2017 Year-at-a-Glance

**Ecologistics Mission:**
Our mission is to create a **resilient** and **healthy** community for the residents of the **California Central Coast** that is **environmentally** and **economically sustainable**.

Ecologistics develops, conducts, and sponsors programs intended to provide information, encourage collaboration, generate conversation, inspire action, and engage the community.

Ecologistics is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization run by an all - volunteer Board. Your tax-deductible donation will help us fulfill our mission of bringing people together and promoting practices to ensure continued life on Earth for people and all living beings.

**Environmental Film Night at SLO International Film Festival**
Ecologistics was a co-sponsor of a night of environmentally-themed film shorts at the Land Conservancy’s Octagon Barn on March 15. The program included a sneak preview of local filmmaker Brittany App’s documentary “Where There Once Was Water.”

**Earth Week Central Coast Bioneers**
Ecologistics collaborated with Cal Poly’s Energy, Utilities and Sustainability Division to show a series of screenings of selected 2016 Bioneers keynote speakers April 25-27. Q&A following the screenings was facilitated by Cal Poly professors and staff.

**Wild in the Plaza**
On May 13, Ecologistics participated in Pacific Wildlife Care’s Wild in the Plaza family event, hosting a Biomimicry booth. Aimed at elementary school-aged children, the materials at the booth showed how Biomimicry creates sustainable solutions to human challenges by emulating nature’s time-tested patterns and strategies.

**Bioneers Film Showcase in Santa Barbara**
On April 9, Ecologistics joined forces with the Santa Barbara Permaculture Guild to hold a program at Santa Barbara City College featuring 2016 Bioneers keynote speakers. The highlight was the screening of Bren Smith’s talk on 3-D Ocean Farming and the tie-in with Daniel Marquez of Pharmesea, who is working on an ocean farming project off the Goleta pier.

**Empower.SLO**
New this year, Ecologistics designed a two-part activism training program, one for beginners that ran over a 6-week period in the spring, and an advanced program for non-profit leaders and volunteers that was included as part of the 2017 Central Coast Bioneers Conference. About 50 people participated in the two programs, learning such skills as speaking before public agencies, effective letter-writing campaigns grassroots and community organizing, getting your message out in the media and nonprofit free speech.

**Blue C Community Garden**
The Blue C Community and Demonstration Garden continued its Saturdays in the Garden program through the spring and summer, putting on lectures and demonstrations on home brewing, worm composting, ancient grains, secrets of the master food preservers, and how to grow a winter soup garden.

**2017 Central Coast Bioneers Conference**
Ecologistics held a full-day conference on November 4 at the SLO Guild Hall, featuring selected keynote talks from the National Bioneers Conference. Approximately 75 people attended and 19 exhibitors had tables. Live presentations were made by Tim LaSalle of the Regenerative Agriculture Initiative, CSU Chico on carbon farming and April Price of Santa Barbara’s Community Environmental Council on a coalition to move forward 100% renewable energy goals in the San Luis Obispo-Santa-Barbara-Ventura region. The event was held concurrently with Empower.SLO advanced activism training.

**Fiscal Sponsorship Program**
Ecologistics added Brittany App and her film “Where There Once Was Water,” Poly Canyon Ventures, R.A.C.E. Matters and SLO Guild Hall Sustainability to our fiscal sponsorship program, which enables other nonprofit organizations to received tax-deductible donations. We also expanded our capabilities by adding Bitcoin as a method of donation.