

The turn of the millenium brought diversification and consolidation in the activities of the Environmental Partnership Foundation. While still operating our core programs, we increasingly concentrate on the longterm sustainability of the programs serving our basic mission: nurturing civil society from the grassroots.

Maintaining an open, quick and flexible support mechanism, primarily targeting environmental NGOs in an everchanging world demands increased efforts in all of our activities. As our core support, the present basis of our grantmaking and other programs will end in 2003, the foundation's long term vision and strategy must be drawn up. This often painstakingly complex and difficult process has already started several years ago, but in 2000 it has become more imperative than ever. If we wish – and there is a need – to continue working towards our stated goals beyond 2003, we need to diversify our resources on the one hand, and find the most appropriate niche within the growing Hungarian civil society (on the doorstep of joining the European Union) on the other. We envisioned HEPF as becoming a foundation in the classical sense of the word, using the interest of its accumulated endowment to extend further support to our constituency. This support may be small (compared to other state or European sources), but we believe it has an important role to

play, primarily as a catalyzer of innovative ideas and upcoming local initiatives. However, this will require concentrated capacity building and institutional efforts in the coming period - achieving the “ideal position” is the biggest challenge HEPF ever faced.

In the meantime, despite the considerable amount of energy invested into strategic development, our operational programs have not only been maintained throughout the year, but increased in their number and the variety of activities employed. Within the framework of the various grant programs – open, grants, energy grants, Buy Nothing Day grants, Tisa program, and others – our Advisory Board decided to support ...applications with a total amount of ... USD. A new element of grantmaking has been the Tisa-program, initiated in response to the cyanide and heavy metal spills and the subsequent floods hitting Eastern Hungary early in the year. Thanks to special fundraising efforts, in June we were able to announce a call for applications for cooperative programs aimed at rehabilitating and developing the Tisa river basin. NGOs from Hungary, Romania and Yugoslavia could apply for support. Although we ran cross-border grants before, this has been our first truly international grantmaking program. As such, administering the program has also been a learning process, as it required extensive travelling, trilateral cooperation with the local managing organizations (the Environmental Partnership Foundation in Romania and the Regional

Environmental Center's Local Office in Yugoslavia) as well as working with an international advisory board. The program is going to be continued in 2001 too. Besides direct financial support, we tried to help the work of civil organizations and NGOs in a number of other ways. In line with our traditions, we provided training and technical assistance by finding expert and media contacts, enhancing cooperation both within civil society as well as with state agencies and institutions. Thematic programs, such as Greenworks or the Amber Trail Greenway program have complemented these daily activities. The first of these, the Greenworks program – run in cooperation with the Hungarian Foundation for Self-Reliance – aims at involving Roma (gypsy) people into local rural development initiatives, thus combining their traditional, naturefriendly crafts with creating jobs and generating income in a sustainable manner. Partnership provides seed money and mentor assistance to start up local small businesses, ranging from herb collection and drying through clay brick making to carpentry and willow furniture. However, as the program has run for several years now, quite a few of these initiatives are “maturing” now, thus, our new task – and challenge – is to develop methods to find bigger starting capital for their investment and ways to market the resulting products.

The Amber Trail Greenways program is characterized by its crossborder nature. It aims at enhancing sustainable development along the Cracow – Banska Bystrica – Budapest corridor, by

creating a “green” route, which links up local initiatives to develop ecotourism, local crafts and agriculture as well as serves the integration within and the cooperation among communities. In Hungary, the local management is coordinated by the Ipel Union, a bilateral NGO based near the Slovakian border. They are working on bicycle routes, on microregion development, on reopening an old railway line and other projects.

These programs focus more and more one (however wide) issue: rural sustainability. It is becoming generally recognized that the unique natural and cultural heritage of the Central European countries is an invaluable treasure, which can only be preserved and further developed in a socially and ecologically sustainable manner through local, bottom-up initiatives. In one way or another, most of our work and grantmaking reflect this realization. We perceive our role as integrators, providers of experience and encouragement, linking various local efforts and helping them to raise their profile on the national and international agenda. The new program on EU accession and regional development, which we started shaping in 2000, is also part of this approach: we hope to provide local groups with practical tools to improve public participation and community involvement in the EU-related local and regional planning processes. As a first step we conducted a survey among civil organizations all over the country, researching their present status, cooperative networks, information sources, as well as their expectations and fears surrounding EU-acc

GRANTS LIST 2000

General small grants

Bioculture Association, Kapuvár, 50 USD

The Association is organizing a whole-day event relating to bio-culture. EPCE contributes to the organizational costs of the program.

