# PAN 2017–2018 Annual Report

## **Program Impacts**

Public concern about hazardous pesticide use is on the rise, and support for a more just food and agriculture future is growing. However, this past fiscal year (April 2017–March 2018) brought considerable challenges, including a federal administration that has attempted to dismantle decades of progress in environmental, health and worker protections. Meanwhile, movements for agroecological and socially equitable alternatives are expanding every day Throughout the year, we made significant achievements in each of our campaigns, especially our coalition-based work in key states.

## **Highlights of the Year**

### **Healthy Kids**

PAN played a leading role in the multi-year Healthy Schools campaign that won pesticide-free buffer zones around rural schools and daycare centers in California. In January 2018, California's Department of Pesticide Regulation put rules into effect mandating quarter-mile buffer zones when school is in session-a national first. We'll be watchdogging implementation as part of our work with Californians for Pesticide Reform. At the national level, we worked with allies to gather and submit over 100,000 signatures from supporters calling for an immediate ban of the brain-harming pesticide chlorpyrifos. We joined farmworker and rural community partners at a Washington, DC, press event announcing the introduction of House and Senate bills to ban chlorpyrifos, and spoke at a briefing on Capitol Hill organized by the bill's House sponsors. We also worked with our lawyers to take EPA back to court for their controversial reversal of the planned ban of chlorpyrifos in March 2017.



PAN and allies advocating for a chlorpyrifos ban in Washington, DC



California Farmer Justice Collaborative members celebrate the Farmer Equity Act

### **Fair Harvest**

Our coalition work with California Farmer Justice Collaborative played a central role in passing the Farmer Equity Act, state legislation that will help level the playing field for low- and moderate-income farmers of color who wish to farm sustainably. The law has already lessened reporting burdens for socially disadvantaged California farmers whose operations have little or no negative impact on water quality. We also continued to expand the reach of the Equitable Food Initiative (EFI), a national certification standard supporting healthy, safe production of fruits and vegetables that puts farmworker wellbeing front and center.

### **Stop Drift**

The 2017 growing season was a difficult one for farmers in the Midwest, as Monsanto's (now Bayer's) dicamba damaged 3.6 million acres of soy and several million acres of other crops across the region. Dicamba, a toxic, volatile and drift-prone herbicide, was introduced to control weeds now resistant to Roundup. PAN joined with our farmer-led coalition in Iowa and the National Family Farm Coalition to press EPA and USDA to pull dicamba and dicamba-resistant seeds from the market. We also released our *In Case of Drift* toolkit to help farmers and communities document the impacts of drift damage from dicamba and other pesticides, access available support from state governments, and become advocates on the issue if they so choose.

### **Farming for the Future**

Our agroecology experts presented findings in high profile venues in the U.S. and abroad. At a forum organized by the Global Alliance for the Future of Food in Paris, we worked with civil society allies to ensure social and economic equity were included in climate solution discussions. In California, we engaged with the state's Healthy Soils program and investigated pesticide impacts on soil biology. In Minnesota, we worked with beekeepers and other allies to protect hard-won rules protecting pollinators from pesticides, and held a seat on the Governor's Committee on Pollinator Protection. We also worked with PAN International partners to ensure that "highly hazardous pesticides" were prioritized in the Strategic Approach to International Chemicals Management, an international policy framework promoting chemical safety.



PAN's ED Kristin Schafer, Board President Denise O'Brien and Minnesota Organizer Willa Childress at MOSES

### **Financial Report**

PAN recognizes all grants, pledges and contributions in the year they are committed. In our fiscal year ending March 31, 2018, we invested 11.9% of total unrestricted revenue (12.5% of expenses) in core support for our mission: administration, fundraising and infrastructure.

This year's surplus of \$122,552 eliminated over half of the gap from last year. Our FY19 budget has a planned surplus of nearly \$100,000, which will fill in the remaining \$80,667 completely and jumpstart our plans to replenish our reserve.

For more information, please see our audited financial statements and our IRS Form 990, available at www.panna.org. The IRS Form 990 is also available on www.GuideStar.org.

Statement of Financi March 31, 2018	al Position
Assets Cash Short-term investments Accounts receivable Contract receivable, net Inventory Prepaids and other receivables Property & equipment, net Deposits Total Assets	635,212 299,331 27,076 160,000 435,306 20,943 40,011 30,532 11,678 <b>1,660,089</b>
Liabilities & Net Assets	
Liabilities Accounts payable Accrued liabilities Custodial fund accounts Deferred revenue Total Liabilities	28,976 92,528 269,070 324,186 <b>714,760</b>
Net Assets Unrestricted Temporarily restricted Total Net Assets Total Liabilities and Net Assets	(80,667) 1,025,996 <b>945,329</b> <b>1,660,089</b>

Statement of Activities for the year ended March 31, 2018				
	Unrestricted	Temporarily Restricted	/ Total	
Revenue and Support				
Grants	508,000	1,224,033	1,732,033	
Contributions	460,593	3,800	464,393	
Special events	1,739	-	1,739	
Contracts	330,041	-	330,041	
Program service fees	21,571	-	21,571	
Investments, dividends & realize	d gain 5,192	-	5,192	
Unrealized gain (loss) on investn	nents 9,758	-	9,758	
Other	7,130	-	7,130	
Contributed goods & services	25,379	-	25,379	
Net assets released from restrict	ions 1,170,391	(1,170,391)	-	
Total Revenue and Suppor	t 2,539,794	57,442	2,597,236	
Allocation of Support				
Program				
Core programs	1,273,367	_	1,273,367	
Coalitions	840,676	_	840,676	
Total Program	2,114,043	-	2,114,043	
Administrative	102,459	-	102,459	
Development	200,740	-	200,740	
Total Expenses	2,417,242	-	2,417,242	
Change in Net Assets	122,552	57,442	179,994	
Net Assets, Beginning of Year	(203,219)	968,554	765,335	
Net Assets, End of Year	(80,667)	1,025,996	945,329	

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### **Our Mission**

Pesticide Action Network North America works to replace the use of hazardous pesticides with ecologically sound and socially just alternatives.

As one of five PAN Regional Centers worldwide, we link local and international consumer, labor, health, environment and agriculture groups into an international citizens' action network. This network challenges the global proliferation of pesticides, defends basic rights to health and environmental quality, and works to ensure the transition to a just and viable society.

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