Our annual report shares a select few highlights from the last fiscal year. Learn more about our 2022 accomplishments in our online Year in Review:
earthjustice.org/22
Revenues
Contributions $89,364,947
Bequests $8,664,798
Donated services $10,682,199
Court awards $2,797,439
Investment income $35,486,523
Other income $366,958
TOTAL REVENUES $110,895,406

Expenses
Program services
Litigation $71,323,818
Donated litigation services $2,710,869
Public information $31,842,704
Donated public information services $8,091,290
Supporting services
Management & general $12,006,968
Fundraising $12,460,576
TOTAL EXPENSES $138,436,225

CHANGE IN NET ASSETS $(27,540,819)

Assets
Cash $26,709,106
Short-term & long-term investments $190,278,445
Accounts receivable $81,090,066
Other assets $6,760,256
Split-interest gift agreements $35,259,895
Property and equipment, net $8,558,906
TOTAL ASSETS $276,651,694

Liabilities
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities $12,590,626
Deferred compensation liability $7,933,736
Deferred and lease incentives liabilities $8,304,425
Liabilities related to split-interest gift agreements $515,696
TOTAL LIABILITIES $30,841,776

Net Assets*
Without donor restrictions
For current operations $31,398,309
Board designated - Endowment Fund $168,800,248
Investment in property and equipment $8,558,906
With donor restrictions
Unspent purpose restricted fund $17,398,350
Time restricted funds and investments $14,101,348
Split-interest gift reserves, net of liabilities $3,626,510
Endowment $1,926,247
TOTAL NET ASSETS $245,809,918

TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS $276,651,694

* In 2021 we created the Board-designated endowment fund, which we use to ensure our ability to carry forward our 650+ ongoing cases to completion. We will draw as much as 15% annually from this fund over the next five years for ongoing annual expenses.

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
Earthjustice is equipped to advance our goals more rapidly than we ever thought possible.

Thank you for supporting Earthjustice to sustain and grow our work over the last year. With your help, we achieved watershed victories in long-running fights to stop drilling in the Western Arctic, to block massive oil and gas lease sales on public lands and off our coasts, to keep the Tongass Forest off limits to logging, to ban the neurotoxin chlorpyrifos, to retire polluting coal-fired power plants in the U.S. and abroad, to prevent mining in the Boundary Waters, and to restore Endangered Species Act protections for wolves and Clean Water Act protections for streams and wetlands nationwide.

Meanwhile, we achieved cutting-edge, precedent-setting wins to build off-shore wind, to replace gas with zero emissions heat pumps in buildings, to enforce vanguard state climate laws, to compel regulatory reforms that enable clean energy to outcompete fossil fuels, to block construction of new gas-fired power plants, and to stop cryptocurrency miners from re-starting shuttered coal plants. In the pages that follow, you will find a collection of success stories that illustrate how we are deploying winning legal strategies to catalyze change in this make-or-break decade for climate action, environmental justice, and biodiversity protection.

With your help over the last year, we have been able to invest in new capacity to navigate a hostile Supreme Court, launch our new regional office in the Gulf of Mexico, and build our new Biodiversity Defense Program. As we roll up our sleeves to implement the Inflation Reduction Act and other major spending bills passed in 2022, we are exceptionally well positioned to drive the build-out of a new, genuinely clean economy while defending against the very live potential for fossil fuels expansion and entrenchment.

Very different energy and climate futures are in play now, and the progress we make over the next two years will shape our prospects for reversing our currently disastrous trajectory and restoring climate stability. Thanks to you, Earthjustice is well equipped to work with groups around the country to shape durable climate solutions and ensure they deliver health and wealth benefits to the communities that need them most.

Thank you for your commitment to Earthjustice and the work we can do together to guarantee our future.

Abigail Dillen  
President, Earthjustice

Fern Shepard  
Chair of the Board of Trustees
We’ve held the line against bad actors and cleared the way for clean power so that now we can build. Earthjustice works with frontline leaders and climate partners to generate solutions through litigation and advocacy. These solutions bring the movement’s radical imagination to life. We are creating a future of lived abundance. A future of jobs and justice. And as we shift our gaze to the horizon, we put those bad actors behind us, where they belong.

