



Bringing Friends Together to Care for Earth & Each Other

We are all connected. We need each other to face the overwhelming realities of the climate crisis and to act on these concerns with love, faith, and reverence. Join us in being part of a dynamic, powerful community of Friends taking Spirit-led action to care for the planet and all living things.

WHO WE ARE

Quaker Earthcare Witness is a Quaker-led non-profit organization serving Friends in North America who strive to live in ecological integrity with the living world and to live in right relationship with each other. We do this through mutual support for the actions each of us takes in our own community and in our own lives; through educational and outreach programs; through direct action that QEW encourages and supports; through our publications and website, and as a public Quaker voice on Earthcare and Environmental Justice.

Our programs stem from a conviction and consciousness that the global crisis of ecological sustainability is a spiritual crisis. Without a profound transformation in our fundamental relationship with the rest of Creation, there is little chance of averting a major collapse of the systems that support all life on Earth.



QEW Friends at People's Climate March.

WHAT WE DO

- » Serve as a hub for Friends in North America working on environmental concerns
- » Offer support and resources to monthly and yearly meetings
- » Host monthly online workshops, worship-sharing, and other forums that encourage Friends' faithful action
- » Produce a quarterly publication, *BeFriending Creation* and highlight stories of Friends' engagement and environmental justice
- » Advocate for environmental justice and a right relationship with Earth by working in coalitions with allied groups and organizations
- » Use our Quaker voice to support Indigenous rights and environmental justice
- » Amplify Earthcare through inter-visitation at yearly meetings and Friends' gatherings
- » Offer mini-grants for hands-on local environmental projects



Friends in Fayetteville (AR) Meeting install a native plant garden with help from a QEW Mini-Grant.

Only when we see that we are part of the totality of the planet, not a superior part with special privileges, can we work effectively to bring about an earth restored to wholeness.

- Elizabeth Watson, Quaker Minister



Friends visit a land conservation and restoration project in Grinnell, Iowa.

HOW WE WORK

We are a volunteer-led organization guided by a 50-person Steering Committee that uses Quaker process and decision-making.

Our Steering Committee is comprised of at-large members and nominated representatives from Quaker Yearly Meetings (regional groups) in North America. The day-to-day work is done by three part-time staff and a bookkeeper.

Our broader network includes thousands of Friends and hundreds of Quaker meetings and Friends churches who read our newsletter, attend our events, share our educational resources with their communities, and connect together on social media.

We also collaborate with Quaker partner organizations, the larger environmental justice movement, and faith-based networks.



QEW organized events to support water protectors at the Line 3 tar sands pipeline and visited the resistance camps.



Steering Committee Members Christopher Haines, Beverly Ward, and Mary Ann Percy.



QEW staff joined New England Friends in protest of a new gas plant opening.

JOIN US

Sign up for an online event at QuakerEarthcare.org.

Invite QEW to offer a workshop for your community.

Share *BeFriending Creation*.

Apply for a Mini-Grant for an Earthcare project.

Volunteer as a contact for your monthly meeting or church.

Make sure your yearly meeting has a representative to QEW.

Start an Earthcare group.

Use Quaker Earthcare Witness materials in your First Day school.

Support QEW by making a tax-deductible contribution. Give at: Quakerearthcare.org/donate or send a check to the address below.



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