

Support the Women's Forest Congress

The Women's Forest Congress is a dynamic and inclusive forum to develop strategies and solutions for forests. Women throughout the forest space have come together to share personal and professional experiences, shape the latest innovations, and consider how actions informed by our perspectives can make a profound impact on the future of forests. **We need your financial support to transform this energy into a lasting movement and seek sponsorship for key events and activities of 2023.**

Nearly 500 participants, in-person and virtually, from 38 U.S. states, three Canadian provinces, and eight additional nations attended the inaugural [Women's Forest Congress](#) in Minneapolis, October 17-20, serving as the 8th American Forest Congress. Attendees used their diverse and collective expertise to develop strategies and solutions and propose resolutions to address today's and tomorrow's most pressing challenges for forests and women.

We are inspired by the [WFC 2022 Resolutions](#) as deliberated and endorsed by 500+ participants:



2022 Congress
 October 17-20

1 FOSTER WORKPLACE OPPORTUNITIES for ALL WOMEN

2 BROADEN RECRUITING PRACTICES

3 BUILD WORKPLACE SYSTEMS THAT SUPPORT MENTAL HEALTH

4 PROMOTE a VARIETY of WORKPLACE ENVIRONMENTS

5 ENABLE EMPLOYEES to PRIORITIZE MENTAL, EMOTIONAL, PHYSICAL AND SPIRITUAL HEALTH

6 CREATE a SAFE, INVITING AND WELCOMING WORKSPACE

7 ASSESS COMPENSATION for WOMEN and PROMOTE PATHS to PAY EQUITY at ALL LEVELS

8 IDENTIFY and INTENTIONALLY SUPPORT MORE WOMEN and THOSE from UNDERREPRESENTED GROUPS to ACHIEVE LEADERSHIP POSITIONS

9 INCREASE the USE of STORYTELLING

10 GENERATE and REALIZE SOLUTIONS to the GREATEST FOREST CHALLENGES

Themes

- 1 LEADERSHIP for EQUITY and INCLUSION
- 2 SUPPORTING EACH OTHER
- 3 WORKFORCE OPPORTUNITIES
- 4 CATALYSTS for CHANGE
- 5 GREATEST FOREST CHALLENGES

Now is the Time!

Presentation of **Final Resolutions from the Delegates and a Call for Endorsement**

- DEVELOPED OVER 2 YEARS
- DRAFT PRESENTED + EDITED DURING 2022 CONFERENCE

FIND THE FULL VERSION

DRAWN BY URBAN WILD STUDIO

WOMEN'S FOREST CONGRESS

Supporting the Women's Forest Congress

Your support is needed to continue the momentum from the past few years and the inaugural Congress in October 2022. Organizations and individuals aligned with our Mission and Vision are invited to be an integral part of the Women's Forest Congress. We are truly a grassroots effort and currently not under any one organization's umbrella. We were formed together by women in the for-profit, non-profit, public agency, and academic sectors from varying backgrounds and diverse perspectives. And we are committed to continuing.

Your sponsorship or donation will directly support and ensure the continued success of the Women's Forest Congress movement. Throughout 2023, the WFC will engage and act upon the [Declaration and 10 resolutions](#) from the October 2022 event. Specific activities will include but are not limited to WFC strategic engagement and operations, ongoing communications and marketing, quarterly virtual gatherings, and supporting the volunteer-led Steering Committee, Advisory Council, and Working Groups, as well as the overall movement to position and learn from women as leaders in the forest community.

VISIONARY - \$50,000+

Support the overall WFC movement and ensure momentum continuance

- Ability to provide a 2-minute video message during virtual events or other WFC initiatives and posted on website detailing the importance of your organization's support of the Women's Forest Congress
- Ability to provide or suggest one keynote speaker on a virtual gathering of choice (WFC reserves approval rights)
- Prominent branding and recognition on all virtual event communications through 2023
- Website listing as sponsor for 12 months from the time of sponsorship
- "Visionary of the Month" call out in a WFC monthly newsletter
- Recognition in WFC marketing and communications as appropriate, e.g., social media, callouts, press releases, newsletter

CHANGEMAKER - \$25,000-\$50,000

Flagship Sponsor for 2023 Virtual Gatherings

- Ability to provide or suggest one keynote speaker on a session of choice (WFC reserves approval rights)
- Prominent branding and recognition on all virtual event communications through 2023
- Website listing as sponsor for 12 months from the time of sponsorship
- Recognition in WFC marketing and communications as appropriate, e.g., social media, callouts, press releases, newsletter





TRAILBLAZER - \$10,000-\$24,999

Single Event Sponsor for a 2023 Virtual Gathering

- Ability to provide or suggest one feature speaker (WFC reserves approval rights)
- Prominent branding and recognition on related communications
- Website listing as sponsor for 12 months from the time of sponsorship
- Recognition in WFC marketing and communications as appropriate, e.g., social media, callouts, press releases, newsletter

MOTIVATOR - \$1,501-9,999

- Prominent branding and recognition on related communications
- Website listing as sponsor for 12 months from the time of sponsorship
- Recognition in WFC marketing and communications as appropriate, e.g., social media, callouts, press releases, newsletter

GROUNDBREAKER - Up to \$1500

- Website listing as sponsor for 12 months from the time of sponsorship

For donations less than \$1,500 or to donate as an individual, click here

DONATE NOW



Please direct questions regarding sponsorship opportunities and the associated benefits to info@womensforestcongress.org.



Who We Are

The Women's Forest Congress is a new, dynamic, and inclusive forum to develop strategies, solutions, and radical change for forests. We are women throughout the forest community who are sharing personal and professional experiences, connecting with each other, shaping the latest innovations, and considering how actions informed by our perspectives can make a profound impact on the future of forests.

Vision

We envision a world where there is universal equity and inclusion in our forest community. All voices are heard, supported, and empowered. The influence and impact of all are manifest in our relationships with forests.

Mission

Our mission is to create community and affect change.

Together we create safe spaces to connect, inspire, and act as catalysts for change for the benefit of forests and all who rely on them now and for the future.

- We value and abide by community agreements
- We champion diversity, equity, inclusion, and accessibility
- We support and provide ways to learn and grow together
- We employ inclusive and collaborative leadership models
- We are solutions-focused and results-oriented

Critical Topics

- Leadership for Equity and Inclusion
- Workforce Opportunities for Increasing Recruitment, Retention, and Leadership
- Women as Catalysts for Change
- Addressing Today's Greatest Forest Challenges
- Supporting Each Other

WFC Donor Pledge

The Women's Forest Congress will require tremendous support from a variety of sources. Companies, organizations, and individuals aligned with and supportive of our [mission and vision](#) are invited to be an integral part of the Women's Forest Congress. All supporting organizations will be asked to review a WFC Donor Pledge outlining requested commitments as a supporter.

The Women's Forest Congress Donor Pledge

As a sponsor of the Women's Forest Congress and its associated events, we, the undersigned organization, agree to listen to and consider the Resolutions of the Women's Forest Congress and to take applicable action to advance diversity, equity, inclusion, and accessibility within our organization and with our external relationships.

Please note we reserve the right to not accept financial support from an organization not meeting the spirit and intent of the Women's Forest Congress. If you have any questions about our Donor Pledge or if you wish to discuss your commitments as a supporter, please contact info@womensforestcongress.org.