

# Food AND Medicine

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**CCHD Grant: \$35,000**

## **The Problem:**

- Member of “Maine Can Do Better” coalition that promotes contraceptive use
- Member of Jobs with Justice coalition
- Member of Interfaith Worker Justice coalition a socialist organization

## **The Response:**

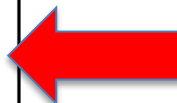
After contacting the local diocese with initial findings in July, American Life League never heard back. However, it is possible that Bishop Malone’s transfer to another diocese during this time explains this lack of communication.

ALL scheduled a meeting with the Executive Director of National CCHD to discuss the report. The meeting was subsequently cancelled by CCHD with the explanation, “we see no reason to meet at this time.”

## 2011-2012 CCHD GRANTEES

If you have questions or concerns about CCHD, the Review and Renewal or any of these groups or grants, please contact Ralph McCloud, CCHD Director at [rmccloud@usccb.org](mailto:rmccloud@usccb.org) or 202-541-3367.

<u>Arch/diocese</u>	<u>Organization Legal Name</u>	<u>Fund/Primary Focus</u>	<u>Grant Amount</u>
AREA A\Maine\Portland	Kennebec Valley Organization, Inc.	Community Development ECONOMIC JUSTICE	\$30,000.00
AREA A\Maine\Portland	Food and Medicine	Community Development WORKERS' RIGHTS	\$35,000.00
AREA A\Massachusetts\Boston	Greater Boston Interfaith Organization	Community Development HOUSING	\$30,000.00



The Review and Renewal of the Campaign for Human Development specifically states that **“CCHD will not fund groups that are members of coalitions which have as their organizational purpose or coalition agenda, positions or actions that contradict fundamental Catholic moral and social teaching.”** The following coalition memberships in this report are clear violations of this guideline.



**The Review and Renewal of  
The Catholic Campaign for Human Development  
As Accepted and Affirmed by the USCCB Administrative Committee  
September 15, 2010**

Other questions address CCHD funding for some groups that abide by CCHD policies, but are also part of coalitions focused on worthy issues (e.g. immigration, health or housing) in cases where those coalitions or other members are accused of taking positions contrary to Catholic teaching. CCHD will not fund groups that are members of coalitions which have as part of their organizational purpose or coalition agenda, positions or actions that contradict fundamental Catholic moral and social teaching. CCHD is developing additional structures and guidance to address in greater detail the ethical implications of these relationships and what is morally acceptable and what is not for CCHD funded groups.

COALITION PARTNERS:

Family Planning Association of Maine  
Family Violence Project  
Foster Family-based Treatment  
Association - ME Chapter  
Friends of the Fund for a Healthy  
Maine  
Friends Together Peer Support and  
Recovery Center  
G.E.A.R. Parent Network  
Food AND Medicine  
Health Policy Partners of Maine  
Eastern Maine Labor Council  
Toxics Action Center Campaigns





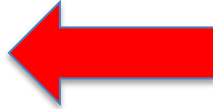
# MAINE CAN DO BETTER

Building Maine's future together.

The Maine Can Do Better coalition called cuts in family planning funding in the federal budget "dangerous and irresponsible."

PRESS RELEASE

Maine Can Do Better



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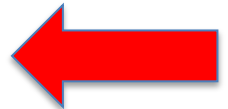
[ben@engagemaine.org](mailto:ben@engagemaine.org)

May 10, 2012

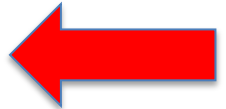
## Irresponsible Budget Ignores Dangerous Impacts

**AUGUSTA** – Maine Republicans in the Legislature today released scarce details of a budget that they have negotiated secretly with Gov. Paul LePage that makes devastating cuts to seniors, children and other vulnerable Mainers while continuing an irresponsible agenda of tax cuts that aren't paid for.

Despite bipartisan budgets throughout the last 18 months, Republicans today issued a stingingly partisan budget that cuts funding for Head Start, family planning and services for seniors and low-income Mainers.



"From what we know, this is a dangerous and irresponsible attack on Maine's vulnerable that is motivated by the desire for a talking point instead of sound public policy," said Ben Dudley, executive director of Engage Maine, convener of the Maine Can Do Better Coalition. "It appears that the authors of this budget are unconcerned with the impacts on seniors, children, women and low-income Mainers."



Additional details of their plan were not released before the Appropriations and Financial Affairs Committee gathered for votes on the cuts.

Maine Can Do Better and its coalition partners will release more information as it becomes available.



# MAINE CAN DO BETTER

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The Maine Can Do Better coalition published a list of what it called “the most damaging and irresponsible initiatives,” which claims that eliminating funds for “family planning” harms children and families.

Prepared by Maine Equal Justice Partners, the following list provides some of the most damaging and irresponsible initiatives. (Please note that this is a preliminary analysis and numbers are subject to change.)

## Cuts that will harm low-income children and families:

- ❑ Eliminates funding (\$2.6 million) for the **Maine Families Home Visiting** Program, which will eliminate vital services for Maine's most vulnerable infants and children. Approximately 750 families will lose services focused on family substance abuse, domestic violence, prevention of abusive head trauma, and the health and safety of children;
- ❑ Eliminates funding (\$401,430) for family planning; and
- ❑ Eliminates \$300,000 for **dental services** for people with low incomes and no other source of dental help.

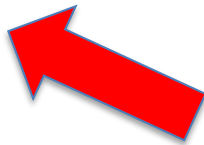
<http://www.maineandobetter.org/gmi.html>

## Statement from Benjamin Dudley on behalf of Maine Can Do Better in Response to Proposed Supplemental Budget Changes

March 9, 2010

"We're heartened by the Governor's proposed changes to the supplemental budget. They represent substantial restorations to programs vital to the public interest, such as funding for nursing homes, assisted living facilities, disability services, mental health crisis intervention and home-based services, k-12 and higher education, and municipal revenue sharing. Clearly Governor Baldacci heard the concerns of Maine citizens and we thank him for his efforts.

"Despite this progress, there's still major hole in the state budget: \$360 million. That's equivalent to annual state & federal funding for the Maine Departments of Agriculture, Conservation, Economic Development, Marine Resources, The Secretary of State, The Community College System, The Maine Human Rights Commission, and the state court system combined. To make up that sizable shortfall, this budget still proposes a host of harmful cuts:



- ☒ \$500 thousand in cuts for community support programs, including family planning, domestic violence, homeless services and child abuse prevention programs.

In 2010, the Maine Can Do Better coalition decried budget cuts to "family planning" in Maine's state budget, calling them "harmful."

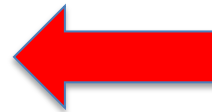


Food AND Medicine is an affiliate of Jobs with Justice.

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## **Maine**

**Maine Jobs with Justice / Food and Medicine**



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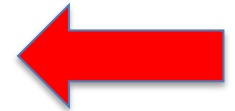
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In 2009, Jobs with Justice joined Planned Parenthood and NOW to call on CVS to “Stop Locking up Condoms.”

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: JUNE 18, 2009

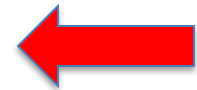
CONTACT: Casey Cabalquinto (202) 203-9913

**National Organization for Women, Planned Parenthood, Call on CVS to Stop Selling Expired Products, Stop Locking Up Condoms, Adopt New Policies**



**CVS Fails to Adequately Address Expired Goods in Most Metro Indianapolis Stores Surveyed, According to New Study by Cure CVS**

Indianapolis, Indiana – Local chapters of the National Organization for Women (NOW), Planned Parenthood, Jobs with Justice and other groups held a noontime rally outside a local CVS store at 5110 E. 38<sup>th</sup> Street on Thursday, calling on the company to stop selling expired goods and stop locking up condoms in its stores. The rally was one of 14 events taking place outside CVS stores across the country today.





Massachusetts Jobs with Justice posted a job advertisement for the **National Network of Abortion Funds**.

One of the job responsibilities includes providing “referral information” for women “in need of an abortion.”

Full-time Program Associate, National Network of Abortion Funds  
Monday, January 3, 2011



**Organization Description:**

The National Network of Abortion Funds (the Network) is a group of 100 grassroots abortion funds around the country and abroad dedicated to helping women pay for abortions they could not otherwise afford. The Network’s national office (located in downtown Boston) is a non-profit organization that provides support to build our grassroots abortion Funds into stronger organizations that help more women. The national office also works on the state and federal level for policies that respect the lives, futures, and health decisions of low-income women and girls, women of color, immigrant women, and Native and indigenous women.

**Job Opportunity:**

The Network is seeking a full-time Program Associate to join our small, dedicated and fun team in our beautiful office in downtown Boston! The Program Associate supports the direct service, member support, fundraising, and other programming work of the Network. This staff member provides critical administrative support and also plays a key role in coordinating the Network’s Organizing Summit on abortion funding and reproductive justice.

**Responsibilities include:**

- Responding to calls from women in need of an abortion and providing referral information



<http://www.massjwj.net/node/39075>




Massachusetts JwJ invited members to attend a Gay and Lesbian Labor Activist Network Meeting.

## Gay and Lesbian Labor Activist Network Meeting

**Date:**

Thu, 01/28/2010 - 6:00pm - 8:00pm

We invite you to GALLAN's first membership meeting of 2010! 

**Thursday January 28, 6- 8 pm  
1199SEIU union offices  
150 Mt. Vernon St., Dorchester**

Reply to this email or call 617-524-6209 for more information. A flyer with a proposed agenda is attached. Hope to see you there!

[Calendar](#)



# CONFERENCE AGENDA

**Jobs with Justice National Conference**  
**May 2 – 4, 2008 | Providence, RI**



At Jobs with Justice's 2008 National Conference, it hosted a workshop titled, "Litigation, Legislation, and Activism for LGBT Workers' Rights."

