

## **Environmental Grant Makers Favor Large Nonprofits, Study Finds**

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Grass-roots environmental nonprofits are too often ignored by foundations, says a [new report](#) by the National Committee for Responsive Philanthropy.

Foundations give half of the dollars they spend on the environment to national organizations with budgets of \$5-million or more, but those charities make up only 2 percent of the environmental groups in the United States, according to the watchdog.

Only 15 percent of environmental grant making helps poor communities, the study found. A smaller share—11 percent—supports grass-roots advocacy and organizing.

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