Shamyra Lavigne, executive assistant at RISE St. James, speaks at a side-event for the annual United Nations Climate Change Conference (COP27) in Sharm el-Sheikh, Egypt. The side event took place in the Climate Justice Pavilion, the first-ever dedicated space for climate justice inside of COP’s official Blue Zone. The Pavilion was organized by We Act for Environmental Justice, The Bullard Center for Environmental Justice, and Deep South Center for Environmental Justice, and sponsored by Earthjustice and others. Chris Jordan-Bloch / Earthjustice
A JUST TRANSITION FOR ALL

In recent years, clean energy prices have improved remarkably. Automakers have readily shifted their production plans toward electric vehicles in response to mandates as well as consumer demand. Federal leaders for energy transmission are overhauling their planning process to make way for a grid powered by renewables. These welcome disruptions must include confronting the disproportionate burdens of pollution, energy costs, and disenfranchisement endured by targeted populations. Earthjustice works alongside dedicated organizers to ensure that the community members most affected can inform how our economy is powered. Together, we are building a 100% clean grid that benefits everyone by 2035.

Renewables Championed by Residents

It’s been a big year for our clean energy team driving renewables in Maryland. We removed barriers for adoption of community solar power in the state, with a focus on access for low- and moderate-income households. Then, we helped pass legislation that doubled the state’s limit on net-metered capacity for solar energy, so that more clean energy can power the grid. And partnering with frontline community members, we worked to clear the path for an offshore wind project that can power one million homes. Construction, operation, and maintenance of this project will adhere to strict standards for limited environmental impact.

Our partners, the Maryland League of Conservation Voters, met repeatedly with the Maryland Public Service Commission staff to secure protections for right whales and other species. They were persistent and convinced officials that safeguarding wildlife would not adversely affect the construction of offshore wind facilities.”

Susan Stevens Miller, senior attorney with the clean energy program, on accelerating Maryland’s renewable energy buildout.
Clean Energy for Every Community
To build a future where everyone has access to clean energy, we work with partners to secure funding for new infrastructure, remove barriers for renewables to compete fairly in the market, and make way for disproportionately impacted communities to have their seat at the table when decisions are made. Here are some of our victories from the last year:

Moving the Marketplace in Arizona
Arizona eliminates a discriminatory charge of about $110 annually on solar customers.

Transportation Electrification in New Mexico
The state’s largest utility will support EV chargers for low-income customers.

Access and Affordability for Coloradans
Utility nearly triples budget for solar in low-income and disproportionately impacted communities.

Illinois Passes Climate Bill
The Climate and Equitable Jobs Act supports renewable energy and energy efficiency.

The Clean Truck Rule Spreads
New Jersey and New York adopt California’s rule promoting zero-emissions truck manufacturing.

Federally, we are fighting to secure strong EPA vehicle and freight-focused standards. The agency’s late 2021 announcement of tighter fuel economy standards is a first step in our goal of compelling a federal requirement for the electrification of all new cars and light-duty trucks by 2035.

Earthjustice partners with organizations and communities around the world to accelerate the global transition to clean energy. In the last year our partners secured victories in Australia, Indonesia, South Africa, and beyond.
ELECTRIC VEHICLES BY LAND AND SEA

Electrifying transportation has global and local impacts. At the macro scale, making zero-emissions vehicles the standard is a mandate for stabilizing our climate. When we zoom in, we also know that as cars, buses, trucks, and even boats increasingly run on electricity, neighborhoods get relief from toxic emissions. Earthjustice partners with community organizations to change how goods, energy, and people are transported. We gain traction with local wins, demonstrating that swift emissions reductions are indeed feasible. As state and federal governments follow suit, these advancements save lives by improving air quality as well as mitigating climate harm.

Emissions Reduced for Port Communities

Commercial ports are a strategic focus for our clean energy team, as emissions from port traffic and operations sicken neighboring residents and undermine our climate goals. Earthjustice and our partners pushed the Ports of Los Angeles and Long Beach to invest fees charged to dirty trucks — up to $180 million over three years — in charging infrastructure and zero-emissions truck incentives. Our coalition also supported a new requirement for certain boats that operate at the ports to switch to cleaner technologies. Experts anticipate that emissions reductions from the boat rule alone will save 500 lives over the next 15 years.

(above) A tugboat pulls a container ship into port in Oakland, California. Nicolo Sertorio / Getty Images; (right) Residents show their support for clean fleet regulations at a rally before a public hearing by the California Air Resources Board in Sacramento. Chris Jordan-Bloch / Earthjustice
Advocacy efforts are supercharged when members of the communities that are harmed speak passionately about what they need and want. East Yard Communities for Environmental Justice and their members put in the work to get this result, and it will make a difference in their daily lives.”

