ROOTS AND GROWTH
ANNUAL REPORT
2018
Deep Roots

Throughout a grim world, every candle burning in the night is a beacon. And Grassroots is a bright one.”

Dan Connell, Co-Founder of Grassroots International

During our 35th anniversary celebration in 2018, Grassroots International co-founder Dan Connell reminded us of our own roots.

“We set out to blend solidarity, education and advocacy, and material support into a different kind of non-profit agency—Grassroots International. Our task was not to do anything on the ground ourselves, but to analyze the conditions people faced, to assess the organized options to deal with them and to support their efforts, while we publicized them and their work to a wider audience.”

“I am beyond proud of what others who followed have done to build this organization, to keep it focused on building social and political movements with a continuing vision of transformative, empowering solutions and not just charity.”

Thriving growth

Our founding vision continues to guide us well, as our circles of solidarity and support grew and thrived in new ways in 2018.

• Total $4.1 million in grants to frontline communities and organizations on behalf of Grassroots International donors and funders.

• 170 grants provided to frontline organizations and movements representing millions of individual members.

• Millions of dollars distributed to movements for climate justice in the US and abroad through funder collaboratives CLIMA Fund and BEAI Initiative (see page 8).

• More than 30,000 participants in our online community taking action for global justice.

The incredible growth of funds granted over the last four years is just one sign of the strength and commitment of the growing Grassroots International community. As a result, more women are taking leadership, more Indigenous Peoples are defending their land, more rural people are feeding their communities and more vibrant social movements are defending human rights and dignity.

Total grants made

2015-2018

- $781,000

- $1.05 M

- $2.7M

- $4.1M
Growing from the Grassroots

The lessons we learn from our partners — both the grassroots movements we accompany and the donor-partners who stand with us in solidarity — keep us grounded and keep us growing.

The pages of this Annual Report highlight the roots and growth of Grassroots International and the movements we accompany. The roots that ground and sustain us have been tested mightily by disasters, authoritarian regimes, corporate dominance and anti-democratic values. Despite these changes, we continue to find strength and sustenance from our core values:

- Courage to speak truth with power
- Love to connect across movements and differences
- Connection with root systems to provide strength in the storm
- Conviction that community-led solutions, like agroecology, provide the best way forward

Drawing from our deep roots we have experienced profound fruit and growth in 2018. That includes awarding more in grants ($4.1M) than ever before in our history; launching a collaborative campaign to advance global feminisms (i.e. a global diversity of feminism arising from Indigenous, Afro-descendant and other communities of color); engaging donors as organizers to support Palestinian-led civil society groups in the Middle East and the US; challenging traditional philanthropy to advance social movements; and supporting a just rebuilding and transformation in Puerto Rico.

We remain grateful for those who sow justice; nurture the seeds with sweat, tears and blood; and tend to the buds with tender and fierce care. Let’s continue to love, resist and prepare to harvest the fruits that will sustain us together into the future.

With deep gratitude,

Chung-Wha Hong
Executive Director

Leticia Alcantar
Board Chair
GUATEMALAN WOMEN UNITE AGAINST REPRESSION

Thirty feminist and women’s organizations from all regions of Guatemala have joined in the national Sector de Mujeres (the Women’s Sector), a Grassroots International partner. Over the last year, the network has developed tools and strategies to advance women’s rights through national and international media and advocacy.

As women built their strength, the state pushed back with proposed laws to restrict nongovernmental organizations and to shield perpetrators of violent repression. In March of 2019, the offices of Sector de Mujeres were ransacked and vandalized on the eve of a major protest. The Sector de Mujeres issued a defiant response, and pledges to continue its essential work.

HAITIAN MOVEMENTS CHART A BOLD NATIONAL FUTURE

In April 2018, representatives of 153 organizations from across Haiti gathered in Port-au-Prince. Over six years, participants, including all of Grassroots International Haitian partners, developed a shared platform of national revival and independence: the “Kaye Nasyonal Revandikasyon” (‘National Platform Working Document’).