*"Are you interested in learning more about the steps lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender people along with their allies have taken on the journey to gain federal workplace protections that address sexual orientation and gender identity discrimination?"*

## **Litigation, Legislation, and Activism for LGBT Workers' Rights**

### **Biltmore: State Suite A**

Are you interested in learning more about the steps lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender people along with their allies have taken on the journey to gain federal workplace protections that address sexual orientation and gender identity discrimination? Do you want to know what you can do to join these efforts? We invite you to join us for this interactive skills and strategy-building workshop where we will explore legal, legislative and community organizing efforts on national and state-wide levels to win workplace victories for LGBT people along with identifying ways you can support such efforts in your workplace or community.

Monroe France, Lambda Legal Defense and Education Fund

Sandra Tellep, Pride at Work, AFL-CIO

Penelope Williams, Lambda Legal Defense and Education Fund





# JWJ NEWS CENTER

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OCTOBER-DECEMBER 2007

Kentucky JwJ announced a “victory over homophobia” in JwJ’s 2007 newsletter. Kentucky JwJ stated its support for the “Fairness Campaign” in the article.

## KY JwJ Supports Victory Against Sexual Orientation Discrimination

Shortly after midnight on Tuesday, November 27<sup>th</sup>, the Jefferson County Board of Education voted by a 4-3 margin to add sexual orientation, but not gender identity, to its non-discrimination and harassment policies. This was a definite victory over homophobia, and for school equality, as anti-Fairness forces had mobilized in full force against this measure. It was not, however, a victory for full equality, as JCPS employees are still at risk for harassment and discrimination based on gender identity...for now.

Like many organizations, Kentucky Jobs With Justice spoke up with the Fairness Campaign in its time of need! KY JwJ's Coordinator spoke at the November 12<sup>th</sup> Board meeting and sent a GetActive alert to all of our Louisville members asking them to call their Board Member or to send them an e mail.

Steve **Imhoff**, Larry **Hujo**, Debbie **Wesslund**, and Joe **Hardesty** all voted to expand protection, and should be applauded for their courage and commitment to justice. Sadly, Ann Elmore, Carol Ann Haddad, and Linda Duncan all failed to understand just how important this issue is and voted against protecting our community's educators and the basic human rights of working people.

The Campaign for School Equality continues! KY JwJ will continue to stand by the Fairness Campaign to win protection for all JCPS workers from discrimination and harassment based on gender identity and to amend the Student Code of Conduct to guarantee the same protections for all students in the JCPS school system.

Jobs with Justice hosted a job announcement for the Democratic Socialists of America, requiring, “Commitment to feminist, anti-racist, and anti-heterosexist principles and action.”

## Job Announcement

### DEMOCRATIC SOCIALISTS OF AMERICA YOUTH ORGANIZER


Democratic Socialists of America (DSA), the largest socialist organization in the US, and an affiliate of the global Socialist International, seeks an organizer for its youth division, the Young Democratic Socialists (YDS).

YDS is an organization of campus-based chapters and regionally-based groupings of younger (under 30) socialists who wish to develop a political and cultural space of their own, yet one that is an integral part of DSA. The organizer works out of DSA's national office in New York City and travels throughout the United States to speak to both new and experienced YDS campus chapters, as well as to independent progressive students interested in learning about democratic socialism.

#### Responsibilities

- Organize an annual winter outreach conference and an annual summer conference for current members and chapters, in collaboration with the elected and volunteer leadership of Young Democratic socialists (YDS):
- Recruit new members and assist in the formation of new chapters
- Facilitate the ongoing political work of the members and chapters
- Provide staff support, especially leadership development
- Represent YDS at conferences and meetings of other radical activists

#### Requirements

- Identify as a socialist and be grounded in democratic socialist politics and history; general agreement with the positions and perspectives of YDS and DSA
- Experience organizing campus, labor, political, or community-based groups and events
- Excellent public speaking, communication, writing, and computer skills
- Strong time management skills and ability to use limited resources effectively
- Thorough understanding of academic settings, politics, and calendars at secondary and post-secondary levels
- Ability to work effectively with young people from diverse backgrounds
- Commitment to feminist, anti-racist, and anti-heterosexist principles and action 

## CONFERENCE AGENDA

**Jobs with Justice National Annual Meeting  
September 22-25, 2005 in St. Louis, MO**



**Victory through solidarity.**

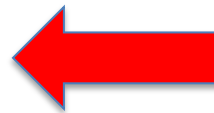
**Organize OUT: “The Movement”, LGBT Issues, and You**  
**Room 266**

This workshop is a stepping-stone to bridge the LGBT worker to the larger workers' rights movement. Participants will discuss the workers' rights issues of the LGBT worker as well as the legal and moral impact of homophobia, and the economic impact of marriage inequality and LGBT discrimination.

Sian Lewis, Pride at Work

Lisbeth Melendez, Freedom to Marry Coalition

At Jobs with Justice's 2005 National Conference, it hosted a workshop titled, "Organize OUT: 'The Movement', LGBT Issues, and You"





# WORKERS' RIGHTS BOARDS

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## NATIONAL WORKERS' RIGHTS BOARD MEMBERS

JwJ's Workers Rights Board includes Kim Gandy, President of the National Organization for Women (NOW).

- Ed Asner, Actor
- Professor Elaine Bernard, Executive Director, Harvard University Trade Union Program
- Julian Bond, Chairman, NAACP
- David Bonior, Chairman, American Rights at Work
- Heather Booth, Campaign consultant and organizing trainer
- Representative Bob Brady, Representative - Pennsylvania (1st District), U.S. House of Representatives
- Representative Sherrod Brown, Representative - Ohio (13th District), U.S. House of Representatives
- Dennis Brutus, Professor Emeritus, University of Pittsburgh
- Father John Celichowski, Pastor, St. Martin de Porres Catholic Church
- Rabbi Joshua Chasan, Rabbi, Ohavi Zedek Synagogue
- Representative Donna Christensen, Representative - Virgin Islands (At Large), U.S. House of Representatives
- John P. Connolly, Actor, American Federation of Television and Radio Artists
- Ron Daniels, Executive Director, Center for Constitutional Rights
- Representative Danny Davis, Representative - Illinois (7th District), U.S. House of Representatives
- Reverend Jesse DeWitt, Bishop United Methodist Church, Retired, National Interfaith Committee for Worker Justice
- Karen Dolan, Director, The Progressive Challenge, Institute for Policy Studies
- Jonah Edelman, Executive Director, Stand for Children
- Barbara Ehrenreich, Author,
- Mike Farrell, Actor
- Fred Feinstein, Former General Counsel, NLRB, University of Maryland School of Public Affairs
- Bill Fletcher, Jr., President, TransAfrica Forum
- Sarah Fox, Former Member, NLRB, Bredhoff & Kaiser, Washington, D.C.
- Margaret Fung, Executive Director, Asian American Legal Defense and Ed. Fund
- Kim Gandy, President, National Organization for Women ←
- Representative Raul Grijalva, Representative - Arizona (7th District), U.S. House of Representatives
- Jim Hightower, Author and radio commentator
- Leo Hindery, Jr., Chairman, HL Capital, Inc.
- Maude Hurd, President, ACORN

<http://www.iwj.org/projects/wrb/members.html>

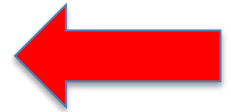
Chicago, IL June 17-20 • Oakland, CA July 1-4



James, Thindwa, the former executive director for Chicago Jobs with Justice was a speaker at “Socialism 2010.”



**James Thindwa** is a 28-year veteran of political activism. Since June 2009, he has served as Civic Engagement Coordinator for Chicago Alliance of Charter Teachers/AFT-IFT. His work involves building public and political support toward the effort to organize charter school teachers. From 2002 to 2009, he served as Executive Director for Chicago Jobs With Justice, a labor-community coalition that





The current director of Chicago Jobs with Justice was the keynote speaker at the 23<sup>rd</sup> Annual People's World Banquet.

## Events

### Chicago: 23rd Annual People's World / Mundo Popular banquet

December 5 2010 14:00 - December 5 2010 17:00

Let's put people back to work: rebuild America!

Great food, sparkling program, silent auction and more.

Keynote speaker Susan Hurley, director, Chicago Jobs with Justice



<http://peoplesworld.org/events/346>

People's World enjoys a "special relationship" with the Communist Party USA.



## About the People's World

The PW is known for its partisan coverage. We take sides - for truth and justice. We are partisan to the working class, racially and nationally oppressed peoples, women, youth, seniors, international solidarity, Marxism and socialism. We enjoy a special relationship with the Communist Party USA, founded in 1919, and publish its news and views.

<http://peoplesworld.org/about-us>

Cleveland Jobs with Justice participated in the Feminist Majority Foundation's "Global Women's and Human Rights" Conference. The conference ran workshops which advocates for abortion and birth control as "rights."

## Program & Times

2005 Midwest Regional Global Women's and Human Rights Conference  
Case Western Reserve University  
November 4-5, 2005



### Schedule and Workshop Descriptions

*Viewing International Family Planning and Women's Health Through a Human Rights Perspective*

Sears Building Room 435

Access to contraceptives and reproductive health services is every woman's right, but we know that access to safe and legal abortions, healthy forms of birth control, effective condoms, and other health services is limited at best. Panelists will share thoughts and experiences on how current U.S. abstinence-only policies hinder the global fight against HIV/AIDS. They will also discuss how the Global Gag Rule and the de-funding of the UNFPA increase maternal mortality and limit access to vital reproductive healthcare and services for many families around the world.

