2011
DIRECTORY of WNPJ MEMBER ORGANIZATIONS

WNPJ works for environmental justice, peace, prison reform, and immigrant rights!
“The purpose of the Wisconsin Network for Peace and Justice is to facilitate activities, cooperation, and communication among Wisconsin organizations and individuals working toward the creation of a sustainable world, free from violence and injustice.”
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ABOUT THE WISCONSIN NETWORK FOR PEACE AND JUSTICE (WNPJ)

What are the origins of WNPJ?
On February 23, 1991 more than 350 people representing over 60 communities throughout the state responded to a call from Rep. Frank Boyle, Superior. They crowded into the Assembly Chambers of the State Capitol to gather strength from one another in their frustration and concern about the Gulf War. Out of that gathering arose the Wisconsin Network for Peace and Justice.

What does WNPJ do?
The Network works for these things in common:
* alternatives to militarism
* economic justice
* global community
* sustainable agriculture and development
* human rights for all
* training in active nonviolence
* grassroots democracy
* respect for diversity
* a safe, clean environment
* empowering activists

Who belongs to WNPJ?
Both individuals and organizations. Membership is $35 for individuals, $45 for families, $52 for sustaining members. Organizational membership is $50 for groups without paid staff and $75 for those with paid staff. However, no members are excluded because of limited resources and larger contributions are always welcome.

What are WNPJ's Projects?
** An Assembly each fall for all WNPJ members and friends.
** Steering Committee Meeting each spring for one or more representatives of all WNPJ member organizations.
** Publication of Net Work News, a bimonthly newsletter or bulletin, which highlights the work of groups from around the state and includes a peace and justice calendar of events as well as numerous networking suggestions and action alerts.
** A website with information about the Network and its activities, a peace and justice calendar, action alerts and contact information about each member organization, links and more.
** Production of an annual WNPJ Directory of Member Organizations.
** Presentation of Wisconsin Peacemaker of the Year Awards.
** Support of the Network by linking people and their expertise through e-mail, a website Speakers Bureau listing, participating in and building coalitions, and providing programs for members and groups throughout the state.
Dear Members and Friends of WNPJ,

This is the 14th annual Directory of the Wisconsin Network for Peace and Justice. It describes the work of the 168 member organizations that collaborate in our joint work for peace and justice throughout Wisconsin and beyond.

One purpose of this Directory is to encourage and facilitate communication among WNPJ members. We hope, too, that it will inspire individuals and other organizations to join the efforts of WNPJ and our member groups listed below.

As described herein, our member organizations are large and small, faith-based and secular, purely local groups and affiliates of national organizations, rural and urban, of minority and majority cultures, with memberships including women and men of all ages, races, classes, and sexual orientations. These are the many faces of Wisconsin working to bring peace and justice into individual lives, as well as local, state, national and international affairs.

This directory is a central part of WNPJ’s networking function – we invite you to take the time to look through this directory and learn about what your fellow citizens are working on. See if there is someone down the road or across the state who you might want to contact.
Our website – www.wnpj.org – has organizational contact information on it, as well as information about WNPJ, a calendar of events around the state, action alerts, links to other sites and more. Check the calendar as you are planning an event to avoid scheduling conflicts, and use the calendar to post information about what activities you do schedule. WNPJ also uses e-mail - info@wnpj.org - to send out announcements and information.

WNPJ was formed nineteen years ago in response to the Gulf War. As we compile this growing directory of peace and justice work in Wisconsin and beyond, we are still involved with war in Iraq, as well as expanding a war in Afghanistan. History repeats itself, reminding us that if we don’t change the direction we are going in, we will end up where we are headed!

Thank you for all that you and your organizations do to head us towards a brighter day. Please let us know how the Wisconsin Network of Peace and Justice can better assist you and we welcome your participation with WNPJ.