Member groups drew on deep local experiences and knowledge to create visionary national solutions and unity of purpose. The Platform offers a huge vision: massive reforestation, land reform and investment in family farmers, an elevation of women’s rights and status and protection from foreign economic depredation. The Platform’s devotion to the people’s welfare stands in stark contrast to the corruption and chaos of successive national governments in Haiti.

We are proud to have supported many of the participating organizations and excited to stand and work with them to achieve their democratic vision.
MOVEMENT BUILDING

63 Grants — $2,056,232 (Partial list below)

Basque Country
World March of Women – International meeting support

Brazil
Landless Workers Movement- Maranhão –Youth leadership and self-organizing in agrarian reform encampments and settlements
Movement of People Affected by Dams – Organizing communities in the Paraíba River watershed
Movement of People Affected by Dams in Latin America – Strengthening the Latin American movement of resistance against dams
National Florestan Fernandes School – English language training for trainers
Popular Youth Uprising – National political training for youth

Brussels
La Via Campesina International – Linking grassroots and global peasant struggles for climate justice

Burkina Faso
National Federation of Producer Organizations of Burkina Faso – Consolidation of rural women’s knowledge of agroecological practices and land tenure security

Ghana
Abrono Organic Farming Project – Agroecology and women’s empowerment

Guatemala
Peasant Unity Committee – Indigenous and peasant agroecological and political organizing school
Women’s Sector – Strengthening the strategic capacities of the political alliance

Haiti
Haitian Platform to Advocate Alternative Development – Advocacy and strengthening capacity for peasant agriculture, food sovereignty, and solidarity economies
National Congress of the Papaye Peasant Movement – Strengthen organizational structures, promote goat farming and agroecology, and address climate change

Honduras
Civic Council of Indigenous People’s Organizations in Honduras – Participation in the protecting Mother Earth Conference
Honduran Social and Popular Movement Platform – Supporting social movements defending democracy
Council on the Integral Development of the Peasant Woman – Strengthening La Via Campesina’s Women’s Commission in Central America and the global campaign to end violence against peasant women

Israel
Baladna – Youth Leaders for Change

Mali
Malian Convergence Against Land Grabbing – West African Caravan: Rights to land, water and peasant agroecology
National Coordination of Peasant Organizations of Mali – Agricultural land law, policy and implementing regulations
World March of Women-West Africa – Supporting women’s movement building

Mexico
Union of Organizations of the Sierra Juarez of Oaxaca – Building Indigenous Peoples’ territory, autonomy and resource rights

Mozambique
World March of Women – Operations and communication for the International Secretariat

Nicaragua
Association of Rural Workers-La Via Campesina – Central America training and leadership development of peasants and Indigenous Peoples

Palestine
Stop the Wall – Campaign for steadfastness of communities threatened with displacement
Union of Agricultural Work Committees – Securing farmers’ rights

Puerto Rico
Center for Political, Educational and Cultural Development – Strengthening community kitchens to combat hunger, organize and promote collective work
Feminist Collective in Construction – Strengthening grassroots feminism in Puerto Rico

Senegal
Fahamu – Building a rural women’s movement for food sovereignty, agroecology and gender justice in West Africa

Spain
GRAIN – Gabon: Training of women impacted by oil palm plantations

Uganda
Alliance for Food Sovereignty in Africa – African food systems conference

United States
Grassroots Global Justice Alliance – Strengthening national and international cross-sector collaboration and movement building; providing leadership on climate justice and just transition; reclaiming feminism at the grassroots Indigenous Environmental Network of Turtle Island – Frontline community organizing and advocacy; providing training and networking services to grassroots Indigenous activists and leadership working toward environmental and social justice
La Via Campesina-North America – Regional functioning and participation
National Family Farm Coalition – National link for grassroots organizations working on family farm issues
US Food Sovereignty Alliance – National Assembly and Food Sovereignty Prize

Zimbabwe
La Via Campesina-International – Building global movements

“We feed our people and build the movement to change the world.”
La Via Campesina chant during the VII International Conference in Basque Country.
ORGANIC FARMING TAKES HOLD IN BRAZIL

Little known a decade ago, agroecological principles are now embraced by small farmer movements around the world. Grassroots International partners have expanded their seed-saving programs, helped to preserve traditional food crops and spread the use of organic and indigenous growing techniques through learning exchanges.

