

GLOBAL JUSTICE ECOLOGY PROJECT, INC.

**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEARS ENDED**

MARCH 31, 2024 AND 2023

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Board of Directors
Global Justice Ecology Project, Inc.

Opinion

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Global Justice Ecology Project, Inc. (a nonprofit organization), which comprise the statements of financial position as of March 31, 2024 and 2023 and the related statement of activities, functional expenses and cash flow for the year then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Global Justice Ecology Project, Inc. as of March 31, 2024 and 2023 and the changes in its net assets and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of Global Justice Ecology Project, Inc. and to meet our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about Global Justice Ecology Project, Inc.'s ability to continue as a going concern within one year after the date that the financial statements are available to be issued.

Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with generally

accepted auditing standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of Global Justice Ecology Project, Inc.'s internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about Global Justice Ecology Project, Inc.'s ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control related matters that we identified during the audit.

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SKROBACZ & COMPANY
CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS, P.C.

Buffalo, New York

February 27, 2025

GLOBAL JUSTICE ECOLOGY PROJECT, INC.

Statements of Financial Position

March 31, 2024 and 2023

	<u>Assets</u>	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Current Assets			
Cash		\$ 183,996	\$ 306,873
Grants receivable		118,833	45,000
Prepaid expenses		24,250	-
		<u>327,079</u>	<u>351,873</u>
Property and equipment, net		<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Other Assets			
Cash restricted for specific purpose		606,162	447,592
Employee loan		321	-
		<u>606,483</u>	<u>447,592</u>
 Total Assets		 <u>\$ 933,562</u>	 <u>\$ 799,465</u>
 <u>Liabilities and Net Assets</u>			
Current Liabilities			
Accounts payable		\$ 37,641	\$ 5,505
Accrued expenses		17,312	28,285
Agency funds payable (Note 2)		14,185	17,139
Total current liabilities		<u>69,138</u>	<u>50,929</u>
Net Assets			
Without donor restrictions		230,323	255,966
With donor restrictions		634,101	492,570
Total net assets		<u>864,424</u>	<u>748,536</u>
 Total Liabilities and Net Assets		 <u>\$ 933,562</u>	 <u>\$ 799,465</u>

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GLOBAL JUSTICE ECOLOGY PROJECT, INC.

Statement of Activities

For the Year Ended March 31, 2024

	<u>Without Donor Restrictions</u>	<u>With Donor Restrictions</u>	<u>Total</u>
Revenue and Support			
Contributions and grants	\$ 791,268	\$ 634,101	\$ 1,425,369
Program	66,658	-	66,658
Other income	1,199	-	1,199
	<u>859,125</u>	<u>634,101</u>	<u>1,493,226</u>
Net assets released from restrictions	492,570	(492,570)	-
Total revenue and support	<u>1,351,695</u>	<u>141,531</u>	<u>1,493,226</u>
Expenses			
Program services	1,084,401	-	1,084,401
Management and general	259,655	-	259,655
Fundraising	33,282	-	33,282
Total expenses	<u>1,377,338</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,377,338</u>
Change in net assets	(25,643)	141,531	115,888
Net assets at beginning of year	<u>255,966</u>	<u>492,570</u>	<u>748,536</u>
Net assets at end of year	<u>\$ 230,323</u>	<u>\$ 634,101</u>	<u>\$ 864,424</u>

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GLOBAL JUSTICE ECOLOGY PROJECT, INC.

Statement of Activities

For the Year Ended March 31, 2023

	<u>Without Donor Restrictions</u>	<u>With Donor Restrictions</u>	<u>Total</u>
Revenue and Support			
Contributions and grants	\$ 1,212,625	\$ 492,570	\$ 1,705,195
Program	78,275	-	78,275
Other income	675	-	675
	<u>1,291,575</u>	<u>492,570</u>	<u>1,784,145</u>
Net assets released from restrictions	122,063	(122,063)	-
Total revenue and support	<u>1,413,638</u>	<u>370,507</u>	<u>1,784,145</u>
Expenses			
Program services	1,297,912	-	1,297,912
Management and general	64,847	-	64,847
Fundraising	12,956	-	12,956
Total expenses	<u>1,375,715</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,375,715</u>
Change in net assets	37,923	370,507	408,430
Net assets at beginning of year	<u>218,043</u>	<u>122,063</u>	<u>340,106</u>
Net assets at end of year	<u>\$ 255,966</u>	<u>\$ 492,570</u>	<u>\$ 748,536</u>

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GLOBAL JUSTICE ECOLOGY PROJECT, INC.