For Peace with Justice,

Judy Miner
WNPJ Office Coordinator  (revisions made on-line throughout the year)
-Alliance for Animals, Inc – Madison
-Arab American Civic Association – Milwaukee
-American Civil Liberties Union of WI (ACLU)
-American Federation of Teachers, Local 212, Milwaukee
-American Jews for a Just Peace – Madison Chapter
-Anathoth Community Farm-Luck
-Antigo People for Peace
-Artha Sustainable Living Center, LLC - Amherst
-Beloit Monthly Meeting of Friends
-Benedict Center - Milwaukee
-Bread for the World - Appleton
-Cable United Church of Christ
-Candlelight Coalition - Wauwatosa
-Casa Maria Catholic Worker Community- Milwaukee
-Church Women United in Madison, WI
-Church Women United in Wisconsin
-Citizen Action of Wisconsin – Milwaukee
-Citizens for Safe Water Around Badger-Merrimac
-Coalition for Wisconsin Health – Madison
-Code Pink - Boscobel
-Colombia Support Network – Madison
-Community Action on Latin America – Madison
-Concerned Citizens of Newport, Inc – Wisconsin Dells
-Congregation of St Agnes, Justice, Peace, Ecology Committee-Fond du Lac
-Coulee Progressives - LaCrosse
-Dale Heights Presbyterian Church, Outreach Committee-Madison
-DeKalb Interfaith network for Peace and Justice
-Democratic Socialists of America-South Central WI
-East Timor Action Network – Madison
-Echo Valley Hope, Inc - Ontario
-ELCA Greater Milwaukee Synod, Peace and Justice Committee
-Family Farm Defenders – Madison
-Farley Center for Peace, Justice and Sustainability
-Fellowship of Reconciliation, Fox Valley - Appleton
-First Congregational Church, UCC – Mission Committee -Menomonie
-First United Methodist Church, Church and Society-Madison
-FOCCUS - Madison
-Fox Valley Peace Coalition - Menasha
-Gay Straight Alliance for Safe Schools (GLSEN-SCW ) Madison
-Grandmothers for Peace, Northland Chapter-Superior
-Greater Wisconsin Committee – Madison
-Groundwork - Madison
-Habiba Foundation - Janesville
-Hill Connections – Chaseburg
-Holy Wisdom Monastery - Madison
-Interfaith Coalition for Worker Justice - Madison
-International Committee for the Peace Council-Madison
-IARP – St. Paul, MN
-Iraq Veterans Against the War - Madison
-Juneau County Peace Committee - Mauston
-Kickapoo Peace Circle – Viroqua
-LaCrosse Interfaith Justice and Peace Network
-Lakeshore Peacemakers - Manitowoc
-Loaves and Fishes Catholic Worker– Duluth
-LUCHA - Madison
-Lutheran Human Relations Association – Milwaukee
-Madison Arcatao Sister City Project
-Madison Area Bus Advocates
-Madison Area Peace Coalition
-Madison Buddhist Peace Advocates
-Madison Friends of International Students
-Madison Friends Meeting
-Madison Hours Co-op
-Madison Infoshop
-Madison Mennonite Church
-Madison MoveOn
-Madison Pledge of Resistance
-Madison Raging Grannies
-Madison/Rafah Sister City Project – Madison
-Madison Unitarian Universalist Young Adult Campus Ministry
-Madison-area Urban Ministry
-Many Ways of Peace – Eagle River
-Marquette University Center for Peacemaking
-Mary House – Wisconsin Dells
-Midwest Renewable Energy Association – Custer
-Milwaukee Fair Trade Coalition
-Money, Education and Prisons Task Force
-Mother Fool's Coffeehouse - Madison
-National Peace Foundation – branch in Eau Claire
-Northland Anti-War Coalition – Duluth, MN
-Northwoods Peace Fellowship - Wausau
-Nukewatch-Luck
-Offbeat Press - Oshkosh
-One Wisconsin Now – Madison
-Oshkosh Monthly Meeting (Quakers)
-OutReach - Madison
-Pax Christi - Madison
-Peace Action Wisconsin - Milwaukee
-Peace Economics-Madison
-Peace North – Hayward
-Peace Seekers of Washington County (inactive – May, 2011)
-People for Peace – Wauwaca
-People's Books Co-op – Milwaukee
-Peregrine Forum - Madison
-Physicians for Social Responsibility-Wisconsin
-PHNP-WI – Linda and Eugene Farley Chapter of Physicians National Health Program – WI - Madison
-Plowshare Center – Waukesha 
-Portage Area Peace Seekers 
