Anniversaries are wonderful occasions to reflect on what has taken place, to understand what has emerged and resulted and how we arrived at this place, and to celebrate progress and accomplishments. The 20 years of work for social change at the Appalachian Community Fund has included disappointments and victories, struggles and growth, losses and gains. It has included unforgettable people, places of location and of connection, opportunities for dreaming and creating, and communities of hope and promise.

More than 20 years ago, a group of activists, community leaders, fundraisers, and committed citizens from around the region held a vision for building community-based philanthropy for social change and supporting long-term and emerging grassroots movements for justice. Since this seed was planted, ACF has become a leader for social change philanthropy in Central Appalachia and is a critical grantmaking resource for social action and community organizing. In June of 1987 ACF made its first grant awards to 19 organizations for a total of $20,000. In 2007 ACF awarded a total of $303,695 to 60 grassroots groups (featured in this issue); and, in its 20-year history, ACF has awarded over $5 Million to more than 300 groups.

The Appalachian Community Fund is deeply grateful for the donors and grantees that have strengthened the community and social fabric of the region and the ACF family. Our work has continued and grown through the generous support of more than 1300 individuals over the past 20 years. In addition, partnerships with the Alexander Fund of the New York Community Trust, the Mary Reynolds Babcock Foundation, ACF’s donor-advised funds and special initiatives for strategic funding needs, the Funding Exchange, and the Ford Foundation/Southern Funding Collaborative have helped ACF support creative and courageous grassroots organizations throughout the mountains, valleys, small towns, and cities we serve.

In this special 20TH Anniversary edition of AppalActions (first published as Appalachian Actions in 1989), the board and staff of the Appalachian Community Fund honor and profoundly thank the donors and grantees who have created a mutually supportive community, who have worked together, struggled together, and accomplished more together than any of us could alone.

We hope you will join in celebrating ACF’s 20TH anniversary and the successes and risks that so many have taken to make the movement for social change in Central Appalachia possible. ACF is honored to have been a part of helping build and sustain organizations and community leadership that are taking risks to solve the long-term and systemic problems Central Appalachia faces. Thank you to all of the grantees and donors who have been a part of ACF’s 20-year history and to all who continue to work for justice today, tomorrow, and in the future!
USE YOUR APPALACHIAN WILL POWER: LEAVE A LEGACY FOR CHANGE

The Appalachian WILL Power Legacy Circle (formerly the Democracy Will Circle) are ACF donors who have recognized the Appalachian Community Fund in their WILL, estate plan, or other planned giving arrangements. Through their foresight and generosity, members of the Legacy Circle are using the power of their WILL to provide a steady stream of resources for future generations of community leaders, grassroots activists and those committed to building a more just, equitable, and compassionate society.

We thank those donors who have joined the Appalachian WILL Power Legacy Circle for including ACF in their WILLS and estate plans, ensuring they will leave a legacy of their values and vision. If you have included ACF in your WILL, please let us know so that we may acknowledge your thoughtful intentions. We are honored to be a part of your legacy!

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WILLS & BEQUESTS

When including ACF in your WILL, you can choose among one or more bequests including the following:

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Leaves a stated amount of cash, securities, and/or other property to ACF

❖ PERCENTAGE BEQUEST
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Leaves the remainder of your estate to ACF after all other bequests are fulfilled

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When you are preparing or making changes to your WILL, we strongly encourage you to consult your professional advisors.
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**APPALACHIAN COMMUNITY FUND 2007 GRANTEES**

**GENERAL FUND GRANTEES**

**APPALACHIAN TEEN LEADERS, WHITESBURG, KENTUCKY, $4,000**
Funding will provide youth leadership development and training opportunities and support for community projects and dialogue on injustices in the community.

**APPALACHIAN WOMEN’S ALLIANCE, FLOYD, VIRGINIA, $7,500**
apalachianwomen.org
Support is for the Clinicco Center in rural Dickenson County which bridges black and white communities and addresses issues of education and isolation.

**APPALACHIAN WOMEN’S LEADERSHIP PROJECT, HAMLIN, WEST VIRGINIA, $7,500**
The grant award will help build leadership skills in teens and young women through the Girls Resiliency Program, and will support the current Building Tolerance, Creating Change Project which will help participants develop an understanding of the mechanisms of oppression.

