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# ALASKA IS AN INDIGENOUS PLACE

AKPIRG works to ensure the rights of people who are often sidelined, and to create healthy and thriving communities. Our work is done with the understanding that corporations should not have undue influence in our systems of government, especially as corporations are recent constructs and many different types of government have existed on this land for tens of thousands of years. Alaska is an Indigenous place, comprising 227 federally recognized Tribes, and our work takes place on unceded sovereign land. This fact informs our work and our lives. AKPIRG staff and board live on and are stewards of Sugpiaq, Dena'ina, Áak'w Kwáan, Taku Kwáan, Lower Tanana Dene, Gwichyaa Zhee Gwich'in, Koyukon, and Ahtna lands and nations.

# LETTER FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



It's not an understatement to say that the people I work with are incredible. They are the reason for AKPIRG's success as we advocate for consumers and the public. This year, our team grew and challenged itself in remarkable ways. Staff supported one another through new responsibilities, championing projects with creativity and resilience.

This winter, the board voted to allocate some of our general funds towards a sabbatical for me. I was given the incredible opportunity to take four months off, and un-burn out from the incredibly intense past six years at AKPIRG's helm. Our amazing interim director Sydney Scout kept everything running and the team stepped up in new leadership roles, from fundraising to management. I simply could not have taken this time off if our team wasn't so strong.

You'll read about specific highlights later in this report, but I'm particularly proud of how we came together in new, impactful ways. From celebrating Alaska Native languages and the translation of information about the American Community Survey, to hosting pathways to citizenship classes in Kodiak, to many fun events celebrating AKPIRG's 50th Anniversary, we are building a strong network of passionate and connected advocates.

This year, AKPIRG's impact across all of our issue areas was particularly notable. We helped draft and pass community solar legislation, which will save Alaskans money on their electric bills and offset our reliance on fossil fuels. We fought the continued internet monopolies in Alaska through federal rulemaking reforms. We opposed the Kroger-Albertsons (or Fred Meyer-Carrs) merger, with legal success. We made our first motion in front of the Regulatory Commission of Alaska, and are working with the Municipality of Anchorage to create reforms to address police-involved shootings.

Sometimes, it can be difficult to notice change on a daily basis. But it doesn't feel difficult to recognize that AKPIRG is growing in the success and scope of issues we're tackling, and the passionate, intelligent, and hard-working people who make up our organization.

Sincerely,

Veri di Suvero

Executive Director

### **WHO WE ARE**

#### **OUR MISSION:**

Founded in 1974, AKPIRG is a non-profit, non-partisan, citizen-oriented statewide membership organization. AKPIRG researches, educates, and advocates on behalf of consumers and the public interest. AKPIRG advances the public interest by providing individuals with the opportunity and information to participate equally in and be treated equally by our economic, social, and political systems.

#### **OUR VISION:**

We are working towards a world of self-determined, thriving communities governed by people, not corporations. AKPIRG removes structural challenges that improve the material conditions impacting people across economic development, climate, and democracy, working towards innovative policies and systems that seek and achieve reform. AKPIRG works on a systems level for systemic change, being responsive and accountable to communities.

### **OUR CORE VALUES:**

JUSTICE
ACCOUNTABILITY
COMMUNITY
TRUST

### **WE WORK TO ENSURE:**

- Transparent and accountable government systems
- Robust language accessibility
- Affordable and reliable phone and internet access for all
- Compassionate, people-centered economic policy
- An affordable, reliable, and renewable energy future

### **OUR STAFF**



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## **OUR PARTNERS**

AKPIRG works in solidarity with a number of community organizations, Tribal entities, unions, and collectives across the state. We are deeply grateful for their continued partnership, guidance, and support – we could not do our work without them. AKPIRG is also proud to be a part of several powerful coalitions, including:

Railbelt Reliability Council - Small Consumer Representative

Alaska Just Transition Collective - Partner

Alaska Financial Partnership Network - Member

Alaska Voter Hub - Steering Committee

**Alaska Coalition for Justice** - Member

Renewable Energy Alaska Project (REAP) - Member

**Consumer Federation of America** - Organization Member

Foraker Group - Member

Non-profit Quarterly (NPQ) - Member

Digital Equity Coalition of Alaska - Founding Member

# 2024 BY THE NUMBERS

300+

ATTENDEES
AT AKPIRG EVENTS

9

SUPPORTED POLICIES PASSED

4

REPORTS PUBLISHED

NEW POSITIONS
CREATED

13

LANGUAGES REPRESENTED

600+

VOTERS CONTACTED

**35** 

PUBLIC COMMENTS & TESTIMONIES

4

DAYS WORKED
PER WEEK

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**SABBATICAL** 



IN GRASSROOTS DONATIONS

# PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

### **ENERGY**

The start of a new year in Alaska marks the beginning of the legislative session, which was a significant focus for AKPIRG's Energy Team in 2024. Our team made three trips to Juneau, meeting with legislators and staff, testifying on energy bills, and serving as trusted experts on Alaska's energy policy.

This session, AKPIRG successfully supported key energy legislation: House Bill 273, establishing a Green Bank in Alaska; House Bill 307, reforming energy transmission planning on the Railbelt and strengthening requirements for appointments to the Regulatory Commission of Alaska (RCA); and Senate Bill 152, the SAVE Act, enabling



AKPIRG staff on the steps of the Capitol during the legislative fly-in in February.

community solar projects, empowering communities to collectively invest in and share the benefits of renewable energy. Our impact on these bills was deep—we drafted bills, submitted amendments, filed public comments, and provided invited testimony. All three bills were signed into law this summer. Our advocacy for the SAVE Act was so instrumental that AKPIRG was invited by the Governor to its signing ceremony.

These legislative victories advance our goal of an affordable, reliable, and renewable energy future. But our work extends beyond policymaking. We actively engage in the regulatory processes that ensure enacted policies are transparent, effective, and accessible.





AKPIRG staff gather for the annual Energy Team Retreat in June (left), AKPIRG and the Alaska Center host "Clean Power Happy Hour," a conversation on energy policy with Senator Bill Wielechowski in August (right).

AKPIRG holds the consumer seat on the Railbelt Reliability Council (RRC), a body we helped establish to oversee energy generation and transmission on the Railbelt grid, serving 70% of Alaskans. This year, we prioritized public involvement and transparency on the RRC while advocating to protect its authority over integrated transmission planning. Milestones for the RRC included hiring a CEO and approving our first batch of reliability standards.

We also engaged with the Regulatory Commission of Alaska (RCA), which regulates utilities and pipelines statewide. When the RCA proposed reducing public meetings, we opposed the change, emphasizing the need for public access to Commissioners. Our advocacy helped maintain bi-monthly meetings with enhanced public notification and virtual access. We also pushed for clearer confidentiality rules to ensure public access to critical filings.

This year highlighted the long-term impact of our advocacy. In May, almost a year after the Valdez v. RCA hearing where AKPIRG and partners held a rally and packed the courtroom, the Alaska Supreme Court issued an opinion enabling the City of Valdez to pursue access to Hilcorp's financial information. Financial transparency is crucial for evaluating the State's approval of BP's sale of its Trans-Alaska Pipeline System assets to Harvest Alaska, particularly regarding DR&R (decommissioning) obligations. AKPIRG's legal fellow Catherine Rocchi wrote a comprehensive academic article about DR&R, which is forthcoming in the Alaska Law Review in June 2025.

AKPIRG remains committed to driving meaningful energy policy and ensuring accountability in regulatory processes for a sustainable future.

### **LANGUAGE ACCESS**

In February, AKPIRG hosted a gathering of 30 Alaska Native Language experts and culture-bearers from all regions of the state, to discuss the American Community Survey (ACS), its impact on Alaska Native communities, and create informational messaging in 11 different Alaska Native languages. The ACS is an annual demographic survey conducted by the U.S. Census Bureau that collects information about the U.S. population and informs how trillions of dollars in federal funds are distributed each year. Alongside developing messaging around the ACS for their communities, the panelists created a



beautiful multigenerational space together and uplifted one another in their wider language revitalization work. The weeklong gathering culminated in a public celebration of Alaska Native Languages; bringing together even more language champions and supporters. Our ACS work is ongoing, and we will be finalizing translations and messaging over the next year to encourage Alaskans to learn about the ACS.





Unangax panelists share a song at the Language Celebration in February (above), panelists representing eleven Alaska Native language gather to create messages about the ACS (left), Inupiaq panelist Richard Atuk and his wife Jane read their Inupiaq children's book at the Language Celebration (right).