-Prairie Unitarian Universalist Society – Madison 
-Preserve Our Climate - Madison 
-Progressive Democrats of America – WI – Trego 
-Progress Media - Oshkosh 
-Racine Coalition for Peace and Justice 
-Racine Dominicans Justice Outreach 
-Rainbow Bookstore Cooperative-Madison 
-Rapids Citizens for Peace – Wisconsin Rapids 
-Red Cedar Peace Initiative - Menomonie 
-Returned Peace Corps Volunteers of WI – Madison 
-River Falls Peace and Justice 
-Rock County Citizens for Peace – Janesville (inactive – April, 2011) 
-Rock Ridge Community-Dodgeville 
-Rock Valley Fellowship of Reconciliation - Janesville 
-St. Norbert Abbey Justice and Peace Committee 
-St. Norbert College, Peace and Justice Center 
-School of Americas Watch - Madison 
-School Sisters of Notre Dame-Elm Grove 
-SEIU Health Care Wisconsin – Madison 
-SHAMA, Inc. - Plover 
-Sinsinawa Dominicans – Sinsinawa 
-Sisters of St. Francis of the Holy Cross-Green Bay 
-Sisters of St. Joseph, TOSF - Chicago 
-Sisters of the Divine Savior-Milwaukee 
-Social Justice Center - Madison 
-Socialist Party of South Central Wisconsin - Madison 
-Socialist Party of Wisconsin – Milwaukee 
-Solidarity Sing-along - Madison 
-SOS Senior Council – Dane County 
-South Central Federation of Labor, AFL-CIO – Madison 
-South Central WI Move to Amend - DeForest 
-Southwest Wisconsin Grassroots Citizens for Peace and Justice – Dodgeville 
-SPAN – Single Payer Action Network - Madison 
-T.A.M.E. - Truth and Alternatives to Militarism in Education - Madison 
-The Madison Institute 
-Union Trabajadores Immigrantes - Madison 
-United Methodist Federation for Social Action- Wisconsin Chapter - LaCrosse 
-United Nations Association, Dane County Chapter 
-United Nations Association-USA, Greater Milwaukee 
-United Nations Association of Wisconsin - Madison 
-UW Milwaukee’s Peace Studies Program 
-UWW – P.E.A.C.E 
-Uppity Wisconsin - Menomonie 
-Veterans for Peace-Chapter 25 - Madison 
-Veterans for Peace-Chapter 80, Lake Superior Area 
-Veterans for Peace – Chapter 102 - Milwaukee 
-Veterans for Peace - Sheboygan 
-Voces de la Frontera – Milwaukee and Racine 
-Voices for Creative Nonviolence – Chicago 
-Voices for Peace institute, LLC – Eau Claire 
-Volunteer Missionary Movement – Greendale, WI 
-Watertown Peace and Democracy Coalition 
-Waukesha catholic Worker 
-WAVE Educational Fund - Milwaukee 
-Waysmeet Quaker Center – Westby 
-We Are One World Foundation - Appleton 
-Weekly Gathering for Peace, Justice and Sustainability - Madison 
-Winds of Peace - Projects in Vietnam - Madison 
-Wisconsin Books to Prisoners – Madison 
-Wisconsin Center 4 Missing Children and Adults – Ft. Atkinson 
-Wisconsin Coalition Against Domestic Violence - Madison 
-Wisconsin Coalition to Normalize Relations with Cuba -Milwaukee 
-Wisconsin Community Fund - Madison 
-Wisconsin Council of Churches, Peace & Justice Committee – Sun Prairie 
-Wisconsin Democracy Campaign – Madison 
-Wisconsin Green Party 
-Wisconsin Impeachment/Bring Our Troops Home- Stoughton 
-Wisconsin National Organization of Women - Madison 
-Wisconsin Resources Protection Council - LaCrosse 
-Wisconsin Women’s Network – Madison 
-Women's International League for Peace & Freedom, Madison Branch 
-Workers' Rights Center, Inc - Madison 
-Yahara Friends Meeting - Monona
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*Van Grinsven, Donna - Fellowship of Reconciliation - Fox Valley – Appleton
*Varatta, Katie – Sisters of St. Joseph, TOSF - Chicago
*Verber, Jean, O.P. – Racine Dominicans Justice Outreach - Racine
*Walker, Mike – Candlelight Coalition – Wauwatosa
*Watrous, Steve – Milwaukee Fair Trade Coalition
*Wiedenhoeft, Fran – Veterans for Peace #25 – Madison
*Williams, David – Peregrine Forum - Madison
*Williams, Judith - Waukesha catholic Worker
*Wolf, Guy – Coulee Progressives – LaCrosse
*Zarate-Laun, Cecilia - Colombia Support Network – Madison
Alliance for Animals, Inc.

