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**Annual Report 2016 - 2017**

**“The creation of a thousand forests is in one acorn.”  
-Ralph Waldo Emerson**



# MAJOR INITIATIVES IN 2016-2017

## OFFERING PATHWAYS FOR GIVING FORWARD



SAGE led 13 workshops and discussions to inspire, train and support older adults to give forward. We engaged over 200 people in these events, and focused on topics such as mentoring, teaching grit and grassroots organizing.

## FOSTERING INTERGENERATIONAL CONNECTION



We launched our Young Adult Leadership Advisory Board, a team of eight leaders who are helping SAGE to identify major challenges facing their generation. We also celebrated our Fifth Birthday with a Children's Choir featured above. Special thanks to Mayor-Elect Ted Wheeler for speaking at our event, and for elevating the role that elders play in our community.

## INSPIRING INNOVATIVE, HIGH-IMPACT PROJECTS



SAGE graduated our third group of Legacy Fellows. Through this nine-month program, we train volunteers to lead community benefit projects like promoting affordable housing, empowering girls, and connecting civic leaders.

## SAGE Member Impact

This year, SAGE released its Member Impact Report – the first chapter in our story of one generation helping the next. Through nearly 70 interviews, we learned that SAGE members volunteer over 32,000 hours per year for nonprofits – an investment valued at over \$780,000 each year. They donate money and advocate for causes they care about. They know that giving as little as a few hours or a few dollars every month can help a young person learn to read, develop a love for nature, or secure their first job.

Here are three highlights:



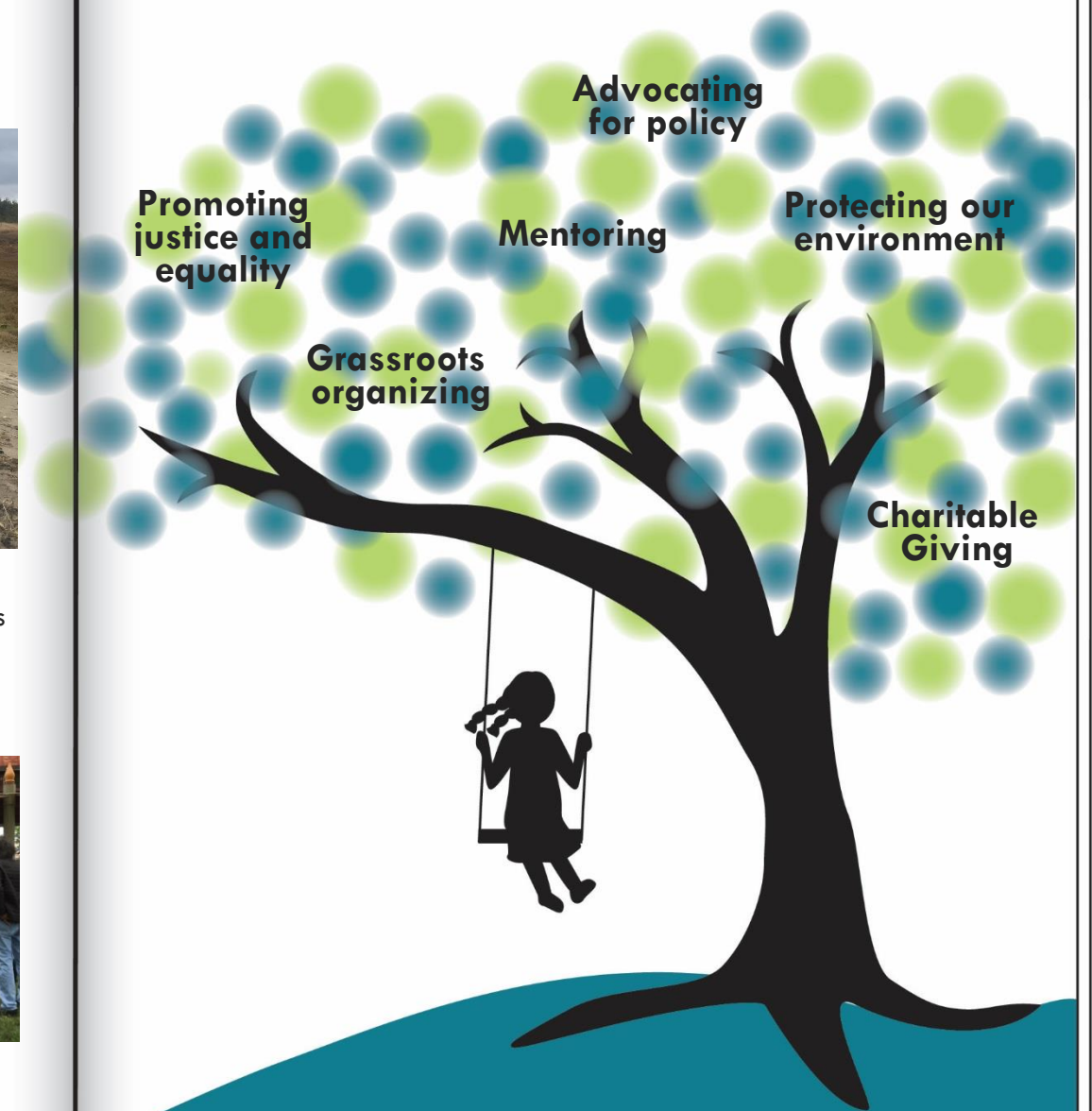
Bruce Watts (right) joins other mentors to help young men succeed in school and in life.



Jeanne Roy (right) organizes beach cleanups to inspire kids to clean up our oceans.



Lisa Adatto joins rallies and advocates for sustainable practices to protect our community's future.



What will be **YOUR** part of the story?

Get involved at [Wearesage.org](http://Wearesage.org)

## Thank you from SAGE!

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Lisa Rome, Community Engagement  
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*Special thanks to our emeritus board members:  
Michelle Garcia and Bill Hallmark.*

### Board

John Daggett	Leslie Johnson	Jeanne Roy
Lori Davidson	Mary Markley	Liz Schellberg
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### Young Adult Leadership Advisory Board

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