**APPALSHOP, WHITESBURG, KENTUCKY, $2,000**
appalshop.org
Funds are for the “Thousand Kites” project – a continuation of the “Holler to the Hood” project, which uses art, culture, education, and media to address issues faced by communities impacted by the prison industry. It will build networks and partnerships with rural prison communities and prisoners’ home communities; and create a play script woven of songs, stories, poetry and letters to and from prisoners.

**BIG CREEK PEOPLE IN ACTION, WAR, WEST VIRGINIA, $10,000**
bigcreekpeopleinaction.org
The grant supports three Young Leaders programs in the 6TH poorest area in the US: (1) Education and Economic Opportunity to help access higher education, (2) Just and Democratic Communities to build leadership and citizenship skills, and (3) Leaders for Change addressing race and class issues.

**CARPETBAG THEATRE, KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE, $2,000**
carpetbag.org
Funding for this 37-year old African-American community arts company is for the project on Howard Armstrong, an African-American-Appalachian musician and linguist. The project combines music and spoken word to bring the history and diverse culture of the region to communities in Central Appalachia.

**CITIZENS FOR POLICE REVIEW, KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE, $6,500**
discoveret.org/cpr/
Grant support is for monitoring and documenting racism in the criminal justice system and for efforts to use multimedia to assist community discussions and education about problems and solutions to criminal justice issues.

**CLIFFORD PROJECT OF FRIENDS OF BLACKWATER, CHARLESTON, WEST VIRGINIA, $7,500**
jcclifford.org
Funding is for the J.R. Clifford education and history project in the schools and combating racism through making invisible history visible and through developing an African-American history curriculum for schools in WV.

**CLINCH COALITION, COEBURN, VIRGINIA, $10,000**
clinchoalition.net
Funding supports the High Knob Jefferson National Forest program to create alternatives to deforestation and promote and advocate for sustainable forest practices and economic development.

**COAL RIVER MOUNTAIN WATCH, WHITESVILLE, WEST VIRGINIA, $6,000**
crmw.net
Grant funds will help support the Healthy Communities: Environmental Protection in the Coalfields program to fight Mountain Top Removal mining; to protect and monitor community health; and to stop destructive environmental practices.

**COMMUNITY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT NETWORK OF EAST TENNESSEE, KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE, $7,200**
The grant supports a network of organizations through the African-American Task Force, the Latino Task Force, and the Rural Task Force. The Task Forces address issues such as the unwritten history of African Americans in East Tennessee, barriers to Spanish-speaking citizens’ participation in the community, and economic development in rural areas with high unemployment.

**COMMUNITY FARM ALLIANCE, FRANKFORT, KENTUCKY, $10,000**
communityfarmalliance.org/
Funds will support the “Farm to Community; Creating Healthy Farms, Healthy Economies” program in 3 Appalachian counties, and development of creative models for rural economic development strategies and connecting farmers with community and state markets.

**COMMUNITY HOUSE COOPERATIVE, NEWPORT, TENNESSEE, $7,500**
easttencontact.org
Grant funds are for peer mediation and youth leadership programs especially related to substance abuse prevention; to continue the community information hub, the Newport Community Network, a storefront headquarters; and to expand the Tanner Tech-Media Center which is a critical tool for adult learning opportunities.

**COMMUNITY SHARES OF TENNESSEE, KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE, $7,500**
communitysharesTN.org
Grant support will help foster a strong and viable statewide network of social change organizations working in coalition with over 50 member groups building resources through tapping workplace payroll deductions. Work is also focused on workplace organizing and employer relations as well as leadership and membership development programs.

**DIRECT ACTION WELFARE GROUP, CHARLESTON, WEST VIRGINIA, $8,000**
wwdawg.org
Funds are to help develop advocacy skills for low-income people and others confronting the deep impacts of poverty and will help support partnerships in all 55 West Virginia counties with a teen information fair and youth training at the Family Leadership Conference. Other initiatives supported include Making Connections trainings, the Family First Conference, and Teen DAWG which offers training to teen parents.