Regina Hsu, senior associate attorney in the California regional office, on advancing regulations for cleaner vehicles on- and offshore at Southern California ports.
A JUST SYSTEM OF POLLUTION CONTROL

A RECKONING FOR CRUEL INDUSTRY NORMS

It’s an open secret that the oil and gas industry targets communities already overburdened by climate change vulnerabilities, disinvestment, and other systemic injustices. This practice is especially visible on the Gulf Coast, where multibillion dollar corporations have long polluted the air and water of the predominantly Black and low-income residents. Earthjustice brings legal expertise to amplify the power of local organizing. Multiple lawsuits demonstrate the increasing demand for support in this region, where the stakes are sure to intensify. Earlier this year Earthjustice opened a new Gulf Regional Office to enhance our presence in the belly of the beast.

Toxic Terminal Foiled by People Power

In Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana, less than a mile upriver from the Black community of Ironton, Tallgrass Energy planned to build a massive transshipment hub to export fracked oil. Transfer of this oil between trains, storage tanks, and offshore tankers would have exacerbated local pollution. Further, the tank farm would be built on the burial grounds where enslaved ancestors of Ironton were laid to rest — something Tallgrass tried to hide. Earthjustice partnered with the community to activate a relentless grassroots campaign. Due to our forceful legal work and Ironton’s robust organizing, Tallgrass withdrew its air permit application and abandoned the project.

Ironton, Louisiana resident Andrea DeClouet stands where the Tallgrass transshipment hub would have spewed pollution.
L. Kasimu Harris for Earthjustice
Tallgrass tried to blindside local officials on the fact that they aimed to develop on a cemetery, but the Ironton community brought it to light. Ironton residents always teach me the power of Black, community-led organizing to win big fights that protect the rest of us too.”

Michael Brown, senior attorney in the fossil fuels program, on our case challenging Tallgrass Energy’s Plaquemines Liquids Terminal.
A MORE JUST APPROACH TO MINING

To supply our clean energy future, some mining will remain necessary. But this extractive industry, regulated prominently by the General Mining Act of 1872, is ripe for an overhaul. The future of mining must involve careful consideration of its impacts on water, air, and habitats. It must require consent from frontline communities, dignified jobs for mine laborers, and proper clean up. Earthjustice partners with Tribal, conservation, and community groups to secure updated regulations that account for how a mine changes a landscape forever. Meanwhile, we are using the tools already at our disposal to confront existing mining threats.

A Vibrant Ecosystem is Safeguarded

The Boundary Waters Canoe Area Wilderness is a one-million-acre icon, revered for its networks of healthy lakes, streams, and wetlands. The Minnesota landmark is home to healthy forests, migratory birds, and other wildlife such as the threatened Canada lynx. When the Trump administration illegally greenlit the development of a heavily polluting metals mine on U.S. Forest Service land adjacent to the wilderness area, we sued on behalf of local organizations. Our cases held the line until the Biden administration canceled the mining operation’s leases. As long as industry threatens this precious habitat, Earthjustice will be ready to defend it.

The Boundary Waters Canoe Area Wilderness in northeastern Minnesota. Brad Zweerink / Earthjustice
The Boundary Waters galvanizes many people. One couple we met understood what was at stake and lived on the Boundary Waters for a year, in order to demand protections. They eventually canoed from the Boundary Waters in Minnesota to Washington, DC to engage politicians directly. They really inspired me.”

Elizabeth Forsyth, senior attorney in the biodiversity defense program, on the fight against mining at the Boundary Waters Canoe Area Wilderness.
KEYSTONE VICTORIES FOR BIODIVERSITY

Our fate is inextricably linked to the plants and animals with which we share this planet. That’s why defending **biodiversity is a key driver of Earthjustice’s work**. Sustaining wild nature is essential to mitigating climate change. This work requires us to be strategic, and we have learned from scientists and Native peoples that protecting keystone species — including top predators — enables entire ecosystems to thrive. When we bolster protections for a single species that fills a unique ecological role, we can support numerous creatures that call the same habitat home.

