



# MOTHER EARTH RESTORATION TRUST

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# **MOTHER EARTH RESTORATION TRUST**

- aka Peoples of the Earth Coffee
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#### MISSION

To bridge pre-ancient wisdom with the modern world for the unification of all peoples, to awaken and inspire conscious actions worldwide for Mother Earth Restoration. **EIN** 47-3799205

RULING YEAR 2016

**IRS SUBSECTION** 501(c)(3) Public Charity

FOUNDING YEAR 2015

MAIN ADDRESS PO Box 1213 Durango, CO

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AFFILIATION TYPE

Independent Organization

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CO - DIRECTOR

Erica Ohliger

**CO-DIRECTOR** 

Nelson Caraballo

**BOARD CHAIR** Nelson Caraballo

SUBJECT AREA Religion

NTEE Code Religion Related, Spiritual Development N.E.C. (X99)

#### PROGRAMS

1. Recovery of Ancestral Lands

Population(s) served: Indigenous people, Indigenous people

2. Aid to Elders

Population(s) served: Indigenous people, Indigenous people

3. POEC (Peoples the Earth Coffee)

Population(s) served: Indigenous people, General/Unspecified

4. Women's Initiative

Population(s) served: Indigenous people, General/Unspecified

5. Children's Program

Population(s) served: Indigenous people, General/Unspecified

#### **POPULATIONS SERVED**

- 1. Adults
- 2. Indigenous peoples

#### COMPLIANCE

- ✓ IRS Pub 78 Verified as of September 2021
- ✓ IRS BMF 509(a) (1) as of September 13, 2021
- ★ A-133 Audit Required/Performed?
- ✓ Conflict of Interest Policy
- ✓ Written whistleblower policy

Section 509(a)(1) organization as referred to in Section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)

#### **TRANSPARENCY MEASURES**

- ✓ Board Practices Reported?
- X Diversity Data Reported?
- 7 Number of Independent Board Members

# Programs & Results

#### PROGRAMS

Source: Self-Reported by Organization, September 2021

#### **Recovery of Ancestral Lands**

**Population(s) Served:** Indigenous people Indigenous people

Cultural and spiritual values are key elements for the restoration and perpetual conservation of important, bio-diverse areas. We aim to help recover lands that can be returned to indigenous peoples who have a sacred, ancestral relationship with the territory. Doing so serves the dual purpose of bio-cultural preservation.

#### **Aid to Elders**

**Population(s) Served:** Indigenous people Indigenous people

Elders guiding the process embracing the programs MERT develops in La Sierra (4 peoples) need to be very well nourished with better sustenance: native foods, medicine, cotton for clothing, reduced stress and autonomy to fulfill the sacred responsibilities that assures the spiritual basis on which all our programs unfolds. Better sustenance is key to inspire them to hold strong, as this work is long, arduous and very, very demanding and if not careful, brings states of exhaustion. This program tends to these needs

#### **POEC (Peoples the Earth Coffee)**

**Population(s) Served:** Indigenous people General/Unspecified

While strengthening spiritual and cultural values in La Sierra, POEC brings coffee into the

world as a sacred element interacting with peoples to bring greater level of awareness. Also, increases sustainability in those cultivating it and who we work with. The coffee is proving to be a spiritual communications device that also helps in bridging pre-ancient wisdom and the modern world. POEC ialso helps with a shift in the industry towards greater care of the Earth and the peoples thru educational messages.

#### Women's Initiative

#### Population(s) Served:

Indigenous people General/Unspecified

Out of the Women's Initiative begun in 2016, extends The Circle for All Life, constituted by women from around the world, who answering the "call from the Mother" participate in profound immersions in the pre-ancient wisdom from La Sierra to heal the Feminine and Nature by healing themselves. Closely articulated to our Journeys and Field Work program, this program is rippling pre-ancient wisdom to many others around the globe, while remaining anchored in La Sierra thru Women, Elders, Children we work with.

#### **Children's Program**

#### **Population(s) Served:**

Indigenous people General/Unspecified

The seeds of wisdom are kept alive and in perpetuity only when they are transmitted to the new generations by the Elders who received them from their Elders. This programs facilitates and assures the generational transmission of the wisdom by supporting children (and their Elders), who due to historical processes, were losing their own ability to do so.

#### What is the organization aiming to accomplish?

With initial steps well underway for the development of our organization structural plan, during 2021 up to December 2022 we aim to to complete said plan and as we do so, with the full participation of our Board Members, and with the collaboration of the community of supporters. that directly experience the benefits of our programs at the individual and collective levels, we will be implementing said plan.

