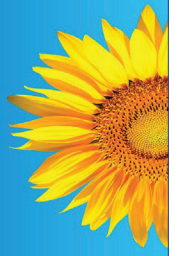


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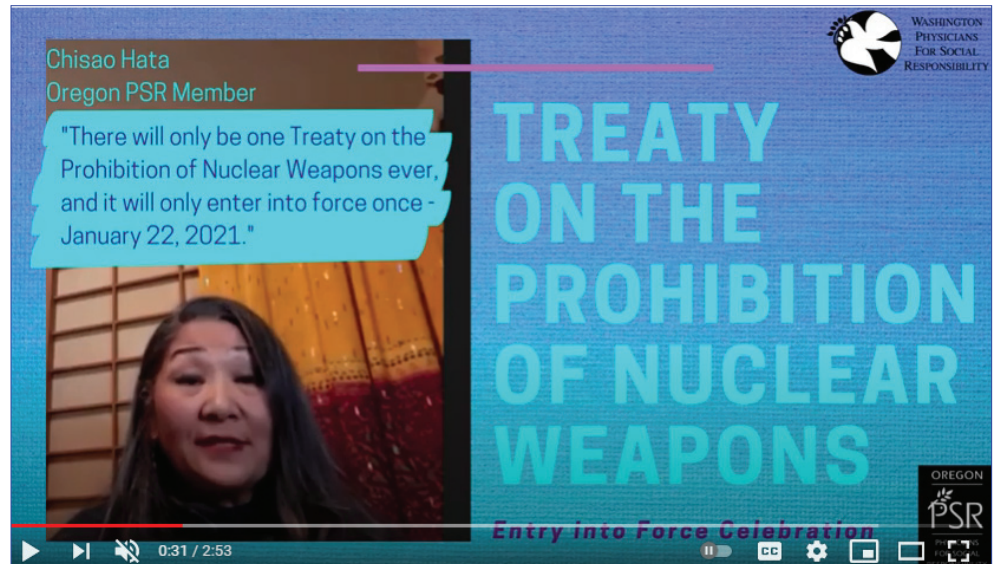
Making Connections Online for Peace & Justice

Sean Tenney, Associate Director

Though 2020 and the early months of 2021 have posed a unique set of challenges to Oregon PSR's work, we continue to learn and implement new ways to grow our movement for a more healthy, just, and peaceful world. With the support of our members and volunteers, we have taken advantage of online meeting technologies to broaden the reach of our Peace Program efforts well beyond the borders of our state, involving new partners and reaching new audiences. If you missed any of our recent events, be sure to check them out on our website, Facebook page, or our new YouTube channel.

Online Nuclear Activism

In January, we partnered with Washington PSR to celebrate the entry into force of the Treaty on



Advisory Board member Chisao Hata hosts our online celebration of the nuclear ban treaty's entry into force.

the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons and explore how it advances nuclear justice with a lively Zoom party. We shared a virtual toast to celebrate and were joined by speakers including Congressman Earl Blumenauer; Dr. Vincent Intondi, author of

African Americans Against the Bomb: Nuclear Weapons, Colonialism, and the Black Freedom Movement; Kianna Juda-Angelo, Pacific Islander advocate, founder of Living Islands, and co-founder of the COFA Alliance National Network; Stan Shikuma, President

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Hope for a Healthy Climate in Challenging Times

Damon Motz-Storey, Healthy Climate Program Director

It is a little staggering to reflect on everything that has happened over the past year: wildfires and ice storms destroying communities in Oregon and beyond and demonstrating that climate chaos is upon us; the deadliest wave of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic and the arrival of approved vaccines; and a presidential election that signaled the end of the Trump

Administration alongside a very disturbing reminder on January 6th that the violent right-wing extremism and white nationalism of Trumpism is still with us.

Not only is it wearying to continue keeping our distance from each other after twelve long months of Zoom calls, it is also very hard simply to keep up with the news of our daily societal

traumas. We must also never forget that for Black, Indigenous, Latine, Asian, and Pacific Islander communities, the violent trauma of racism is ever-present in the form of hate crimes, police brutality, mass incarceration, unequal access to health care, and so much more. We need to show up and dismantle white supremacy in every space that we inhabit.

