

MITSUBISHI CORPORATION FOUNDATION ANNOUNCES GRANTS THAT SUPPORT ENVIRONMENTAL CAUSES



The River Aguarico located near the indigenous village of San Pablo de Kantesiya in the Ecuadorian Amazon. Photo by Pablo Yépez, courtesy of Equitable Origin's Center for Strengthening the Rights of Indigenous Peoples.

NEW YORK (December 22, 2020) – On November 18, 2020, the Board of Directors of the Mitsubishi Corporation Foundation for the Americas (MCFA) approved a new three-year grant to Forest Trends to address water security issues in Moquegua, Peru while seeking to develop income streams for local communities. The Board of MCFA also approved renewed funding to: **CDP**, to promote its Matchmaker platform to help grow the capacity of cities to advance sustainable, equitable urban infrastructure; Wildlife Conservation Society, to continue support for the Amazon Waters Initiative and conduct studies on the impact of a road network in the Brazilian Amazon; and Fair Trade USA, to develop digital health and safety trainings for agricultural workers along global supply chains.

MCFA ratified continuing grants to: Equitable Origin, for the promotion of the Center for Strengthening the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, an online resource aimed at supporting Indigenous Peoples in asserting their rights and interests in the context of natural resource development; The Nature Conservancy, for habitat restoration and sustainable fishery development in the Gulf of Mexico; The Environmental Fellows Program, which is jointly administered by the Environmental Grantmakers Association, the University of Michigan School for the Environment and Sustainability, and the Yale School of the Environment, to help provide a stream of professionals into the environmental workforce; Earth Rangers, the kids' conservation organization, with over 200,000 members in Canada, committed to instilling environmental knowledge and the confidence to take action in every child in Canada; and Yellowstone to Yukon Conservation Initiative (Y2Y), to support First Nations-led Caribou conservation in British Columbia, Canada.

MCFA's mission encompasses biodiversity conservation, environmental education, environmental justice and sustainable development, and it is but one of several means through which <u>Mitsubishi Corporation</u> is working to generate societal and environmental value.

The <u>Mitsubishi Corporation Foundation for the Americas</u>, based in New York City, was established 1991 with funding from Mitsubishi Corporation of Japan, and its U.S.-based subsidiary, Mitsubishi International Corporation. MCFA is currently supported by Mitsubishi Corporation and Mitsubishi Corporation (Americas). Since its establishment, MCFA has dedicated over \$12 million to environmental causes throughout the Americas.

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Business Groups, MC's current activities have expanded far beyond its traditional trading operations to include project development, production and manufacturing operations, working in collaboration with our trusted partners around the globe.

MC provides philanthropic contributions through a variety of channels, including donations to the MCFA and its sister charity the Mitsubishi Corporation Fund for Europe and Africa (MCFEA).

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