



THANK YOU

**On behalf of everyone at the Manitoba Eco-Network,
thank you so much for your support this past year.**

With a small, dedicated staff of three people, and a re-invigorated volunteer Board of Directors, our active committees have been busy providing support to community policy initiatives, developing an updated strategic plan and implementing a new fundraising strategy, courtesy of funding from the Winnipeg Foundation.

We are happy to take on important projects that promote positive environmental action and continue to keep a close eye on environmental policy at every level of government. We are able to do this work and strengthen Manitoba's environmental community because of your generosity. You have made so much of our work possible.

Glen Koroluk

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, MANITOBA ECO-NETWORK



Your support is going towards the work that's needed most.

This year, you are holding all levels of government accountable to good environmental governance.

As one of Manitoba's few policy advocacy focused environmental NGOs, the Manitoba Eco-Network is proud to represent your stewardship in the dialogue between the environmental community and municipal, provincial, and federal legislative decision-makers. You make it possible for us to bring your voice to important conversations and hold governments accountable to the environment.

SILICA MINING

When southeastern Manitoba's waters were under threat, you answered the call. You raised over \$13,000 for the Save Our Water campaign to keep the Winnipeg Sandstone and Red River Carbonate aquifers from the impacts of the Vivian Sands Extraction Project. The Manitoba Eco-Network, with community members Our Line in the Sand, What the Frack Manitoba, and the Manitoba Energy Justice Coalition, used your contributions to:

- Bring in an independent expert to testify at the Clean Environment Commission hearing.
- Directly support local communities in southeastern Manitoba who are affected by the Vivian Sands Extraction Project.



Thanks to your support, the Clean Environment Commission declared that the Vivian Sands Extraction Project does not pass its impact assessment!

This year, you are supporting resilient communities.

With your help, the Manitoba Eco-Network can take on projects that empower local communities in their relationships with the environment. In 2023, our work focused on building resilience among communities that face significant challenges as the climate becomes more hostile. You brought these projects to life:



HEALTHY ENVIRONMENT, HEALTHY NEIGHBOURHOODS

In March 2023, the Manitoba Eco-Network published *Healthy Environment, Healthy Neighbourhoods*, an interdisciplinary study that examined how industrial development and contaminated sites affect people living in inner-city and mature neighbourhoods. Through your generosity, we created a valuable resource which impacted communities and legislators can use to achieve environmental justice. The report shed light on:

- Toxic substances and how they impact Winnipeg neighbourhoods.
- The government responses to land-use conflicts between industrial and residential zones.
- Policy and legal options that impacted communities can use to access environmental justice and better protect the health and the environment.

NEIGHBOURHOOD CLIMATE RESILIENCE PROJECT

In the spring of 2020, the Manitoba Eco-Network conducted the first phase of the Neighbourhood Climate Resilience project which identified the gaps in knowledge and existing efforts to prepare communities for climate change impacts, such as heat waves, energy poverty and lack of green space.

This year, we are developing actionable climate adaptation plans with Spence Neighbourhood Association, West Broadway Community Organization and West End Resource Centre (formerly the Daniel McIntyre St. Matthews Community Association).

Your generosity towards this project is building climate resilience in Winnipeg's inner city. Your contributions allowed us to:

- Listen to community organizations, leaders, and members to learn about what they need most to build a climate resilient neighbourhood.
- Engage students from the University of Winnipeg Inner City Studies Program to undertake research on climate adaptation tactics.
- Develop a collaborative, actionable strategy that will transform Winnipeg's inner city into a climate-safe, green city.



This year, you are empowering advocates with public legal education.

Your generosity is building a community that is informed about how legal processes affect their work. *Navigating the Law to Protect the Environment* is a series of webinars that empower activists, lawyers, and students to leverage legal tools for environmental protection. The Manitoba Eco-Network, in partnership with the Public Interest Law Centre and the University of Winnipeg, continues to connect the environmental community with insights from legal experts.

The Manitoba Eco-Network prioritizes improving access to legal tools to protect the environment. Your contributions help make these tools accessible and:

- Deliver a new series of webinars this fall to a diverse range of audiences.
- Hold an in-person gathering mid-November to identify law reform opportunities in a post-provincial election world.

Because of you, the environmental community is more prepared to tackle the issues of:


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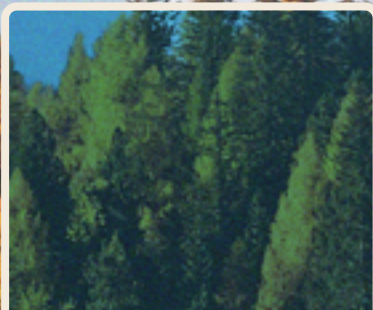
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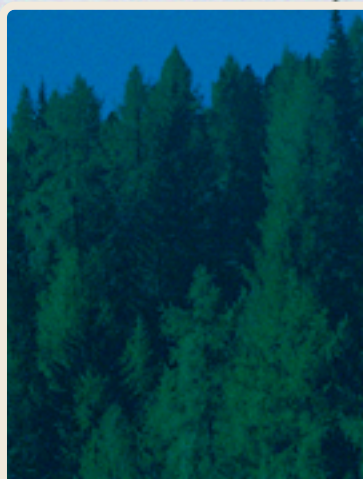


**Your support is growing
and so are we.**



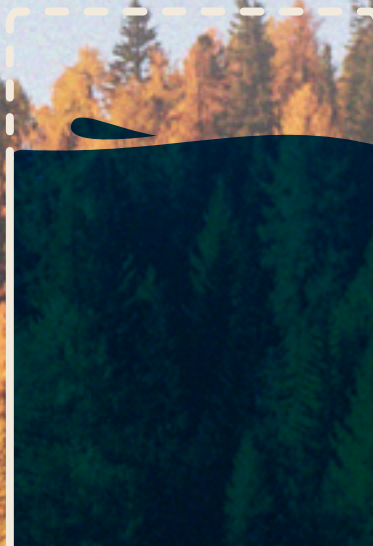
\$36,000

Raised in 2021/22



\$56,000

Raised in 2022/23



\$65,000

Goal for 2023/24

In 2022, you raised \$36,000 to support the Manitoba Eco-Network. Last year, our efforts were made possible by your contributions of \$56,000. We are grateful for your generosity that allows us to work on environmental issues that matter most to you.

It is clear that more positive environmental action is critical in Manitoba today. The Manitoba Eco-Network is excited to tackle on more projects, engage with more communities, and build capacity to protect the environment with this year's goal to raise \$65,000.

Your stewardship keeps us going!

2024 will mark the 40th year of Manitoba Eco-Network's efforts to promote positive environmental action. Join us in celebrating the rich history of environmental justice in Manitoba as we strive to be stronger than ever as advocates for the environment.

In the next year, we're focusing on developing more projects that prepare communities for climate change due to global warming and building more legal tools to protect the environment. This milestone is on the horizon because of you, and we can't wait to see what the next 40 years will look like together.

**Thank you for supporting the work that we do
and trusting us to bring your voice forward
in environmental policy discussions.**



**Here's to
2024!**



Thank you!

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