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Dear Oregon PSR Supporter,

What an extraordinary time for Oregon Physicians for Social Responsibility to be celebrating our 40th anniversary. With the support of our members, donors, and volunteers, we've accomplished so much in these past four decades!

Challenging times can be times of profound growth and learning, and this has certainly been the case for Oregon PSR. The movements to promote peace and justice and to protect our climate continue to grow, and I encourage you to continue reading about our ongoing work to make our world more just, peaceful, and healthy for all.

With tremendous effort and lots of preparation, we are engaged in this year's Oregon State Legislative session to a remarkable degree, and we are in the unusual position to work for good, proactive legislation, as there are fewer bad bills to fend off than we are accustomed to. You can learn more about our 2021 legislative agenda on our website.

Over the past year, we have begun a new partnership with the Oregon Justice Resource Center to address mass incarceration as both a public health and a justice issue, an especially relevant topic in a time of pandemic. Please read about this important collaboration and our joint success in ensuring that all incarcerated persons in Oregon get prioritized for receiving COVID-19 vaccines to curtail the spread of this deadly virus in our communities.

The Greenfield Peace Scholarship is always a highlight of my year. I am inspired by the creativity, optimism, and idealism of the young people who participate. This year's theme is



Patrick O'Herron, MD and his daughter, Violet.

Art & Creation: Self Expression, Activism, and Social Change, and we've asked for the submissions to be works of visual art from students who identify as Black, Indigenous, and people of color (BIPOC). Please join us on Thursday, April 29th at 6:30 PM for our online awards ceremony, which will premiere on our YouTube channel.

I think that Oregon PSR has been so effective over the last 40 years because we combine a focus on human health with the vision of a better world. I had a glimpse of how powerful the intersection of those ideas can be when I volunteered to supervise a COVID-19 vaccination clinic recently. It was deeply moving to see everyone working together to get as many people vaccinated as possible. I sat side by side (masked and six feet apart, of course) with a group of National Guard members as we drew up shots and saw them administered. My role was to answer questions and address any adverse reactions. Because there weren't many questions and no significant adverse reactions, I was mostly just pitching in on the vaccination effort.

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I have complicated feelings about the military, having gotten my start in medicine as an Air Force rescue medic and with the GI bill helping to pay for my college and medical school. While I appreciate how this benefitted me personally, I see how harmful the US imperial project and militarism have been. Seeing National Guard members carrying out a public health mission, rather than a military one, was particularly meaningful to me. That vaccination effort was a tangible example

“I think that Oregon PSR has been so effective over the last 40 years because we combine a focus on human health with the vision of a better world.”

of a possible world where we work together to confront crises such as a worldwide pandemic, where our resources are redirected to beneficial projects like promoting public health, restoring the environment, building affordable housing, and providing care for children, the elderly, and those with chronic health problems.

With your support, Oregon PSR will continue to work to make the world we live in more like the one that we all need.

In peace, solidarity, and justice,



Patrick O'Herron, MD

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of the Japanese American Citizens League (Seattle Chapter); and Dr. Hideko Tamura Snider, *hibakusha* (atomic bomb survivor), anti-nuclear activist, and One Sunny Day Initiatives founder. Our host was performing artist, educator, and Oregon PSR Advisory Board member Chisao Hata, with ASL interpretation by Fingers Crossed Interpreting. Our thanks go to the International Campaign to Abolish Nuclear Weapons (ICAN) for providing a grant to support this event as part of a worldwide celebration of this historic milestone for nuclear justice.

In early March, our Executive Director Kelly Campbell led an interactive skills-building workshop titled *Growing the Nuclear Abolition Movement through Local Resolutions* during the Ending Nuclear Weapons Before They End Us online conference organized by Back from the Brink and the Nobel Peace Prize-winning ICAN. The conference featured an expert panel and Q&A followed by interactive workshops to provide activists with the tools



Oregon's efforts featured in the Growing the Nuclear Abolition Movement through Local Resolutions workshop.

to effect change for nuclear justice under the Biden Administration. Kelly led the workshop in collaboration with former Oregon State Representative Alissa Keny-Guyer, who championed our Senate Joint Memorial 5 bill in support of the nuclear ban treaty in the Oregon legislature in 2019.