The Landless Workers Movement (MST), a Grassroots partner, has become the largest producer of organic rice in Latin America. The 27,000 tons of rice they grew last year was a milestone for the global agroecology movement. Agroecological farming enables small farmers to stay on their land, resists the expansion of industrial agriculture and helps respond to climate change by sequestering carbon. Despite their success (or because of it), the MST faces severe repression from Brazil’s new right wing administration.

“The goal of agroecology is to feed all nations with healthy food while caring for Mother Earth and attempting to solve the climate crisis. Agroecology is the only way to solve the problems of hunger and the climate crisis.”
Chavannes Jean-Baptiste, of the Peasant Movement of Papaye (MPP), Grassroots International partner in Haiti

Growing sustainable food systems

Grassroots International supports agroecology (farming methods rooted in traditional food growing knowledge) to counter the global dominance and damage of plantation-style agriculture.
WOMEN FARMERS RESIST AGROBUSINESS POLICIES

With support from Grassroots International, We Are the Solution has built a remarkable multi-national network of women farmers across seven nations in West Africa. They are pushing back against national policies favoring global agrobusiness by demonstrating the power of agroecology at field schools and demonstration gardens. Hundreds of women have learned agroecological methods together with advocacy and campaign skills from We Are the Solution. Now, when West African women speak up for family farms and rural food needs, their governments listen.

SUSTAINABLE LIVELIHOODS

24 Grants — $314,161 (Partial list below)

Brazil
- Association in the Settlement Areas of the State of Maranhão – Struggle for the human right to food, education and citizen participation
- Landless Workers Movement-National – Women national agroecology training; Health organizing in agrarian reform areas of Brazil
- Landless Workers Movement-Pernambuco – Training and initiation of agroecological practices in the areas of agrarian reform in the state of Pernambuco
- Popular Peasant Movement – Creole seeds project

Burkina Faso
- National Federation of Producer Organizations of Burkina Faso – Women’s associations improving adoption of agroecological practices, especially with rice production

Guatemala
- Peasant Unity Committee – Strengthening women’s economic livelihood in five communities in Solola

Guinea
- Guinean Association for Food Security and Sovereignty – Advocacy and dissemination of agroecological practices on family farms

Haiti
- Peasant Movement of Papaye – Support for agroecology to defend food sovereignty in the Central Plateau; Support for women’s struggle against the consequences of climate change

Mexico
- Enlace Civil – Promoting autonomy for the areas of women, education, health and agroecology in the five autonomous Indigenous regions in Chiapas
- La Via Campesina-Mexico – Promotion of agroecology in Mexico
- Union of Organizations of the Sierra Juarez of Oaxaca – Resilience of Zapotec communities in the face of climate change

Nicaragua
- Association of Rural Workers-La Via Campesina Central America – Strengthening the global campaign for agrarian reform, land, water, and territory

Palestine
- Lajee Center – Green space at the Lajee Center
- Union of Agricultural Work Committees – Women’s empowerment project

Puerto Rico
- Mutual Aid Center – Just recovery

Senegal
- Association of Young Farmers of Casamance – Land defense and promotion of agroecology
Defending the peoples’ rights

Our partners’ work for justice confronts powerful interests who will use harassment, arrests and violence to maintain control.

