

About us

The BHP Foundation works to address the root causes of systemic sustainability challenges relevant to the resources industry. As a charitable organization solely funded by BHP since 2014, the BHP Foundation has committed US\$422 million in grants, donations and sponsorships since its inception.

The BHP Foundation works in partnership with innovative NGOs, think tanks, and national and international institutions to find solutions and set new standards for the future. The BHP Foundation mainly focuses investment in Australia, Canada and Chile in areas supporting Indigenous Peoples, education, governance and the environment.



Global investment

US\$ 358 million
 paid in grants, donations and sponsorships

Since FY2015

US\$ 64 million
 further funding committed

Beyond FY2024

FY 2024 YEAR IN REVIEW

US\$ 55.5 million
 paid in grants, donations and sponsorships

43
 partner organizations

44
 projects in execution

9
 sponsorships

Investment in Canada and the United States

In FY 2024

Since FY 2015

	paid in grants, donations and sponsorships	partner organizations	projects in execution	sponsorships	
Canada	US\$ 6.0 million	5	5	-	US\$ 20.7 million
United States	US\$ 2.7 million	3	3	1	US\$ 11.0 million

These figures do not include funding from multi-country projects which have a footprint in Canada or the United States and other countries.

Main projects in Canada active in FY 2024

Indigenous Peoples and local communities



Learn more

www.makeway.org/impact-story/the-nwt-on-the-land-collaborative-brings-together-diverse-partners-to-support-programs-that-connect-people-and-place

Northwest Territories On The Land Collaborative led by MakeWay

Commenced: Sept 2023 **Commitment:** US\$0.4 million
Duration: 2 years

Bringing together government, Indigenous, charitable, corporate and other partners to make it easier for Indigenous communities to access funding and other resources for on the land community projects and initiatives in the Northwest Territories of Canada.

Progress to date

The Collaborative was established in 2015 and has recently seen BHP Foundation join as a funding partner, along with an administrative team and community advisors appointed by regional Indigenous governments to reflect local priorities and ways of working. The Collaborative opened a funding round in late 2023 where just under CAD\$1 million was awarded through 40 different grants to communities across the territory for a variety of initiatives such as youth groups, cultural camps and land skills.

Indigenous Peoples and local communities



Learn more

www.silr.ca

Supporting Indigenous Language Revitalization led by the University of Alberta

Commenced: Mar 2021 **Commitment:** US\$9 million
Duration: 6 years

Transforming and strengthening the capacity of Indigenous-led language revitalization by increasing skills, shifting attitudes and behaviours, and supporting community-driven and system investment in language revitalization.

Progress to date

Supporting Indigenous Language Revitalization (SILR) is working to integrate language revitalization approaches and tools into policy and practice in communities and the education system. For example, more than 1,000 youth and 2,700 students have been reached through support for language-based activities on campus, in communities and online. SILR is also working with 40 communities engaged in Community-Centred Collaborative Agreements, each creating and participating in unique Indigenous language revitalization initiatives.

Governance



Learn more

www.yourcier.org/cli

Transformative Governance: Collaborative Leadership Initiative led by the Centre for Indigenous Environmental Resources

Commenced: Sept 2021 **Commitment:** US\$4.5 million
Duration: 5 years

Advancing reconciliation and enhancing water sustainability, by implementing and embedding a process for reconciliation-based collaborative governance.

Progress to date

The four pilot sites have all been established to date including Fort Smith, Northwest Territories, Okanagan, British Columbia, the City of Winnipeg, Manitoba, and the Mackenzie River Basin. CIER continues to transform and deepen the Collaborative Leadership Initiative work by establishing a network of relationships in each location and working with governments.

Governance



Learn more

www.iisd.org/projects/natural-infrastructure-water-solutions-niws

Natural Infrastructure for Water Solutions led by the International Institute for Sustainable Development

Commenced: Jan 2022 **Commitment:** US\$4.2 million
Duration: 5.5 years

Scaling up natural infrastructure on Canada's Prairies for improved water and more resilient communities.

Progress to date

The project has launched two innovative pilots: the Natural Infrastructure Champions Network which brings together key champions from the Canadian Prairies for knowledge and experience sharing as well as opportunity identification, and a policy pilot to influence municipal statutory plans across the Prairies. The Natural Infrastructure for Water Solutions team participated in a multi-stakeholder process with Alberta WaterSMART to prioritize water infrastructure projects in southern Alberta, and successfully advocated to embed natural infrastructure options in a major water infrastructure planning process.



Learn more
www.natureunited.ca/about-us/where-we-work/manitoba

Forest conservation in Manitoba’s Boreal led by Nature United

Commenced: Sept 2017 **Commitment:** US\$9.2 million
Duration: 7 years

Working with First Nations to create a new model for land and water management and a resilient future for the people and nature in Manitoba’s Boreal forest. The project supports Indigenous leadership and authority over natural resources decision making and management within the nine million hectare Forest Management License Area.

Progress to date

Through support of the project, communities are establishing land use plans that identify the community’s vision and goals for their territories. Other community-led work includes guardian programs, moose and water quality monitoring and engagement in the 20-year Forest Management Planning Process. The project is also working with communities to explore opportunities for sustainable financing for Indigenous stewardship in Northern Manitoba.