Statement of Functional Expenses
For the Year Ended March 31, 2024

	<u>Program Services</u>	<u>Management and General</u>	<u>Fundraising</u>	<u>Total</u>
Salaries and wages	\$ 159,901	\$ 114,418	\$ 28,604	\$ 302,923
Payroll taxes and benefits	24,729	17,271	4,678	46,678
Total payroll and related benefits	<u>184,630</u>	<u>131,689</u>	<u>33,282</u>	<u>349,601</u>
Professional services	610,146	24,950	-	635,096
Independent contractors	188,503	53,361	-	241,864
Travel	79,815	-	-	79,815
Office supplies	-	27,681	-	27,681
Marketing	-	18,524	-	18,524
Program supplies	4,550	-	-	4,550
Bank fees	-	2,147	-	2,147
Insurance	-	1,303	-	1,303
Miscellaneous	16,757	-	-	16,757
Total Expenses	<u>\$ 1,084,401</u>	<u>\$ 259,655</u>	<u>\$ 33,282</u>	<u>\$ 1,377,338</u>

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GLOBAL JUSTICE ECOLOGY PROJECT, INC.Statement of Functional Expenses
For the Year Ended March 31, 2023

	<u>Program Services</u>	<u>Management and General</u>	<u>Fundraising</u>	<u>Total</u>
Salaries and wages	\$ 130,011	\$ 19,261	\$ 11,236	\$ 160,508
Payroll taxes and benefits	19,895	2,947	1,720	24,562
Total payroll and related benefits	<u>149,906</u>	<u>22,208</u>	<u>12,956</u>	<u>185,070</u>
Professional services	783,474	26,269	-	809,743
Independent contractors	294,875	-	-	294,875
Travel	17,896	1,222	-	19,118
Office supplies	24,030	321	-	24,351
Marketing	16,707	-	-	16,707
Program supplies	3,530	-	-	3,530
Equipment	3,313	-	-	3,313
Insurance	-	1,303	-	1,303
Miscellaneous	3,551	13,482	-	17,033
Depreciation	<u>630</u>	<u>42</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>672</u>
Total Expenses	<u>\$ 1,297,912</u>	<u>\$ 64,847</u>	<u>\$ 12,956</u>	<u>\$ 1,375,715</u>

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GLOBBAL JUSTICE ECOLOGY PROJECT, INC.

Statements of Cash Flows

For the Years Ended March 31, 2024 and 2023

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Operating Activities		
Change in net assets	\$ 115,888	\$ 408,430
Adjustments to reconcile change in net assets to net cash provided by/(used in) operating activities:		
Depreciation	-	672
Changes in assets and liabilities affecting operating cash flows:		
Grants receivable	(73,833)	(45,000)
Prepaid expenses	(24,250)	14,334
Employee loan	(321)	-
Accounts payable	32,136	(3,424)
Accrued expenses	(10,973)	24,930
Agency funds payable (Note 2)	(2,954)	(73,998)
Net cash provided by operating activities	<u>35,693</u>	<u>325,944</u>
Net Change In Cash	35,693	325,944
Cash - Beginning of year	<u>754,465</u>	<u>428,521</u>
Cash - End of year	<u>\$ 790,158</u>	<u>\$ 754,465</u>
As presented in the Statements of Financial Position:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 183,996	\$ 306,873
Cash restricted for specific purposes	<u>606,162</u>	<u>447,592</u>
	<u>\$ 790,158</u>	<u>\$ 754,465</u>

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GLOBAL JUSTICE ECOLOGY PROJECT, INC.

Notes to Financial Statements

March 31, 2024 and 2023

1. **ORGANIZATION**

Global Justice Ecology Project, Inc. (the Organization), began in the state of Vermont, in October 2003 and formed as a domestic nonprofit corporation on July 7, 2008. During 2012 the Organization began conducting activities in Western New York for the purpose of promoting diversity and equal rights by confronting social injustice and oppression, challenging the power elites, and working in cooperation to build grassroots power through prioritizing campaigns for systemic change and strengthening movements with strategic action, information, and analysis.

2. **SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

Basis of Presentation

The accompanying financial statements have been presented on the accrual basis of accounting in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Net assets and revenues, expenses, gains and losses are classified based on the existence or absence of donor-imposed restrictions. Accordingly, the Organization's net assets and changes thereto are classified and reported as follows:

- *Net assets without donor restrictions* – consist of amounts that are available for use in carrying out the activities of the Organization and are not subject to donor-imposed stipulations.
- *Net assets with donor restrictions* – consist of amounts subject to donor-imposed stipulations that will be met by actions of the Organization and/or the passage of time, or are maintained in perpetuity in accordance with donor intentions.

Cash and Cash Equivalents

The Organization considers all short-term investments with original maturities of three months or less to be cash equivalents. The Organization maintains its cash in bank deposit accounts which, at times, may exceed federally insured limits. The Organization has not experienced any losses in such accounts and believes it is not exposed to any significant credit risk. The Organization has no short-term investments as of March 31, 2024 and 2023, respectively.

Cash with Donor Restrictions

The Organization entered into fiscal sponsorship agreement with the following organizations Biofuelwatch, Center for Grass Roots Organizing, Honduras, Standing

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Trees, and Save The Pine Barrens requiring the establishment of independent bank accounts to hold funds dedicated to these projects.