- **Discussant: Melinda Dendinos**, Student Coordinator of Medical Students For Choice at Case Western School of Medicine
- **Sarah Fairchild**, Associate Representative, Sierra Club
- **Sandeep Bathala**, Director of Program Administration and Special Projects, Planned Parenthood of Southern New Jersey (PPSNJ)
- **Heather Harrington**, Risk Manager, Preterm
- **Earl Pike**, Executive Director, AIDS Taskforce of Greater Cleveland



Thanks to everyone who participated in this conference!

Learn more about the organizations that were represented...

[Feminist Majority Foundation](#)

[The Hunger Project](#)

[Planned Parenthood of Southern New Jersey](#)

[United Students Against Sweatshops](#)

[Cleveland Jobs With Justice](#)



Student Labor Action Project (SLAP) is a project of Jobs with Justice.

<http://www.iwj.org/projects/slap.html>

The Student Labor Action Project (SLAP) is a joint initiative of Jobs with Justice and the United States Student Association that engages student organizations in economic justice campaigns. JwJ coalitions

SLAP hosted a workshop in Florida during Jobs with Justice's "Resistance and Recovery" week of action titled, "**Reproductive Rights for Farmworker Women**"

Don't see an action in your area? JwJ coalitions are organizing a "Resistance & Recovery" week of action this week as well.

**Check to see if an action is happening in your area here.**

SCROLL RIGHT FOR ACTION DETAILS ---->

STATE	CITY	SCHOOL	ORGANIZATION	CONTACT	E-MAIL	ACTION/ EVENT
FL	Orlando	UCF	(YAYA), UCF's <u>SLAP</u> , and Orlando Farm Worker Supporters		yaya at nfwm dot org	<p><b>Reproductive Rights for Farmworker Women: A Panel Discussion:</b> Farmworkers and farmworker advocates will discuss <u>the struggle for reproductive freedom</u> for farmworker women, in the United States and in Colombia, who work in toxic pesticides and lack physical and financial access to adequate health care and health information. April 1st, 6:30 to 8:30 P.M. at the Cape Florida Ballroom of the Student Union, Rm 316A UCF.</p>

<http://www.iwj.org/projects/slap/week/2009/grid.html>



# JOBS WITH JUSTICE EDUCATION FUND

Annual Report 2007

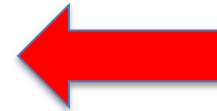


**Jobs with Justice is a national campaign for workers' rights. We mobilize workers and allies on campaigns to win justice in workplaces and in communities where working families live. In over 40 communities across the country Jobs with Justice coalitions bring together unions, community groups, people of faith and student activists to fight for workers' rights social and economic justice.**

The Jobs with Justice 2007 Annual Report states that its project, “Students Labor Action Project” works closely with the Young Democratic Socialists and The Young Communist League

## STUDENT LABOR ACTION PROJECT

**The Student Labor Action Project (SLAP) staffed and supported the newly-formed Student Economic Justice Action Coalition (SEJAC).** SEJAC is an informal coalition of the United Students Against Sweatshops, United States Student Association, Young Democratic Socialists, Movimiento Estudiantil Chicano/a de Aztlan, Student Farmworker Alliance, Young Communist League, and the Student Labor Action Project working together on social and economic justice issues on campuses across the country. The group collaborates on the Student Labor Week of Action and shares information on national campaigns.





Food AND Medicine is a member of Interfaith Worker Justice.



## Maine

### Worker Centers

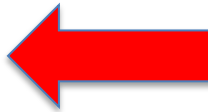
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<http://www.iwj.org/locations/maine>



Kim Bobo, Executive Director and Founder of IWJ, received her degree in economics from the socialist college, The New School for Social Research, is highly active and involved with the Democratic Socialists of America, and chaired a Marxist speaker's panel for The New School.

<http://www.chicagods.org/d2010/5.jpg>

Kim Bobo's facebook profile indicates that she received a Master's Degree in Economics from The New School for Social Research.



**Kim Bobo**



Public Figure

### Description

From [Wikipedia](#), the free encyclopedia

**Kim Bobo** is a religious and workers' rights activist, and executive director of [Interfaith Worker Justice](#). She is widely quoted in newspapers and broadcast media as an expert on worker justice issues.

### Life and career

Born in [Cincinnati, Ohio](#), and raised a conservative [evangelical](#), Bobo graduated from [Barnard College](#) with a bachelor's degree in religion. She later received a master's degree in economics from the [New School for Social Research](#).



<http://www.facebook.com/pages/Kim-Bobo/136671746353802>

## The New School advances Socialist and Marxist ideals.

### Current theorizing in Marxian economics

[edit]

Marxian economics has been built upon by many others, beginning almost at the moment of Marx's death. The second and third volumes of *Das Kapital* were edited by his close associate [Friedrich Engels](#), based on Marx's notes. Marx's *Theories of Surplus value* was edited by [Karl Kautsky](#). The Marxian value theory and the [Perron-Frobenius theorem](#) on the positive [eigenvector](#) of a [positive matrix](#) <sup>[7]</sup> are fundamental to mathematical treatments of Marxist economics.

Universities offering one or more courses in Marxian economics, or teach one or more economics courses on other topics from a perspective that they designate as Marxian or Marxist, include [Colorado State University](#), [New School for Social Research](#), [School of Oriental and African Studies](#), [Universiteit Maastricht](#), [University of Bremen](#), [University of](#)

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Marxian\\_economics](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Marxian_economics)

The philosophical approach of The New School is to stress the teachings of Marx and Nietzsche. Its Wiki page indicates that the ***Critical Theory of the Frankfurt School*** ***"holds an especially strong influence on all divisions of the school."***

### Philosophical tradition

[edit]

The New School continues the Graduate Faculty's tradition of synthesizing leftist American intellectual thought and critical European philosophy. True to its origin and its firm roots within the University in Exile, The New School, particularly its Department of Philosophy, is in the minority in the United States in offering students thorough training in the modern continental European philosophical tradition known as "[Continental philosophy](#)." Thus, it stresses the teachings of [Parmenides](#), [Aristotle](#), [Leibniz](#), [Spinoza](#), [Hume](#), [Kant](#), [Hegel](#), [Kierkegaard](#), [Marx](#), [Nietzsche](#), [Husserl](#), [Heidegger](#), [Arendt](#), [Freud](#), [Benjamin](#), [Wittgenstein](#), [Foucault](#), [Derrida](#), [Deleuze](#), et al.<sup>[18]</sup> The thought of the [Critical Theory of the Frankfurt School](#): [Max Horkheimer](#), [Walter Benjamin](#), [Theodor Adorno](#), [Herbert Marcuse](#), [Jürgen Habermas](#), et al. holds an especially strong influence on all divisions of the school. After the death of Hannah Arendt in 1975, the philosophy department revolved around [Reiner Schurmann](#) and [Agnes Heller](#).

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/New\\_School\\_for\\_Social\\_Research](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/New_School_for_Social_Research)

**Critical theory is a Neo-Marxist** examination and critique of society and culture, drawing from knowledge across the social sciences and humanities. [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Critical\\_Theory](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Critical_Theory)

**The Frankfurt School refers to a school of neo-Marxist** interdisciplinary social theory,[1] particularly associated with the Institute for Social Research at the University of Frankfurt am Main.

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Frankfurt\\_School](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Frankfurt_School)



Considering that Kim Bobo received her Master's in Economics from a college steeped in neo-Marxist ideologies, it isn't surprising that she has participated in numerous Democratic Socialist of America (DSA) events.

In 2001, Kim Bobo was honored by the Democrat Socialists of America at their 43<sup>rd</sup> annual Debs-Thomas-Harrington Dinner.



Jackie Kendall (right) presents Kim Bobo with the 2001 Debs - Thomas - Harrington Award.

Chicago DSA's 43rd Annual Debs-Thomas-Harrington Dinner, on the theme of "Building Coalitions for Social Justice," honored Henry Bayer, Director of AFSCME Council 31, and Kim Bobo, Director of the National Interfaith Committee on Worker Justice. The featured speaker was Illinois State Senator Miguel del Valle.

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<http://www.dsausa.org/dl/dlspr2k1.pdf>

<http://www.chicagodsa.org/d2001.html>

In 2004, Bobo gave the opening remarks at the DSA's 46<sup>th</sup> annual Debs-Thomas-Harrington Dinner

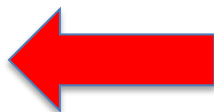
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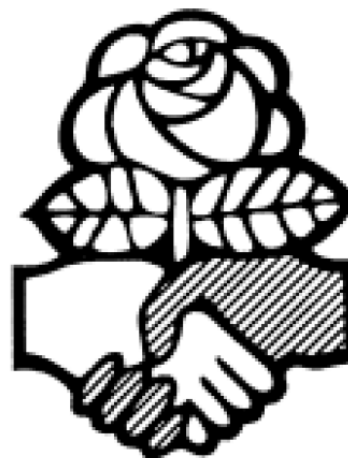
## 46<sup>th</sup> Annual Debs-Thomas-Harrington Dinner May 7, 2004 Holiday Inn Mart Plaza, Chicago

### **Opening Remarks**

Kim Bobo



<http://www.chicagodsa.org/2004book.pdf>



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Our "Mistress of Ceremonies" Kim Bobo  
leads the Dinner in song.

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<http://www.chicagodsa.org/d2004.html>

In 2008, Bobo moderated a Democratic Socialist panel for Chicago DSA.

*the magazine of the  
Democratic Socialists  
of America*



Chicago DSA took part in the Progressive Democrats of America's statewide panel discussion on "Better Democrats, the November Election, and Beyond," where DSA comrade Bill Barclay led a breakout session on current economic issues that progressives should focus on.