On March 11th, the ten year anniversary of the triple meltdown of the Daiichi nuclear power plant in Fukushima, Japan, we hosted *Remembering Fukushima 10 Years Later: A Film Screening &*

Panel Discussion. In advance of our panel discussion, we screened the documentary film *Little Voices From Fukushima*, and we were honored to be joined by the filmmaker, Hitomi Kamanaka, along with panel members Norma Field, Ruiko Muto, and Leona Morgan, who discussed the film and the disastrous impacts on communities from radioactive contamination released from the 2011 meltdown in Fukushima. Our distinguished panelists also shared their thoughts on the dangers of nuclear

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technologies, from uranium mining at the beginning of the nuclear cycle to the precarious burial of nuclear wastes, and explored the concept of nuclear colonialism. This event was part of the Cascadia Arts Film Festival, organized by Oregon PSR Advisory Board member Yukiyo Kawano and CORE (Consequences of Radiation Exposure) member Laura Feldman.

Our online activism for nuclear justice extends beyond these events, with staff and volunteer efforts leading Oregon to have more elected representatives signing the Parliamentary Pledge to support the nuclear weapons ban treaty than every other state in the nation combined! We also continue to gain support for our petition to Oregon State University (OSU), which received a \$4.3 million grant from the National Nuclear Security Administration to work on computer simulations relative to ensuring the safety and security of the US nuclear weapons stockpile. Visit our website to sign the petition encouraging OSU staff to consider dismantling the US nuclear stockpile in their simulations, as the safest way to secure nuclear weapons is to dismantle and dispose of them.

Racism, Gun Violence, & Other Health Threats

We continue to weigh in on the public health crises of racism and gun violence, as well as police accountability and other issues impacting many of the frontline communities we work with. Due to the pandemic, we're submitting testimony on these and other pressing issues virtually.



We testified in support of Oregon's HB 2337 to declare racism a public health crisis and take steps to address the disproportionate health impacts experienced by Black, Indigenous, and people of color (BIPOC) Oregonians. As our recent testimony states: "If ever there was a moment when the health gaps have become acutely evident, it is now in the midst of the COVID-19 pandemic. This virus has shined a light on so many health inequities with a ferocity that none can honestly deny. The virus knows no racial boundaries, yet from the disproportionately high representation of BIPOC individuals as essential frontline workers to the burden of the disease to the disparity of vaccine access, our ability to respond to this pandemic is constrained by the binds of racism."

We also supported our frontline partners from the Marshall Islands by testifying in favor of SB 706 and SB 557, which would ensure that citizens of the Marshall Islands, Micronesia, and Palau living in Oregon have access to the health and dental care they need.

We're supporting police accountability legislation, including a bill that creates a new, mandatory use-of-force database to track incidents of police brutality. We are drawing connections between how policing in our society, which is deeply rooted in centuries of systemic racism, is linked to a militarized foreign policy, and bringing attention to police violence as a public health threat, especially for communities of color.

We continue to organize around the epidemic of gun violence. We're supporting legislation to close loopholes that increase the risks of gun violence, enforce safe gun storage, limit the carrying of guns in public buildings, and more. We know that gun violence, like so many public health crises, disproportionately impacts communities of color, and that it is most effectively addressed by communities working together to discern best solutions. As gun deaths rise and mass shootings continue to plague our society, our work for common-sense gun violence legislation feels more urgent than ever.

Though some of the bills to ensure police accountability and sensible gun legislation may not make it through this Oregon legislative session, we'll continue these necessary efforts to protect the health, safety, and well-being of our communities.

Visit our website and follow us on social media to learn more. Interested in volunteering with our Peace Work Group? Email sean@oregonpsr.org for details.

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I'll be honest, I've had a hard time holding on to hope these days. And yet, that's exactly what I want to focus on here, because there are so many reasons to hold hope in our hearts. To ground ourselves amid today's battering winds, let's look back at what we've accomplished together through Oregon PSR's Healthy Climate Program and what's on the horizon.