GROWING REPRESSION, GROWING RESISTANCE

Over the last year, political and economic elites in many countries have been more aggressive than ever in efforts to shut down challenges to their power. Governments are putting forward laws which will criminalize nonviolent organizing, while turning a blind eye to violent attacks on organizers. They are adding new regulatory burdens and restrictions on social organizations. And they are harassing and impeding international nongovernmental organizations, including Grassroots International as well as many other reputable organizations.

NO SAFE SPACE IN GAZA

Timely emergency funding to help our partner, the Palestinian Center for Human Rights (PCHR) move to a new location last year may have saved lives. In November, their former building was destroyed in an Israeli bombing attack. Courageous reporting from PCHR has provided in-depth evidence of the human impact of relentless Israeli bombing in Gaza. Bombing killed hundreds of civilians in Gaza last year.

JUSTICE FOR BERTA

When our Honduran partner Berta Caceres was murdered in 2015, her community and activists around the world said, “Berta did not die, she multiplied.” International outrage over her killing eventually blocked construction of a proposed dam that would have destroyed Berta’s Indigenous Lenca community. Last year, David Castillo Meija, the CEO of the company building the dam, was arrested for Berta’s murder.

Palestinians use the spent shells of tear gas cannisters fired at them by Israeli soldiers to grow a better future.
UN ADOPTS DECLARATION ON GLOBAL PEASANT RIGHTS

In November, the United Nations adopted a global statement on the rights of peasants and other rural workers. The vote follows more than a decade of organizing and advocacy from La Via Campesina and other Grassroots partners and allies. The Declaration of Peasant Rights represents a new standard of protection for the world’s small farmers, especially Indigenous People and rural women.

“Violations of our rights through land grabbing... and criminalization can now, with the formal international recognition of this Declaration, be addressed with increased legal and political weight.”

From La Via Campesina, referring to the UN Declaration for Peasant Rights

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HUMAN RIGHTS DEFENSE

16 grants — $260,000 (partial list below)

Brazil
- Landless Workers Movement-Pernambuco – Human rights defense
- Social Network for Justice and Human Rights – Stopping land grabs by global pension funds

Haiti
- Haitian Human Rights Platform – Promotion and defense of human rights in Haiti; Advocacy against state-sponsored land grabs in the Northeast

Honduras
- Black Fraternal Organization of Honduras – Afro-Honduran communities’ territory rights defense through cultural resistance; Protecting frontline defenders
- Civic Council of Indigenous People’s Organizations in Honduras – Strengthening Lenca human and resource rights
- La Via Campesina-Honduras – Defending peasant and Indigenous Peoples right to land and territory

Mexico
- Fray Bartolomé de Las Casas Human Rights Center – Accompanying Indigenous women to defend and exercise their human rights and to transform the conditions that perpetuate gender inequality in Chiapas
- Mixe Peoples Services – Self-determination, rights to territory, and legal defense for the Indigenous Peoples of Oaxaca; Climate justice and territorial rights
- Otros Mundos – Judgment process on the Berta Caceres and Gustavo Castro case in Honduras

Palestine
- Gaza Community Mental Health Program – Specialized therapeutic interventions (psychodrama project) to improve the well-being of traumatized children
- Palestinian Center for Human Rights – Protection of Palestinian land and property rights and women’s rights
New alliances build global movements

Grassroots International and other organizations devoted to social justice are finding new ways to share our strengths and multiply our support to global movements.

**CLIMA FUND SUPPORTS GLOBAL CLIMATE ACTION**

Last year, after three decades of struggle, the Munduruku indigenous communities of the Brazilian Amazon saved their land and their culture when the national government cancelled its license for the proposed São Luiz hydroelectric dam project. By themselves, the few thousand members of the isolated Munduruku people might have been swept aside. But the national Movement of People Affected by Dams (MAB), a Grassroots International partner, helped the Munduruku build national and international networks with human rights, environmental and indigenous rights organizations.

