



Wisconsin Conservation

**Voices**



**2019 Annual Report**

BRINGING PEOPLE  
**TOGETHER**  
TO **PROTECT** THE  
**WISCONSIN**  
WE **LOVE.**

# PUTTING CONSERVATION ISSUES FRONT AND CENTER

Clean water, clean energy, healthy communities, and a bright future for Wisconsin's environment. Wisconsin Conservation Voices has long been committed to ensuring these priorities.

Thanks to the actions and dedication of our supporters, we made some fantastic progress in 2019.

On Conservation Lobby Day – in front of hundreds of conservation voters and more than 80 organizations – Gov. Tony Evers set forth an agenda and detailed a budget that for the first time in nearly a decade prioritized clean water, clean energy, and public health.



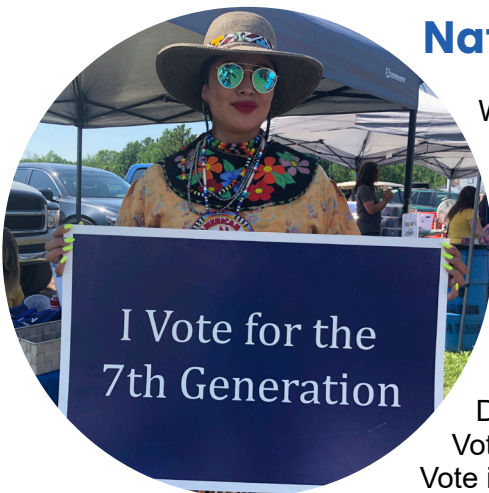
The governor declared 2019 the Year of Clean Drinking Water and created an Office of Sustainability and Clean Energy to achieve 100 percent carbon-free electricity in Wisconsin by 2050. Governor Evers also created the Governor's Task Force on Climate Change to help Wisconsin reduce climate emissions and adapt to the effects of climate change. Wisconsin Conservation Voices is proud to announce that Gov. Evers named Executive Director Kerry Schumann to the Climate Change Task Force, which includes legislators, scientists, energy providers, farmers, tribal representatives, and other environmental advocacy groups.

In 2019, Gov. Evers also issued executive orders that specifically address lead in our water and the extremely dangerous chemicals called PFAS.

While we celebrate these steps forward, the true measurement of success is clean, safe drinking water pouring from every tap in the state. It's 100 percent clean energy across Wisconsin. It's healthy kids playing outside.

That's why Wisconsin Conservation Voices is 100 percent committed to making Wisconsin a place where all people and all communities thrive.

## Native Vote 2019



Wisconsin Native Vote made great strides in 2019!

We made it a point to be active and present at dozens of community events in 2019, tabling, speaking, volunteering, and generally making sure that people heard about voting over and over. Some of those events included: pow wows in Bad River, Red Cliff, Lac Courte Oreilles, and Menominee; farmer's markets in Oneida; a water-focused event and a community music event in Menominee; and more.

During the final months of 2019, Wisconsin Conservation Voices/Native Vote held listening sessions in Tribal communities to help ensure that Native Vote is embraced and driven by the local community.

Moving forward, First Nations Organizer Dee Sweet, Executive Director Kerry Schumann, and new Wisconsin Conservation Voices Board Member Colleen Dodge (Menominee) participated in trainings, met with experts, and attended conferences, constantly looking for new ideas to implement in 2020. Some of the ideas we pulled together and began to discuss with tribal governments were: having tribal governments send voter registration cards to their entire membership, along with a proof of residence letter; having voter registration stations in central community areas like health centers and schools; and working with clerks to improve early voting and voter registration.

This program is one of the big success stories of the past decade, and we appreciate the role you have played in that success. Thank you!



# Building the next generation of environmental leaders

The Youth Climate Strike in September of 2019 and the ascendancy of 16-year-old Greta Thunberg as a global icon in the fight against climate change put an exclamation point on what we already knew: young people have the most at stake, and the power to create change.

That's why we launched Wake – a program to build the next generation of environmental leaders. Wake creates a space for young people to connect over the most pressing environmental issues in Wisconsin, gives them an insider's view of policymaking, and arms them with skills to protect Wisconsin's environment.

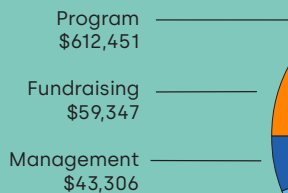
Our environmental future is filled with possibilities, and Wake is leading the way.



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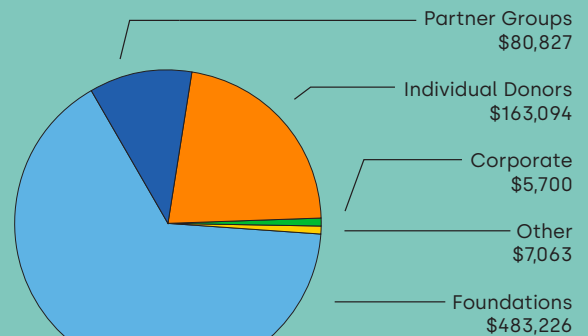
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### Expenses



**Total: \$715,104**

### Income



**Total: \$739,910**

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