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History: The Alliance for Animals has been in Madison for over 25 years and has helped implement positive changes for animals both in Wisconsin and nationwide.

Purpose: The Alliance for Animals is a Wisconsin-based nonprofit organization advocating for the rights of all non-human animals by campaigning for humane treatment and education for change. The Alliance for Animals advances its goals through demonstrations, media outreach, conferences, investigations, legislation, and person-to-person contact, as we strive to fundamentally transform how society views and treats all sentient beings.

Membership: There are about 1,000 throughout WI and around 100 throughout the U.S.

Geographical area: WI mainly, but also national/federal issues.

Who does the work: Alliance for Animals has two 15/hr/wk co-directors and several dedicated volunteers.

Projects: Campaigns against experimentation on animals with an emphasis on nonhuman primates; campaigns to improve the lives of companion animals; vegan outreach; keeping the public aware of animal issues across the state and suggestions for speaking out on such issues through our twice-monthly e-alerts; tabling; newsletter; bringing in speakers; and letter writing. Alliance for Animals holds several vegan events per year, including the annual Vegantines Dinner and Dance.

Publications: animal news. This is our newsletter sent to all members and interested parties.

Congressional District: We lobby all representatives and senators on the state and federal level, as well as city and county officials.

(update 1/10)
American Civil Liberties Union of Wisconsin

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Organizational History: The American Civil Liberties Union is the nation’s primary advocate of an individual’s civil rights and civil liberties as guaranteed by the US Constitution and the Bill of Rights. The ACLU was established nationally in 1920.

Membership: the ACLU of Wisconsin is a citizen group with approximately 8,000 dues-paying members statewide. The ACLU of Wisconsin also has chapters that organize around local issues across the state.

Geographical Area of Work: statewide, some national issues

Who does the Work: the ACLU has paid staff in the areas of litigation, education and administration and has a volunteer board with members across the state.

Working Links with Other Organizations: the ACLU of Wisconsin works in coalition with other social justice organizations on a variety of issues including environmental justice, racial justice, reproductive privacy, prison reform, student/youth rights, freedom of expression, voting rights.

Purpose: The ACLU maintains that civil liberties must be respected and has made its mission to fight civil liberties violations wherever and whenever they occur. The ACLU is best known for our litigation efforts but we also work for change through public education, community activism, public policy analysis and governmental lobbying.

