



THE SEASONAL
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2023

THEN SPRING BLOOMS

Cultures + Generations + Hearts + Connected

The first quarter of the year is a herald. For us, it is a promise of abundance as Antinanco becomes intimately involved with the elemental medicine wheel working with earth, fire, air and water. Our circle of life is infused with the greening of our heart and our hearth. Nature has risen from its fertile slumber and so have we. Antinanco is growing and revitalizing projects, traveling from event to event, gathering with old and new friends and their families. We engage in joyful activity together nurturing native food forests. Children experience reciprocity and regeneration, embodying the seedlings that will bloom even after elders become our ancestors, as they witness their reflection in the play of burgeoning Spring.

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RECOGNIZING THE LAND AND ALL OF ITS LIFE ARE SACRED

COLLABORATIVE INTENTION

What we can say about the beauty and benefit of working together in the way that we do depends upon whom you ask. Experience is both intimate and collective. While we can broadly say the group effort to meet the needs of plants and people is rewarding, on many levels, truly, it is uniquely personal what impact a supportive action has within our hearts, and within our communities. The stories told, the feedback we've received, the gratitude that is shared is like a rainbow; each individual color making up a whole beautiful array.

This is clear in the collective service Antinanco has supported K'eh Native Action to provide, with Bitahnii Wilson, his partner Jo'Ann Whiting and a growing team of volunteers who deliver water and install sustainable solar-powered systems to bring running water into homes previously without. We never know the impact an act of kindness and generosity has. Receiving the feedback being reported from the field also has a profound effect upon the heart.

"I'm serving living water to those who are struggling and have no running water ... Work is worship for me, because it's me physically manifesting and doing the work that is my prayers into action."

BITAHNII WILSON, K'EH NATIVE ACTION

"It feels good seeing new trees settling into their new homes!"

CHERYL LUPA GLOVER, CO-FOUNDER / CEO,
TOUCH MOTHER EARTH NON-PROFIT
(PICTURED BELOW OFFERING A WATER
BLESSING AT ANTINANCO'S ARBOR DAY
CELEBRATION)

NOTE FROM THE EDITOR



I received a recent invitation to learn to work with the eyes, a workshop to see clearly. How to have clear vision is a subject that interests me and one that comes to mind as I write this note. In this context, what I see here is love-in-action. I am privileged to witness all this good work and integrity, and I am grateful for the vision of Antinanco.

Dhyana Kluth
DHYANA KLUTH





Revenue

Public Donations	\$39,718
Member Contributions	\$6,000
Grants	\$5,000
Program Fees	\$4,741
Total Revenue	\$55,459

Expenses

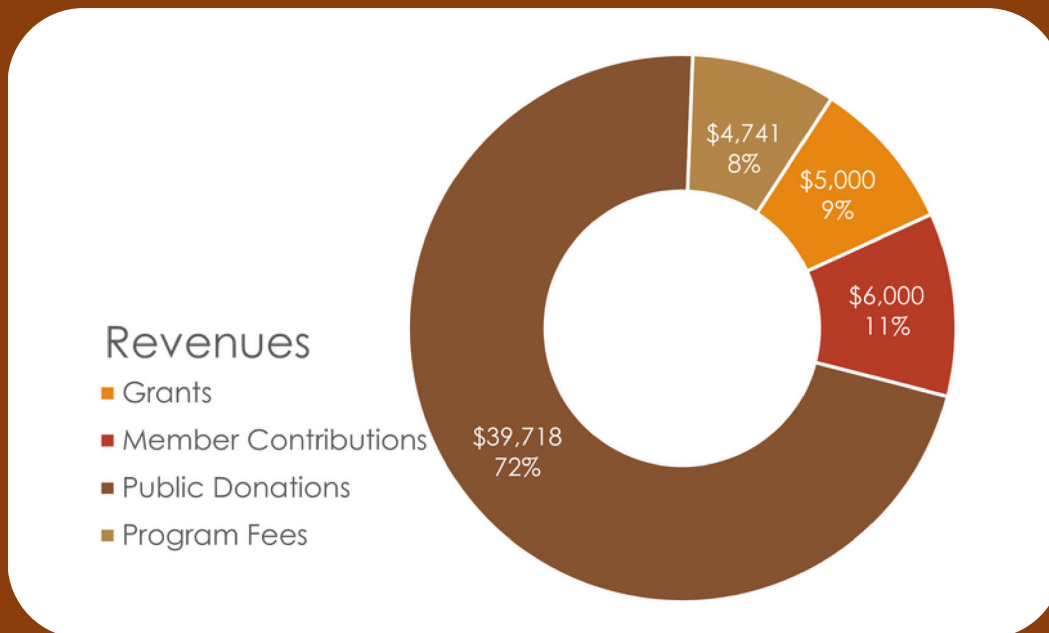
Program	\$34,636
Operating	\$2,612
Fundraising	\$750
Total Expenses	\$37,998