The Portland Clean Energy Fund

The Portland Clean Energy Fund is granting \$8.6 million in funds to community groups for energy efficiency upgrades, rooftop solar installations, green infrastructure projects, and job training in these fields. Over 85% of those served are from BIPOC communities, low-income Portlanders, women, and people with disabilities, and tens of millions of additional dollars will be awarded later this year. Huge thanks to so many of you who worked with us to support this groundbreaking campaign.

Jordan Cove LNG

Jordan Cove LNG is on the ropes. The company behind the proposed fracked gas pipeline and export terminal in southern Oregon is admitting that they can no longer predict a start date for the project due to a wide array of local and state permit denials that were upheld this winter by federal agencies. While we and our partners in the Power Past Fracked Gas coalition continue to resist the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's approval of the project in court here in Oregon,



Young activists protest fracked gas at the Oregon State Capitol (photo courtesy of Power Past Fracked Gas)

we also stand in solidarity with the #StopLine3 resistance to stop a tar sands pipeline from cutting through Anishinaabe treaty territory in Minnesota.

Our Work in Oregon's 2021 Legislative Session

Good policies are advancing in the Oregon Legislature, despite a multitude of challenges. We are supporting a policy to expand compassionate early medical release from Oregon prisons (SB 835) and the exciting Oregon Clean Energy Opportunity campaign to pass the Energy Affordability Act (HB 2475), Healthy Homes (HB 2842), and 100% Clean Energy for All (HB 2021). Three bad bills to exempt small modular nuclear power from Oregon's common-sense laws restricting new nuclear power in Oregon did not get scheduled for work sessions, which means that they will not move forward this session.

Although the time of COVID-19 has been challenging to work in, it is encouraging to see bipartisan support for environmental justice measures that have the potential to shift the dynamic in Salem on climate policy. Visit our website for a full list of the bills we're supporting this year.

As challenging as it has been to continue our work from our homes, it has also been joyful to work together to make a difference where we can. From defeating a Washington State permit for the proposed Kalama methanol facility in February to commemorating the 10th anniversary of the Fukushima nuclear disaster in March to celebrating the acceleration of vaccination eligibility for adults in prison custody, there are many rays of light amid the darkness of the past year. Now, as we inch closer to widespread vaccination from COVID-19, we look forward to gathering again with our

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partners and members to celebrate our collective victories while also mourning the immeasurable losses that our communities have suffered. Looking ahead, the federal government is finally in a position to invest in the just transition from fossil fuels to clean energy, and opportunities abound for making further progress in our movement for a healthy and livable climate for present and future generations.

We also bid farewell to our Energy Justice Organizer, Lluvia

Merello, who took an exciting opportunity to work for the Portland Indigenous Marketplace, which she helped to found, in March. Lluvia contributed so much to our Oregon PSR community, including her work in the campaign to stop the Zenith Energy facility, to support sensible forest policies and resist fossil fuel projects, and to build a new partnership with the Oregon Justice Resource Center to educate and mobilize our members on the health crisis of mass incarceration. We're so grateful

for Lluvia's time with us, and we're currently onboarding a new Climate Justice Organizer to help us expand upon Lluvia's remarkable success. Mark your calendars to attend a Portland Indigenous Marketplace on Saturday, June 26th to support Lluvia's next venture.

Thank you so much for your support of our Healthy Climate Program. To learn more and get involved, contact me at damon@oregonpsr.org. Stay safe, stay well, and take care!

Taking an Equity-Based Approach to Our Work for Clean Air

Carina Perez Europa, Clean Air Organizer in Marion County

At the beginning of 2020, Oregon PSR began a campaign to close the waste incinerator that has been in operation for 34 years in Brooks, Oregon, just north of Salem. This incinerator has been burning not only residential waste but also out-of-state medical waste which, when burned, releases toxic chemicals into the air that our communities breathe. Our work has continued despite the year-long struggles over COVID-19, wildfires, and, more recently, severe winter weather.