Energy and Environmental Association, Nyíregyháza, 3 333 USD loan

EPCE provided the loan to buy and restore the Association's new office.

Őri Foundation, Óriszentpéter, 357 USD

Publishing costs of the book "Praises to cereals" is supported with USD 357. The book is addressing those who like simple but wholemeal nourishment.

Ars Topia Foundation, Budapest, 321 USD

Support for Organic Landscape Theory Workshop. The grant is for fee of the expert who gave theoretical lectures and practical training.

Foundation for Szelid, Dunapataj, 1 071 USD

The Foundation together with the local government is working for conservation of the Szelidi lakes that attracts lots of tourists every year. They needed a special equipment to measure the oxygen content of the water.

Gaja Environmental Association, Székesfehérvár, 214 USD

Support for a public campaign before referendum on building a refuse oil processing factory in the village Kápolnásnyék.

Natural Lifestyle Foundation, Agostyán, 768 USD

Support for Solar Collector Building Training in spring 2001. The grant covers the lecturer fees and raw materials.

Miskolc Eco-Circle, Miskolc, 698 USD

The organization runs an educational center, with main activities such as organizing study visits, field trips and environmental camps for high school and university students. HEPF has contributed to the operational costs of the educational center.

Bakonysárkány Village Local Government, Bakonysárkány, 90 USD

Bakonysárkány is located between Vértes and Bakony hills. They have been supported to map the ecological values of the region and publish the results. The publication can serve the development of soft tourism - an important element in SAPARD program of the region.

Bakonyalja Environmental and Tourist Association, Csatka, 45 USD

The association organizes environmental activities in four villages of low Bakony region. They introduce renewable energy sources, selective waste collection and work on environmental education. HEPF has supported them to set up telephone connection.

Hatvan Environmental Association, Hatvan, 545 USD

The organization's aim is to improve the environmental conditions of the town Hatvan. They publish a quarterly newsletter, Green News informing local people on current environmental news and problems as well as the

Association's recommendations for solution. Partnership has contributed to their activities by financing two editions of the newsletter.

Association for the Natural Values of Hosszúhetény, Hosszúhetény, 15 USD

The association works for the protection of natural values in the Mecsek hills. An industrial company planned to establish a battery recycling plant close to protected areas. The Association joined the permission procedure as an official public partner. Partnership has covered the expenses of experts.

Green Future Environmental Association, Jászapáti Working Group, 364 USD

The group has asked for HEPF support to solve local environmental problems, this time by acting against the soil pollution caused by waste deposit site in the village. HEPF has given them professional assistance and covered the fees of expert examination.

Füvészkert Society, Nagyecséd, 836 USD

The Society works for nature conservation and awareness raising in the region of the Ecsed Wetland. Their long-term objective is to rehabilitate certain parts of the wetland. In their current program they do a survey of the natural and cultural values of the Nagyecséd region and publish the results to serve the development of soft tourism.

Foundation for Development of Nagydobos, Nagydobos, 545 USD

The organization runs a tele-cottage in Nagydobos village, Szatmár county. They are implementing an organic farming model that attracts tourists as

well as provides job for local people.

Bózsva Village Conservation and Embellishment Society, Bózsva, 256 USD

The Society works in a small village in Zemplén hills, northern Hungary. In the supported program they prepare a development plan for the village with the involvement of local people. Their program is linked to SAPARD microregional plans, too.

Eco-Service Foundation, Budapest, 1 018 USD

The Foundation runs an environmental advisory office in Budapest. They have received a grant to prepare a study on the environmental impacts of washing powders available in Hungary and communicate the results in a publication.

Reflex Association, Győr, 2 909 USD

This year Reflex Association and Arrabona Green Club (Győr) have been responsible for organization of the Annual Gathering of Environmental and Nature Conservation NGOs in Hungary. HEPF has contributed to the expenses of accommodation and meals for participants.

Cornflower Environmental Association, Kerekegyháza, 090 USD

The Association works on improvement of environment situation of the Kerekegyház region. In their current project they joined a European Union program by estimating the potential of local renewable energy sources and preparing a local implementation plan in order to increase the rate of renewable energy use to 25% by 2012. HEPF has covered the own contribution

required to apply for the EU grant.