AKPIRG worked with the Alaska Native Heritage Center (ANHC) to create translations in six Alaska Native languages of key words and phrases to be used on signs displayed at the Southcentral Foundation (SCF) and Alaska Native Medical Center (ANMC) campus in Anchorage. This signage will enhance the cultural landscape of the SCF and ANMC

campus while upholding Alaska Native traditions, uplifting wellness, and honoring the knowledge systems of Alaska's first people.

AKPIRG worked with Alaska Community Action on Toxics (ACAT) to create messaging in Yugtun and Inupiatun to educate communities about environmental health, provide breast cancer information and terminology related to the prevention and treatment, and to give Alaska Native peoples in these communities the tools needed to be advocates for their own health in ways rooted in Alaska Native knowledge systems and languages.





AKPIRG Language Access Team at the Global Indigenous Studies Conference (left), Language Access Director Rochelle Adams with panelists at the National Tribal & Indigenous Climate Conference (right).

Our Language Access Team also attended and presented at several conferences this year. In March, the Language Access Team presented AKPIRG's Alaska Native Language Translation Protocols at the Department of Early Childhood Education Literacy Conference. In August, we attended the Census Collaborative Convening in Baltimore, learning and connecting with others working toward census equity and language access for the census. In September, AKPIRG Language Access Director Rochelle Adams spoke on the "Language Access as a Strategy for Resilience" panel at the National Tribal & Indigenous Climate Conference. In November, we held a workshop, "Reclaiming Indigenous Languages and Stewardship in a Changing Arctic and Beyond," at the Global Indigenous Studies Conference in Indianapolis.

### **GOOD GOVERNMENT**

For 50 years, AKPIRG has championed transparency and accountability in government. This year, our Good Government team monitored key institutions like the Alaska Legislature, the Governor's office, the Alaska Personnel Board, and the Alaska Public Offices Commission while expanding oversight to local entities such as the Anchorage Police Department and Anchorage Assembly. Holding these bodies accountable is essential to ensuring compliance with legal and ethical standards.

Sometimes, achieving government transparency takes persistence. Over two years ago, AKPIRG filed a complaint against GOP dark money groups—the Republican Governors Association (RGA) and its shell organization, A Stronger Alaska (ASA). In January, the Alaska Superior Court <u>ruled</u> that these groups must comply with Alaska Public Offices Commission subpoenas to reveal illegal funding schemes in the 2022 gubernatorial campaign. However, RGA/ASA are now challenging this decision in the Supreme Court. Our government accountability mechanisms only work if they are enforced, and we are working to continue to fortify them.

In the wake of multiple tragic officer-involved shootings in Anchorage and Juneau this year, AKPIRG's Good Government team partnered with the Alaska Coalition for Justice to reform local police departments. In August, we hosted a community conversation on public safety, gathering input on potential solutions. Building on this, we are collaborating with Anchorage Assemblymembers to explore reforms, including third-party investigations, independent citizen review boards, and policy audits at the Anchorage Police Department.



The Kodiak Team with some of their Citizenship Test students.

In 2024, AKPIRG's Kodiak team focused on civic engagement and immigration support. assisted Thev dozens of community members with green card and naturalization applications, including offering classes in English and Tagalog on the citizenship test. In June, we partnered with USCIS and local officials to facilitate an outreach visit to Kodiak. These visits, a direct

result of AKPIRG's advocacy, have been invaluable in addressing the Filipino American (Fil-Am) community's needs, and we will continue to push for USCIS support in Kodiak.

AKPIRG also expanded its Get Out the Vote efforts during the 2024 election cycle. In Kodiak, our team engaged over 350 voters through door-to-door canvassing, visits to local canneries, and community tabling. They provided voter resources translated into Tagalog for the community, including Ranked Choice Voting information, important dates and deadlines, and voter guides; increasing voter accessibility for the Fil-Am community.

Last-minute funding allowed AKPIRG to launch the Alaska Queer Voting Bloq (AQVB), marking the first effort to collect meaningful data on LGBTQIA2S+ voters in Alaska. Over 45 days, the campaign gathered 130 survey responses, capturing insights into the issues

most important to queer Alaskans and their voting experiences. AQVB engaged voters on ballot measures, Ranked Choice Voting, and candidates through in-person events and a creative online video series. The digital outreach was particularly impactful, generating thousands of views and fostering robust community engagement. This initiative not only amplified queer voices in Alaska's elections but also laid the foundation for sustained support of queer voters in future election cycles.