**Protections Restored for Gray Wolves**

Gray wolves play a crucial role in how their native ecosystems function. Data shows that their extermination from a region triggers a cascade of effects that dramatically alters the landscape. Earthjustice has litigated for decades to protect these iconic canids from persecution. After the Trump administration stripped Endangered Species Act protections from gray wolves, a third of Wisconsin’s wolf population was slaughtered during a hunt in just three days. We swiftly came to their defense – and won. Just as they had been for 45 years, wolves are once again protected across most of the U.S. by the Endangered Species Act.

“The Ojibwe have long argued that their treaty right to hunt, fish, and gather off-reservation includes the right to conserve — an argument with potentially far-reaching impacts for biodiversity. We are honored to represent the Ojibwe in court as they fight for environmental protections to benefit future generations.”

**Gussie Lord**, managing attorney of tribal partnerships, on representing six Ojibwe Tribes in a lawsuit challenging a Wisconsin wolf hunt.
In the 1920s, government policy allowed the extermination of Yellowstone’s gray wolf — the apex predator — triggering an ecosystem collapse known as trophic cascade. In 1995 — through the use of the Endangered Species Act — the conservation community reintroduced the gray wolf to restore balance to the region. The impact has been dramatic.

Elk populations exploded without their primary predator, resulting in severe overgrazing of willows and aspen needed by beavers for food, shelter, and dam building.

Various scavenger species suffered without year-round wolf kills to feed on.

Today, biodiversity is enriched and scavenger species reap the benefits of regular, wolf-supplied meals.

Without wolves, the coyote became an apex predator, driving down populations of pronghorn antelope, red fox and rodents, and birds that prey on small animals.

As the wolf returned, coyote numbers dropped by half, allowing antelope, rodent, and fox populations to increase.

Beavers virtually disappeared in the northern range. Dams disintegrated, turning marshy ponds into streams. Heavy stream erosion affected many plant and animal species. The region saw a massive loss of mature trees. Many plant and animal species were affected.

After wolf reintroduction in the northern range, elk numbers dropped and beaver colonies increased from one to 12. Insects, songbirds, fish, and amphibians now thrive.

Sources: OSU Trophic Cascades Program, NWF, NRDC, Predator Defense, “The Wolf’s Tooth.”
Our oceans produce more oxygen than all the world’s forests combined, regulate the planet’s temperature, host immeasurable biodiversity, and provide essential subsistence for billions of people. But as powerful as oceans are, they remain vulnerable to harm. Reefs destroyed by humans are a prime example: Their loss cascades around the globe, destroying habitats for endangered species, livelihoods of local people, and beloved beaches and rivers. Earthjustice is building a future with enforceable safeguards for our oceans and effective laws to equip communities to protect their environment.

Another Reef System Defended

When the Mexican government set out to expand the Port of Veracruz, it threatened to change the local marine ecosystem forever. The construction and increased traffic would have ruined critical habitat for species including endangered sea turtles, suffocated coral reefs, and affected the livelihoods of people across the Gulf. Earthjustice supported the Mexican Environmental Law Center and the Interamerican Association for Environmental Defense in challenging the expansion. Mexico’s Supreme Court decided unanimously to suspend the project and set a new legal precedent strengthening people’s right to defend the places they love.

“Veracruz gave birth to me. I grew up swimming in the rivers and beaches with my family. I want the children of Veracruz to have the same opportunity to enjoy the richness of its biodiversity as I did.”

Guillermo Zuniga, attorney in the international program, on working with partners to protect the Veracruz Reef ecosystem from a major port expansion.
JUSTICE FOR ALL
ENVIROMENTAL LAWS THAT WORK FOR THE PEOPLE

When communities wield the power of the law, environmental justice is personified. Judges, public officials, and industry leaders realize what’s truly at stake. And in the U.S., where any citizen has the right to leverage the power of our bedrock environmental laws, local organizers have a legitimate venue to defend their health, their livelihoods, and their future. Earthjustice brings 50 years of unparalleled legal experience and deployable resources to these fights, free of charge. With people power and the sharpest litigation, advocacy, and communications tools available, frontline communities can take any opponent to court and win.

Pollution Abated by Frontline Community

Owens-Brockway is a 78-acre glass plant in the middle of a racially and ethnically diverse neighborhood in Portland, Oregon. The plant spews dangerous pollutants that could be prevented with available technology. Decades of inaction on this issue is widely recognized as a grave environmental injustice. Earthjustice and a coalition of local groups pressured Oregon to bring an enforcement action to address violations and levy penalties. In the face of our opposition, Owens-Brockway backed down and decided to work with the community to clean up its act.