HEROSZ Fejér County Group, Székesfehérvár, 364 USD

This is one of the most active local groups of HEROSZ, a nation-wide animal welfare organization. They run animal homes and bird hospitals, and publish an environmental newsletter. They organize social programs on prominent environmental days as well as camps and conferences. HEPF has contributed to their operational costs.

Clean Air Working Group, Budapest, 1 033 USD

A non-registered civil group has been supported with the two grants in the village of Budakalász. This group, with help of Clean Air Working Group runs an awareness raising campaign about environmental impacts of a new METRO supermarket. The campaign prepares for the local referendum on the issue. HEPF has contributed to the costs of posters and leaflets as well as some operational costs.

Kerekdomb Environmental Association, Törökbálint, 30 USD

The Association has a variety of environmental activities around Budapest, based exclusively on volunteers. They have received a small grant for their Earth Day program.

Nádasdy Foundation, Nádasladány, 364 USD

Last year the Foundation organized the successful Nádasdy Academy where representatives of the ecological "intelligentsia" could exchange their views and experiences on the possibilities and chances or an ecological future in Hungary. This year the Academy deals with issues related to solar energy. HEPF has supported the Academy with expenses of meals for

the participants.

Visnyeszéplak Village Protection and Educational Society, Visnyeszéplak, 400 USD

Several years ago, some young people started to create an eco-village in the hills of Zselic. Apart from implementing an ecological way of life, their association also works on local nature protection and environmental education. HEPF has supported them by contributing to their operational costs.

Bio Culture Association

Hajdúböszörmény Local Group, Hajdúböszörmény, 64 USD

The Association's annual meeting has been supported by the HEPF grant.

Green Point Foundation, Budapest, 545 USD

The Foundation plans to establish a school based on the model "Magic" human ecological school working under the Stanford University, California. They translate and publish a book on ideas of the school. Partnership has supported the publication with a grant for translation and printing.

Gaja Environmental Association, Székesfehérvár, 75 USD

The Association organized a demonstration for protection of the Sóstó forest. The local government decided to give protected status to the forest, still the responsible local forestry company has attacked the decision and started to cut down trees. HEPF has covered the costs of the demonstration with an emergency grant.

Waldorf-Pedagogical Association, Gödöllő, 484 USD

The Association set up "Green Forint" mutual benefit society ('LETs') in Gödöllő, which already has more than

100 members. They can exchange their own products or services without the use of money. HPEF has covered the printing costs of leaflets, posters and guides.

Parliament of the Countryside Association, Budapest, 364 USD

The aim of the association is to represent the interest of people living in rural settlements. In the framework of the supported project they work out an educational program on ecological landscape management according to European Union standards. HPEF has covered the expenses of printing an educational booklet.

Pannon Nature Conservation Alliance, Budapest, 227 USD

The Alliance is based on cooperation of several societies in Hungary. They have monitoring programs on protected animal species, exchange experiences, help each other with equipment and voluntary work. HPEF has supported them with two used laptops to register data during field work.

GATE Green Club, Gödöllő, 2 073 USD

The Club was formed by university students in Gödöllő. They carried out successful programs on awareness raising, created model composting systems for local people, selective waste management in the University and river watch activities for schoolchildren. HPEF supported them with a copier to help their information and educational work

Hungarian Society of Nature Conservationists, Budapest, 1 091 USD

The society has 72 member organizations all over the country. They work for sustainable development by devel-

oping programs on the national level, helping information exchange, influencing environmental decision-making and cooperating with international organizations. In the present project they deal with problems caused by globalization processes – and publish the Globalization Booklets. The grant covers the preparation of the publication and communication costs.

Borsod Abaúj Zemplén County – Environmental and Regional Development Society, 756 USD

The society works to improve the environmental and social situation in the region and to implement sustainable development. In the framework of a public interest (not-for-profit) company an eco village was established in Gömöröszőlős in 1993. The grant has supported the Annual Meeting of Eco-Villages in Hungary and covered costs of accommodation and meals for participants.

Energy Club, Budapest, 1 207 USD

Energy Club has got a grant to introduce alternative energy sources during the one-week international festival “Island 2000” They applied for this grant to complete their planned program supported by HPEF earlier. The grant covered the expenses of organization, rent of equipment and transport.

Awakening of Nature Society, Orosháza, 655 USD

They work on environmental education, organize camps and have an Environmental Information Office in southeastern Hungary. The Society has a Railway Working Group with the aim of protecting local railways, promoting train travel and reconstructing stations. They work on a

Traffic Coordination Program.