The world needs more victories like this one. That’s why Grassroots International together with three complementary funders (Global Greengrants Fund, Thousand Currents, and Urgent Action Fund for Women’s Rights), formed the CLIMA Fund (Climate Leaders in Movement Action). Reaching more than 100 countries, the CLIMA Fund aims to raise and re-grant $10 million to Indigenous, women, and youth-led grassroots climate movement-building over the next four years.

“If you want to take care of the forest you need to invest in us – Indigenous Peoples – because no one takes better care of the forest than we do.”

Antonio Dace Munduruku, a spokesperson for the Munduruku people

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Grassroots International and Black Organizing for Leadership and Dignity (BOLD) led a group of US-based Black women organizers and activists to Haiti to share lessons of resistance.
GROWING GRASSROOTS FEMINISMS

With four-year funding from the NoVo Foundation’s Radical Hope Fund, Grassroots International launched the “Strengthening Grassroots Feminist Movement Collaborative”, as part of a global collaboration with Grassroots Global Justice Alliance, Indigenous Environmental Network, and the World March of Women. The collaboration aims to foster unity and strengthen grassroots feminist movements in six countries: Brazil, Guatemala, Honduras, Palestine, Puerto Rico and the United States. As a result of right-wing takeovers, backlashes against women, gender-oppressed peoples and communities of color are significantly acute in these countries.

This initiative centers the leadership of Indigenous Peoples, peasants, Afro-descendant communities, and other communities of color in order to contribute to a vision for a global diversity of feminisms (also known as the fourth wave of feminism).

“The work of Grassroots International and its partners stands as an invaluable source of radical hope.”

Pamela Shifman, Executive Director, NoVo Foundation

“We know in our bones that grassroots feminist organizing holds the transformative power we need to remake our world,” says Pamela Shifman, the Executive Director of the NoVo Foundation. “Grassroots International puts this belief into action every day... the work of Grassroots International and its partners stands as an invaluable source of radical hope—promising to magnify and multiply the power of feminist movements everywhere to counter the forces of hate and division with liberation, love and full human rights for all.”

BEAI FUND BUILDS US ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE MOVEMENTS

Grassroots International has been honored to host and manage the BEAI Fund (Building Equity and Alignment for Impact Fund) since it was created in 2017. The fund brings together dynamic grassroots organizing groups, big greens and innovators in philanthropy to support the U.S. environmental justice movement. In 2018, the BEAI Fund awarded $1,233,000 to 47 environmental justice groups in 23 states. BEAI Fund grantees are organizing frontline communities to shut down incinerators, stop pipelines, keep fossil fuels in the ground and advance an ecological justice agenda nationwide.
COMMUNITIES LEAD THEIR OWN RECOVERIES

Grassroots International partners take the lead in disaster recovery with a focus on rebuilding local food self-sufficiency.

JUST RECOVERY GUIDES EMERGENCY RESPONSE

Grassroots International provided more than $190,000 in emergency support in the wake of hurricanes in the Caribbean, earthquakes in Mexico, a volcano eruption in Guatemala and a military invasion in Gaza. Our grants support community-led recovery rather than short term relief. In Haiti, Puerto Rico and the Dominican Republic, the funds helped relaunch local food production with seeds, supplies and farmer support.

PUERTO RICAN FARMERS GROW FOOD SOVEREIGNTY

Grassroots partner Organización Boricuá de Agricultura Ecológica de Puerto Rico, is re-planting seeds of self-reliance for Puerto Rico. With 80 percent of food crops destroyed by Hurricane Maria in 2017 and the federal government absent, Organización Boricuá took the lead by organizing volunteer brigades to clear fallen trees, open rural roads, plant new crops, and rebuild homes.

A year later, Organización Boricuá volunteer brigades provide a venue for agroecological training and education, a way to build connections between urban consumers and rural producers. Their farmer-to-farmer methods and agroecological principles earned the group the 2018 Food Sovereignty Prize.