**EAST TENNESSEE LESBIAN, GAY, BISEXUAL, TRANSGENDER, QUESTIONING (LGBTQ) YOUTH PROJECT, KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE, $3,000**
easttencontact.org
Grant support will provide seed funding to help develop networks and information for the Youth At-Risk initiative in rural counties and develop leaders and organizational capacity to create a non-profit organization.
HIGHLANDER RESEARCH AND EDUCATION CENTER, NEW MARKET, TENNESSEE, $5,000
highlandercenter.org
Funds are for continuation of the Multi-Lingual Capacity Building Project which provides training and workshops for social justice interpreters in Appalachia and the Southeast and in immigrant communities.

IN PRAISE OF MOUNTAIN WOMEN, DUNGANNON, VIRGINIA, $7,500
minforum.org/calendar/events/020/6pio.htm
Grant funding will provide resources for a regional gathering of rural and low-income Appalachian women: “Celebrating Our Home Place: This Land is Home to Me” which provides spaces and opportunities for women to connect out of isolation and focus on care of self and the earth.

JUBILEE PROJECT, SNEEDVILLE, TENNESSEE, $5,000
jubileeproject.holston.org
Funding will be used to support the Jubilee Cooperative Assistance Project which works to preserve Appalachia’s farm heritage, food traditions, and crafts as major changes in traditional employment sources threaten communities; and will assist over 100 members to increase self-sufficiency and sustainability.

KENTUCKY COALITION, LONDON, KENTUCKY, $7,500
kftc.org
The grant is for the Voter Empowerment Project in Eastern Kentucky counties to develop leadership, facilitate voter education and registration, and provide honest information about national, state, and local policies and issues.

KENTUCKY JOBS WITH JUSTICE, LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY, $5,000
kywj.org
This first time grant is awarded to build coalitions for Brown-Black Dialogues in Appalachian counties through workshops and trainings on civil and immigrant rights and to develop strategies and networks for workers.

KINGSPORT CITIZENS FOR A CLEANER ENVIRONMENT, KINGSPORT, TENNESSEE, $7,500
Grant funds will support the “Environmental Justice: Wishes and Wisdom” program which links youth from the African-American community with older adults to tour and improve environmental sites, and for public forums to train community members on environmental issues and advocacy related to chemical industry pollution.

MOUNTAIN STATE ACTION CENTER, LEWISBURG, WEST VIRGINIA, $4,000
This first time grant will support a leadership retreat among statewide disability advocates and organizations to address key policy issues of “handicapism” and civil rights, and to help build infrastructure for change.

NEW EMPOWERMENT FOR WOMEN, LOGAN, WEST VIRGINIA, $7,500
Grant funds will support the Mentoring Program for African-American high school young female and male leaders and will addresses educational inequalities, community history, and higher education opportunities.

OAK RIDGE ENVIRONMENTAL PEACE ALLIANCE, OAK RIDGE, TENNESSEE, $7,500
stopthebomb.org
Funds support the campaign to halt production of nuclear weapons at the Y12 plant nuclear plant, and to educate and mobilize community action to help understand the economic impact of spending that could be supporting education, health care, housing, and economic development in poor and rural communities.

OHIO VALLEY ENVIRONMENTAL COALITION, HUNTINGTON, WEST VIRGINIA, $7,500
ohvec.org
Support is for the “Appalachian Coalfields - Friends of the Mountain” program to protect against Mountain Top Removal (MTR) and resulting valley fill, and to expand outreach, leadership development, and activities in coalfield communities.

OWSLEY COUNTY ACTION TEAM, BOONEVILLE, KY, $10,000
maced.org/ocat-story.htm
This first time ACF grant will support broad-based economic and community development and youth leadership projects in the poorest county in Appalachia. The program will build on community assets and will change conditions that keep people in poverty.

SAVE OUR CUMBERLAND MOUNTAINS, LAKE CITY, TENNESSEE, $10,000
socm.org
Support is for the Mountaintop Removal Organizing Project work to keep MTR out of Tennessee and expand the interpretation of the Clean Water Act through public and private meetings; partnering against MTR with churches, civic groups, and outdoors enthusiasts; mobilizing media attention and supporters; amending new permitting and enforcement policies; and pressuring for a water quality policy blocking future MTR permits.