In October, Chicago DSA, with *In These Times*, sponsored a panel discussion featuring Bill Fletcher, Jr. (*Solidarity Divided*); Richard Berg, new president, Teamsters Local 743; David Moberg, senior editor, *In These Times*; and moderator Kim Bobo, executive director, Interfaith Worker Justice.

[http://www.dsausa.org/dl/Fall\\_2008.pdf](http://www.dsausa.org/dl/Fall_2008.pdf)





In 2009, Bobo was the featured speaker for the DSA's Debs-Thomas-Harrington Dinner.

Chicago's Annual Gathering of the Democratic Left  
Eugene V. Debs - Norman Thomas - Michael Harrington

51st Annual Dinner  
Please join us in honoring:

**Timuel Black**

Professor Emeritus of Social Sciences at the City Colleges of Chicago, Educator, Activist, Community Leader, Historian, Author: "Bridges of Memory"

**Jane Ramsey**

Executive Director, Jewish Council on Urban Affairs; Co-Chair, Justice Coalition of Greater Chicago; Director of Community Relations under Mayor Harold Washington



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Our Featured Speaker:

**Kim Bobo**



Executive Director, Interfaith Workers Justice; Author: "Wage Theft in America," "Lives Matter," and "Organizing for Social Change" (co-author)

Friday, May 1, 2009

<http://www.chicagodsa.org/d2009/flyer51.pdf>



Kim Bobo keynote speaker for  
2009 Chicago DSA dinner

<http://talkingunion.wordpress.com/2009/03/31/kim-bobo-featured-at-chicagos-51st-debs-thomas-harrington-dinner/>

Bobo participated in a panel discussion at the Democratic Socialists of America  
2009 Convention.

7:30 PM Fountain Room Public Forum:



Ron Baiman  
Welcome  
Chair Chicago DSA

**The Politics of the Economic Crisis  
Right Wing Populism or Left Wing Resurgence?**

*with*

Kim Bobo  
Executive Director and Founder Interfaith Worker Justice



Bill Fletcher, Jr.  
co-author

*Solidarity Divided: The Crisis in Organized Labor and a New Path Toward Social Justice.*

Harold Meyerson  
Editor At-Large *American Prospect*  
Op-ed Columnist *Washington Post*  
Vice-Chair Democratic Socialists of America



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<http://www.dsausa.org/convention2009/Working%20Schedule%20Version%201.6.pdf>

In 2010, Kim Bobo was the Master of Ceremonies for the DSA's 52<sup>nd</sup> Annual Debs-Thomas-Harrington Dinner.

Eugene V. Debs - Norman Thomas - Michael Harrington  
52<sup>nd</sup> Annual Dinner



featuring  
**William Greider**

Columnist for *The Nation*; Journalist; Author: *Come Home America* (2009), *The Soul of Capitalism* (2004), *The Secrets of the Temple* (1989), and others.  
and our Master of Ceremonies, Kim Bobo (Executive Director, Interfaith Worker Justice)

Friday, May 7, 2010

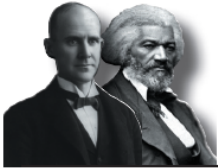


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<http://www.chicagodsda.org/d2010/index.html>

In 2010, Bobo keynoted the DSA's Douglass-Debs Dinner.



## 2010 Douglass-Debs Dinner Program

### *Welcome*

Reverend Timothy McDonald

### *Introduction*

Milt Tambor, Chair of Metro Atlanta DSA  
In Memoriam – Buddy Hughes

### *Keynote Address*

Kim Bobo,

Executive Director and founder of Interfaith Worker Justice



Kim Bobo delivering the keynote address

[http://www.dsa-atlanta.org/DD10\\_album.html](http://www.dsa-atlanta.org/DD10_album.html)

[http://www.dsa-atlanta.org/pdf\\_docs/dd2010\\_program.pdf](http://www.dsa-atlanta.org/pdf_docs/dd2010_program.pdf)



In 2011, Bobo spoke at the DSA's Douglass-Debs Dinner.

# Atlanta Douglass-Debs Dinner Message: Stop Wage Theft

By Milt Tambor

**A**t Atlanta DSA's November 6 Douglass Debs Dinner in Atlanta, Kim Bobo, executive director and founder of Interfaith Worker Justice, urged and exhorted the 125 people in attendance to carry out the prophet Malachi's message and fight those who are defrauding labor of their wages and depriving immigrants of justice. Bobo then graphically described the "crime wave no one talks about" – the billions of dollars stolen from millions of low wage workers in the US every year. Those abuses include paying workers far less than the legal minimum wage, denying workers their rightful overtime and purposely mis-classifying employees as independent contractors.



Charlie Flemming, Walt Andrews, and Richard Ray

president of Georgia State AFL-CIO and Charlie Flemming, president of Atlanta-North Georgia Labor Council spoke of Walt's contribution to the labor movement and the community and the local's critical support of the Atlanta Fighting Foreclosure Coalition.

Joe Beasley, southern regional director of Rainbow Push, paid tribute to Anita for her courage in standing up to the business community and the city of Atlanta in their efforts to remove the shelter from the downtown location.



Milt Tambor

Kim Bobo

[http://dsa-atlanta.org/pdf\\_docs/NewsletterWinter2011.pdf](http://dsa-atlanta.org/pdf_docs/NewsletterWinter2011.pdf)

In 2009, Bobo participated in a panel discussion titled, “Getting to Work.” The Panel discussion stressed the teachings of Karl Marx, and advanced Marxist ideologies by name. To view the discussion, go here: <http://youtu.be/QbfNHUIELnw>



## BOOKFORUM @ The New School

BOOKFORUM

### GETTING TO WORK:

**Labor Issues in the 21st Century**

November 19, 2009 @ 6:30pm

KIM BOBO, THOMAS FRANK, THOMAS GEOGHEGAN, &  
ANDREW ROSS, moderated by *Bookforum's* editor CHRIS  
LEHMANN

**Tishman Auditorium, 66 W. 12th Street, New York, NY**

<http://www.bookforum.com/work>

<http://www.artandeducation.net/announcement/bookforum-the-new-school/>

**Senior Staff**

Kim Bobo is not the lone Socialist running Interfaith Worker Justice. Many members of her staff share her Marxist ideologies.


Eric Boria is Kim Bobo's assistant. While a grad student at Loyola University, Boria organized Marxist Roundtables at the American Sociological Association's annual conferences.

## Eric Boria

*Assistant to the Executive Director*

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 Eric Boria is the Assistant to the Executive Director. He has over ten years of experience studying urban development strategies and industrial jobs with a Ph.D. in Sociology from Loyola University Chicago. He is also a FIFA International Assistant Referee, representing the USA in professional soccer. Eric comes to IWJ with an interest in learning about non-profits and worker's issues.



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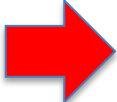


While at Loyola University, Eric Boria organized roundtables for the Marxist section at meetings of the American Sociological Association. The stated belief of the Marxist sections is to approach it creatively, rather than dogmatically.

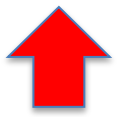
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Please pass this on to interested others and Relevant Lists.

American Sociological Association Annual Meeting  
August 18-21, Anaheim, CA



Eric Boria and Ric Brown are organizing the roundtables for the Marxist Section at the ASA this year and am putting out a call for papers for this August in Anaheim, California. The Primary Organizer is Eric. Please either contact him at eboria@netnitco.net or apply via the ASA website (details below). The SMxS believes that Marxism should be approached in a creative, rather than dogmatic way, and sees aspects of Marxist perspectives as intersecting with a wide range of topics in social science.



<http://h-net.msu.edu/cgi-bin/logbrowse.pl?trx=vx&list=h-labor&month=0101&week=c&msg=WEp10Q2jmo5nbUo3FU6gxQ&user=&pw=>

In a message from Eric Boria to a sociology professor, he confirms in his own words that he coordinated submissions to the Marxist Section Roundtables. Note his reference to the Frankfurt School.

From: "Eric Boria"



To: "Jeanne Curran"

Subject: Re: Marxist Section Roundtables



Date: Mon, 22 Jan 2001

Thanks Jeanne. Sounds very interesting. Adorno and the Frankfurt School would definitely fit well here, as well as other modern writings on the self and consumer society. But, would it be possible to send me a tentative title for Michael, Donna, and Amy separately. Also, for you and Susan - I think ASA submission rules allow you two first author submissions. If you don't already have two submissions, or are not first author, then you should be all right. But for now I'll have Michael, Donna, and Amy down.

Thanks again

Eric

#### Jeanne's earlier message:

Hi, Eric. I was planning to be at the ASA meetings with Susan Takata of Wisconsin, Parkside, and with a number of our students. We are currently working with Slavoj Zizek's re-interpretation of Marxist theory in the *The Fragile Absolute*. I am particularly fascinated by his explanation of how the ideal subject merges into trash to preserve the Void. We have been relating this to some of our interpretations of postcolonial studies, the role of art in social theory, and a critical criminology perspective of violence. We have two artists in our group, Michael Planck, and Donna Woods, and another student, Amy Johnson, who has a particular interest in how this relates to structural violence in today's world. They're all in either sociology or behavioral sciences. Could we do a roundtable on the topic of Re-Interpreting Marx in a Postcolonial World in which the Subject Keeps Disappearing into the Void? I worry that such a title is too esoteric, but all it really means is that in today's world production itself is a problem because production turns into the production of trash, and there is no way to capture the Master Signifier of which Zizek speaks. This is very much what I think Adorno was saying about the Enlightenment: the very achievements we seek produce their own negative counterparts. I'd like very much to have a down to earth discussion on how much this strikes me like entropy and the Heisenberg uncertainty principle, and how it has major implications for the revitalization of the left. p>Susan and I have already submitted papers for ASA, and wouldn't be eligible for the roundtable, but Michael and Donna and Amy would, if the topic interests you.

