

**The Fund For a Just Society  
GRANTS MADE - Spring 2009**

<b>Grants Made Total:</b>	<b>\$133,000</b>
<i>Challenge Grants Made:</i>	<u><b>\$28,000</b></u>
<b>Total Grants:</b>	<b>\$161,000</b>

**# of Grants Made: 27**

**All Parks Alliance for Change - St. Paul, MN \$1,000**

***Minnesota Manufactured Home Preservation*** For organizing resident associations to protect and preserve mobile home communities for 180,000 low-income residents. The parks are at an increasing risk of closure. In addition, people of color make up 10 percent of the park population, but 54 percent of those displaced.

**Arise Chicago Chicago IL \$6,500**

***Anti-Wage Theft Campaign*** To join with union and local employer campaigns to prevent wage theft of low-wage immigrant workers. In addition to local campaigns targeting individual workplaces and industries, the organization is launching a public policy campaign to deter wage theft around the country.

**Arlington West Film and Speakers Program - Los Angeles, CA \$3,000  
Challenge**

***Arlington West Film and Speakers Series*** A second grant for a film and speakers program to provide at-risk youth who are most targeted by military recruiters with crucial information they need to make a decision about enlistment, and to partner with local groups to raise awareness and activism to oppose militarization in public schools.

**Austin Immigrant Rights Coalition - Austin, TX \$3,000 Challenge**

***ICE Out of the Travis County Jail!*** For a campaign to limit collaboration between the local Travis County Jail and the Federal Immigration and Customs Enforcement that has resulted in the transfer of people from incarceration to immigration hearings for minor offences. This practice erodes trust, divides families, leads to profiling, and opens the door to violations of constitutionally protected due process.

**Cape Care Coalition - Wellfleet, MA \$9,000**

***Operating Support*** A second grant for a single payer, community-owned health care plan to cover all Cape Cod residents for comprehensive and affordable health care.

**Center for Participatory Change - Asheville, NC \$11,000**

***Equal Protection Under the Law*** For a campaign to ensure that immigrants in North Carolina are treated the same as non-immigrants under state and federal laws.

**Champaign County Health Care Consumers - Champaign, IL \$7,000**  
***Medical Debt Justice and Health Care Access Project*** A second grant for a campaign to improve hospitals' policies and practices in areas of pricing, charity care, debt collection and community benefits; to improve access for low-income citizens; and to expand health care coverage for all.

**Cook Inlet Keeper - Homer, AK \$8,000**

**Clearing the Path: Stop Chitna Coal Mine** To organize and mobilize citizens to stop the Chitna coal mine and promote clean energy alternatives. In addition to the immediate environmental and economic concerns, the project provides an important opportunity to grow and organize a majority of Alaskans around the issues of climate change, carbon combustion, mercury deposition, renewable energy and healthy salmon.

**Families for Freedom - New York, NY \$5,000**  
**American Kids, Immigrant Families** For a campaign to restore discretion to immigration judges so they can consider the best interests of citizen children before deporting their parents. As the deportation crisis grows, so do the number of affected children and youth.

**Greater Four Corners Action Coalition - Dorchester, MA \$4,000**  
**Challenge**  
**Transit Equity** To continue a campaign for mass-transit access and equity and for the use of environmentally sound, non-polluting equipment. The campaign is also organizing for the hiring of minority and community contractors to build new stations.

**Interfaith Worker Justice of New Orleans - New Orleans, LA \$8,000**  
**HANO Accountability Project** To secure 1,000 high-quality jobs for low-income residents for the demolition and reconstruction of public housing in post-Katrina New Orleans.

**Lakeview Action Coalition - Chicago, IL \$5,000, \$2,500 Challenge**  
**Homeless Youth/Police Relations** A second grant for a campaign to stop the abuse of homeless and GLBT youth by training police officers and enforcing a local system of police accountability.

**Marriage Equality RI Education Fund - Cranston, RI \$1,000**  
**The Four Rs** For an organizing and educational campaign to win marriage equality in Rhode Island.