Since 2020, we've been actively involved in lobbying to defeat pro-incinerator legislation at the state level. We've partnered with local community groups that are committed to an equity-based approach of closing down the incinerator and advocating instead for the adoption of a zero waste solution in the area. Together with Oregon PSR, these groups have formed Clean Air Now, a coalition that has engaged in



The Covanta incinerator in Marion County emits a plume of toxic smoke into the surrounding community.

community conversations about the incinerator. We've also been actively engaging in conversations with local community representatives and are thoroughly involved in the DEQ comment process relative to questions and concerns that our communities have about Covanta's ability to receive an air permit at all.

At the moment, Covanta is up for its Cleaner Air Oregon review, and Oregon PSR is committed

to making sure that Covanta is reviewed fully and accurately. We'll continue to work with community members most affected by the incinerator and make sure that they are able to engage with all these processes. If you want to follow along with the work, please email me at carina@oregonpsr.org. To learn more about our community coalition, please follow Clean Air Now on Facebook or check out our website at cleanair-now.org.

Mass Incarceration as a Public Health Crisis

Lluvia Merello, Energy Justice Organizer



A screenshot from our most recent mass incarceration and public health webinar in collaboration with the Oregon Justice Resource Center.

Mass incarceration is a major public health issue in the United States. With over 2 million people currently incarcerated, the US leads the world by far in incarceration rates. The negative health impacts created by mass incarceration are present not only in prisons, but also in the communities that prisons are located and the communities where adults in custody come from, which are disproportionately lower income communities and communities of color.

It has been more than a year since our lives were first disrupted by the COVID-19 pandemic, and Oregon PSR is approaching our first year of engaging in advocacy work concerning the health and safety of people incarcerated in Oregon prisons. In April of last year, we were alerted to the fact that not a single adult in custody in Oregon's prisons had been released, despite the huge risks

posed to incarcerated populations during a global pandemic, and that some were even being incarcerated beyond their official release date. We wrote letters to Governor Brown expressing our concerns and reached out to local community organizations that were also doing advocacy work relative to the health and safety of adults in custody in Oregon prisons.

Since then, we have worked regularly with the Oregon Justice Resource Center (OJRC) to advocate for lessening the state's prison population to curtail the spread of COVID-19, for adults in custody to have access to flu vaccinations to avoid a 'twindemic' in Oregon prisons, and to fund and fill an Oregon State Corrections Ombudsman position. We have co-hosted several webinars with OJRC to inform the public on this work, and we are now

working to ensure passage of SB 835/HB 3298, the goal of which is to update Oregon's compassionate release laws. These laws recognize that it is in the best interest of our communities for incarcerated Oregonians to be released when, due to medical conditions, their continued incarceration is inhumane and no longer furthers the purported goals of their imprisonment.

Through this year of work and research into the impacts of the pandemic on incarcerated Oregonians, it has become increasingly apparent that mass incarceration is, and has been, a public health crisis, and that it will continue to be so even after the pandemic has subsided. Please visit our website to learn more about our work around mass incarceration as a public health issue and to view recordings of our joint webinars with the Oregon Justice Resource Center.

Meet the Greenfield Peace Scholarship 2021 Judges!

Katy Morrow, Oregon PSR Program Assistant

The Greenfield Peace Scholarship 2021 application deadline was on March 12th, and we received 43 qualifying entries in a wide variety of mediums from youth all across the state. The anonymous judging process has been completed and the winning entries selected. Our special thanks to our amazing panel of judges, who you can learn more about below. The Greenfield Peace Scholarship 2021 Awards Ceremony honoring the student winners will be a virtual event premiering on Oregon PSR's YouTube channel on **Thursday, April 29th beginning at 6:30 PM**. For more details on the awards ceremony and how you can join us, visit our website or social media pages.



Left to right: Leah Altman, Yukiyo Kawano, Lamarra, Kezia Setyawan, and Matt Smith, our Greenfield Peace Scholarship 2021 panel of judges.

Leah Altman: Leah grew up in the Portland urban Native American community and comes from a background in Portland-area social service and environmental justice nonprofits, primarily in grant writing and donor development. She works for the Native Arts & Cultures Foundation and is on the Board for Advancing Gender Equity in the Arts and the Advisory Board for Portland State University's book publishing program. She has been published in several magazines, including *Indian Country Today*, PSU's *MetroScape*, and online *brass magazine*, and she is working on her first book.