#### What are the organization's key strategies for making this happen?

Using The "problem" has been presented to all existing Board Members and Advisors for analysis, out of which a "strategic plan" to develop board membership(s) descriptions, based on consultations with the Mother Earth, through our Advisors/Elders, came about.

The plan is underway and work space and times for its development have been established. This actually implies an immersion into the "ways of the ancients" that requires presence with the Elders, in Nature, to receive guidance from the Mother. Through this immersion, we will also have the guidance for new board member requirements (Manual).

With authentic commitments in place to disciplined actions, an evaluation of the current admin and operational procedures will be effectuated to determine necessary actions/steps for continued, organically balanced expansion/growth, beginning with new board membership from individuals already pre-screened for this purpose.

#### What are the organization's capabilities for doing this?

Our Board currently consists of individuals who after at least 2 years with us, and have gained knowledge and experience (capabilities) with the unique work we do and thus know how processes/dynamics required to achieve in our short, mid and long term goals are sustained.

This also gives everyone on the team a clear vision of what to look and ask for from others stepping into the intimicies of our Board to become new members, thereby making each member of the team a key element in the elaboration of the "Manual."

#### What have and haven't they accomplished so far?

Consultations with Advisors/Elders have begun through and immersion that already took place with them earlier this year, which began to shed light on the requirements/"Manual" for new Board Members . Another session is scheduled later this year, which will bring the fulness of the consultations to bear so that we can then proceed to elaborate the "Manual." With this in place, invitations to potential Board Members will be issued to begin the process required for their full participation. Furthermore, a degree of membership has been established with a small group that has been part of our organization programs, thus are familiar with the core values and principles we cultivate within the organization. It is from within the context of this group that we have identified and pre-screened potential Board Members.

# Financials

FISCAL YEAR START: 01/01 FISCAL YEAR END: 12/31

## **Financial Trends Analysis**

#### **Business Model Indicators**

#### Created in Partnership with



Profitability	2019
Unrestricted surplus (deficit) before depreciation	-\$35,163
As a % of expenses	-14.9%
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Revenue Composition	
Total revenue (unrestricted & restricted)	\$199,708
Total revenue, % change over prior year	0.0%
Program services revenue	2.1%
Membership dues	0.0%
Investment income	0.1%
Government grants	0.0%
All other grants and contributions	99.7%
Other revenue	-1.9%
Expense Composition	
Total expenses before depreciation	\$235,611
Total expenses, % change over prior year	0.0%
Personnel	16.6%
Professional Fees	3.7%
Occupancy	0.1%
Interest	0.0%
Pass-Through	55.8%
All other expenses	23.8%

## **Financial Trends Analysis, continued**

#### Moving Toward Full Cost Coverage

Full Cost Components (estimated)	2019
Total Expenses (after depreciation)	\$235,611
One Month of Savings	\$19,634
Debt Principal Repayment	\$0
Fixed Asset Additions	\$0
Total Full Costs (estimated)	\$255,245

#### **Capital Structure Indicators**

Liquidity	
Months of cash	0.2
Months of cash and investments	0.2
Months of estimated liquid unrestricted net assets	0.2
Balance Sheet Composition	
Cash	\$4,794
Investments	\$0
Receivables	\$0
Gross land, buildings, and equipment (LBE)	\$1,097
Accumulated depreciation (% of LBE)	0.0%
Liabilities (as % of assets)	30.1%
Unrestricted net assets	\$4,120
Temporarily restricted net assets	N/A
Permanently restricted net assets	N/A
Total restricted net assets	\$0
Total net assets	\$4,120

#### Key Data Checks

Material Data Errors	2019
	No
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- Formulas for key metrics
- Key Revenue & Expense Data from Form 990'
- Key Balance Sheet Data from Form 990'

# Operations

Source: Self-Reported by Organization, September 2021

#### **CO-DIRECTOR**

## Nelson Caraballo

Convinced that the ancestral presence on the planet and its continuity with the life originating (pre-ancient wisdom) principles represents a possible route for finding solutions to restoring the natural balance in the world, Nelson Caraballo is devoted to contributing to the resurgence of original thought in the mind set of modern day societies.

He was the Director of Fundación, Ciencia, Arte y Cultura – FUNDARCULTURA – based in Medellin, Colombia and has spent the last fifteen years working under the guidance of traditional authorities from the four pueblos of La Sierra Nevada de Santa Marta.

Today, through The Mother Earth Restoration Trust, he continues to be in function of Spiritual Authority to help in restoring environmental, social and cultural balance on our beloved planet Earth.