Projects: Bill of Rights dinner (February fundraiser), Youth Social Justice Forum (youth, Milwaukee), legal observing (protests), public interest education campaigns (know your rights education, Banned Books Week)

Publications: ACLU of Wisconsin – Wisconsin Civil Liberties (newsletter)

Congressional District – statewide

(10/11)
Local 212 is the legally authorized bargaining agent for teachers, counselors, outreach specialists, school nurses, accountants and the professional staff at MATC. (Milwaukee Area Technical College.) We represent three separate bargaining units of fulltime professional, part-time professionals and full and part-time paraprofessionals. Historically, Local 212 was the first organization to represent teachers under Wisconsin's pioneering public employee law. 5/2009
American Jews for a Just Peace - Madison Chapter

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History: Founded in 1986 to become an ongoing experiment in the practice of nonviolence, community, and sustainable living.

Membership: 7 community members, mailing list of 600.

Geographical area: Northern Wisconsin, USA, World.

Who does the work: Work done by live-in community, volunteers, and friends. Funding by donations and bread labor.

Working links: Nukewatch, Peace North, Northwoods Peace Initiative, Wheels of Justice, Catholic Worker

Purpose: To promote the idea and practice of nonviolence as a way of life.

Projects: Anathoth is a center for the study of non violence, community, and sustainable living. We have built an eco-village from the ground up which is one of our answers to much of what is wrong in the world. We host groups and individuals who come to see first hand what our solutions are as well as facilitating non violent action and education on a variety of issues.

Publications: Anathoth Community Farm News. Northwoods Peace Initiative (on line)

Congressional District: 7th (Update 1/10)
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(Update 12/10)
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Organizational History: Artha Farm came into existence in 1971. The farm grew with the energy of many hands, people all looking to live off the land. Bob Ramlow built his first solar collector that year, and in 1976 he started selling wood stoves. In 1979 he started working with a solar company selling solar air and water systems. Marguerite and Bob were some of the founders of the Midwest Renewable Energy Association and owned and ran Snow-Belt Energy Center in Amherst. In the last few years both children have moved back to the Amherst area to also work in the renewable energy field. Leif has helped to build the straw bale barn used for yoga classes and workshops and a new home for Bob and Marguerite as well as spending many hours in the organic garden. Benjamin Nusz, Chamomile’s husband helped Bob finish his book on Solar Water Heating and Chamomile was the executive director of Citizens Energy Cooperative. Marguerite has operated a yoga studio for the last 9 years while Bob has been consulting on solar thermal systems. Artha Sustainable Living Center is just growing it’s wings and the summer of 2007 has seen its first workshops and retreats as well as guests at the Bed and Breakfast. Come take a workshop on renewable energy, living sustainably, solar installations, organic gardening, herbal bath and beauty products and yoga workshops and retreats. Stay in the solar powered B&B for just one night or rent the home for your own retreat!


Who does the Work: Paid Staff, all family members.

Working Links with Other Organizations: We work with the Focus on Energy Program, the Midwest Renewable Energy Association and many other wonderful local and national organizations working to increase the use of renewable energy making our world a more sustainable place to live.

Purpose: We strive to exist in harmony with our environment. This harmony includes living within the boundaries of our ecosystem as well as being in tune with our inner selves. We lead by example and offer our experiences and expertise to those who wish to learn from us.

Projects: Hands-on workshops and retreats on renewable energy, living sustainably, solar installations, organic gardening, herbal bath and beauty products and yoga workshops and retreats. We write articles for national magazines educating people on how they can incorporate solar into their lives.

Congressional District(s) in which you are located or work: District 7

(updated 1/08)
Beloit Monthly Meeting of Friends

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**History:** We have had full Meeting status since 1978, associated with Northern Yearly Meeting. We meet in Beloit each First Day at 11 am for unprogrammed worship and meet monthly for Meeting for Business. We also have Worship Sharing and Prayer Circle. In the past we have been involved in tax day leafleting, sponsoring a Cambodian family, and alerting legislators about issues of our concern.