### **BROADBAND**

Access to affordable and reliable internet is critical in today's digital age, yet many Alaskans face barriers due to the state's unique geography and the high costs of service in rural communities. AKPIRG has long been a leader in bridging the digital divide. This year, AKPIRG's Broadband Specialist, Brittany Woods-Orrison, represented Alaska on national stages such as the National Skills Summit and Net Inclusion, amplifying racial and digital equity efforts and exploring innovative strategies for rural connectivity.





AKPIRG Broadband Specialist Brittany Woods Orrison speaks on the Youth panel at the Alaska Just Transition Summit (left), and on the Racial and Digital Equity panel at the National Skills Summit (right).

AKPIRG played a vital role in establishing the Digital Equity Coalition of Alaska in 2024. This coalition fosters statewide collaboration to ensure all Alaskans, regardless of location or background, can participate in the digital world. In the coming year, the Digital Equity Coalition will expand its work to include direct support for communities and organizations seeking federal funding for broadband initiatives, further advancing digital access and equity across Alaska.

For several years, AKPIRG helped Alaskans access the Affordable Connectivity Program (ACP), which provided discounted internet to underserved communities. When the federal government announced it would discontinue ACP funding, we submitted an organizational comment co-signed by over 50 Alaskans, urging its preservation. Despite these efforts, ACP funding ended in May, leaving many without affordable broadband. In response, we are actively pursuing new strategies to restore affordable internet access across Alaska.

Late last year, the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) sought input on the proposed Alaska Connect Fund, a billion-dollar initiative to support fixed and mobile carriers in Alaska. Recognizing the lack of public engagement in such industry-driven processes, AKPIRG created informational materials to educate Alaskans about the proposal's implications. We also submitted a public comment letter signed by 47 Alaskans, emphasizing consumer protections and the importance of Tribal sovereignty. In May, our team traveled to Washington, D.C. to meet with the FCC, sharing data and personal stories to influence the fund's implementation. As the Alaska Connect Fund approaches its next 10-year funding cycle in 2026, AKPIRG remains committed to advocating for equitable broadband solutions.





Alaskan broadband leaders advocate for Tribal sovereignty in the Alaska Connect Fund to Senator Dan Sullivan in D.C (left), AKPIRG staff and partners attend the Net Inclusion conference (right).

This year, AT&T Alaska proposed ending long-distance service for 42 communities, raising concerns about affordability and access. AKPIRG partnered with Native Movement to address these challenges, developing a survey to collect feedback from impacted residents. Responses revealed significant hardships, informing our <u>demands</u> to the Regulatory Commission of Alaska that AT&T's exit should not proceed without a thorough impact study and transition plan. As a result of our advocacy, AT&T agreed to maintain services until they can be transitioned to another provider.

By addressing immediate challenges like service discontinuations and advocating for long-term solutions like the Alaska Connect Fund, AKPIRG continues to work toward a future where every Alaskan has access to affordable, reliable internet.

### **ECONOMIC JUSTICE**

For 50 years, AKPIRG has been Alaska's only nonprofit consumer advocacy organization. From local housing policy to state lending laws to national antitrust work, AKPIRG advocates for the interests of everyday Alaskans at every level of government.

In 2024, AKPIRG's Economic Justice Team focused on addressing Alaska's housing crisis. A key initiative was facilitating the Anchorage Housing Club, a citizen group advocating for abundant housing through zoning and code reforms. his year, the Housing Club successfully championed the reclassification of 3- and 4-plexes as residential construction and the approval of duplexes in all residential zones, which effectively eliminated single-family zoning in Anchorage. Recognizing the need for better housing data, AKPIRG's summer intern, Stella Newell, analyzed housing affordability trends from 2018 to 2024. Her report underscores the urgency of adopting robust affordable housing policies



While pursuing systemic changes, AKPIRG also provides immediate relief for those affected by the housing crisis. As the fiscal sponsor for the <u>Mutual Aid Network of Anchorage (MANA)</u>, a grassroots organization supporting neighbors in need, AKPIRG helped facilitate financial assistance for essentials like rent and groceries. MANA is the only no-barrier eviction prevention program in Anchorage, averaging two eviction preventions per month in 2024 and keeping 22 families stably housed. Plans for 2025 include expanding services to offer tenant advocacy and know-your-rights training in collaboration with local partners.



