Hello Friend of Damascus Citizens for Sustainability,

I dedicated my Academy Award nominated film, GasLand, to DCS because they sounded the alarm about fracking back in 2008. And they were there with invaluable advice and information that allowed me to create a movie that changed how Americans see fracking. DCS helped make that happen.

Fast Forward to 2020 - The pandemic, the elections, social unrest and, for many, some very sad realizations have directed focus away from environmental concerns. DCS did not waiver, continuing to challenge the behemoth fracking industry with science, legal actions and community interventions.

Did you know that Pennsylvania was about to vote to allow fracking waste materials to be used as liquid road deicer? It was DCS that distributed a map showing all of the roads that could be affected. Communities were outraged, and the legislature backed down on its plan.

Now is not the time to stop!

Supporting environmental justice and fighting the scourge of gas drilling remains paramount. In fact, we are at a critical point right now!

I am asking that you support DCS now, so that they may build on the successful work of this past year:

Legal
- Significant Legal and policy outreach in both Pennsylvania and New York
- Legal Interventions around liquefied natural gas and DRBC drilling cases
- Amicus brief filings
- Submitting Comments on national and state (NY & PA) issues

Education/Advocacy
- Directly assist 2 - 6 individual families every single day
- Encouraged the Attorney General’s office to set up their fracking hotline effort
- Educating policy makers with great success
- Ongoing clarification of incredible amounts of misinformation
- Provide 1-3 information packages/weekly - nationally and internationally
- Actively participate in the coalition of Delaware River Basin environmental organizations
- Provide tailored reference & background information to journalists and documentarians

Following is the annual appeal letter from DCS Director, Barbara Arrindell. Please take a few minutes to review it, and please, do be generous. It’s a pivotal time in the fight to end fracking, and we all must support this critical work today!

Thank you,

Josh Fox

P.S. This past August NY Governor Andrew Cuomo signed legislation reclassifying fracking related waste as hazardous. It was DCS that began the push for this important step toward toward a total ban back in 2010. Please help them continue this valuable work with your generous support.