“Our partners knew who to call and who to push. They brought county commissioners, media representatives, and their neighbors into the fold. They created a perfect storm that I believe was a tipping point. And this is rare, but Owens-Brockway agreed to install the exact technology we wanted — not just the bare minimum.”

Ashley Bennett, senior associate attorney with the Northwest regional office, on the prowess of local communities in mitigating Portland’s largest stationary source of pollution.
Our partners in the Bronx and Queens came together on common ground, and for years packed public hearings, rallied local officials, and protested across the city — not just to stop fossil fuel development in their neighborhoods, but also to get the state to pass the new climate law in the first place.”

Rachel Spector, senior attorney with the Northeast regional office, on winning some of the first cases under New York’s nation-leading climate law.
Fossil Fuel Projects Denied with New York’s Climate Law

Earthjustice and our partners are fighting the climate crisis with new state laws like New York’s Climate Leadership and Community Protection Act (CLCPA), and we are winning. We won the first-ever decision citing the law, which halted two fracked gas plant projects in Queens and Newburgh. We’d worked for years to stop these plants, and with the CLCPA we could sound the death knell; the climate impacts from these projects, as proposed, are inconsistent with the mandates in the CLCPA. We similarly used the CLCPA to block air permits for a cryptocurrency mining project up the Hudson River.

State-level advocacy is a powerful pathway for climate action, and we are taking it. Earthjustice partners up in key states to demand that policy makers pass new climate laws. We secure mandates that truly enforce the commitments tied to our climate deadlines. These laws have teeth. Our partners are already using them to cancel projects that threaten our progress toward climate stability. What’s more is the cascading effect: As more states prove what is possible, their neighboring leaders have fewer excuses. Soon, there will be no denying that a just transition is in reach.
Environmental advocates have long been worried about what a deregulatory Supreme Court means for our movement: Are we facing a court that will stand in the way of action to address climate change and environmental injustices? Kirti Datla, our director of legal strategic advocacy, says all is not lost.
Kirti Datla occupies Earthjustice’s new role of monitoring trends in the courts and guiding our Supreme Court strategy. Before joining Earthjustice, she briefed cases before the high court for Hogan Lovells LLP and clerked for Associate Supreme Court Justice Sonia Sotomayor. Kirti also served as attorney-adviser at the U.S. Department of Justice, reviewing the legality of presidential orders related to the environment.

What do we know about this court and how its justices want to change the law?
What we know from the last term is that a majority of the justices have a fundamentally different understanding of the role of the federal government than the Congress that passed the Clean Water Act and the Clean Air Act and created the EPA. They think that a bigger federal government is a threat to people’s liberty. They are more comfortable with states making decisions, and with federal agencies having limited ability to drive changes in our economy, like the transition to clean energy.

While the state of the court is troubling, it might be helpful to remember that the Supreme Court has never been made up of justices who were environmentalists. Our movement has never depended solely on decisions from the court.

Let’s talk about West Virginia v. EPA. What are its implications?
This ruling held that the EPA does not have the authority to set emissions limits for existing power plants based on their ability to shift to renewable energy. However, the court did not altogether remove the EPA’s authority to regulate carbon dioxide or other power plant pollutants — in fact, the EPA can and must still issue regulations to do just this.

The scope of this ruling was limited, but it indicated to us just how willing the court is to overturn precedent in favor of deregulation. That is because of how the court reached its decision. It created the “major questions” doctrine, saying that in certain cases, courts should be really hesitant to assume that an agency has the authority to do something if there are major political or economic consequences to the agency’s action. That’s a one-sided, deregulatory legal doctrine.

What gives me hope? Every person I’ve interacted with since joining Earthjustice last June. We have incredible lawyers, who are deeply committed to their clients and to this work. They are thoughtful about how best to do that work even with courts changing. Earthjustice is well positioned as an organization to keep making progress.”

Kirti Datla, director of legal strategic advocacy
How does the new conservative supermajority on the court affect our litigation?

With a court more willing to change precedents, we don’t need to change the cases we bring, but we need to be smart about the risks. I help decide what kinds of arguments are the best to make, how to frame them, and what we can do in district court to lower the prospect of the Supreme Court taking up a case. Basically, the best strategy is a defensive one with these justices.

