2023-2024 Climate Justice Impact Strategy Grantees

ALARM (Activating Leadership, Adaptation, Resilience and Mitigation) Grantees
ALARM grants were first awarded in 2019 and these same organizations have received annual grants to support community-based and community-defined mitigation, adaptation, resilience, and leadership efforts. Investments further strengthen the capacity and leadership of organizations working to implement proven approaches and support innovation.

- **$125,000 – Na’ah Illahee Fund** – Na’ah Illahee Fund is a Native-led organization building Native female centered activism and leadership. This grant supports Na’ah Illahee’s efforts to represent Native communities at Climate Justice tables and facilitate Indigenous leadership cohorts. Their cohorts have access to high caliber trainers to a) design a project proposal for (and by) their community, b) generate greater impact and support in their initiative, and c) create partnerships and alliances that will deepen their effectiveness and broaden their reach.

- **$100,000 – Duwamish River Cleanup Coalition** – DRCC elevates the voices of those impacted by the Duwamish River pollution and other environmental injustices to advocate for a clean, healthy, and equitable environment for people and wildlife. With their ALARM funding, DRCC is strengthening its organizing and community power building in support of its Climate Justice platform and community partners and neighbors thriving in place. Key areas focus on supporting multi-lingual community awareness, community engagement in policy development efforts, advancing mobilization efforts, and advising on the Resilience District and Justice 40 hub needs.

- **$100,000 – Transportation Choices Coalition** – TCC is a statewide advocacy organization working to bring Washingtonians better transportation choices. TCC is prioritizing efforts to advance equitable transit solutions through priorities including the Free to Walk campaign, exploring a Road Usage Charge (RUC) policy, supporting Transit Agency refinement to navigate transit worker shortage, and encouraging equitable project delivery at Sound Transit.

- **$75,000 – 350 Seattle** – 350 Seattle is a grassroots, volunteer driven organization that mobilizes community to resist fossil fuels; builds momentum for healthy alternatives; and fosters resilient, just, and welcoming communities. Over the next year 350 Seattle will focus on growing their base and power beyond Seattle through their Climate Resilience Hubs, and supporting the Solidarity Budget and Electrify Seattle campaigns.

- **$75,000 – Got Green** – Got Green is a community organization based in the Southend that builds power for Climate Justice. Got Green’s work includes their Green New Deal for Seattle Public Housing campaign and their new membership structure “Membership Power to Win Healthy Housing.”

- **$75,000 – Puget Sound Sage** – Puget Sound Sage works to advocate for equitable policies that move away from solely harm reduction and pushes towards transformational change for communities across the Puget Sound. With support from Seattle Foundation, Sage focuses on advancing Green New Deal approaches throughout the region, convening the Environmental Justice Kitchen, organizing around weatherization and energy efficiency updates, building
performance standards policy, and strengthening the capacity of their organization.

- **$50,000 – Washington Conservation Action** – Washington Conservation Action (previously known as Washington Environmental Council) is a statewide environmental advocacy organization that makes change through organizing with communities, building collective power, and advocating for policy change at the local and state levels. Washington Conservation Action prioritizes policy and advocacy efforts for equitable and durable implementation of the Climate Commitment Act. WCA will also continue working with Shift Zero and Stand Up to Oil coalition partners, work with key jurisdictions to develop Climate Action Plans, and advocate for energy siting policy.

- **$50,000 – Environmental Professionals of Color** – EPOC is an all-volunteer network by and for people of color working in the environmental sector. EPOC creates a space for leaders of color in the environmental movement, to connect, regenerate, innovate, and grow as leaders. Funds from Seattle Foundation support Environmental Professionals of Color to build organizational capacity and create learning and community building opportunities for its members.

- **$50,000 – Futurewise** – Futurewise has stewarded Washington’s Growth Management ACT (GMA) across the state for the past three decades. Between 2024 and 2026 the entire state will be updating their comprehensive plans making these updates the most significant since the plans passed in the 1990s. Futurewise’s in-house legal department will be increasing their work by about threefold, submitting comment letters and working on legal appeals over the next four years of the GMA process. As this work continues Futurewise will also launch a capacity-building campaign to add a second full-time attorney to train under the Director of Planning and Law, allowing for increased support and planning.

- **$50,000 – Clean Energy Transition Institute** – Clean Energy Transition Institute advances climate justice through providing research and analytics to support equitable decarbonization strategies throughout the Northwest. With support from Seattle Foundation, CETI is building on their “Community-Defined Decarbonization” report and prioritizing relationship building in rural and Tribal communities. This grant will support research staffing, technical assistance and the design of materials to influence policy in rural areas for climate justice.

- **$50,000 – Climate Solutions** – Climate Solutions’ mission is to accelerate clean energy solutions to the climate crisis. Climate Solutions’ vision is a thriving, equitable Northwest, powered by clean energy, inspiring the transition to sustainable prosperity across the nation and beyond. Funds from Seattle Foundation support Climate Solutions’ Climate Commitment Act and Clean Duel Standard Implementation, the transition to 100% Clean Buildings, building deeper partnerships with diverse stakeholders, and incorporating an DEI workplan into their organizational priorities.
Coalition Grantees
Two-year grants supporting Washington State coalitions that bring together diverse stakeholders to advance climate justice through research, convening, policy, and advocacy.

- $150,000/year – Front and Centered – Front and Centered is a statewide coalition of over 65+ organizations and groups rooted in communities of color and people with lower incomes on the frontlines of economic and environmental change. Building on investments beginning in 2017, Seattle Foundation supports Front and Centered’s community rooted policy approach in service of climate justice. This work includes the staffing and convening that underpin the development of policy priorities, community engagement and support of nonprofit partners in advancing the coalition’s advocacy and policy wins for a more just and resilient climate future.

Storytelling Grantee
Investments in narrative change that align to Seattle Foundation’s framework advancing mitigation, adaptation, resilience, and leadership efforts for climate justice.

- $90,000 – Grist and The Uproot Project, a network of journalists of color who cover environmental issues, connect and uplift narratives rooted in communities most impacted by climate change. Seattle Foundation supports the Uproot Project Database, facilitation of the Environmental Justice Fellowship and expanding Uproots Partnerships. Financial support also goes to developing the Chapter Leaders Program, events that engage Uproot members and the public, and back office and development support for Uproot, provided by Grist.