Operational costs related to the program have been covered by HPEF grant.

ELTE Nature Conservation Club, Budapest, 473 USD

The club has several working groups (protection of the otters, bankwatch, gene technology). They organize direct nature protection work as well as work for environmental awareness raising. The grant is to print and mail their regular publication, the Gaia News Digest.

Nimfea Association, Túrkeve, 1 000 USD

The association is implementing an energy efficiency program in three towns, one school each. They are planning to inform local governments about the experiences and results and make suggestions to improve energy efficiency in school buildings.

Matthias Rex Association, Szolnok, 334 USD

Mission of the Association is to popularize environmental ideas and way of life. They focus their activities on youth. They organize Casa Giocosa Summer Academy every year. This program was supported by Partnership Foundation.

Hungarian Humangenetic Association, Budapest, 34 USD

The Association organizes conferences yearly. This year they got a grant of 334 USD. An article on their activity is being published in “Lélegzet” magazine for the wide public.

Foundation for Rail Transport of Rákoskert, Budapest, 833 USD

The Foundation is active in the suburban of Budapest. They are working on popularizing environmental friendly

transport. They reconstructed an old railway station where they organize sport, social and cultural programs as well as offer accommodation for tourists.

A grant of 833 USD was awarded to them for bike programs and printing leaflets.

Arrabona Green Club Association, Győr, 1 000 USD

The main goal of the Association is to introduce environmental friendly attitude to youth of Győr town. Apart from information they organize environmental actions and programs. They are granted with 1000 USD for office rent of 12 months.

Environmental Association of Hatvan town, Hatvan, 150 USD

They are carrying out a signature collecting campaign against the dangerous waste deposit in Lőrinci site. Their printing costs are covered.

Hungarian Workshop Foundation, Mezőörs, 490 USD

The Foundation has an environmental information magazine "Turning pages". As a part of a regional environmental program, they publish a supplement to the magazine on renewable energy sources. They are running a Nature Watch Club, too. For the two programs they are granted with 490 USD.

Green Power environmental Association, Győr-Bácsa, 1 000 USD

The Association is working on activation of local people in Lower Szigetköz and representing their interests, too. Their aim is to control polluting activities of the industrial plants in the area. A grant of 1000 USD was awarded to them for office operation

and purchase of a fax machine.

Local Government of Aggtelek, Aggtelek, 984 USD

Main problem of the region is that young people live the villages and move to towns. In order to keep them in place – through encouraging feeling of community – six villages cooperate in a community development program. 984 USD is awarded for the program.

Environmental Association of Százhalombatta, Százhalombatta, 834 USD

The Association has restarted its activity with new members and ideas. They are granted with 834 USD for a computer. As they do not have a permanent office at the moment, they are asked to sort out the safe location of the computer where all members can use it.

Palocsa Association, Zalkod, 1 000 USD

The association is focusing on land rehabilitation. Some landowners offered a mixed forest – grassland of 670 ha in the region of Egercsehi, Szúcs, Mikófalva and Bekölce villages (North of Hungary) for rehabilitation purposes. Partnership contributes to expenses of land study – 1000 USD

Special emergency grants on Tisza Cyanide Pollution Catastrophe

E-mission Association, Nyíregyháza, 909 USD

The association surveys of the damages caused by the pollution, acts for compensation, informs public on impacts of pollution and practices public control over the responsible governmental institutions. HEPF has

covered the costs of a demonstration organized in the town Tokaj, on the river Tisza.

Centrul Regional De Supra Veghere Ecologica "Muntii Apuseni", Romania- Nagyvárad, 434 USD

The organization represented the Romanian environmental organizations at the Tisza commemorial demonstration in Budapest.

Partnership covered travel costs of the Romanian participants and provided practical assistance to the organizers of the demonstration.

Palocsa Nature Conservation and Traditionalist Network, Zalkod, 364 USD

The Network serves the exchange of information and experience among private persons and associations dealing with regional rehabilitation. One of their programs is to encourage rehabilitation of back-waters, an important issue in Tisza revitalization. The Network has received a grant to organize a conference where the participants got the opportunity to exchange their experiences.

Gávavencsellő Local Government, Gávavencsellő, 1 091 USD

Gávavencsellő is a village in the Upper -Tisza region, Szabolcs-Szatmár-Bereg county. The local government has received grant to prepare a management program for the flood basin.