What’s comforting, to me, is that most of our work is made up of highly unlikely Supreme Court cases. Our bread and butter is supporting frontline communities in winning cases against specific violators of environmental law, and that type of issue is rarely taken up by the highest court.

Where does Earthjustice fit in?

The court doesn’t hear that many cases, so most of our work has and will continue to be in the lower courts. President Biden is setting records in federal circuit court appointments, and we have a strategy for navigating those spaces wisely, too. Then there’s our state-level efforts and local work with utility companies. We have an outstanding track record for advancing our climate goals in those spaces. With rules that apply to economies as big as the state of California, we can transform the market and drive global changes with local wins.

Regardless of who is on the Supreme Court, our strongest strategy will always be a 360-degree approach: pushing for laws to proactively confront climate change, creating incentives for our economy to embrace clean energy, and partnering with frontline communities to show how much we have to gain by doing so.

From left: Protestors in Washington, D.C. gather before the Supreme Court on October 3, 2022, the day the Court heard Sackett v. EPA.; Kirti Datla, director of strategic legal advocacy at Earthjustice. Melissa Lyttle for Earthjustice
Thanks to the generosity of individual donors and foundations, Earthjustice represents our clients free of charge. These clients bring organizing power, first-hand accounts of what’s at stake, and local strategy to our fights. **We don’t win for them — we win with them.**
As the premier public-interest environmental law organization, Earthjustice represents a wide range of clients, from small grassroots groups to national organizations. In addition to the hundreds of clients listed here whom we formally represented in FY2022, there are scores of others with whom we partner, co-counsel, and ally to achieve our goals.
Robert Taylor, executive director at Concerned Citizens of St. John, outside his home in Reserve, Louisiana. Brad Zweerink / Earthjustice
A West Indian manatee swims in the Crystal River in Florida.
Hiromi Naito / Nature Production / Minden Pictures
Hoonah Indian Community
Hoosier Environmental Council
Hualapai Tribe
Hui Aokanaka
Hui Ho’omalu I Ka ‘Aina
Hui Ho’opulapula Na Wai o Puna
Hui o Na Wai ‘Eha
Humane Society of the United States
Hydaburg Cooperative Association

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Idaho Conservation League
Idaho Rivers United
Idaho Steelhead and Salmon Unlimited
Idaho Wildlife Federation
Iglesia Cristiana (Discipulos de Cristo) de Amelia
Indian People’s Action
Indonesian Center for Environmental Law
Institute for Energy and Environmental Research
Institute for Fisheries Resources
Institute for Local Self-Reliance
Interamerican Association for Environmental Defense (AIDA)
International Association of Fire Fighters
International Federation of Fly Fishers
International Society for Children’s Health and Environment
International Wildlife Coexistence Network
Ironbound Community Corporation
Izaak Walton League of America

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Jackson Hole Conservation Alliance
Jamestown S’Klallam Tribe
Just Health Action

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Kai Palaoa
Kapa’a
Kasigluk Traditional Council
Katiba Institute
Kennebec Reborn
Kentuckians for the Commonwealth
Kentucky Resources Council
Kentucky Solar Energy Society
Kentucky Waterways Alliance
Ketchikan Indian Community
Kids in Danger
Kingman Park Civic Association
Klamath Riverkeeper
Klamath-Siskiyou Wildlands Center
Klawock Cooperative Association
Ksanka Kupaqa Xa’toin
Labadie Environmental Organization
Labor Council for Latin American Advancement
Larimer Alliance for Health, Safety & the Environment
Leadership Council for Justice and Accountability
League of Conservation Voters
League of Oil and Gas Impacted Coloradans
League of United Latin American Citizens
Learning Disabilities Association of America
Learning Disabilities Association of New York State
Leonard Law, PC
Living Rivers
Local Environmental Action Demanded (LEAD) Agency
Los Padres ForestWatch
Lost Hills In Action
Louisiana Bucket Brigade
Louisiana Environmental Action Network
Lower San Pedro Watershed Alliance
Lower Susquehanna Riverkeeper
Lynn Canal Conservation