Yukiyo Kawano: Yukiyo, an artist, performer, educator, Cascadia Arts Film Festival co-coordinator, and Oregon PSR Advisory Board member, is a third-generation *hibakusha* (atomic bomb survivor) who grew up decades after the bombing of Hiroshima. Her artwork is "a direct response to the tragedy of the past," she states, "but the past I depict wants to remember the present. People say my work is like a dream; it is not meant to deliver certainties. It asks us to remain in the present, so that we can develop a new relationship of mind and body, confront the ongoing deceptive rhetoric that surrounds us, reject violence, and save ourselves from our own extinction."

Lamarra: Lamarra (she/her) emigrated from Kingston, Jamaica to Portland at the age of seven and has been in Portland ever since. Her high school art teacher, Charlene Simmons, helped foster Lamarra's interest in art. Lamarra creates colorful 2-D mixed media work. She sometimes shares that work on Instagram @melancholymaker.

Kezia Setyawan: Kezia is a recent graduate of the University of Oregon where she majored in journalism. She is currently a general reporter at *The Courier* and *Daily Comet* newspapers in Houma-Thibodaux in south Louisiana. Kezia believes that beauty is found in small details of behavior. Her work centers and amplifies the voices of those who have been pushed to the margins through storytelling.

Matt Smith: Matt is from Phoenix, AZ, but before arriving in Portland, he taught in South Korea for four years as an ESL teacher. He's been writing for eleven years and had short stories published in a handful of digital publications. He is currently working on his first full length novel, a sci-fi tale about captives in space.

Oregon PSR's 2021 State Legislative Agenda

Oregon PSR is hard at work under challenging circumstances to push for a bold state legislative agenda in 2021. We are excited to be focusing on the emerging Oregon Clean Energy Opportunity campaign to advance environmental justice, chart a course towards 100% clean electricity, and provide energy relief for families who need it most. We're also working to address the public health crisis of mass incarceration, stop ill-advised nuclear power exemption bills, and advance progress on gun violence prevention, police accountability, racial justice, and more. Learn more about our legislative agenda at oregonpsr.org/oregon_psr_s_2021.



Celebrating 40 Years of Work for Health, Peace, & Justice

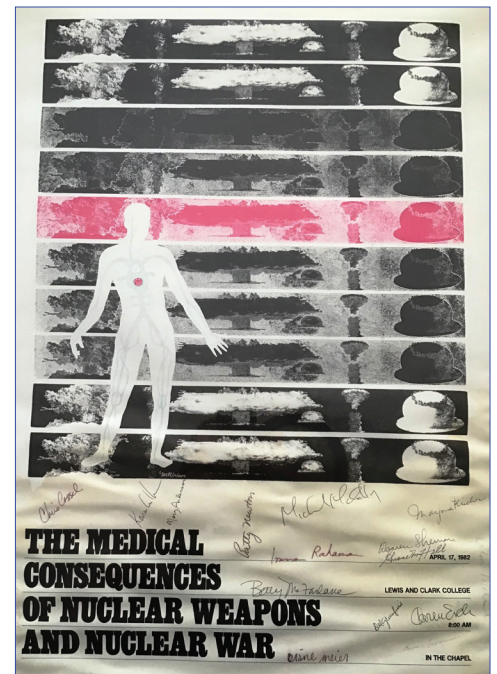
Kelly Campbell, Executive Director

Oregon PSR is celebrating our 40th year of work for a more healthy, peaceful, and just world in 2021. We began from the powerful vision of our founders who sat on the living room floor in Dr. Karen Steingart's house and strategized about how a health message could help prevent nuclear war. Over the next forty years, countless members, volunteers, and donors brought their passion and leadership to the organization, bringing a broad public health frame to issues such as environmental justice, gun violence, and climate health, learning and growing along the way. Thanks to this strong foundation, we've become a recognized leader in the interconnected movements for a healthy climate, a more just and equitable society, and a more peaceful, nuclear-free world.

