal Home Loan Bank Board, and Federal National Mortgage Association (Indianapolis, IN)

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Marc Weiss
Independent filmmaker, journalist, and organizer; Creator and Executive Producer of PBS documentary series P.O.V.; Executive Producer of A Fierce Green Fire (New York, NY)

OUR STAFF

The Sierra Club Foundation is supported by a talented staff with an impressive breadth of professional backgrounds. Their outstanding programmatic, financial, and administrative management expertise are the pillars of the organization's efficiency and effectiveness. We appreciate their exceptional commitment to upholding the Foundation's mission to educate and empower people to protect and improve the natural and human environment.

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Executive Director

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Naomi Reed
Bookkeeper

THE FOUNDATION for A HEALTHY PLANET

OUR GOALS

SOLVE the climate crisis primarily through a successful transition to a resource-efficient, clean energy economy that better serves people and nature.

SECURE protections for public lands and waters, promote healthy ecosystems and communities, and fight for clean air and water.

EXPAND opportunities for more people to explore, enjoy, and protect the planet by supporting programs and policies that reach across economic, cultural, and community lines to get people outdoors.

BUILD a diverse, inclusive environmental movement that reflects and represents today's American public and prioritizes important connections between environmental health and social justice.

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