Thanks,

Jeanne Curran

Professor of Sociology

California State University, Dominguez Hills

<http://www.csudh.edu/dearhabermas/pprpreps02.htm>

This American Sociological Association conference schedule shows Eric Boria leading a roundtable under the section, “Marxist Sociology”.

**282. Section on Marxist Sociology. Refereed Roundtable and Business Meeting—Hilton Washington**

Refereed Roundtables (to 11:30 a.m.)

Organizer: *B. Ricardo Brown* Organizer: *Alan Spector*

1. Theoretical Issues in Marxist Sociology: Human Nature and Democracy

Table Presider: *Manjur Karim*

Papers: (1) *Manjur Karim*; (2) *Elizabeth A. Wissinger*; (3) *Karen Bettez Halnon*

2. Radical Pedagogy and Racial Praxis

Table Presider: *Beverly H. Burris*

Papers: (1) *Beverly H. Burris*; (2) *Peter Chua*


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19. Local Organizations and Local Action

Table Presider: *Daniel D. Martin*

Papers: (1) *Mikala Bembery*; (2) *Daniel D. Martin*; (3) *Douglas Taylor*

20. Contemporary Views of Classical Theories

Table Organizer/Presider: *Eric Boria* 

Papers: (1) *Eric Boria*; (2) *Hank Rich*; (3) *Derrick Brooms*; (4) *Jackie Zalewski*, *Anteaus Rezba*

21. With Marx and Against Marx

Table Presider: *Dieter Bogenhold*

Papers: (1) *Dieter Bogenhold*; (2) *Sean Noonan*

Section on Marxist Sociology Business Meeting (11:30 a.m.-12:10 p.m.)



Paul Sherry was a founding board member of Interfaith Worker Justice, and is currently its Public Policy Director for the D.C. Office.

Sherry has also strongly and actively advocated for homosexuality, birth control, abortion, and even supported partial-birth abortion. Sherry also participated in “The Left Forum,” a socialist convention.



### Paul Sherry, Public Policy Director—D.C. Office

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A founding board member of IWJ, the Rev. Paul Sherry, is a longtime advocate for economic justice and civil rights. Currently, he coordinates the Faith Advocates for Jobs campaign launched by IWJ in 2010. A former President of the United Church of Christ and former Executive Director of the Community Renewal Society, Paul served as the Campaign Coordinator for the Let Justice Roll Living Wage Campaign, a national anti-poverty mobilization. He is co-author of *A Just Minimum Wage: Good for Workers, Business and Our Future* and the editor of *The Riverside Preachers*. He holds a doctorate in theology from Union Theological Seminary.

<http://www.iwj.org/about/staff>

<http://www.nccusa.org/news/03sherryhires.html>

## Religious leaders support Clinton veto

WASHINGTON — Nearly 30 Protestant and Jewish leaders have signed a letter of support for President Clinton's veto of legislation passed by Congress that would have banned a controversial late-term abortion procedure.

The leaders' decision to put their names on the public letter came in response to sharp criticism of the president by the Vatican and the nation's Catholic cardinals, who denounced the veto and urged Catholics to lobby to overturn it. The letter will be released at a Washington news conference Tuesday.

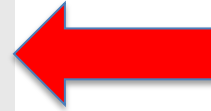
Like the Catholic cardinals, the religious leaders on the other side of the emotional issue say that they, too, have derived their position from religious and moral principles and their belief in the sacredness of human life.

"We are convinced," the letter says, "that each woman who is faced with such difficult moral decisions must be free to decide how to respond, in consultation with her doctor, her family, and God. Neither we as religious leaders, nor the president, nor the Congress — none of us — can discern God's will as well as the woman herself, and that is where we believe the decision must remain."

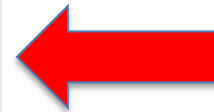
The abortion procedure that Congress wanted to ban is known as intact dilation and extraction. It is believed to be used only rarely, and mostly in cases when the woman's life is at risk or the fetus is seriously deformed.

Among the signers of Tuesday's letter are the Rev. James Andrews, Stated Clerk of the Presbyterian Church USA; the Most Rev. Edmond L. Browning, Presiding Bishop of the Episcopal Church; the Rev. Paul Sherry, President of the United Church of Christ; Thomas White Wolf Fassett, Executive Secretary of the General Board of Church and Society of the United Methodist Church; the Rev. Walter Fauntroy, pastor of New Bethel Baptist Church in the District of Columbia; and Rabbi Alexander Schindler, President of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations.

— Washington Post



In 1996, when Interfaith Worker Justice was founded, Paul Sherry signed a letter in opposition to the Catholic Church, supporting Bill Clinton's veto of the Partial Birth Abortion Ban Act.



# Paul Sherry endorsed the Religious Institute's "Religious Declaration on Sexual Morality, Justice, and Healing"



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Rev. Wendy Sherer; Evangelical Lutheran Church in America; London, UK



Reverend Paul Sherry; United Church of Christ, Former President, United Church of Christ; Lakewood, OH

Rabbi Dr. John Sherwood; Jewish Reform, CCAR formerly, now Temple Emet; Oxnard, CA

<http://www.religioustheology.org/list-of-endorsers>

The declaration signed by Sherry calls for same-sex marriage, comprehensive sex education in schools, seminaries and “community settings,” and “faith-based commitment” to contraception and abortion.

## Religious Declaration on Sexual Morality, Justice, and Healing

Faith communities must therefore be truth-seeking, courageous and just. We call for:

- Theological reflection that integrates the wisdom of excluded, often silenced peoples, and insights about sexuality from medicine, social science, the arts and humanities.
- Full inclusion of women and LGBT persons in congregational life, including their ordination and marriage equality.
- Sexuality counseling and education throughout the lifespan from trained religious leaders.
- Support for those who challenge sexual oppression and who work for justice within their congregations and denominations.

Faith communities must also advocate for sexual and spiritual wholeness in society. We call for:

- Lifelong, age-appropriate sexuality education in schools, seminaries and community settings.
- A faith-based commitment to sexual and reproductive rights, including access to voluntary contraception, abortion, and HIV/STI prevention and treatment.
- Religious leadership in movements to end sexual and social injustice.

God rejoices when we celebrate our sexuality with holiness and integrity. We, the undersigned, invite our colleagues and faith communities to join us in promoting sexual morality, justice, and healing.



Paul Sherry is attending the 2012 Left Forum as the Director of Interfaith Worker Justice's DC Public Policy Office. The Left Forum is firmly rooted in Socialism.

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## History: From the Socialist Scholars to the Left Forum



Left Forum developed out of the Socialist Scholars Conference (SSC). The first SSC in 1981 was actually the re-founding by Bogdan Denitch, Stanley Aronowitz and others of the 1960s Socialist Scholars Conference. The earlier conference was a broad effort by new left academics to create a forum in which to present theoretical and historical work, for the most part in a scholarly format but with an audience reaching far beyond academic circles.

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## Paul Sherry—Intefaitth Worker Justice

### Organizing the Unemployed

Labor E. Panel Session 2—Saturday 12:00 p.m. – 1:50 p.m. Manny Ness—Brooklyn College, CUNY, WorkingUSA Approved Joe Stanick—Leader in the unemployed community John Dodds—Philadelphia Unemployment Project Kian Fredericks—Flashmobs4Jobs.com LaToya Egwuekwe—Ucubed Manny Ness—Brooklyn College, CUNY, WorkingUSA Paul Sherry—Intefaitth Worker Justice WorkingUSA 31 W503

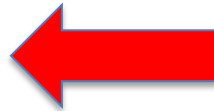


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In 1998, Paul Sherry wrote a letter as the former president of the United Church of Christ, expressing support for homosexuality.

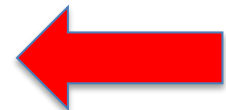
## Now, No Condemnation

The Rev. Paul H. Sherry  
Former President  
United Church of Christ  
November 1998



"There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus."  
(Romans 8.1)

In recent months we have witnessed the continuance of hate crimes against gay, lesbian, and bisexual persons, while in the church discussion about their civil rights and the appropriateness of their membership and ministry in the life of the church has intensified. Several denominations in the United States, as well as some churches and bishops around the world, have adopted or reaffirmed policies that exclude gay, lesbian, and bisexual persons from sharing fully in the ministry of the church. Other Christian leaders have harshly suggested that gay, lesbian, and bisexual persons have no place at all in the life of the church and that their human rights do not deserve the full measure of legal protection. In addition, some political leaders, usually claiming religious support, have vigorously opposed efforts to secure these very rights. Sometimes these anti-gay positions have been justified by flawed scientific understandings of the nature of homosexuality. Underlying many of these convictions is the assumption, frequently untested, that the Bible in general, and Christianity in particular, teach that homosexuality is a sin.



<http://www.ucc.org/lgbt/now-no-condemnation.html>

Joan Flanagan is the Development Director at Interfaith Worker Justice, and is a supporter of Planned Parenthood, a donor to the pro-abortion Chicago Foundation for Women, and former development director for the pro-abortion and pro-homosexual Center for New Community.

## JOAN FLANAGAN



Joan Flanagan is the Development Director at Interfaith Worker Justice.

She is the author of two best-selling books, *The Grass Roots Fundraising Book* and *Successful Fundraising* (2nd edition). Both books are available in the Donors Forum Library and from booksellers. Joan is also a contributor to *Grassroots Fundraising Journal*.