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ManaSota-88, Inc.
Maricopa Audubon Society
Maryland Building Performance Association
Maryland League of Conservation Voters
Maryland Pesticide Education Network
Massachusetts Union of Public Housing Tenants
Maul Tomorrow Foundation, Inc.
Mayaguezanos por la Salud y el Ambiente, Inc.
Medical Advocates for Healthy Air
Menominee Tribe of Wisconsin
Merrimack Citizens for Clean Water
Metlakatla Indian Community
Metropolitan Housing Coalition
Mexican Clean Energy Steering Committee
Mexican Climate Initiative
Mexican Ministry of Environment
Mi Familia Vota
Miami Waterkeeper
Michael J. Fox Foundation
Midwest Environmental Defense Center
Midwest Renewable Energy Association
Mighty Earth
Migrant Clinicians Network
Missouri Coalition for the Environment Foundation
Moloka‘i No Ka Heke
Montana Audubon
Montana Conservation Voters
Montana Environmental Information Center
Montana Trout Unlimited
Montana Wilderness Association
Montana Wildlife Federation
Montgomery County Green Bank
Montgomery-Gibbs Environmental Coalition
Mothers Out Front Colorado
Mountain Association
Mountain Watershed Association

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Na Kia’i Kai
Na Papa’i Wawae ‘Ula’ula
NAACP
National Audubon Society
National Consumer Law Center
National Hispanic Medical Association
National Housing Trust
National Parks Conservation Association
National PFAS Contamination Coalition
National Wildlife Federation
National Wildlife Refuge Association
Native Movement
Native Village of Eek
Native Village of Nuiqsut
Natural Resources Council of Maine
Natural Resources Defense Council
Neighbors for Clean Air
New Castle Prevention Coalition
New Jersey Audubon Society
New Jersey Citizen Action
New Jersey Environmental Justice Alliance
New York City Coalition to End Lead Poisoning
New York City Environmental Justice Alliance
New York Community Garden Coalition
Newburgh Clean Water Project
Nimiipuu Protecting the Environment
No Waste Louisiana
North America’s Building Trades Unions
North Oyster Bay Baymen’s Association
North Sound Baykeeper
Northern Alaska Baykeeper
Northern Alaska Environmental Center
Northern Cheyenne Tribe
Northern Plains Resource Council
Northwest Coalition for Alternatives to Pesticides
Northwest Energy Coalition
Northwest Sportfishing Industry Association
Norton Bay Inter-Tribal Watershed Council
NW Energy Coalition
Ocean Conservancy
Ocean Conservation Research
Oceanic
Ohio Citizen Action
Ohio Valley Environmental Coalition
Orange RAPP
Oregon Aviation Watch
Oregon Environmental Council
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Our Children’s Earth Foundation
Outstanding Grand Lake
Pace Energy and Climate Center
Pacific Coast Federation of Fishermen’s Associations
Pacific Coast Shellfish Growers Association
Pacific Environment
Pascua Yaqui Tribe
Patagonia Inc.
Patagonia Works
Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma
PEAK Coalition
PennEnvironment
PennFuture
People for Protecting Peace River
People’s Collective for Environmental Justice
Pesticide Action Network
North America
Petersburg Indian Association
Philadelphia Solar Energy Association
Philly Thrive
Physicians for Social Responsibility
Pikuni Traditionalist Association
Pineros y Campesinos Unidos del Noroeste
Plains Justice
Po’i Wai Ola
Pollinator Stewardship Council
Port Gamble S’Klallum Tribe
Portland Clean Air
Portland Harbor Cleanup Coalition
Potomac Riverkeeper Network
Powder River Basin Resource Council
POWER Interfaith
Prairie Rivers Network
Prince of Peace, AOG
Prosperity Works
Protect South Portland
Prutehi Litekyan: Save Ritidian
PT AirWatchers
Public Citizen
Public Employees for Environmental Responsibility
Puget Soundkeeper Alliance
Puyallup Tribe of Indians
Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe
Quinault Indian Nation
RE Sources for Sustainable Communities
Red Lake Band of Chippewa Indians
Redeemer Community Partnership
Resisting Environmental Destruction on Indigenous Lands
Rio Grande International Study Center
Rise St. James
River Valley Organizing
Riverkeeper, Inc.
Rivers Without Borders
Rock Creek Alliance
Rocky Mountain Wild
Rogue Climate
Rural & Migrant Ministry
Rural Coalition
Rural Empowerment Association for Community Help
Russell Temple C.M.E.
Sabin Center for Climate Change Law at Columbia Law School
Safer Chemicals, Healthy Families
Salmon for All
Salmon State
San Antonio Bay Estuarine Waterkeeper
San Bernardino Valley Audubon Society
San Francisco Bay Area Physicians for Social Responsibility
San Francisco Baykeeper
San Juan Citizens Alliance
Sane Energy Project
Saratoga Sites Against Norlite Emissions
Save Lake Superior Association
Save Lamu
Save Our Cabinets
Save Our County, Inc.
Save Our Creeks
Save Our Springs Alliance
Save Our Wild Salmon
Save the Colorado
Save the World’s Rivers
Seneca Lake Guardian
Shark Conservation Fund
Shiloh Baptist Church of Bridgeport
ShoreRivers
Shrimpers and Fishermen of the RGV
Sierra Club
Sierra Club de Puerto Rico
Sierra Forest Legacy
Sitka Tribe of Alaska
Skokomish Indian Tribe
Soda Mountain Wilderness Council
Solar United Neighbors
Sound Rivers
South Durban Community Environmental Alliance
Southern Appalachian Mountain Stewards
Southern Alliance for Clean Energy
Southern Alaska Indigenous Transboundary Commission
Southern Utah Wilderness Alliance
Southwest Energy Efficiency Project
Southwest Environmental Center
Southwestern Indiana Citizens for Quality of Life
Spokane Riverkeeper
St. Francis Prayer Center
St. John’s Riverkeeper
Stand.Earth
Standing Rock Sioux Tribe
Suquamish Tribe
Surfrider Foundation
Sustainable Energy Economy Solutions
Sustainable FERC Project
Swan View Coalition
Swinomish Indian Tribal Community
Tennessee Clean Water Network
Testing for Pease
Texas Campaign for the Environment
Texas Environmental Justice Advocacy Services
The Alaska Center
The Bay Institute
The Boat Company
The Hopi Tribe
The Moms on a Mission Hui
The Pew Charitable Trusts
THE POINT Community Development Corporation
The Steamboaters
The White Earth Band of Ojibwe
The Wilderness Society
Tides Center
Tohono O’Odham Nation
Red knots, ruddy turnstones, dunlin, and semipalmated sandpipers stand on the Delaware Bay’s shores in New Jersey, a critical stop for migrating birds. Aristide Economopoulos for Earthjustice
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Earthjustice board members kayak with staff from our Alaska regional office near Girdwood, Alaska at our 2022 annual meeting. Kristina Lim / Earthjustice
Dear friends,