A net operating income of \$17,461 enables Antinanco to share resources where support is needed and to reinvest in operations and foundational programs. Our mission to support indigenous causes and educate the public about earth stewardship is directed by collaborative decision-making processes within our board garden. As tender loving care is given to the trees we plant together, so do we give careful consideration to every opportunity received to reciprocate the nurturing of people and projects.

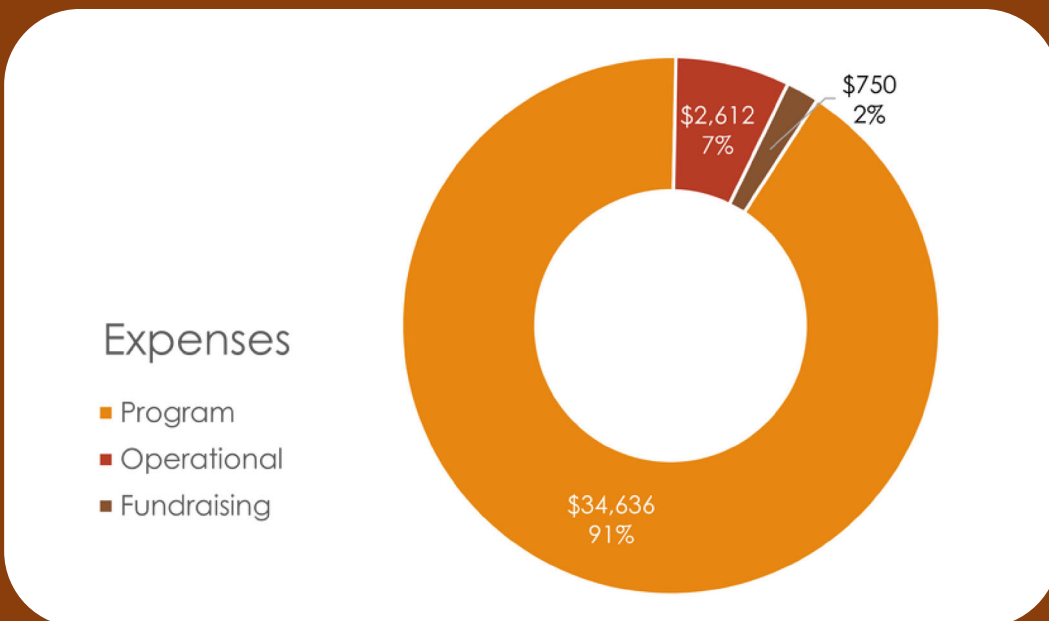
Our partners at the Land Conservancy of NJ, Goodera, Angel Flight NE and others continue to collaborate with Antinanco, support and make donations because they believe in the good work we do together and value our integrity to only partner with those who would cause the earth no harm.

During the first quarter of 2023 we measured the benefit of tree planting and environmental education.

As expected with the usual and cyclical growth at Springtime, Antinanco's revenues increased alongside our program activities. Actively involved members, large and small communities of families, continue to show up to lend support, contribute time and resources, and register for events, programs and activities. It becomes clear that the gifts of service we share with the earth provide immeasurable benefit to the heart of community.



Spring provided an exponential uptick in donations as categories scaled up from the lull of Winter.



Even with this season's increased program activity, Antinanco kept overall expenditures down to produce a quarter-end residual surplus for reinvestment.