Nimfea Society, Túrkeve, 909 USD

Nimfea joined the damage mitigation activities right after the pollution. The organization a group of volunteers to collect dead fish, estimate the damage and feed endangered animals.

HEPF has supported them by covering transportation costs related to their activity.

South-Nyírség Bihar Landscape and Cultural Protecting Society, Bocskaikert, 909 USD

The society participates in measuring the damages caused by cyanide pollution and contributes to its mitigation. They collect and cure poisoned protected predators, feed the endangered animals, and monitor the impacts of pollution on the flora and fauna.

Foundation for Modern Equipment of Tokaji Ferenc Secondary School, Tokaj, 1 018 USD

Volunteers of the Foundation prepared an exhibition on the Tisza river, problems of river control, sustainable flood management and the damages of cyanide pollution. It will be exposed for a year in the school. The grant has contributed to the costs of materials and organization.

Tisza Club, Szolnok, 182 USD

Tisza Club has been dealing with water management problems of the river since 1990. Their work is internationally appreciated. During the spring flood they carried out an emergency action providing food for local people who had to leave their homes. An emergency grant has contributed to the expenses of food aid.

Boundaries Foundation, Eger, 545 USD

The foundation is the Hungarian section of Carpathian Foundation. It gives financial and technical support to civil organizations and local governments, so as to encourage inter-ethnic cooperation and public participation in decision-making processes. They organize a conference for 60 Hungarian, Ukrainian, Romanian, and Vojvodian local governments close to Tisza river, with the aim of launching

cooperation for the sustainable ecological development of Tisza basin.

Support to Civil Cooperation in Tisza River Basin

Yugoslavia:

Tisa Klub, Kanjiza, 5 000 USD

Mission of Tisa Klub is awareness raising along Tisa river in Yugoslavia.

They concentrate their activities on youth programs. Collecting information on the state of their environment, initiate environmental activities in the region and give correct information to the public – the main activities of the organization.

Their granted program includes an opinion research to get information how people think about their environment, and whether they are ready to work for improvement of its state. Meetings on environmental issues are also planned where people get the opportunity to discuss the hot topics of their close environment. The opinion research will be carried out at regional level and the meetings will be organized locally.

Serbian Mycological Society, Belgrade, 3 500 USD

The organization does active fieldwork and laboratory research to prove that mushrooms can be considered as bio-indicators. Their granted program concentrates on examination of heavy metal accumulation in mushrooms collected for human consumption. Publication of their results and informing the public through the media and directly are also essential parts of their planned activities.

Center for Ecology and Sustainable Management, Belgrade, 1 000 USD

The Center aims to raise public awareness, promote information exchange and create databases. One of their objectives is collecting and publishing best practices and projects related to protection of the rivers. Analyzing not only the best but also the unsuccessful activities in a publication is their granted program.

Romania:

Transylvanian Carpathian Society, Satu Mare, 4 000 USD

The organization is mapping and analyzing pollution sources in Tisza River basin. It is necessary to get data directly from the sites as most published information is only repetition of former publications. They are planning to cooperate with mining experts and publish the results in newspapers and translate them to legal terms.

Foundation Edelweiss, Sibiu, 500 USD

Edelweiss has already organized and facilitated negotiations on local environmental issues for interested like mayors, representatives of inspectorates and NGOs. Their aim is to encourage and support civil activities in one of the most polluted industrial area of the basin, the Copsa Mica region. This program is for preparing further public activities: looking for partners from different sectors in the region.

Ecotur, Sibiu, 8 000 USD

Ecotur is planning to set up a monitoring system on Tarnava and Ampoi rivers and organize public debates on environmental – mainly water related

– issues. They have completed a successful project with similar activities on Olt river. Public awareness raising is an important part of the project. They plan to teach people how to react in case of environmental problems and what their rights are regarding their environment.

ASSOC, Baia Mare, 3 000 USD

This organization started to orientate towards environmental problems after the cyanide spill. As they have much experience in social and health care, they examine and publish health effects of river pollution. They inform the international media regularly. This program aims to take blood samples and collect information from local people on effects of the river pollution to their lives. They are cooperating with E-mission, Hungary in methodological issues of interviewing people.

Ecological Club Transylvania, Cluj, 10 000 USD

The program aims to achieve water quality improvement in Somesul Mic, Crisul Repede and Crisul Negru rivers by monitoring, public information and supporting partnerships.