Your generous donations have enabled Earthjustice to build the momentum we need for this moment. Now, our teams are well positioned to capitalize on the opportunity of our lifetimes. The Inflation Reduction Act could put us on a path to a livable planet – turbocharging clean energy production, accelerating the electrification of buildings and transportation, and investing in communities overburdened by pollution. But to pass the Senate, the bill included dangerous giveaways to fossil fuel companies.

Now is the time to double down on our work. More needs to be done to address the climate crisis and the inequities felt by Indigenous, Black, and Brown communities. We are here to fight these battles. Last year we did just that while representing 659 clients, listed in the previous pages, free of charge. We also made investments to expand our Right to Zero campaign, strengthen our partnerships with grassroots communities, and launch our new biodiversity program and Gulf Coast regional office.

In the last year we’ve faced an increasingly conservative Supreme Court, political pressure from rising gas prices, and false narratives about fossil fuels as well as clean energy. Enormous challenges remain on the horizon, but Earthjustice has the experience, the fortitude, and the enduring partnerships to confront climate aggressors while maximizing long-awaited investments to build a clean energy future that leaves no one behind.

Thank you for giving us the confidence and financial foundation to build out the Earthjustice team, take smart risks, and invest in serious organizational growth to remain the powerhouse in environmental litigation, advocacy, and movement building that this moment calls for.

We know we can win, but victory is not inevitable. We could not do it without you.

Stuart Clarke, FY22 Treasurer, FY23 Vice Chair at Large, Earthjustice Board of Trustees
### Statement of Activities

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**Change in Net Assets** $(27,540,819)

### Statement of Financial Position

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**Total Liabilities and Net Assets** **$276,651,694**

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*In 2021 we created the Board-designated endowment fund, which we use to ensure our ability to carry forward our 650+ ongoing cases to completion. We will draw no more than 15% annually from the fund over the next five years for ongoing annual expenses.
Our annual report shares a select few highlights from the last fiscal year. Learn more about our 2022 accomplishments in our online Year in Review: earthjustice.org/22