#### **CO - DIRECTOR**

## Erica Ohliger

...With a lifetime commitment to Mother Earth Restoration, I seek dialogue with those in agreement that humanity is at a crossroads and should enter a process of profound analysis of self to determine which actions individually and collectively we need to mend in order to bring about a transition towards social, cultural and environmental integrity.

In doing so, I understand that I am acting in benefit of the collective whole, thus preparing a legacy for the children of the world that come behind and that constitute the future generations.

In my understanding a mother is always caring for the needs of her children, therefore the voice of the feminine holds great relevance for definitive action towards healing and restoring our Beloved Mother Earth and is deeply honored and vital.

Understanding the current situation the entire world is in, our organization that I am co-founding, seeks to define the root cause of the crisis humanity currently faces as a collective whole.

#### NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES

Source: IRS Form 990

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	2019			

# <sup>board chair</sup> Nelson Caraballo

Term: 2022 - 2019

#### BOARD CO-CHAIR

Erica Ohliger

Term: 2022 - 2022

#### **BOARD MEMBERS**

Mona Hoffman

Donna Nash

Deborah Emmanuelle

Della Romero

#### OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, TRUSTEES, AND KEY EMPLOYEES

Name	Title	Compensation	Other	Related
Nelson Caraballo	President / Co-Executive Director	\$17,500	\$0	\$0
Erica Ohlinger	Vice President / Co-Executive Director	\$15,150	\$0	\$0
Rachel Bennett	Secretary / Treasurer	\$500	\$0	\$0
Peter Loomis	Director	\$0	\$0	\$0
Katie Teague	Director	\$0	\$0	\$0
Darla Loomis	Director	\$0	\$0	\$0
Donna Nash	Director	\$0	\$0	\$0

#### **Officers Directors, Trustees, Key Employees**

Name	Title	Compensation	Benefits/Deferred Compensation	Expense Account, Other
Nelson Caraballo	President	\$17,950	\$0	\$0
Erica Ohliger	Vice President	\$17,700	\$0	\$0
Rachel Bennett	Treasurer	\$321	\$0	\$0
Katie Teague	Secretary	\$0	\$0	\$0
Peter Loomis	Director	\$0	\$0	\$0
Darla Loomis	Director	\$0	\$0	\$0
Donna Nash	Director	\$0	\$0	\$0

#### **Officers Directors, Trustees, Key Employees**

Name	Title	Compensation	Benefits/Deferred Compensation	Expense Account, Other
Nelson Caraballo	President	\$15,025	\$0	\$0
Erica Ohliger	Vice President	\$13,790	\$0	\$0
Rachel Bennett	Treasurer	\$1,370	\$0	\$0
Katie Teague	Secretary	\$0	\$0	\$0
Peter Loomis	Director	\$0	\$0	\$0
Darla Loomis	Director	\$0	\$0	\$0
Donna Nash	Director	\$0	\$0	\$0

#### **Officers Directors, Trustees, Key Employees**

Name	Title	Compensation	Benefits/Deferred Compensation	Expense Account, Other
Erica Ohliger	Vice President	\$13,867	\$0	\$0
Nelson Caraballo	President	\$11,600	\$0	\$0
Katie Teague	Secretary/Treasurer	\$0	\$0	\$0
Peter Loomis	Director	\$0	\$0	\$0
Darla Loomis	Director	\$0	\$0	\$0

#### **Paid Preparers**

#### FISCAL YEAR 2019

Firm Name	Firm EIN	Firm Address	Firm Phone
Foundation Group Inc		1321 Murfreesboro Pike Ste 610, Nashville TN 37217 USA	615-361-9445

#### **Paid Preparers**

FISCAL YEAR 2018

Firm Name	Firm EIN	Firm Address	Firm Phone
Foundation Group Inc		1321 Murfreesboro Pike Ste 610, Nashville TN 37217 USA	615-361-9445

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#### **BOARD LEADERSHIP PRACTICES**

GuideStar worked with BoardSource, the national leader in nonprofit board leadership and governance, to create this section, which enables organizations and donors to transparently share information about essential board leadership practices.

BOARD ORIENTATION & EDUCATION	
Does the board conduct a formal orientation for new board members and require all	No
board members to sign a written agreement regarding their roles, responsibilities,	
and expectations?	
CEO OVERSIGHT	
Has the board conducted a formal, written assessment of the chief executive within	No
the past year?	
ETHICS & TRANSPARENCY	
Have the board and senior staff reviewed the conflict-of-interest policy and	No
completed and signed disclosure statements in the past year?	
BOARD COMPOSITION	
Does the board ensure an inclusive board member recruitment process that results	No
in diversity of thought and leadership?	
BOARD PERFORMANCE	
Has the board conducted a formal, written self-assessment of its performance within	No
the past three years?	