Joan is a member of the Association of Fundraising Professionals and serves on the Peer Mentoring Committee of the Chicago Chapter. She also practices what she preaches as a volunteer for the Episcopal Church of our

Saviour and Horizon Hospice.

Joan graduated Magna Cum Laude from Denison University with a B.A. in French.

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Joan Flanagan participated in Planned Parenthood's May 5, 2011 "Celebration of Healthy Families" gala:  
<http://www.plannedparenthood.org/illinois/generations-celebration-healthy-families-36501.htm>

## Planned Parenthood's 1st Generations Benefit

Thursday, May 5th

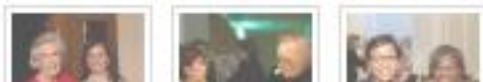
Planned Parenthood of Illinois had the pleasure of hosting its first-ever Generations: A Celebration of Healthy Families

gala on Thursday, May 5, raising over \$300,000 to benefit the organization's services. Topics discussed included the importance of advocating for reproductive justice and what Planned Parenthood is doing for coming generations. K.W.

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Rebecca Cacayuran, Joan Flanagan and Colette Holt

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Prior to working at Interfaith Worker Justice, Joan Flanagan was the Development Director at the Center for New Community, which supports abortion and homosexuality.

## Joan Flanagan

Development Director at Interfaith Worker Justice  
Greater Chicago Area | Civic & Social Organization

Current	<b>Development Director at Interfaith Worker Justice</b>  <b>Fundraising Trainer and Consultant at Joan Flanagan</b>
Past	Interim Development Director at Interfaith Worker Justice <u>Development Director at Center for New Community</u> Fundraising Consultant at Bethel New Life  <a href="#">see all</a> ▾
Education	Denison University
Recommendations	1 person has recommended Joan
Connections	123 connections
Websites	<a href="#">Company Website</a> <a href="#">Company Website</a>
Public Profile	<a href="http://www.linkedin.com/in/joanflanagan">http://www.linkedin.com/in/joanflanagan</a>

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The Center for New Community created a voting record which shows support for abortion and homosexuality. The measure by which politicians were judged regarding “women” and “GLBT” was provided by Planned Parenthood and The Human Rights Campaign.





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## Appendix: HIRC Voting Records

First Name	Last Name	Party Affiliation	State	Labor	 Women	Enviro.	Civil Liberties	 GLBT	Civil Rts.	Reprod. Rights
Robert	Aderholt	R	Alabama	0%	30%	0%	5%	0%	4%	0%
Spencer	Bachus	R	Alabama	0%	30%	8%	14%	0%	9%	0%
Robert	Cramer	D	Alabama	57%	70%	33%	45%	25%	65%	55%

### Sources:

-  GLBT Human Rights Campaign Measuring Support for Equality in the 109th Congress: Congressional Scorecard
- Civil Rights Leadership Conference on Civil Rights Voting Record - 109th Congress
-  Reproductive Rights Planned Parenthood Action Fund Voting Record - 109th Congress

<http://www.newcomm.org/content/view/56/88/>

Joan Flanagan is a donor to the Chicago Foundation for Women, an organization that grants money abortion-advocacy organizations.

January 2011

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Dear Friends,

Since 1985 Chicago Foundation for Women has improved the lives of millions of women and girls by supporting programs that meet their needs, advocating policies that serve their interests, and engaging women as philanthropists, leaders and decision makers. This past year, despite a challenging economic climate, as a community we **granted almost \$1.2 million to bold, committed nonprofits making Chicago better for women and girls.**

Thanks to the generosity and dedication of thousands of donors, Chicago Foundation for Women has a lot to celebrate. Our grantees take on the challenges of inter-connected issues—where poverty, violence and discrimination put women and girls at highest risk. Our five Leadership Councils develop women as active, thoughtful philanthropists and elevate diverse voices. Together we make smarter connections between need, money and solutions.

Thank you for helping us work toward a better world where women do not have to work harder to earn as much money as men do; where health care—including a full range of reproductive health care—is affordable and accessible in every neighborhood; where girls are as likely as boys to play sports or become engineers; where domestic violence is rare and when it occurs, it is shunned and stopped; where all the opportunities that girls dream of are possibilities.

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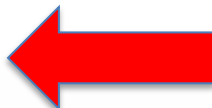
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Another Marxist working for Interfaith Worker Justice is Danny Postel.  
Danny Postel was the Communications Coordinator for IWJ from August 2007 – June 2011.



## Danny Postel



Communications Specialist at Stand Up! Chicago  
Chicago, Illinois | Political Organization

Current Communications Specialist at Stand Up! Chicago

## Communications Coordinator

### Interfaith Worker Justice



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August 2007 – June 2011 (3 years 11 months)



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Websites [Personal Website](#)

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Public Profile <http://www.linkedin.com/pub/danny-postel/6/105/403>

In 2009, Danny Postel, while working for IWJ, spoke at an event sponsored by the Marxist-Humanists, the Chicago Socialist Party and the Democratic Socialists of America.

## U.S. Marxist–Humanists

An affiliate of the International Marxist-Humanist Organization

### The Democracy Movement in Iran: Where is it going?

Monday, September 28, 2009

*Speakers: Danny Postel , Ali Reza*

*Monday, September 28, 2009 at 6:30 pm*

*Acme Artworks 2215 W. North Ave, Chicago*

*Sponsored by: U.S. Marxists-Humanists*

*Co-sponsored by Chicago Socialist Party, Democratic Socialists of America, Chicago Committee in Solidarity with the People of Iran*

What has changed in Iran since the June 2009 elections and what else can we expect to change? While Iranian society, especially women and youth, is searching for greater freedom, the current regime is moving in the opposite direction. What does this mean for Iran and its freedom movements?

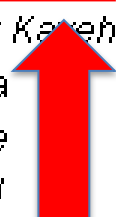
- *Danny Postel, Author of Reading Legitimation Crisis in Tehran (2006), founding member of the Chicago Committee in Solidarity with the People of Iran, member of Chicago's No War on Iran Coalition, Communications Coordinator for the labor organization Interfaith Worker Justice, Contributing Editor to Logos: A Journal of Modern Society & Culture.*
- *Ali Reza, An Iranian political activist, member and writer for the U.S. Marxist-Humanists.*

In 2009, Danny Postal participated in a panel discussion put on by the Marxist Platypus Affiliated Society.

## 30 years of the Islamic Revolution in Iran

February 18th, 2010 ▪ [Related](#) ▪ [Filed Under](#)

*Given the recent election crisis and continuing protests in Iran and in light of the 30th anniversary of the Islamic Revolution, The Platypus Affiliated Society on November 5, 2009 hosted a panel discussion at the University of Chicago entitled 30 Years of the Islamic Revolution: The Tragedy of the Left. Panel participants included Danny Postal, journalist and author of Reading Legitimation Crisis in Tehran: Iran and the Future of Liberalism; Kaveh Ehsani, editor of The Middle East Report (MERIP); Maziar Behrooz, historian and author of Rebels with a Cause: The Failure of the Left in Iran; and Chris Cutrone of Platypus. This supplement to issue #20 of the Platypus Review consists of an edited transcript of the discussion, beginning with the panelists' prepared remarks, followed by their responses to each other, and ending with a series of questions and answers.*



<http://platypus1917.org/2010/02/18/30-years-of-the-islamic-revolution-in-iran/>

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## The Platypus Affiliated Society

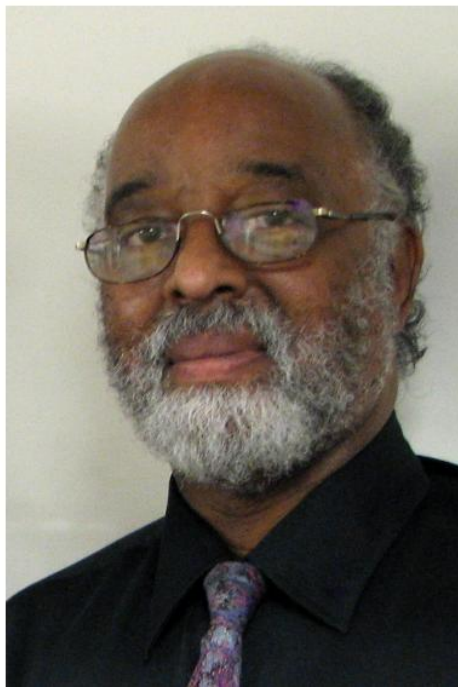
The Platypus Affiliated Society, established in December 2006, organizes reading groups, public fora, research and journalism focused on problems and tasks inherited from the “Old” (1920s-30s), “New” (1960s-70s) and post-political (1980s-90s) Left for the possibilities of emancipatory politics today. [PDF]

### Statement of purpose

Platypus is a project for the self-criticism, self-education, and, ultimately, the practical reconstitution of a Marxian Left. At present the Marxist Left appears as a historical ruin. The received wisdom of today dictates that past, failed attempts at emancipation stand not as moments full of potential yet to be redeemed, but rather as “what was” — utopianism that was bound to end in tragedy. As critical inheritors of a vanquished tradition, Platypus contends that — after the failure of the 1960s New Left, and the dismantlement of the welfare state and the destruction of the Soviet Union in the 1980s-90s — the present disorientation of the Left means we can hardly claim to know the tasks and goals of social emancipation better than the “utopians” of the past did.

<http://platypus1917.org/about/statement/>

James Parks is the current Communications Director for Interfaith Worker Justice, and the former Senior Editor at the AFL-CIO. As Senior Editor, Parks wrote multiple articles supporting homosexuality.