Agency Transactions

The Organization received grant funding specifically intended for Biofuelwatch UK. Accordingly, these funds are reflected as restricted cash and corresponding liability in the accompanying statements of financial position and are not included in the revenue or expense of the Organization. At March 31, 2024 and 2023, the cash held for the benefit of these Organizations and related liability totaled \$14,185 and \$17,139, respectively.

Grants Receivable

Grants receivable are carried at original amount. Legally enforceable pledges and contributions are recorded as receivables in the year made at the present value of the amount originally pledged by the donor. Allowances for potential uncollectible pledges are determined based on an evaluation of the accounts and historical experience. When a pledge is deemed uncollectible, the Organization charges expense. Recoveries of pledges receivable previously written off are recorded when received.

Grant and Contribution Revenue

The Organization follows the Not-for-Profit subtopic of the FASB Accounting Standards Codification with respect to financial statement presentation. Contributions received or donor promises to give are recorded as net assets without donor restrictions or net assets with donor restrictions depending on the existence or nature of any donor restriction. Contributions made to Global Justice Ecology Project, Inc. are considered net assets without donor restrictions unless specifically restricted by the donor. The Organization reclassifies net assets with donor restrictions to net assets without donor restrictions at that time.

All restricted support is reported as an increase in net assets with donor restrictions. However, support that is restricted by the donor is reported as an increase in net assets without donor restrictions if the restriction expires in the reporting period in which the support is received. When a restriction expires, such as when a stipulated time restriction ends or a purpose restriction is accomplished, net assets with donor restrictions are reclassified to net assets without donor restrictions.

Reclassifications

Certain reclassifications have been made to the prior year financial statements in order for them to be in conformity with the current year presentation.

Income Taxes

The Organization is a 501(c)(3) corporation exempt from income taxes under section 501(a) of the Internal Revenue Code ("IRC"). Accordingly, no provision for income taxes has been provided for in the accompanying financial statements. The Organization recognizes the financial statement effects of tax positions taken or expected to be taken when it is more-likely-than-not, based on the technical merits, that the tax position will be sustained upon examination by tax authorities. At March 31, 2024 and 2023, management determined the Organization had no uncertain tax positions which would require adjustment to or disclosure in the financial statements. The Organization is subject to routine audits by taxing jurisdictions, however, there are currently no audits in progress.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of certain assets, liabilities, revenues, and expenses. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Functional Allocation of Expenses

The costs of providing programs and activities of the Organization have been summarized on a functional basis in the statements of functional expenses. Accordingly, certain indirect costs have been allocated among the program and supporting services benefited, which are generally allocated to the various program services based on estimated usage of the related resources.

3. NET ASSETS WITH DONOR RESTRICTIONS

Net assets with donor restrictions are restricted for the following purposes or periods at March 31:

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Subject to expenditure for specified purpose:		
Biofuel Watch	\$ 150,936	\$ 150,936
Standing Trees	134,904	134,904
Honduras	68,633	68,633
CBAN	66,500	66,500
Save The Pine Barrens	61,330	61,330
Other programs	10,267	10,267
	<u>\$ 492,570</u>	<u>\$ 492,570</u>

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4. **NET ASSETS RELEASED FROM RESTRICTIONS**

Net assets were released from donor restrictions by incurring expenses satisfying the restricted purposes or by occurrence of the passage of time or other events specified by donors. Net assets released from restrictions was comprised of the following for the years ended March:

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Purpose restrictions accomplished:		
Biofuel Watch	\$ 150,936	\$ 112,063
Standing Trees	134,904	-
Honduras	68,633	-
CBAN	66,500	-
Save the Pine Barrens	61,330	10,000
Other programs	10,267	-
	<u>\$ 492,570</u>	<u>\$ 122,063</u>

5. **LIQUIDITY AND AVAILABILITY OF FINANCIAL ASSETS**

The following reflects the Organization's financial assets as of the statement of financial position date, reduced by amounts not available for general use because of contractual or donor-imposed restrictions within one year of March 31:

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 754,465	\$ 754,465
Grants receivable	45,000	45,000
Less: cash restricted for specific purposes	<u>(447,592)</u>	<u>(447,592)</u>
	<u>\$ 351,873</u>	<u>\$ 351,873</u>

As part of the Organization's liquidity management, it seeks to maintain financial assets to meet 90 days of operating expenses, approximately \$350,000 and \$190,000, respectively.

6. **DONOR CONCENTRATIONS**

During the years ended March 31, 2024 and 2023, two donors made up 46% and three donor made up 49% of total revenue, respectively.

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7. **SUBSEQUENT EVENTS**

Management has evaluated events and transactions that occurred between April 1, 2024 and January XX, 2025, which is the date these financial statements were available to be issued, for possible disclosure and recognition in the financial statements.

No subsequent events were noted by the organization.