#### **Organizational Demographics**

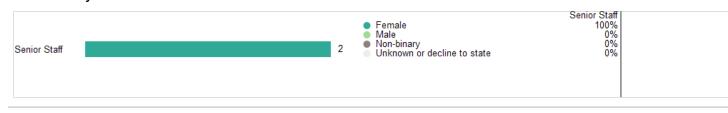
Who works and leads organizations that serve our diverse communities? This organization has voluntarily shared information to answer this important question and to support sector-wide learning. GuideStar partnered on this section with CHANGE Philanthropy and Equity in the Center.

#### Leadership

The organization's leader identifies as:

#### No data

# Race & Ethnicity Senior Staff Senior Staff Asian American/Pacific Islanders/Asian 0% Black/African American/African 0% Hispanic/Latino/Latina/Latinx 0% Native American/American Indian/Indigenous 0% White/Caucasian/European 100% Multi-Racial/Multi-Ethnic (2+ races/ethnicities) 0% Additional Ethnicities \* 0% Unknown or decline to state 0%



#### **Sexual Orientation**

No data

#### Disability

No data.

# Appendix

Key Documents	
IRS Forms 990	2019 990
	2018 990
	2017 990
	Z <u>2016 990</u>
	Z <u>2015 990</u>
IRS Forms 990T	Not Available
Audited Financial Statements	Not Available
Key Organization Documents	Z Letter of Determination

Key Revenue & Expense Data from Form 990'

Key Balance Sheet Data from Form 990'

### MOTHER EARTH RESTORATION TRUST

Aka Peoples of the Earth Coffee

PO Box 1213 Durango, CO 81302

EIN

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47-3799205

- Foundation Status Code: PC\*
- Public charity described in section 509(a)(1) or (2)

#### **IRS Publication 78 Details**

**IRS Pub 78** verified

**IRS BMF** 

509(a)(1)

Organization name Location Most recent IRS Publication 78 Mother Earth Restoration Trust Durango, CO September 2021 Deductibility status description Verified with most recent Internal Revenue Bulletin 47-3799205 A public charity (50% deductibility limitation). September 13, 2021

#### **IRS Business Master File Details**

Organization name MOTHER EARTH RESTORATION TRUST Most recent IRS BMF September 13 2021

**IRS** subsection This organization is a 501(c)(3) Public Charity **Reason for Non-Private Foundation Status** Section 509(a)(1) organization as referred to in Section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi) Ruling date 06/2016

This organization was not included in the Office of Foreign Assets Control Specially Designated Nationals (SDN) list.

On September 8, 2011, the IRS issued regulations which eliminated the advance ruling process for a section 501(c)(3) organization. Learn more

\* The Foundation Status Code is the code that foundations are required to provide for each grantee annually on part XV of Form 990PF. Note that this code cannot be derived in some cases (e.g., supporting organizations for which 'type' can't be determined).

IRS Revenue Procedure 2011-33 allows grantors to rely on third-party resources, such as GuideStar Charity Check, to obtain required Business Master File (BMF) data

concerning a potential grantee's public charity classification under section 509 (a) (1), (2) or (3).

#### GuideStar Charity Check Data Sources

-GuideStar acquires all IRS data directly from the Internal Revenue Service

-IRS Publication 78 (Cumulative List of Organizations) lists organizations that have been recognized by the Internal Revenue Service as eligible to receive tax-deductible contributions.

-The <u>IRS Internal Revenue Bulletin</u> (IRB) lists changes in charitable status since the last Publication 78 release. Between the release of IRS Publication 78 and the subsequent IRS Internal Revenue Bulletin, the IRB date will reflect the most recent release date of IRS Publication 78.

-The <u>IRS Business Master File</u> lists approximately 1.7 million nonprofits registered with the IRS as tax-exempt organizations.

-The IRS Automatic Revocation of Exemption List contains organizations that have had their federal tax-exempt status automatically revoked for failing to file an annual return or notice with the IRS for three consecutive years

-The Foundation Status Code is a value derived by mapping the codes found on the <u>990PF filing instructions</u> to the corresponding codes in the IRS BMF. Note that not all codes are able to be mapped due to insufficient data.

-The Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC) <u>Specially Designated Nationals (SDN) list</u> organizations that are owned or controlled by targeted individuals, groups, and entities, such as terrorists or narcotics traffickers. Their assets are blocked and U.S. persons are generally prohibited from dealing with them.