RETHINKING AID / URGENT RESPONSE

13 grants — $241,039 (Partial list below)

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Movement of Dominican-Haitian Women – Hurricane season emergency response |
| Guatemala       | Women’s Sector – Emergency Response for families impacted by Fuego Volcano |
| Haiti           | National Congress of the Papaye Peasant Movement – Hurricane season emergency response |
| Israel          | Baladna – Great March of Return activities                             |
| Palestine       | Gaza Community Mental Health Program – Enhancing the recovery process for victims of crisis in the border areas of Gaza Strip through securing medications and psychological first aid kits  
Palestinian Center for Human Rights – Great March of Return activities  
Stop the Wall – Great March of Return activities |
| Puerto Rico     | Casa Pueblo – Building a route toward energy self-sufficiency, based on local, clean, renewable resources |
We are proud to have the support of thoughtful and generous donors who choose to express their commitment to global social justice through Grassroots International.

INVESTING IN VALUES

As an anti-Vietnam War activist, economist Robert Zevin was skeptical of capitalism. As a very successful investment advisor, he gave investors the same advice he’d always heard himself: “Don’t try to invest on values. Make money first, and then give it away.”

But Robert’s politically progressive clients didn’t want to invest in the military or apartheid South Africa, even if that meant lower returns. That’s how Robert Zevin became a pioneer and leader of socially responsible investing. In the 1980s, Robert became the principal architect of the Calvert Social Investment Fund.

Today, Robert generously supports Grassroots International guided by both head and heart, citing low overhead and high distributions to partners, as well as Grassroot’s commitment to support and respect grantees’ policy positions and leadership structures.

“When I first supported Grassroots, I thought about survival in terms of supporting peasant farmers against industrial agriculture,” Robert says. “Now I see that in terms of both political and planetary survival. They’re keeping the soil healthy and absorbing carbon, which is at the root of addressing climate change.”

DONORS AS ACTIVISTS

“I’m a young person with inherited wealth,” says Elizabeth Baldwin, an activist and trainer in racial justice and anti-oppression work, “and I’ve wondered what it means for me to show up in social justice movements. As a wealthy person, I don’t have all the answers.”

“I was intrigued by the lens that Grassroots International brings to its work. They are living the mission and being thoughtful about how it shows up in other areas of their work and lives, like fundraising.”

Elizabeth joined our first Donor-Activist group at a retreat last spring. Twenty-two participants, including Palestinians, Jews, people of color, and immigrants, in a cross-class, multi-racial, intergenerational cohort learned about Palestine and explored the intersections of race, class, giving and fundraising.

“Our commitment was to bring money ourselves and to raise money from other people,” says Elizabeth. “It was scary to ask for $5,000 or $10,000. None of us were fundraisers, but we cared so much! Our staff buddy helped us out and I did get a ‘yes.’ Later, we met some of the partners at a Palestine Solidarity conference in the Bay area. All those scary questions were worth it!”

“Grassroots has an unusual commitment to letting grantees decide the agenda.”

Robert Zevin

Elizabeth Baldwin
During the 2018 Fiscal Year, Grassroots International expanded its assistance to crucial frontline movements, delivering $4.14M in direct support – an increase of 45% from the year before, and the greatest amount of grants Grassroots has ever mobilized in a single year. Each programmatic area increased, as well as expansion in two strategic program areas: environmental justice organizing and grassroots feminist movements globally.

Grassroots’ ability to sustain and grow its programs relies on the generosity and commitment of its supporters. In 2018, that support increased by 74% over the previous year. The growth in revenue allowed Grassroots to boost the proportion of its spending for grants, education, and program activities to 83%. With the dynamic participation of its funding partners, Grassroots will remain an outspoken advocate for the human rights to land, water and food.