## James Parks ←

DC Office of Interfaith Worker Justice

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→ Current **Communications Team at Interfaith Worker Justice** 📄

→ Past Senior Editor at AFL-CIO

Asst. Metro Editor at The Baltimore Sun

Education Louisville Presbyterian Theological Seminary

University of NC--Asheville

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<http://blog.usw.org/wp-content/uploads/2010/04/James-Parks.jpg>

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In 2011, Parks wrote about the AFL-CIO's pro-homosexuality efforts through "Pride at Work." Parks identified the Human Rights Campaign's (pro-same-sex marriage) recognition that the AFL-CIO's efforts are a "key tool in our ability to attain equal rights."

## LGBT Organizations Back Public Employees



03/08/2011

[James Parks](#)



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Nearly 50 national organizations for lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender (LGBT) people have signed a [labor solidarity statement](#) sponsored by the AFL-CIO constituency group [Pride at Work](#). The statement supports the rights of public employees to bargain.



The statement says, in part:

As national, state and local organizations for lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender equality, we stand in solidarity with teachers, firefighters, nurses and all workers across this country fighting for their basic rights—for all of our rights. We are one.

The Human Rights Campaign (HRC), which recently signed the statement, issued a statement that called collective bargaining a "key tool in our ability to attain equal rights."



HRC affirms our belief that citizens should have the right to have a say in their future. The ability for workers to come together and negotiate with employers for the best possible future for themselves and their families is and should remain a fundamental tenet of the workplace.

In 2007, Parks wrote in support of the Employee Free Choice Act and its importance to the advancement of homosexuality.

## **Employee Free Choice Act Important for LGBT Workers**

by James Parks, Feb 21, 2007



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The Employee Free Choice Act would give all workers the freedom to make their own choice about whether to join a union, but for lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender (LGBT) workers, the bill has special importance.

In 32 states, LGBT workers can be fired for no reason unless they are protected by a union contract, says Nancy Wohlforth, co-president of the AFL-CIO constituency group Pride At Work. In a new video (left), Wohlforth urges LGBT workers to join in the week of action to support the

### **Employee Free Choice Act.**

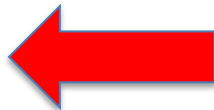
Wohlforth, who also serves as secretary-treasurer of the **Office and Professional Employees**, says a worker is fired or disciplined every 23 minutes for supporting workers' freedom to join a union. That fact alone makes workers fearful about trying to form a union, but LGBT workers who back joining a union are doubly vulnerable, Wohlforth says, facing possible discrimination on the job because of their sexual orientation *and* their union support.



In 2009, Parks wrote about Pride at Work's new Executive Director, stressing her history as an LGBT leader.

## Peggy Shorey Named Pride At Work's Executive Director

by [James Parks](#), Dec 17, 2009



**Peggy Shorey** Pride At Work (P@W), the AFL-CIO's lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender (LGBT) constituency group, has selected longtime activist Peggy Shorey as its new executive director. Shorey has been an organizer and community leader in Connecticut for the past 17 years.



A union member since 1993, Shorey began union organizing in 2001. She has worked for both the [UAW](#) and SEIU. For the past 10 years, she has been an executive officer with the [Greater Hartford Central Labor Council](#) and also served on the Executive Board for the [Connecticut AFL-CIO](#). An openly bisexual union leader, she was founding co-president of the Connecticut chapter of Pride At Work.

Donna Cartwright, co-president of P@W, says:

Peggy has a long history as a union and LGBT leader with extensive skills running social justice nonprofits. She has built effective and vibrant coalitions—including partnerships with unions, the faith community, political and community organizations and the broader LGBT community—the kind of coalitions that change opinions and win lasting victories.



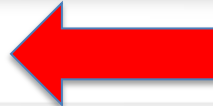
In 2011, Parks expanded Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s vision of civil rights to include homosexuality.

## King's Social Justice Vision Encompasses All People



08/26/2011

[James Parks](#)



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During the second panel in today's national symposium on "Jobs, [Justice and the American Dream](#)," panelists made it clear that now is the time for a massive effort by progressives to come together at all levels to build a movement that reclaims the moral vision that King had and to force needed social change in our nation. They agreed that Martin Luther King Jr.'s vision of social justice is not limited to African Americans and poor people. It encompasses all people who are oppressed or denied their human rights, including working people who are either immigrants, middle class, lesbian, bisexual, gay, transgender (LBGT) or young.



The Justice and the American Dream panel followed a [Jobs and American Dream panel](#) this morning at the AFL-CIO, which sponsored the event along with The King Center.

(Watch a replay of the live panel [here](#).)

AFL-CIO Secretary-Treasurer Liz Shuler and Latina journalist Maria Elena Salinas, who moderated the panel, both said King's dream is far from realized and it will take a lot of work, dedication and unity to revive the American dream.

Rea Carey of the Gay and Lesbian Task Force said there is a common strand of intolerance throughout the nation's politics, whether it is attacks on the middle class, people of color or LBGTs.

<http://www.aflcio.org/Blog/Political-Action-Legislation/King-s-Social-Justice-Vision-Encompasses-All-People>

Dianne Enriquez is the National Worker Center Network Coordinator for Interfaith Worker Justice. She was previously the Director of Young Workers United, which produced a vote guide promoting abortion, homosexuality, and prostitution. She has also participated with DSA-Chicago's podcast, "Talkin' Socialism."

## Dianne Enriquez, National Worker Center Network

### Coordinator

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Dianne develops collective strategies with affiliates for national campaigns, provides on-site technical assistance for local campaigns and programs, and works to build a coordinated and deeply connected national movement of worker centers with affiliates and allies. She is an expert trainer in worker center programs and organizational development and has over 10 years experience as a lead organizer, popular education trainer, and campaign coordinator. Originally from Los Angeles, Dianne previously served as Director of Young Workers United in San Francisco, a worker center that organizes young and immigrant workers in the restaurant industry.



<http://www.iwj.org/about/staff>

During Dianne Enriquez' tenure at Young Workers United, they produced this 2008 vote guide, which supports abortion, homosexuality, and prostitution.

## San Francisco

### Prop B - Affordable Housing Yes

Affordable Housing?! Sounds great to us! Instead of creating a new tax, B would set-aside 2 1/2 cents of each \$100 of assessed property value to construct and rehabilitate affordable housing for the next 15 years. Vote yes to keep SF affordable for the people who make it so sweet!

### Prop H - Options for SF Green Energy Yes

Yes to moving our city from fossil fuels to running on 100% clean, sustainable energy by 2040. No more corporate control of our energy!

### Prop K - Decriminalize Sex Work Yes!!!

Finally! Brings sex workers into the safe umbrella of equal human rights for all! This proposition demands change from the SF Task Force on Prostitution, which has spent more than \$7.6 million of our city's budget a year since 1996 on targeting and criminalizing massage parlor workers rather than their profiting bosses. K calls for the decriminalization of prostitution, ending police discrimination against sex workers on the basis of their occupation and demands that the city stop using our tax dollars to oppress, criminalize and deprive another group of workers from fair wages, safety and equal human rights on the job!!!!

## California

### Prop 4 - Parental Notification No

Back off! Prop 4 backers want to make access to safe abortions for teens nearly impossible. Physicians would be required to notify a minor's parents or legal guardian of her intent to have an abortion and impose a 48-hour waiting period before she can have the procedure. Young women must continue to decide what's best for them and not have to resort to dangerous, back-alley, illegal abortions.

### Prop 6 - Criminal Penalties and Laws No, No, No!

This should be called "New Funding to Further Criminalize Working People of Color." It would try youth as young as 14 as adults for gang-related crimes, force folks in public housing to undergo annual criminal background checks, substitute hearsay as evidence in court when a witness is unavailable, AND eliminate bail for undocumented folks on top of costing more than \$1/2 billion per year!

### Prop 8 - Limit on Marriage NO!

Everyone should have the equal right to get married. Stop hatin'. Plain and simple.

# Talkin' Socialism

## **Episode 13 -- Economic Democracy**

Recorded 02.11.2012: Ron Baiman interviews Loyola University Philosophy Professor David Schweickart on "economic democracy" and "market socialism". [MP3 \(30.6 MB\)](#) or [Ogg Vorbis \(24.1 MB\)](#).

## **Episode 8 -- 21st Century Organizing**

Recorded 07.09.2011: Adam Kader, Worker Center Director for [Arise Chicago](#), and Dianne Enriquez, Worker Center Network Coordinator for [Interfaith Worker Justice](#), discuss worker centers and how organizing for them differs from unions and community organizations. [MP3 \(31.2 Mb\)](#) or [Ogg Vorbis \(22.1 Mb\)](#).

<http://www.chicagodsa.org/audarch6.html>

# Interfaith Worker Justice: Its Own Actions



The actions of Interfaith Worker Justice, as an organization, have placed it in the position of supporting abortion and homosexuality.

- **Interfaith Worker Justice is an Affiliate Member Organization** (paying dues) **of the National Committee for Responsive Philanthropy**, which advises funding agencies to grant money to homosexual advocacy groups, reproductive rights organizations, and the like. As an Affiliate Member of NCRP, IWJ has officially attached itself as a part of the larger organization.

- As an organization, **Interfaith Worker Justice** signed and **endorsed the Unity Blueprint**, which was sent to all members of the United States Congress. The Unity Blueprint called for passage of the Uniting American Families Act, which “would provide a mechanism that would allow U.S. citizens and legal permanent residents in bi-national same-sex relationships to sponsor their foreign born partner for immigration benefits to the U.S.”

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**Southeast Asia Resource Action Center (SEARAC)**

*\*Membership list as of 10/11/2011.*

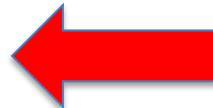
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As an affiliate member organization of NCRP, IWJ is paying dues, which fund NCRP's activities.