ROOTS, ARTS AND PLANTS CAMP

The children are growing along with each camp we offer. Returning campers bring new friends to share in child's play and sacred earth arts. Creativity is fostered in myriad ways, through herbal medicine making, baking, and interactive storytelling.



Spring is when you feel like
whistling, even with a shoe
full of slush.

DOUG LARSON

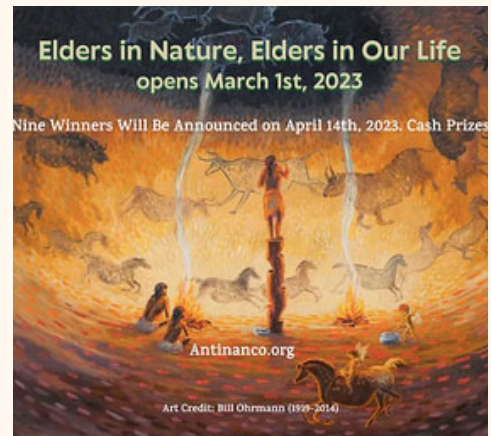
These kids come home with bellies full of laughter and wholesome nutrition, and brains full of fun facts, survival and eco-friendly support skills. We weave in a lot of play into the learning and try new things to get the kids engaged and curious. This time we introduced the camp to an outdoor role-playing game. Our packing list included the recommendation to bring costumes, and we brought ours as well. You can never have too much fun in nature!



ANTINANCO ART CONTEST

Believe that all of life is connected and when we open our heart to create, we change the world with the beauty of that creation.

Nine winners were selected and given cash prizes. All submissions were featured on our website and social media. The Contest is offered as part of Antinanco's mission to serve our greater relationship with Nature, preserve and follow Earth-based traditions, and honor the plant-human connections.



Children and adults were invited to interpret the theme in whatever way they were inspired. It was beautiful to see all the depictions of how that translated.



To see and celebrate all entries visit <https://www.antinanco.org/artcontest2023>

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE WINNERS!

EARTH DAY TREE WEEK

#DRUMFORTREES

Tending to the earth by nurturing native food forests in New Jersey and Pennsylvania one tree at a time

We performed light TLC for 276+++ of American Chestnut, Paw Paw, Persimmon and other trees that we planted in prior years. For the Chestnut tree, this nurturing action includes fertilizing, weeding, inspecting for any signs of Chestnut blight, and upgrading tree shelters, With families of community volunteers, we inspected all the trees for any damage, and adjusted rodent and deer protection.

Joseph Arnold Resch, Antinanco's project coordinator for the native species restoration project, which includes American Chestnut Revival, has a greening way with plant-human relations. This season he and a small but dedicated group of volunteers took good care of trees planted during previous events at our Graver, Columcille and South Branch project planting sites.



Earth Week culminated in the #DrumForTrees Circle - Drumming and Tree Planting, an Arbor Day Celebration in collaboration with Touch Mother Earth Nonprofit and EarthMovers Drum Collective to create a greener future with each drum beat. Baby paw paw and persimmon tree seedlings were given out to help people get more involved with growing food forests.

To join the movement to restore Northeastern native food forests and get your communities involved visit <https://www.antinanco.org/drumfortrees>



The fruits of our labor will continue to grow after we are long gone. Our investment in our youth and planet fills hearts with the joy of connection and the knowledge that we are capable to effect change for good.

SPRING WORK IS GOING ON WITH JOYFUL ENTHUSIASM.
- John Muir

Revenues  \$55,458.90

Expenses  \$37,998.10

Income  \$17,460.80



PROJECTS

Roots, Arts, and Plants Forest Camp

DETAILS

Ongoing project offers sustainable earth-based ways of living mindfully and joyfully in community

OUTCOME

- Friendships founded in partnership with the earth
- Learning brought home to family and community

Art Contest

Annual invitation empowers children of all ages in a creative flow with their ecological awareness

- Connected people to nature within participant's family and extended community
- Instilled a shared awareness of love and respect for elders

#DrumForTrees

Ongoing campaign supports mission to repopulate northeast trees with activating sound vibrations

- People and families developed intimate relationships with environmental stewardship
- New trees planted and blessed with ceremonial water

We are honored by
and grateful for your
generous *support.*



We look forward to blooming
with our family. Find out about
our events. We love seeing you!

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