STATEMENT OF SUPPORT, REVENUES AND EXPENSES
For the year ended October 31, 2018

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Expenses
PROGRAM SERVICES
Grants | 4,139,052 | 4,139,052 |
Humanitarian/social justice program | 603,674 | 603,674 |
Education | 190,674 | 190,674 |
Total program services | 4,933,400 | 4,933,400 |
SUPPORT SERVICES
Management and general | 410,885 | 410,885 |
Fundraising | 611,661 | 611,661 |
Total support services | 1,022,526 | 1,022,526 |
Total expenses | 5,955,926 | 5,955,926 |

Non-Operating Revenues
Contribution of fund net assets | 647,625 | 647,625 | 647,625 |
Net assets released from program restrictions | 647,625 | - | - | 647,625 |
Change in Net Assets | 455,595 | - | 1,946,775 | 2,402,370 |
Net Assets, beginning of year | 299,467 | 741,864 | 482,810 | 1,524,141 |
Board designation of assets | (428,874) | 428,874 | - | - |
Net Assets, end of year | $326,188 | $1,170,738 | $2,429,585 | $3,926,511 |

STATEMENT OF BUDGET AND FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Institutions 74.4%
Individuals 24.6%
In-kind & Donated 0.7%
Events 0.7%
Investments & Other 0.4%

Support and Revenues

Expenses
Programs & Education 82.8%
Management & General 6.9%
Fundraising 10.3%
Thank you!

During 2018, in the face of injustice, threats and oppression, the Grassroots International network of supporters, partners and allies resisted. In response to climate change and climate-related disasters, you redoubled your work and support. And through your efforts, joined to those of millions of others, our movement for justice is more powerful than ever!

WE ARE HONORED TO HAVE YOU WITH US ON THIS JOURNEY.

And we are excited about the work to come. Here are a few ways you can continue to build our powerful movement.

AS A DONOR
• Join our monthly sustainer program
• Donate stock
• Give a gift in someone’s honor or memory
• Include Grassroots International in your will or insurance policy
• Host a house party or other fundraiser
• Participate in a Donor Engagement Group or learning trips

Donations are tax deductible and secure. Grassroots International earned the Better Business Bureau’s coveted Seal of Approval, the Seal of Excellence from Independent Charities of America as well as a Four-Star Rating from Charity Navigator.

AS A LEGACY CIRCLE MEMBER
Grassroots International and our partners are in the struggle for the long haul – to create a more just and sustainable world, and to build global movements for social change.

By including Grassroots in your will, retirement plan or insurance policy, you help support global activism for land, water and food rights for years to come.

AS AN ADVOCATE:
www.GrassrootsOnline.org/subscribe

Become an activist for food sovereignty, climate justice, and the human rights to land and water. Join the Grassroots International online activist network. Sign up on our website to receive updates and alerts, as well as e-newsletters.

AS A VOLUNTEER:
We need volunteers to help with mailings, events, translations, and social networking. To find out more, contact info@GrassrootsOnline.org, or call 617.524.1400.

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Grassroots International owes a world of thanks to the volunteers listed below whose heart and labor gives a big boost to everything we do!

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OUR MISSION
Grassroots International works in partnership with social movements to create a just and sustainable world by advancing the human rights to land, water, and food through global grantmaking, building solidarity across organizations and movements, and advocacy in the United States.

GLOBALIZING JUSTICE: OUR VISION
Grassroots International envisions a world in which a universal commitment to the health and well-being of the earth and all its peoples, fueled by successful global movements for economic and climate justice, has transformed production practices, consumption patterns, and economic and social relations to ones based on sustainability, equity, and the rights to land, food, and water.

Our partnerships recognize that change is successful only when people in their own communities organize to confront the root causes of their problems.

THE PRINCIPLES THAT GUIDE OUR WORK
The people most affected by the problems should pose the solutions.

Small farmers, Indigenous Peoples and other small producers like fishers, foresters and pastoralists are better for the land, for the community and for the planet than big agriculture that relies on chemicals, promotes genetic engineering, exploits people and gobbles up resources.

People are more important than profits.

Long-term partnerships with social movements are critical to making long-term change.

Informed and committed donors can help support global movements to bring about a more just and sustainable world.