## Membership Rates

NCRP welcomes individuals, nonprofit organizations, and foundations to become members. Individuals can join for only \$50; membership rates for nonprofits and foundations are determined by asset size.

<b>Individual membership</b>	\$50
<b>Nonprofit memberships</b>	
Budget below \$100k	\$50
\$100k - \$299k	\$100
\$300k - \$499k	\$150
\$500k - \$749k	\$200
\$750k - \$999k	\$250
<u>\$1 mil - \$2.99 mil</u>	<u>\$300</u>
\$3 mil - \$4.99 mil	\$400
\$5 million and above	\$500
<b>Grantmaker memberships</b>	
Assets below \$50 million	\$750
\$50-\$100 million	\$1500
\$100-\$200 million	\$3000



As a \$2 million organization, IWJ would be in the \$300/year membership rate:

<http://www.guidestar.org/FinDocuments/2010/364/063/2010-364063982-07692448-9.pdf>

<http://www.ncrp.org/partners-members/join>

For foundations with assets above \$200 million, please contact Kevin Faria, at [kfaria@ncrp.org](mailto:kfaria@ncrp.org) or (202) 387-9177 ext. 14.



NCRP's project, Philanthropy's Promise, officially lists the homosexual community as a priority for funding.

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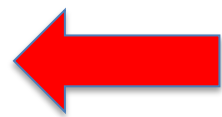
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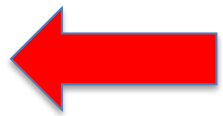
Philanthropy's Promise is a project of the National Committee for Responsive Philanthropy (NCRP) that celebrates funders that apply two high impact strategies in their grantmaking: targeting grant dollars to address the needs of underserved communities, and empowering them by funding advocacy, organizing and civic engagement.

### Strategy 1: Targeted Universalism

Applying the concept of targeted universalism, many grantmakers that have signed on to Philanthropy's Promise believe that in prioritizing the needs of underserved populations such as economically disadvantaged people, racial or ethnic minorities, women and girls, people with AIDS, people with disabilities, the elderly, immigrants and refugees, victims of crime or abuse, offenders and ex-offenders, single parents and lesbian, gay bisexual, transgender and questioning (LGBTQ) individuals, we all benefit.




<http://www.ncrp.org/philanthropys-promise/about>



## keeping a close eye... NCRP's blog

### Policy Impacts Directory: A New Online Tool for Funders and Nonprofits

posted on: Thursday, February 16, 2012

 This has been an exciting month so far for LGBTQ rights. First, on February 7, a federal appeals court panel of three judges ruled that California's ban on same-sex marriage is unconstitutional, overturning Proposition 8, a ballot initiative launched in response to a state court's legalization of gay marriage. This is a great step toward restoring marriage equality in our most populous state. (Note: No new marriages can occur until the deadline passes for Prop 8 defenders to appeal to the full nine-member circuit court. Observers predict that the ruling will be appealed and the case will ultimately come before the Supreme Court.) Then, six days later, Governor Christine Gregoire signed into law a bill legalizing same sex marriage in Washington State.

<http://blog.ncrp.org/2012/02/policy-impacts-directory-new-online.html>

CHALLENGING GRANTMAKERS TO STRENGTHEN COMMUNITIES



# Strengthening Democracy, Increasing Opportunities

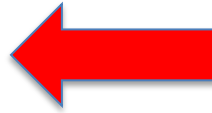
IMPACTS OF ADVOCACY, ORGANIZING, AND  
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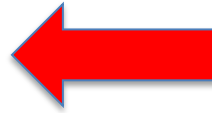
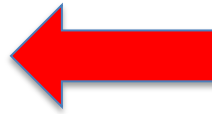
NCRP's September 2010 document, "Strengthening Democracy, Increasing Opportunities," cheers for advancements among pro-abortion organizations and strongly supports same-sex marriage.



Reproductive Health – Thanks to the hard work of pro-choice organizations in the state, no anti-choice legislation has passed during the last ten years in the Montana legislature, despite the introduction of dozens of anti-choice bills every biennial session. MWV added to the effort by helping present reproductive choice within a broader framework of issues affecting the health and well-being of women and families. The MWV Coalition also provides a vehicle for other women’s organizations (such as economic justice and domestic violence organizations) to support pro-choice legislation, which helps prevent alienation of pro-choice issues. In 2005, Montana passed the state’s first pro-choice bill, protecting patient access to clinics with a “buffer zone” from protestors. MWV also worked with member organizations NARAL and Planned Parenthood on a successful “decline to sign” campaign against a “life begins at conception” ballot initiative that failed to qualify for the ballot in 2008 and 2010. MWV and its member organizations have also worked hard to promote a proactive reproductive healthcare agenda which includes increasing access to comprehensive sex education and affordable birth control.



Page 40 of the document cheers for abortion and birth control.







Casper College students protest legislation calling for a constitutional amendment prohibiting Wyoming from recognizing same-sex marriages and same-gender civil unions legally made in other states. The amendment was defeated on the House floor. Photo courtesy of ESPC.

Peppered throughout the document are statements of support for same-sex marriage.

Basic Rights Oregon successfully defended the nondiscrimination and domestic partnership laws from going to the ballot for repeal, reducing the likelihood of a national wave of similar ballot measures over the next decade. These victories resulted from a compre-

The Oregon Family Fairness Act created domestic partnerships that grant to same-sex couples many of the rights, benefits and responsibilities that are granted to opposite sex couples who marry under state law. By passing this law, Oregon became the first state in the nation to grant comprehensive state-based relationship recognition to same-sex couples under the confines of a constitutional amendment banning marriage equality. In the past, same-sex couples had to prepare legal

The Equality State Policy Center and its member organization Wyoming Equality have fended off Wyoming efforts to prohibit recognition of same-sex marriages from other states. According to ESPC Director

In 2004, Basic Rights Oregon worked hard to defeat a ballot measure excluding LGBTQ residents from marriage rights. While the exclusionary measure did pass, and the loss was very difficult, the organization built a significant infrastructure in the process that enabled major victories in the next several years.

NCRP's newsletter for the Summer of 2010 promoted the Global Fund for Women's work in legalizing abortion and same-sex marriage.

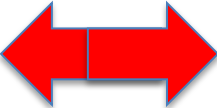
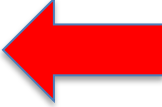
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## Funding Controversial and Cutting-edge Work


The Global Fund has been willing to fund groups working in remote and politically unstable parts of the world — tiny island nations in Oceania, in Gaza and the West Bank, in Afghanistan under the Taliban, and equally willing to extend its support for groups working on controversial issues — legalizing abortion, standing up for the rights of lesbians and transgender people, or defending the rights of sex workers to be treated with dignity and



respect. Because of our deep ties to the women's movements, we often are able to infuse critical support to groups that are most invisible and marginalized, such as a group of small lesbian organizations in Mexico City. These groups organized lesbian marches for several consecutive years, and they grew in numbers each year and developed a solidarity network of indigenous people, youth and women with disabilities. Their persistent work has shifted cultural awareness and understanding so significantly that last year, Mexico City became one of the first cities in the world to legalize gay marriage.


NCRP recently celebrated the LGBTQ Funders' "40 years of LGBTQ Grantmaking."

## keeping a close eye... NCRP's blog



### [Celebrating Our History: 40 Years of LGBTQ Grantmaking](#)

posted on: Thursday, February 23, 2012



*[Editor's note: This is a guest posting by Tony Bowen, author of "Forty Years of LGBTQ Philanthropy: 1970-2010" and Karen Zelermeyer, president and CEO of Funders for LGBTQ Issues.](#)*

by Tony Bowen and Karen Zelermeyer

Across the globe, communities are evaluating how to best support lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and queer (LGBTQ) seniors, legislatures are discussing gender identity non-discrimination, and schools are adopting policies to prevent bullying and harassment. The LGBTQ movement continues to make progress almost 43 years after the Stonewall Inn Riots of 1969, and foundations have played a vital role every step of the way.

<http://blog.ncrp.org/2012/02/celebrating-our-history-40-years-of.html>



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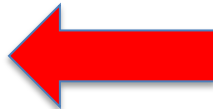
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### Interfaith Worker Justice



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### Labor Council for Latin American Advancement (LCLAA)

### Las Americas Immigrant Advocacy Center


### Latino(a) Roundtable of San Gabriel Valley

Interfaith Worker Justice  
signed the endorsement for  
the Unity Blueprint for  
Immigration Reform.

<http://www.unityblueprint.org/Unity-Blueprint/Endorsers.html>

The Unity Blueprint signed by IWJ calls for passage of the pro-homosexual Uniting American Families Act.

In addition, we propose the following further amendments to facilitate immigration within a legal framework and discourage irregular migration or the build-up of the undocumented population:

- (1) Reduce the affidavit of support income test required of family-based immigrant sponsors from 125% to 100% of the federal poverty level.”
- (2) Currently, thousands of aging Filipino veterans, who served with the United States Armed Forces during WWII and were only in 1990 allowed to become U.S. citizens, are separated from their children and grandchildren and are spending their twilight years without the daily interaction and support of family members. The Filipino veterans family reunification bill would remedy this situation by giving priority issuance of immigrant visas to the sons and daughters of Filipino World War II veterans who are or were naturalized citizens of the United States.
- (3)  As with opposite-sex couples, partners in same-sex relationships seek to build a life and family with each other. U.S. immigration law, however, does not recognize same-sex relationships and bi-national couples are often forced to separate, or move abroad, or live unlawfully in the United States to stay together. The Uniting American Families Act would provide a mechanism that would allow U.S. citizens and legal permanent residents in bi-national same-sex relationships to sponsor their foreign born partner for immigration benefits to the U.S. 