



**GREAT LAKES UNITED**

## **GLU AT A GLANCE**

Never before has such a unique coalition of groups bonded together to protect the Great Lakes-St. Lawrence River Ecosystem. Organizational and individual members represent diverse interests throughout the eight Great Lakes States and two Canadian provinces. Organizations include the Michigan United Conservation Clubs, the League of Women Voters, United Auto Workers, the City of Toronto, Schermerhorn Boat Sales, Great Lakes Committee of the Sierra Club, Canadian Environmental Law Association, Sigurd Olson Institute, to mention a few. We have joined together to promote public policy initiatives to properly manage the Great Lakes Basin.

Great Lakes United provides the organizational base for groups and individuals to become involved in a cooperative manner, to learn from each other's experience and to understand the interrelationship of specific environmental hazards to the ecosystem as a whole. Great Lakes United has been involved in issues such as Winter Navigation, 1978 U.S. — Canadian International Water Quality Agreement and Potential Water Diversions out of the Great Lakes Basin. Through our united efforts, Great Lakes United has provided the catalyst for Great Lakes citizens to be involved in the decision-making process. Through this joint program, the philosophy of an ecosystem approach to environmental problem solving can be realized in public policy development. The end results are increased environmental, social and economic improvements to Great Lakes-St. Lawrence System — a fragile and treasured resource that needs protection, conservation and proper management.

*"An international organization dedicated to conserving and protecting the Great Lakes and St. Lawrence River"*

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