To celebrate four decades of work, we'll be telling the stories of our organization's history through our social media channels, an interactive timeline on our website, and our archive at OHSU. I have started talking to some of our leaders throughout the years and

I'm learning more about powerful pieces of the organization's history, such as a conference of more than 1,000 participants on the Developing Child in a Violent Society, details of the groundbreaking work on community participatory research with Hanford Downwinders, and helping found a mobile lead screening clinic serving Black youth. I'd love to hear from you about your memories of significant accomplishments, partnerships, and projects throughout the years. How have you seen the organization grow or change? What is your hope for the next 40 years of Oregon PSR? We'll be collecting and sharing members' memories, ideas, photos, and videos throughout the year. Please reach out to me if you have stories, thoughts, or memorabilia to share at kelly@oregonpsr.org, and be sure to follow us on Facebook, Twitter, or Instagram and subscribe to our new YouTube channel to learn more about our history.

Stay tuned for details about a 40th anniversary celebration in October 2021, where we'll gather to reflect on our four decades



A poster for an event we organized in 1982.

of achievements, hopefully in person. We'll also be working to grow our base of financial support this year to ensure an effective organization for the next 40 years. We're kicking this off with a campaign to add 40 new monthly donors to sustain our work. Will you consider becoming a monthly donor in honor of our 40th year? Visit oregonpsr.org/recurring_donation or call me at 502-274-2720 to set up your monthly donation. Thank you!

Interview with Catherine Bax, PA, Healthy Climate Action Team Member

Oregon PSR Program Assistant Katy Morrow recently conducted an online interview with Catherine Bax, PA (*pictured here*), a member of our Healthy Climate Action Team.



How long have you been a part of Oregon PSR?

“I feel like I’ve always been peripherally involved in PSR. In the 70s, when living in Los Angeles, my involvement primarily consisted of participating in anti-nuke actions and Hiroshima/Nagasaki memorials every year. We moved to Portland in 1993 but I didn’t really start volunteering with Oregon PSR until about 2014 after I’d retired from Virginia Garcia Memorial Health Center.”

What is your background in public health/medicine?

“In 1976, my first job after nursing school was at the United Farm Worker’s Clinic in Delano, California. Working in the clinic and being part of the farmworkers’ struggle not only for better wages and benefits, but for humane working conditions, was radicalizing for me. After leaving the UFW, I worked/volunteered at a free clinic on Skid Row in Los Angeles, another life-changing, career-forming experience. I went back to school at University of California, Davis where I graduated from the Family Nurse Practitioner/Physician Assistant Program. As an FNP/PA I worked for 13 years at a Federally Qualified Health Center in South Central Los Angeles and then at Virginia Garcia Memorial Health Center here in Oregon.”

What made you first get involved with Oregon PSR and what about the organization has made you want to stay involved?

“After retiring from Virginia Garcia, my wife Ann Turner and I were horrified by the prognosis for the planet and decided that a good place to put our energy was in the environmental movement. Marilee Dea, a long-time friend of ours and a long-time Oregon PSR activist, suggested we contact Regna Merritt at Oregon PSR. We met with her, were inspired by her dedication and her ability to articulate a clear strategy to confront the fossil fuel industry locally, and we joined up. The staff and leadership and active membership at Oregon PSR is not only effective but also welcoming, supportive, and willing to take on tough issues and opponents. I am proud to be and love being part of the Oregon PSR community.”

What compelled you to work with the team at the Oregon Justice Resource Center?

“I think someone from Oregon PSR’s staff asked for volunteers to write a letter to Governor Brown to address the public health crisis that the COVID-19 pandemic had created in the crowded Oregon state prisons by releasing individuals from the prisons. We were especially concerned about the people who are older and have health conditions that make them more vulnerable to COVID-19. With the virus raging in the US and especially in congregate settings, and especially in the prisons, it seemed really important to speak up for the people stuck in these crowded COVID-19 virus incubators.”

Anything you’d like to share about your work with Oregon Justice Resource Center?

“Oregon PSR and OJRC meet for an hour or so on Zoom almost every week. I am so impressed by the staff. They are all brilliant, focused, strategic, and so dedicated to helping the people who are in the prisons. I am inspired by the compassion and dedication that they bring to their work.”

Our sincere thanks to Catherine for her tremendous volunteer efforts! To learn more about volunteering with Oregon PSR, contact info@oregonpsr.org today. We look forward to working with you!

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