

ANNUAL REPORT 2015



In 2015, we grew by bolstering existing partnerships and forging new ones.

#### CLIMATE & COMMUNITY RESILIENCE

Through our *Climate & Community Resilience* program, we provided opportunities for Americans to develop solutions to the challenges extreme weather and climate change present for their communities.

We hosted the *Itasca Climate Dialogue* in northern Minnesota to provide a balanced foundation for community climate action in Grand Rapids and Itasca County. We'll continue to work with local partners to implement recommendations from the *Itasca Climate Dialogue* report.

We've also continued to build on the *Morris Area Climate Dialogue* we convened in 2014. With our assistance, local partners are expanding community awareness of climate issues, increasing energy efficiency in government, and implementing an economic development model based on renewable energy.

See more at jefferson-center.org/rural-climate-dialogues/

#### CAMPAIGNS & GOVERNANCE

In our *Campaigns & Governance* program, we worked with young citizens in Akron, Ohio to explore why young people are less likely to vote in local elections and what can be done to improve voter turnout and civic engagement among Millennials. Youth discussion has reinvigorated efforts among local institutions, including the City and the major daily newspaper, to shift their work to better engage young people.

See more at jefferson-center.org/akron/

### PATIENT ENGAGEMENT & PATIENT POLICY

In our *Patient Engagement & Patient Policy* program, we continue to support patients and healthcare consumers as they develop recommendations to improve diagnostic quality. We're also supporting researchers in the United Kingdom to assess the public's take on new privacy regulations for healthcare data.

See more at jefferson-center.org/patient-dx & jefferson-center.org/herc

We are grateful for support from our partners at the McKnight Foundation, the Knight Foundation, the Kettering Foundation, and the Agency for Healthcare Quality and Research. We're also thankful for support from our donors and colleagues at organizations around the country. Finally, we're tremendously honored to have worked with so many great interns this past year: Winsal Yang, Akilah Sanders-Reed, Chloe Shumaker, and Madeline Mitchell. We're also excited to have hired another full time staff person, our new Program Coordinator, Camille Morse Nicholson.

## PROGRAMS & PARTNERS IN 2015



In partnership with the Institute for Agriculture and Trade Policy, we conducted the second Rural Climate Dialogue in Itasca County, MN. Members of the community came together in a three-day deliberative event to recommend local solutions to address climate change and extreme weather. We're working with residents of all our Rural Climate Dialogues communities to implement community recommendations.

With the Maxwell School at Syracuse University and the Society to Improve Diagnosis in Medicine, we convened residents of Onondaga County to recommend action for patients and healthcare systems to improve the process of diagnosis and enhance the patient–provider relationship. In 2016, we'll test these recommendations in clinical settings.



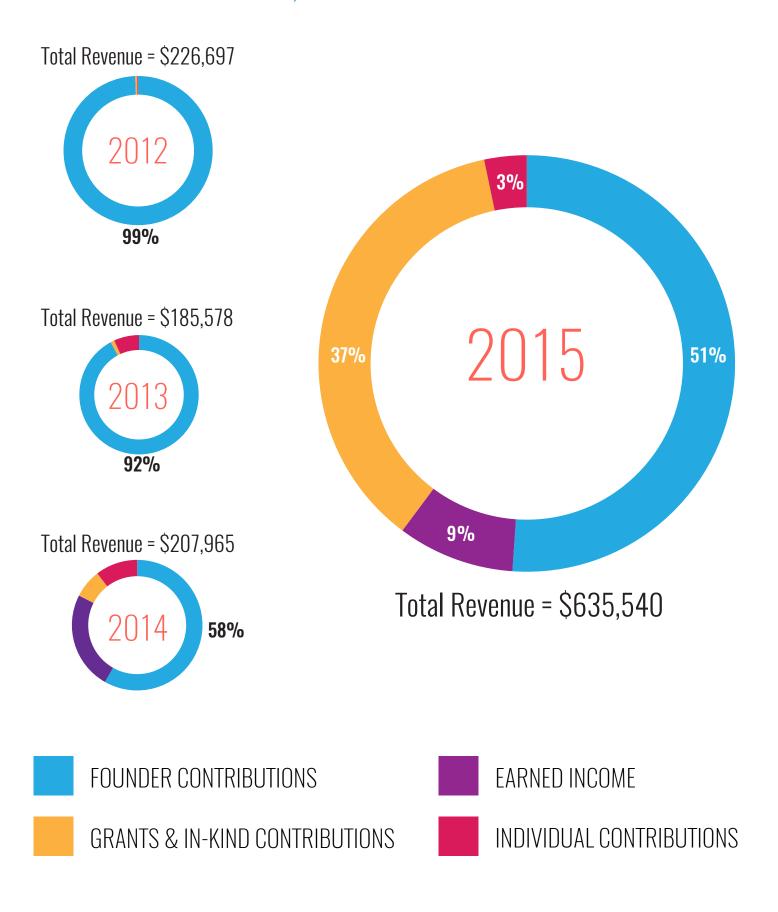


As part of the global World Wide Views Alliance, and in conjunction with local partners at Macalester College and the University of Minnesota, we hosted 100 diverse Twin Cities metro residents to provide input on global climate change and energy issues in advance of COP21, the United Nations Climate Change conference.



We partnered with the University of Akron, local media, and community organizations to explore the attitudes of Millennials regarding local politics, local government, voting, and community engagement. Through interviews by student journalists and democratic deliberation, Akron Millennials recommended steps for local organizations to take to improve engagement among young adults.

# REVENUE GROWTH, 2012-2015



<sup>\*</sup>Chart size is scaled according to total annual revenue