SOLUTIONS TO ISSUES OF CONCERN TO KNOXVILLIANS, KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE, $7,500
discoveret.org/solutions
Grant funds will aid the efforts of low and moderate income citizens to take action and focus on issues arising from the state Healthcare System cuts, Welfare Rights and Income Support policies, and local issues around access to affordable and safe housing.

SOUTH CENTRAL EDUCATIONAL DEVELOPMENT, BLUEFIELD, WEST VIRGINIA, $7,500
scedwv.com
Funds will help expand outreach to hard-to-reach communities suffering from HIV. Community Mobilization and Empowerment teams will develop “Popular Opinion Leaders” from the African-American community to engage peers. Grant funds will also help support the Enhancement, Prevention and Technology Center which offers a computer lab to help HIV-positive persons research their conditions, and the “Sounds of Prevention” program will challenge youth to write songs and poetry about prevention education.

SOUTHERNERS ON NEW GROUND, DURHAM, NORTH CAROLINA, $5,000
southernersonneground.org
Grant funding supports organizing schools and leadership development for lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender leaders and will use “think tanks” and technical support to create a network across race, gender, geography, culture, and sexuality and will assist with distribution of multimedia curriculum throughout Appalachia and the South.

TENNESSEANS FOR FAIR TAXATION, KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE, $5,000
yourtax.org
This first time ACF grant will expand work into Appalachian counties through town hall meetings and advocacy for improved health care policies; building networks and awareness to expand health care for poor and uninsured people; and improving the quality of low-income health care.

TENNESSEE IMMIGRANT AND REFUGEE RIGHTS COALITION, NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE, $5,000
tnimmigrant.org
Grant funds are for the East Tennessee Campaign work around Grassroots Civic Participation linking constituencies around shared issues, and engaging immigrant leaders in civic participation and understanding civil rights and to strengthen and unify immigrant communities.

VIRGINIA BLACK LUNG ASSOCIATION, RICHLANDS, VIRGINIA, $7,500
Grant funds for this long-term work will help support documentation of mine incidents and work sites so that “hot spots” can be aggressively addressed. Grassroots pressure to reform the Black Lung Benefits Program will be sustained through training, developing and pursuing local strategies and public education, monitoring black lung claims, and documenting younger workers with black lung and pulmonary fibrosis.
VIRGINIA ORGANIZING PROJECT,* CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA, $10,000 virginia-organizing.org Funding will facilitate the opening of a new Appalachian field office which will assist new and emerging groups as well as help long-standing projects and organizations connect to statewide policy and networks and build support for statewide campaigns on issues affecting Appalachian areas.

WEST VIRGINIA FREE, CHARLESTON, WEST VIRGINIA, $4,000 wvfree.org Grant funds will help promote education and legislation around reproductive rights and women’s health especially for rural teens. The statewide Emergency Contraception Project (“EC in the ER”) will continue surveys of hospital and pharmacy practices, and when completed will yield a directory for young woman seeking contraceptive support – a critical tool for young women in rural areas with limited choice of pharmacies.

*Organizations based outside of the region are funded for their work in Central Appalachia.

TOTAL GENERAL FUND GRANTEES: 38 TOTAL AWARDED: $243,700

MEDIA JUSTICE INITIATIVE

APPALACHIAN INSTITUTE FOR MEDIA JUSTICE /APPALSHOP, WHITESBURG, KENTUCKY, $7,500 appalshop.org/ami Grant funding is to develop a Media Toolkit for regional gatherings to explore with grassroots organizations the role of media in our society through popular education and other training.

COMMUNITY MEDIA ORGANIZING PROJECT KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE, $6,000 tennessee.org This multi-state Media Toolkit grant is to create a best practices media handbook generated by its six member groups and other organizations in the region and the South to share media analysis, strategies and essential skills needed for media justice work.

TENNESSEE HEALTH CARE CAMPAIGN,* NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE, $5,000 tenncare.org This Media Toolkit grant is to support upper East Tennessee volunteers developing and using a progressive framework to engage local media and to build skills for media work and analysis.