This year, AKPIRG also published a comprehensive report on the 2023 Payday Jubilee project, a debt-forgiveness program AKPIRG and MANA launched to combat predatory payday lending. The report highlights the need for stronger regulations on payday lenders and advocates for community-centered small-dollar lending programs in Alaska.

AKPIRG staff with Senator Lisa Murkowski on the Senate subway platform under the Capitol in Washington D.C. (above), AKPIRG staff attend the Consumer Federation of America conference in Washington D.C. (left).

In the realm of consumer protection, AKPIRG focused on medical debt in Alaska, publishing a <u>report</u> with policy recommendations to reduce its burden on families. In August, AKPIRG hosted a roundtable with Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (CFPB) Director Rohit Chopra and local advocates. Participants shared insights into financial challenges faced by Alaskans and proposed strategies to combat predatory practices in financial systems, emphasizing the need for federal support.





AKPIRG staff and local advocates with CFPB Director Rohit Chopra (left), AKPIRG Executive Director Veri di Suvero speaks with other experts about the Kroger-Albertsons merger on "Talk of Alaska" (right).

On the national stage, AKPIRG played a pivotal role in opposing the Kroger-Albertsons grocery merger. Over two years, AKPIRG helped build bipartisan opposition, leading to a Federal Trade Commission (FTC) lawsuit to block the merger. Throughout 2024, AKPIRG remained a prominent commentator on the proposed merger's potential effects on Alaskan consumers. In December 2024, a federal judge officially blocked the merger, prompting Albertsons to withdraw and sue Kroger, ending the threat of this grocery monopoly once and for all. This victory safeguards affordable food access, preserves consumer choice, and protects good-paying grocery jobs in Alaska. AKPIRG is proud of its role in this outcome and remains committed to defending Alaskans from predatory monopolies across industries.

# OUR VALUES AN ACTION

AKPIRG is working to promote wellness and decolonization in communities across Alaska, as well as within our organization. This year, we instated new wellness policies that create more space and time for staff to rest and heal from our challenging work.

Wellness policies aren't just a nice-to-have, they are a requirement for the health of our workforce and movements. The work that we do at AKPIRG is fast-paced, high stakes, and often emotionally taxing, which often results in high rates of burnout and staff turnover. We believe these policies will create space for increased wellness on our team, which will allow us to make a deeper, more lasting impact in the communities we serve.

The first of these new policies is our sabbatical policy. After six years of dedicated service to our organization, AKPIRG Executive Director Veri di Suvero was able to take a four month sabbatical early this year to un-burn out and to return to AKPIRG more prepared than ever to lead our advocacy work.

Second, the AKPIRG board approved a permanent four-day work week policy this year, offering one paid wellness day for staff every week. This has had an immediate impact on ensuring our team has the time they need to come to work refreshed each week.

While in some ways these policies are a small shift, they demonstrate AKPIRG's continued commitment to living our core values: justice, accountability, community, and trust.





## **50TH ANNIVERSARY**

50 years is a milestone: a chance to reflect on the incredible impact AKPIRG has had since its founding in 1974, and a moment to collectively create a vision for the next half-decade informed by our past.

We held three events in 2024 to celebrate our 50th Anniversary. First, in Juneau, we held an AKPIRG Trivia Night. AKPIRG's history is tied closely to Alaska's history, and it was a treat to dive into some of our trivia-worthy accomplishments over the past 50 years! Next, in Anchorage, we hosted a barbeque with staff and board from the past 50 years; it was an incredible opportunity for current staff and board to connect with staff and board from years past, sharing stories and learning more about our history and our current work. Lastly, in Anchorage, we held our big 50th Anniversary Celebration and Fundraiser. This was an amazing night of speakers, entertainment, and AKPIRG history, and we raised over \$10,500 in grassroots donations! We are so grateful to everyone who made a donation to our 50th Anniversary Fund that night in support of AKPIRG's next 50 years.