**Mass Alliance of H.U.D. Tenants - Boston MA \$7,000**

***MAHT Save Our Homes Campaign*** For organizing to preserve at-risk HUD-subsidized multifamily housing as permanently affordable housing with a maximum of resident participation, ownership and control, in response to a radical shift in the federal policy climate affecting HUD tenants and their homes.

**Metropolitan Housing Coalition - Louisville, KY \$6,000**  
***Open the Door Campaign*** To create and fund a local Affordable Housing Trust Fund to serve those whose income is below 80% of median income.

**Middle Tennessee Jobs with Justice - Nashville, TN \$4,000, \$4,000**  
***Challenge***  
***Living Wage Campaign*** A second grant for a municipal living wage campaign to promote economic and racial justice in Nashville while laying the groundwork for a Nashville Workers' Center.

**Movement for Justice in El Barrio - New York, NY \$5,000, \$2,000**  
***Challenge***  
***Housing Justice Program*** For organizing tenants for housing justice - dignified and affordable housing and decent housing conditions - and against the trend toward gentrification that is pushing immigrants and low-income residents from their homes in East Harlem.

**National Network for Immigrant & Refugee Rights - Oakland, CA \$2,000**  
***Roll Back the Raids, Stop Detentions and Deportations*** For organizing to end immigration raids and other operations, detentions, and deportations that violate human rights, separate families and increase the exploitation of immigrants.

**Olneyville Neighborhood Association - Providence, RI \$5,000**  
***La Red de Defensa (Community Defense Network)*** For organizing to strengthen the community's response to anti-immigrant policies and abuses by law enforcement agents.

**Peace & Justice Center - Burlington, VT \$5,000**  
***Guaranteed Paid Sick Leave Campaign*** To win guaranteed paid sick leave for all Vermont employees, focusing on low-wage workers, working mothers, health-care aids and child-care providers.

**Statewide Education Organizing Committee - Trenton, NJ \$1,000**  
***High School Reform Organizing Project*** For organizing and mobilizing parents and families of high school students to improve attendance, graduation rates and win support for students and teachers.

**Sunflower Community Action, Inc. - Wichita, KS \$5,000, \$2,500**  
***Challenge***  
***Worker Justice Project*** For a campaign to recover more than \$500,000 in stolen wages for immigrant workers. The project is organizing Hispanic workers and partnering with government regulators to educate the public and ensure that labor laws are enforced.

**Tonatierra-Centro Macehuilli - Phoenix, AZ \$6,000, \$2,000** ***Challenge***

***Turning the Tide*** For organizing diverse communities to document and address hate crimes, racial profiling toward migratory workers by local enforcement, and to change national and local policies that negatively impact the lives of migratory families.

**Transnational Institute for Grassroots Research & Action (TIGRA) -  
Oakland, CA \$11,000**

***Million Dollar Clubs and Corporate Accountability*** A second grant to expand an economic model that organizes low-wage migrant remitters to use their collective economic leverage to create alternatives to the predatory fringe banking industry. The campaign organizes for corporate accountability and community reinvestment in six states and internationally and to hold financial institutions accountable to the communities they serve.

**United Valley Interfaith Project - Lebanon, NH \$7,500**

***UVIP Affordable Housing/Weatherization Plan*** For a campaign to prevent the homelessness of homeowners and tenants due to rising heating fuel costs by winning creation of emergency shelters, gaining increased funding for a Low Income Home Energy Assistance program and to create a New Hampshire Weatherization Trust Fund.

**Virginians for Alternatives to the Death Penalty - Charlottesville, VA**

***\$5,000 Challenge***

***End Expansion - Promote Justice*** To block legislation that would expand the scope of crimes eligible for capital punishment.

**Workers Interfaith Network - Memphis, TN \$7,000**

***Stop Wage Theft*** To continue to organize low-wage workers and people of faith to win enforcement of criminal penalties against employers who do not pay workers.