

**Western Organization of Resource Councils  
Education Project**

(Billings, MT)

*General Support*

**Total Award: \$200,000 over 1 year**

For general support to the Western Organization of Resource Councils Education Project (WORCEP) to build a grassroots citizens base in the Rocky Mountain and Great Plains region. WORCEP supports a network of community-based organizations focused on stewardship of land, air, water, and energy resources, sustainable and just economic and social policies and support for family farms and sustainable agriculture. WORCEP's five program areas are 1) Leadership and Capacity Building Program, focusing on training of staff and leaders to improve organizing, campaigns, fundraising, and administrative skills and expanding their organizing base; 2) Communications and Media Program, providing strategic framing and message development, media strategy and planning, training, research, publications, and production of radio and Internet special programs; 3) Strategic Technology Program, providing technical assistance, support, and training to improve use of technology as a community organizing tool; 4) Natural Resources, Energy and Environment Program, focusing on the Campaign for Clean Energy and Responsible Development and Hard Rock Mining Reform Project; 5) Farm to Market Sustainability Project, seeking safe food policies, opposition to factory farms and genetically modified crops, economic justice in agricultural markets, and reform of the beef checkoff program while supporting fair trade policies.

***Program Contribution Breakdown:***

**\$125,000** Environment Program: *Objective I, Strategies 1 & 2, Objective II, Strategy 1*

**\$50,000** Health Program: *Objective II, Strategy 1*

**\$25,000** Interprogram Initiatives for Social and Economic Justice: *Objectives I & II*