The Club has already implemented some programs in public participation and environmental monitoring. They developed good contacts to representatives of different sectors, the local newspaper and television – and plan to use them for publishing the monitoring results.

Albamont Club, Alba Iulia, 6 500 USD

The project is a preventive activity: Albamont plans to monitor technologies and environmental effects of the Gold Company “Rosia Montana” in valley Rosiei. This company is about

to use the technologies known from Baia Mare. The project involves public campaign, information to international media, too. Implementation of the program is backed with legal expertise.

Hungary:

Foundation for Nagykoru, 3 200 USD

The Foundation is working for re-establishment of traditional river management in the region. A Study was set up by the local government for examining the possible ways of rehabilitation, but financial background was not provided. 8 months operation of the Study is supported by HEPF in the frame of this program. By the end of this period the Foundation will prepare a detailed working plan and inform the public on the plans.

Pan-European Jurists’ Union, 7 500 USD

The Union undertook the task of collecting the claims of individuals, non-governmental organizations and small businesses, processes them and puts them in the state suitable for expert team asserting the damages. The project is planned to result in legal obligations to compensation of damages, prevention of more such catastrophe, encouragement of legislation. They cooperate with NGOs and use their experience in civil sphere. HEPF grant is to contribute to the expenses of legal processes, experts, communication.

Youth Nature Conservationists from Hajdúböszörmény, 2 500 USD

The program aims to induce legal suits for damages involving tourist enter-

prises. Two trainings will be organized with participation of the damaged parties and representatives of different organizations (chambers, local authorities) and prepare the enterprises for legal proceedings. As a result of the program, some individuals will cooperate with the Pan-European Jurists’ Union in taking their case before the court.

E-mission Association, Nyíregyháza, 10 000 USD

Sustainable development program with three main components: case study of the cyanide and heavy metal contamination and their consequences, preparation of a development program in a small region with demonstrative purposes, civil organization-development program in Upper Tisza region. As this is a long term project, the case study and description of the demonstrative area from environmental-social-economic aspects are granted.

Energy grants

Alternatives to Nuclear Power

Energy Club, Budapest, 7 273 USD

The organization runs investigative (i.e. watchdog), follow-up and information activities, related to the operation of the Paks nuclear power plant. The aim is to gather information on the plant’s operation and the waste disposal, which are usually not very public, and to present it to citizens and the Hungarian green movement, thereby contributing to convincing people that nuclear energy is the most polluting and expensive way to produce electricity. To this end, they also

plan to organize meetings with decision-makers, monitor research and lobby the Parliament and Ministries.

Energy Club, Budapest, 364 USD
The club decided to reprint the anti-nuclear brochure they made in 1998 for the third time, in 5000 copies and distribute it during 10th the Earth Day celebrations in 2000, where they expected about 4000 people.

Energy Club, Budapest, 1 818 USD
The Anti-nuclear Working Group provides a framework for young activists to take part in the promotion of sustainable energy systems in Hungary. The main means of communication and informing their constituency is by publishing a regular newsletter. In 2000 the group plans to print 3 issues in 1000 copies.

Reflex Association, Győr, 2 182 USD

The Reflex Environmental Association, founded in 1987, is a member of the Green Energy Network, active in Northern Transdanubia. The main goal of their activity is to educate the public on the risks and disadvantages of nuclear power, and to prepare them for a longer-term debate on the construction of new reactors. They aim to reach students between 12-18 years, who are young enough to be convinced of the disadvantages of nuclear energy, by means of lectures, cartoons, postcard and series of articles.

Arrabona Green Club, Győr, 109 USD

The club was established in co-operation with the students and teachers of the Széchenyi István College, in Győr, in the autumn of 1998. They have a supplement in the college newspaper,

in which they plan to bestow one issue in May to the dangers of the nuclear energy featuring articles about the possible threats, remarks from scientists and average citizens, stories and jokes.

E-mission Association, Nyíregyháza, 1 200 USD

The association, which is a founder of the Anti-nuclear Working Group, and organiser of many anti-nuclear actions, now aims to organise a national cartoon tender for the youth (12-18 age) on nuclear energy, under the title Nuclear Illness. They plan to edit a 25-30-page publication from the best cartoons. The publication will include a short description of nuclear issues and problems.