Last summer, AKPIRG was able to take over 60 boxes of our organization's historical documents that had been sitting in UAA's archives. AKPIRG has been working to protect Alaskans' health and hold corporations and government agencies accountable since our creation in 1974, just 15 years after statehood. And yet much of that important work, which still has critical relevance today, had never been digitized or widely shared. While there is still a lot more to uncover and digitize from our archives, this year we launched the beta version of the <u>digital AKPIRG Archive</u>. We hope to find funding to complete the digitization process for the rest of our archival documents. Our predecessor's efforts, when better understood and shared widely, can give our current staff as well as other advocates around the state deeper understanding and needed vigor in our continued fight for equality in our social, governmental, and economic systems.

Thank you for celebrating AKPIRG's 50th Anniversary with us in 2024. Cheers to another 50 years of advocacy!

### **OUR FUNDING**

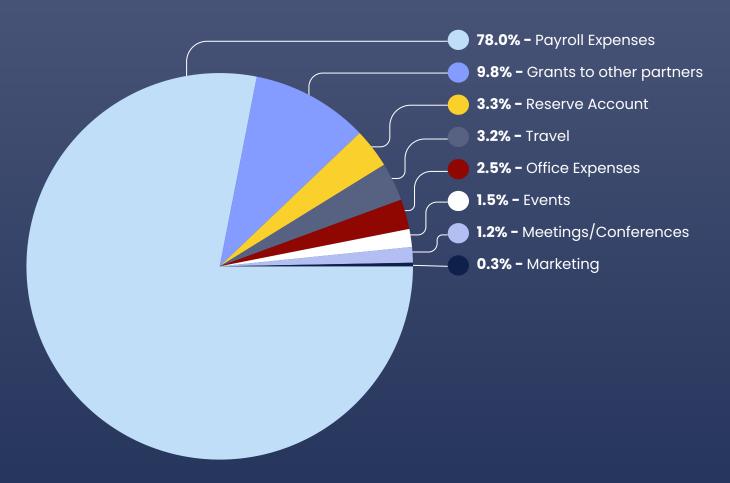
Our work is sustained by our generous community of donors like you and grant funding. AKPIRG had a successful year, with awards for many of our issue areas and projects. Through funding, we have been able to grow to address new needs and better strengthen existing AKPIRG projects. The majority of contributions and grants goes directly to our staff in order to do their incredible work — **AKPIRG would just be a name without the Alaskans behind it putting in the work to improve our state.** 

This year, we aimed to raise \$50,000 in grassroots donations in honor of our 50th Anniversary, and we are thrilled to report that we met this goal! Grassroots donations are particularly important in securing the sustainability and longevity of our work. These are usually unrestricted donations, which allows us to allocate money towards the programs and the costs where it is most needed. We are so grateful for each and every donor who has supported our organization.

We also could not do this work without the support of grants and institutional funders. These funders allow us to take on new projects and grow existing projects to better the lives of Alaskans around the state. We are thankful for the support from the following organizations:

Ilth Hour Project
Alaskans for Better Elections
Alaska Voter Hub
Americans for Financial Reform Education Fund
Asian Americans Advancing Justice
Census Equity Initiative
Center for Responsible Lending
Coulter Foundation
Fair Representation in Redistricting
Hopewell Fund
Movement Voter Project
Native Movement & the Alaska Just Transition Collective
Solidaire Network
Tortuga Foundation

We believe financial transparency is fundamental to earning and keeping the trust of our supporters. Below is a clear breakdown of how we allocated our funds this year. As you can see, the majority of our resources go directly to our hardworking staff, whose dedication makes everything we do possible. By supporting our team and their families, we ensure the continued strength and impact of our work. Your support is vital—every contribution helps us sustain and grow our efforts to create a better future for all Alaskans.



Through donations and grants, we can ensure more voices are represented in working towards our common goals. It is through the contributions of our funders and donors that we are able to work toward transparent and accountable government systems; robust language accessibility; affordable and reliable broadband for all; compassionate, people-centered economic policy; and an affordable, reliable, and renewable energy future.





As an advocacy organization working towards changing harmful systems, we can achieve so much more with the support of many hands and minds from community members like you. As Alaskans, we continue to work towards a common goal: a better future for all. Thank you for joining us, supporting our work, and believing in the positive change that can happen when we all work together. From the AKPIRG staff and board, we are truly thankful for your dedication to health, equity, and accountability.