CENTER FOR RURAL STRATEGIES, WHITESBURG, KENTUCKY AND OHIO VALLEY ENVIRONMENTAL COALITION, HUNTINGTON, WEST VIRGINIA, $7,500 ruralstrategies.org, ohec.org A community media collaboration grant will help develop a Community Reporter Network in low-income communities in southern West Virginia that will grow into a regional project for alternative grassroots media.

TOTAL AWARDED: $26,000

GAY AND LESBIAN INITIATIVE

EAST TENNESSEE LESBIAN, GAY, BISEXUAL, TRANSGENDER, QUESTIONING (LGBTQ) YOUTH PROJECT, KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE, $2,000 for organizational and leadership development

COMMUNITY HOUSE COOPERATIVE, NEWPORT, KENTUCKY, $5,000 for participation in the “Realizing the Dream” Summit, $100 easttncontact.org

COMMUNITY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT NETWORK OF EAST TENNESSEE, KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE, for Dismantling Racism Workshop, $200

COMMUNITY HOUSE COOPERATIVE, NEWPORT, TENNESSEE, for participation in the “Realizing the Dream” Summit, $200 easttncontact.org

DIRECT ACTION WELFARE GROUP, CHARLESTON, WEST VIRGINIA, for attending the Progressive Technology Camp, $450 wvdawg.org

EAST TENNESSEE LESBIAN, GAY, BISEXUAL, TRANSGENDER, QUESTIONING (LGBTQ) YOUTH PROJECT, KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE, for organizational planning, $500

ESTILL DEVELOPMENT ALLIANCE, IRVINE, KENTUCKY, to attend a leadership school, $875 estillcountyky.net/

KENTUCKY ENVIRONMENTAL FOUNDATION, BREA, KENTUCKY, for a multi-state Environmental Justice Tour, $600

NATIONAL POULTRY JUSTICE ALLIANCE,* AUSTIN, TEXAS, for organizational development work in Central Appalachia, $500 npja.org

TENNESSEE CLEAN WATER NETWORK, KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE, for Undoing Racism Training, $200 tewn.org

TOTAL TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE GRANTEE: 13 TOTAL AWARDED: $5,695

SPECIAL INITIATIVE GRANT

APPALACHIAN CITIZENS LAW CENTER – MINE SAFETY PROJECT, PRESTONSBURG, KENTUCKY, $25,000 appalachianlawcenter.org Grant funding supports this special project committed to making coal mines safer places to work and ensuring that miners do not have to choose between work that threatens their life and limbs and no work at all. The project provides a voice for miners in legal arenas and in advocating for state and federal policy reform for mine safety.

Donor-Advised Grant Programs:

HEARTSTONE FUND

PEACE EDUCATION PROJECT, LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY for work with children and teenagers in non-violent resolution and diversity training, $1,000

GRAND TOTAL FOR 2007 GRANTMAKING:

TOTAL NUMBER OF GRANTEES: 60 TOTAL AMOUNT AWARDED: $303,695

APPALACHIAN COMMUNITY FUND HAS A NEW WEBSITE DESIGN PLEASE CHECK OUT OUR NEW AND IMPROVED WEBSITE

APPALACHIANCOMMUNITYFUND.ORG

CHANGE, NOT CHARITY**
ACF understands the importance of building organizational and regional capacity to seek solutions to the region’s most pressing problems and issues. ACF supports groups with little or no access to other financial resources and grassroots groups which are often too small, too new, or working on issues that are too controversial for traditional funding sources. Providing early money for new efforts that need nurturing is one of the hallmarks of ACF's work, as is steadily and patiently providing critical resources over the long-haul to affect lasting change. As a part of the Appalachian Community Fund family, you can be proud that over the past 20-years your support has helped fund brave, citizen-led social action which has achieved victories for change including the following:

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| The first women are hired as fire fighters in West Virginia. | Women & Employment, Charleston, WV |
| The region's first shared-use “Kitchen Incubator” opens for farmers and rural producers to add-value to their agricultural products by creating and marketing specialty home-grown foods. | Jubilee Project, Sneedville, TN |
| $300 million to finance low-income home ownership and rental construction loans accessible to immigrant communities is approved by the Virginia State Housing Development Authority. | Virginia Organizing Project, Charlottesville, VA |
| The first regional gatherings and celebrations for lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender people living in isolated parts of the region are held in Tennessee. | Regional Mountain Top Festival, Louisville, KY |
| 450 women (over 15 years) from all parts of Appalachia, living in geographically and emotionally isolated areas, come together for their first experiences of leaving their communities and participating in a large gathering devoted to sharing skills, telling and writing “herstories,” and celebrating and renewing themselves. | In Praise of Mountain Women, St. Paul, VA |
| Ashland Oil Company’s US refineries are brought into EPA compliance after pressure from citizens in West Virginia and Kentucky. | Ohio Valley Environmental Coalition, Huntington, WV |
| 56 teenagers overcome great odds to attend the college of their choice; these teens grew up in the 6TH poorest area in America where 49% of all adults in the county have dropped out of high school. | Big Creek People in Action, War, WV |
| Community health and education outreach programs for immigrant residents are opened. | Appalachian Peace Education Center, Abingdon, VA |
| Local governments finally recognize and celebrate the Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday in Jefferson County and Cocke County, TN through citizen action. | Citizens for Justice Equality and Fairness, Dandridge, TN; Community House Co-Op, Newport, TN |
| An African-American cultural center is established in a small historic schoolhouse, which is saved from demolition. | Lee County Historical & Cultural Association, Pennington Gap, VA |
| National attention is brought to human rights violations, racism, and economic development issues in Kentucky and Virginia through the documentary “Up the Ridge: A U.S. Prison Story,” part of the multi-media Holler to the Hood (H2H) project; state corrections departments are pressured to address myriad human rights issues in the system by prison rights activists, prison family members and Appalachian justice groups. | Appalshop – Holler to the Hood Project, Whitesburg, KY |
| Over 50 discriminatory bills against lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender people are stopped and the passage of local fairness amendments in Kentucky succeeds. | Kentucky Fairness Alliance, Frankfort, KY |
| The regional movement to stop Mountain Top Removal (MTR), the process of blasting off the tops of mountains for coal, grows and the environmental and economic destruction caused by MTR in Central Appalachia receives national press from the New York Times, Vanity Fair, NOW with Bill Moyers on PBS, and through environmental visits to the region by Kathie Mattea, Robert F. Kennedy Jr. and other celebrities and prominent environmentalists. | Coal River Mountain Watch, Whitesville, WV; Ohio Valley Environmental Coalition, Huntington, WV; Save Our Cumberland Mountains, Lake City, TN; Kentucky Coalition, London, KY; and other partners |
Teen pregnancy and prevention programs are established throughout WV and protection of women’s reproductive rights are sustained; all anti-choice legislation in 2006 is defeated through lobbying partnerships with lawyers, faith communities, women’s health groups, and civil rights groups.

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600 jobs at a boot factory are saved and 500 displaced workers are helped in a lawsuit over improper layoff notices; several worker exchange trips between Mexico and Tennessee are organized.

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Kentucky agrees to allocate 50% of the over $3 billion tobacco Master Settlement Agreement for local and non-industrial agricultural initiatives and economic development, and to create stable alternatives to tobacco income.

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$2 million dollars for water cleanup and for water and sewer improvements is paid by Arch Minerals to citizens in Southwest Virginia for black water spills that contaminated miles of streams.

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<th>Coalition for Jobs &amp; the Environment, St. Charles, VA</th>
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The first Citizens Review Board to address police brutality and other issues of civil rights is established and succeeds in holding the city and the police accountable.

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The building of waste incinerators and creation of mega-land fills is stopped in Eastern Kentucky.

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Hundreds of victories of personal empowerment are supported and opportunities to develop one’s voice are nurtured; communities are strengthened by taking collective action, building common understandings and community-based solutions to local problems; people living in geographically isolated areas are increasingly more connected to others; and communities are supported and applauded for their strengths and victories for justice.

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– Peggy Mathews, Founding Board Member, 1991

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**CHATTANOOGA INDIGENOUS RESOURCE CENTER AND LIBRARY, ACF GRANTEE, 2000**

**BIG CREEK CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER IN WAR, WV, ACF GRANTEE, 1994**

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