Environmental Culture Association of Esztergom, Esztergom, 1 745 USD

The project aims at public education on nuclear energy in North-eastern Transdanubia, near to the region where the Mohovce NPP operates. The association plans to print a publication on the problem as well as to install a public display in Esztergom downtown to show the actual level of radiation. They also organize meetings and common actions with Slovak NGOs working in the region.

Reflex Association, Győr, 1 389 USD

Together with the Arrabona Green Club, they aim to organize a three-day program in the Széchenyi István College, where environmental green clubs from other universities and colleges will be invited too. The project aims to mobilize the green clubs in the anti-nuclear field.

Energy Club, Budapest, 2 029 USD

The Paks nuclear reactors, reaching the end of their life span, must be

gradually shut down between 2012 and 2017. However, the plant represents a base load capacity of 1860 MW, which will need to be replaced by a variety of energy sources: using a larger share of renewable, increasing energy efficiency and savings, taking advantage of the co-generation potential and constructing new, smaller, more flexible power plants. The club sees itself mainly as an intermediary in this process, facilitating contacts between the different stakeholders. The second aim of the project is to organise an information tent in the Student Island Festival, Budapest in August.

Honeywell grants

Energy Club, Budapest, 2 482 USD

The organization helped a primary school in Dunaharaszti to use energy more efficiently by installing insulation and thermostatic heater valves.

E-mission Association, Nyíregyháza – North-Plane region, 2 103 USD

The association carried out window and door insulation in the primary school of the Sóstóhegy suburb of the town.

Environmental Culture Association, Esztergom – Middle-Transdanubian region, 2 344 USD

In Esztergom, the local organization insulated the primary school of Tát suburb, installed heat reflectors behind heaters and changed the north-facing corridor windows to double glazed ones in order to minimize heat loss.

Quality of Life Environmental Foundation, Eger – North-Hungary region, 1 482 USD

The foundation has eventually select-

ed the primary school of Sirok village. They repaired the heater control system and installed new heater valves.

Ecological Institute for Sustainable Development, Miskolc – North-Hungary region, 2 103 USD

In Miskolc the water system has been modernized changing taps and valves to prevent leaks and vandalism. The school management welcomed this plan and has even successfully mobilized additional funding sources.

Amber Trail Greenways program

Eco-chance Foundation, Budapest, 364 USD

The foundation, together with the Environmental Association of Mátyásfa, a small local NGO in the Amber Trail region, aims to conserve and rehabilitate natural state of the Morgó-stream. The design a revitalization and water management plan HEPF has supported them with organizational costs and the engineers fees.

For Our Village Szokolya, Szokolya, 837 USD

They want to liven up old, traditional agricultural work and handicraft on a farm in Szokolya. This farm will not function as a museum where everything is for the eyes and nothing for the hand. Here children and adults can try anything to taste how our grandparents lived and worked. HEPF supported the cost of printing leaflets and the preparation of an introductory video.

Town Development and Embellishment Association, Göd, 1000 USD

There is an old youth summer camp-site in the city, which was abandoned since the pioneer movement of the previous political regime has not used it. The municipality wanted to sell it for building a new water amusement park. The inhabitants of the city got together against the idea and want to utilize the site, as it was previously (youth programs, sport and environmental education). HEPF supported data collection for site rehabilitation.

Friends of Small Trains, Budapest, 1 000 USD

This group only has enthusiastic railway-friend members. There are a number of old, narrow-track railway lines in Hungary. Some of them have already been closed. This group fought for a narrow track railway line in the Börzsöny-mountain starting from Kemence. They renovated both the railway line and the carriages and the train is operating again since last July. HEPF now supported further railway line building and carriage renovation.

Integrated Organizational Development program

Tele-house Foundation, Kismaros, 807 USD

Other Mosaic Cultural Association, Debrecen, 2 665 USD

Local Association of Big Families,

Kaposvár, 2 484 USD

Hindu-Hungarian Cultural Foundation, Pécs, 2 484 USD

“A Nostru”(Ours) Association for the Rights of the Romanies of Zala Country, Nagykanizsa, 2 665 USD

Waste Management Working Alliance, Budapest, 3 454 USD

Mental Worker Association for

People Along the Tisza River, Tiszavasvári, 2 603 USD

Green Action Association, Miskolc, 2 109 USD

Forest School Foundation “Church Hill” Education Center, Szentendre, 2 545 USD

New organizations participating in the program:

HEROSZ Fejér County Association, Székesfehérvár

KALAMÁRIS Youth Culture and Student Journalist Association, Nyíregyháza

“Kiss Ferenc Nature Conservationist Association in Csongrád County, Szeged

Regional Development Association of Middle Hegyhát Region, Szakadát

REX Dog-shelter Foundation, Budapest

Cultural Association of Szőny, Komárom

AUDITOR'S REPORT

I conducted the audit of the Hungarian Environmental Partnership Foundation's public benefit financial report for the year 2000. – where the total amount of the assets and sources equals to 242.069 tsd HUF, the result of the current year equals to 62.830 tsd HUF – as well as the audit of the activity statement and its supplements (hereafter: the balance sheet, the activity report, the supplements together: financial statements) which are included in the public benefit report year 2000 of the foundation. The compilation of the public benefit report year 2000 of the foundation is the task of the director.

The obligation of the auditor is the review of the financial documents based on the audit.

I conducted the audit in accordance with the applicable laws and regulations in force in Hungary and in accordance with International Standards of Auditing.

The foundation is a public benefit organization. In accordance with the Act on Accounting of 1991 (XVIII.) and 219/1998 Government decree and the general accounting principles

the foundation maintains its accounting records in double entry basis. The assets of the foundation are its start up fund and its income.

In my opinion the Annual Report as of December 31, 2000 (Annual Financial Statements) including a total cash, stocks and bank of 200.318 Tsd HUF, a total revenue of 148.183 Tsd HUF, and a total of expenses and other payments of 85.353 Tsd HUF has been compiled in accordance with Act on Accounting of 1991(XVIII), 219/1998.(12.30.) Order in Council and the general accounting principles.

The Annual Report gives a true and fair view of the financial position of the Foundation and the results of its operations for the year then ended.

28th of March 2001.

Mária Varga

Certified auditor registered

Under the code: MKVK 004200

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**HUNGARIAN ENVIRONMENTAL PARTNERSHIP
FOUNDATION BALANCE SHEET
(SIMPLIFIED ANNUAL REPORT) YEAR 2000**

Figures in Tsd HUF

ASSETS	Previous year	Current year	Increase
A. Fixed assets	59.673	54.193	-5.480
Intangible assets	483	423	
Tangible assets	7.690	7.800	
Long term investments	51.500	45.970	-5.530
Invested assets value correction			
B. Current assets	104.944	159.164	+54.220
Inventory			
Accounts Receivable	2.826	4.816	+1.990
Short term Investment (Securities)			
Cash and cash equivalents	102.118	154.348	+52.230
C. Prepaid Expenses		28.712	
Total assets	164.617	242.069	
Sources			
D. Own capital	164.725	227.555	+62.830
Start up Fund Balance	200	200	
Change in Fund Balance	164.525	227.355	
Result of Current year	48.889	62.830	
Reserves			
E. Marked reserves			
F. Liabilities	1.429	14.072	+12.643
Long term liabilities			
Short term liabilities	1.429	14.072	
G. Accrued expenses		442	
Total Net Worth and liabilities	166.154	242.069	

**HUNGARIAN ENVIRONMENTAL PARTNERSHIP
FOUNDATION ACTIVITY STATEMENT
(SIMPLIFIED ANNUAL REPORT) YEAR 2000**

Figures in Tsd HUF

A Capital opening balance	164.725
B. Income	
1. Funds received for public benefit activities	525
2. Grant support	112.103
3. Other income	787
4. Bank income	34.768
Total income	148.183
C. Expenses	
5. Personnel	4.674
6. Office	9.727
7. Programme costs	18.366
Greenworks	1.477
EU-accession	1.179
Integrated Organizational Development	5.278
Community Right to Know	2.025
Amber Trail Greenway	672
Technical Assistance	4.078
EPCE – consortium	3.314
Other	343
8. Grants	40.498
9. Fixed assets and depreciation	1.188
10. Bank costs	10.900
Total expenses	85.353
D. Result of current year	62.830
E. Capital closing balance	227.555
Start up Fund	200
Carry-over	61.746
Capital reserve	169.609

Az Ökotárs Alapítvány nem nyereségérdekelt, politikától és pártoktól független, a környezet állapotának javításáért és a hazai civil szféra és a lakosság környezeti érzékenységének és tudatosságának fejlesztéséért tevékenykedő szervezet. Kérjük, amennyiben egyetért céljainkkal és módjában áll, támogassa alapítványunkat és ezen keresztül a környezetvédelem ügyét.

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Foltányi Zsuzsa
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