Main projects in the US active in FY 2024



Learn more
www.bankimoonfoundation.org

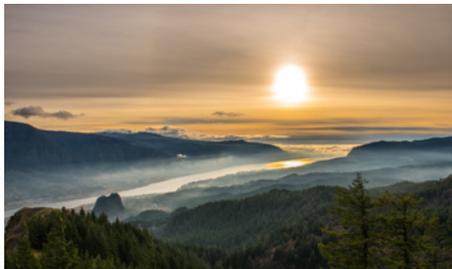
Leadership development for Native & Indigenous Youth in the Americas led by Ban Ki-Moon

Commenced: Nov 2023 **Commitment:** US\$0.5 million
Duration: 2 years

Enabling leadership development that empowers Indigenous and Native Youth to strengthen and amplify their influence through a cross-border community of practice.

Progress to date

A growing community of practice is raising awareness at events such as the United Nations’ Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues. The first cohort of young Indigenous leaders will begin their collective leadership and development journey in mid-2024. Through these activities, Ban Ki-Moon is working to influence current decision makers and mobilize the next generation of leaders.



Credit: Elena Kuchko

Learn more
www.internetofwater.org

Internet of Water led by Duke University’s Nicholas Institute

Commenced: Oct 2021 **Commitment:** US\$6.5 million
Duration: 5 years

Empowering decision makers and communities to generate insights, inform decision making, and inspire innovative solutions by modernizing public water data infrastructure.

Progress to date

Internet of Water (IoW) is working with government and stakeholders to create and adopt integrated modern data infrastructure systems that will enable data-backed decision making for over 460,000 bodies of water in the United States. IoW has developed a suite of tools to enable easy access to water data and collaborative approaches to data extraction, monitoring and display. Notably, it secured a landmark agreement with the United States Geological Survey to support and validate one of these tools, the Geoconnex platform, for five years.



Learn more
www.pacinst.org

Advancing water equity and resilience led by Pacific Institute

Commenced: Jan 2022 **Commitment:** US\$6 million
Duration: 5 years

Generating evidence of effective water equity and resilience strategies and promoting awareness and uptake of those strategies to strengthen water equity and resilience in the United States.

Progress to date

In 2023, three place-based assessments were completed on water efficiency and reuse, stormwater capture and use, and water equity - access and sanitation. Pacific Institute co-founded Vessel, the first national United States water access and sanitation coalition, uniting 12 organizations collaborating for fairer access to water in the United States. In May 2024, Vessel’s first convening brought together 150 organizations to promote cross-sector collaboration and set targets for addressing the water crisis.

Sponsorships

Indigenous Peoples and local communities



Feedback+Denver summit

This sponsorship enabled Feedback Labs to include content and participation that reflects a greater share of Indigenous Peoples' perspectives and knowledge in the Feedback+Denver summit. The Summit brings together a global network of practitioners across philanthropy, the non-profit sector, international aid and others to invest in promoting and learning how to listen and respond to feedback from partners and communities as a core practice.

Global projects with a footprint in Canada

While the following projects benefit Canada and other countries, they are not included in the totals provided under investments in Canada.

Governance



Community-Smart Consultation & Consent led by Landesa, Conservation International, RESOLVE and the University of Queensland

Commenced: July 2021
Duration: 6 years

Commitment: US\$11.4 million
Countries: Canada, Guyana, Nicaragua, South Africa, Tanzania

Strengthening and scaling inclusive and effective natural resource governance by improving consultation and consent practices for the benefit of all stakeholders, including Indigenous Peoples.

Progress to date

Community Smart Consultation & Consent supports greater inclusion of Indigenous Peoples and local communities in decisions about natural resource development through community projects, applied research, and a community resource exchange network. Examples include a land return project in Tanzania; Indigenous-led negotiations in Guyana on infrastructure agreements; and support towards the official designation of an Indigenous Protected and Conserved Area in British Columbia, Canada.

Learn more

www.landesa.org/press-and-media/announcing-the-community-smart-consultation-and-consent-project/

Environment



Credit: Chris Eason

Enabling policies for high integrity nature markets led by Conservation International

Commenced: June 2024
Duration: 1 year

Investment: US\$0.2 million
Countries: Australia, Brazil, Canada, Colombia, Ecuador, Peru, Philippines

Understanding the enabling policies at a national level to unlock just and fair nature markets for governments interested in creating positive incentives for nature through market mechanisms.

Progress to date

A guide is being developed with insights from a literature review of lessons learned from other nature markets and targeted interviews with government representatives across Australia, Brazil, Canada, Colombia, Ecuador, Peru and the Philippines. Feedback on the guide will be sought from interested governments at COP16, and further collaboration opportunities explored.

Environment



Credit: Matthew Newton

Indigenous Peoples and local communities nature credit incubator led by Pollination Foundation

Commenced: Apr 2024
Duration: 2 years

Investment: US\$0.5 million
Countries: Australia, Canada, Colombia, Indonesia

Ensuring finance flows to Indigenous Peoples and local communities –those best placed to lead the protection, regeneration and stewardship of nature– by aligning goals and aspirations to funders and exploring nature credit market opportunities.

Progress to date

This small project aims to support four organizations led by Indigenous Peoples and local communities to participate alongside several enabling organizations to align and explore nature markets and create a pipeline of nature market projects led by Indigenous Peoples and local communities.

Note: The BHP Foundation makes charitable payments in US Dollars and other currencies. Figures in this report include foreign currency commitments translated to US Dollars, our reporting currency, using BHP forward planning rates. Total committed amounts per project may vary year-to-year based on the exchange rate at the time of payments, and any variation in forward planning rates. However the underlying commitment in local currency remains the same.