

VISION

A vibrant growing network of Earth stewardship communities with their inhabitants enjoying place-based One Planet livelihoods.

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OPENtrust is a parent organization that nurtures the development of One Planet stewardship communities in the Cascadia bioregion. We gather research, promote education, and raise awareness, funds and legal support for the creation of One Planet projects of various sizes including:

- family developments
- multiple-family developments
- community developments
- eco-village development
- wild-tending collectives
- peopled nature conservancies

We see these occurring on land and easements held by individuals, land trusts, and conservancies of all sizes. The inhabitants will be living in an increasingly symbiotic relationship with the natural world, stewarding the land using permaculture, horticulture, and wild-tending methods.

ABOUT US

We are long-term members of intentional communities, natural builders, food gardeners, community organizers, wildcrafters, professionals in the community, children, parents and grandparents. We are responding with our vision of hope and beauty, moving into the opportunities offered at this time by the emerging crisis on our earth mother and home.

CALL TO ACTION

OPENtrust is in the steering committee phase. We are currently gathering funds to establish our legal entity, while creating educational material to raise awareness and support for the movement.

We need:

- legal advocates
- board members
- future stewards
- an educational coordinator
- an event coordinator
- web site maintenance
- grant writers and copy editors

If any of these roles excite or move you, please contact us.

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OPEN is an acronym for One Planet Eco-cultural Network. The term *One Planet* refers to the concept of a *One Planet lifestyle*—a lifestyle that, if everyone lived it, would only take the resources of one Planet Earth to sustain us all, forever. If we all lived the average American lifestyle, we'd need the resources of five to six planet Earths to support us, long-term. At this rate, we are destroying planet Earth's ecosystems and our human descendants' prospects for survival, due to global climate change, toxic pollution, habitat destruction, etc.

We only have one planet. OPENtrust supports the discovery of living a fulfilling and joyous life requiring only one planet's worth of material resources.

We are inspired by Lammas, an eco-village in Wales based on One Planet livelihoods and lifestyles. Planning of the Lammas eco-village began in 2005, approval was granted in 2009, and they have been gathering extensive data about their true impact since then. As of their 2013 report, they are at 0.81 planets. In 2009 the Welsh government further codified Lammas' efforts, allowing for rigorously planned One Planet Developments in the open countryside as part of an overall Sustainable Development Scheme, One Wales: One Planet. This legislation has legalized low-impact, indefinitely sustainable living in Wales. We aspire to open agricultural and forest lands in Cascadia to One Planet living and stewardship.



Model of One Planet family development

Eco-cultural refers to an indefinitely sustainable lifestyle and livelihood that looks first to "nature" for wisdom and "first peoples" for inspiration. We aspire to live in an earth-centered, symbiotic relationship with the web of life. Seasons and cycles, from large to small, provide the keys to harmonious co-existence.

Eco-cultural also refers to the interpersonal relationships amongst the people living this life. We gather the best practices of well-relationship that have been found over the last centuries of human endeavor and put them to use. We understand that healing our relationships with one another is intrinsic to healing the Earth.

OPENtrust is working with local educational institutions to gather research and provide education around the meaning and practice of "One Planet" living. We work with land owners, supporting them to consider how their planning can be consistent with One Planet Development.

OPENtrust seeks lands to establish One Planet Developments and to create Peopled Nature Conservancies. These land acquisitions will be devoted to human re-integrations with Nature. As early adopters to low-carbon footprint lives, the inhabitants will prepare for positive outcomes to escalating climate change.

OPENtrust is calling in and connecting with residential stewards and migrant wild-tenders. These stewards and wild-tenders will be enabled to provide in-place ecological service to the land while meeting a significant amount of their needs on the land.