**Membership:** 8 with formal membership.

**Geographical Area of Work:** State line area.

**Who does the work:** We have no paid staff and generally we share in the work of the Meeting.

**Working links:** Northern Yearly Meeting, Friends General Conference, Friends Committee on National Legislation.

**Purpose:** The term “Friends” in our name refers to the Religious Society of Friends, commonly known as Quakers. Our central purpose as a Meeting is to come together in worship and to nourish the spiritual life of the Meeting and of each person in the Meeting.

**Congressional District:** 1st, U.S. Representative Paul Ryan. (Update 9/09)
Benedict Center

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History: Founded in 1974, the Benedict Center works with victims, offenders, and the community to achieve a system of justice that is fair and treats everyone with dignity and respect.

Goals: Within this mission, the agency's overall goals are to:

• Offer real opportunities for change to women in conflict with the law through the Women's Harm Reduction Program, a gender-specific jail and prison alternative, grounded in education and substance abuse treatment;

• Advocate for fundamental systemic change in the criminal justice system, emphasizing restorative community justice, and sentencing plans that support safe, productive community alternatives to incarceration through the Justice Advocacy Program; and,

• Reach out to men and women in conflict with the law through Restorative Community Service at the Day Reporting Center and the Sisters Project, street outreach to women involved in drugs and prostitution.

The Benedict Center seeks a safe, inclusive and compassionate community where differences are valued and values are respected, ensuring fair and equitable justice for all.

Congressional District: 4th and 5th
(update 9/11)
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History: Bread for the World-Wisconsin is affiliated with Bread for the World. Bread for the World, founded in 1974, is a nationwide Christian movement that seeks justice for the world’s hungry people by lobbying our nation's decision makers. Successes (most of which involve the work of some other groups as well) include increased funding for WIC, improvements in food stamps, establishment and increased funding for Child Survival Fund (focused foreign aid), debt relief for poor countries and the Millennium Development initiatives.

Membership: 60,000 nationwide. About 3,500 in Wisconsin. Membership is in the national organization, Bread for the World. Join at www.bread.org ($25.) Members receive a newsletter about 9 times a year with useful information.

Geographical Area of Work: Bread for the World is organized by congressional district into local networks nationwide. Bread for the World-Wisconsin is the Wisconsin network.

Who does the Work: Bread for the World-Wisconsin is an all volunteer organization.

Working Links: Bread for the World is non-denominational and is both supported by and supports the hunger work of many denominations. Churches as well as individuals can become members of Bread for the World and there is a Covenant Church program for a church to enter into a special covenant relationship with Bread for the World.

Projects: Ongoing advocacy work year round and an annual Offering of Letters coordinating efforts nationwide on one particular issue each year. Offering of Letters kits are available on-line and in print version from www.bread.org, to help groups organize on the annual issue. In 2009 we will urge Congress to rework U.S. foreign assistance to make it more effective in reducing poverty. While the world has changed dramatically, the 1961 Foreign Assistance Act still drives how we deliver foreign aid. U.S. foreign aid programs are scattered across 12 departments, 25 agencies, and nearly 60 government offices. A more efficient system will ensure poor people get help faster and more effectively.

Publications: Bread for the World-Wisconsin sends occasional newsletters to members to announce events. Bread for the World publishes a regular print newsletter, a monthly action newsletter for churches (Hunger Sunday), a Campus newsletter, an annual Hunger Report that focuses on a hunger-related topic, other books and resources, a biweekly email newsletter (Fresh Bread), an occasional email news update (ebread), and email Quickline action alerts.

Congressional Districts: All congressional districts in Wisconsin.

(Update 1/09)
Cable United Church of Christ

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History: Organized September 11, 1901, as a Congregational Church.
Membership: 160.

Geographical area of work: Northwest Wisconsin Woods.

Who does the work: Pastor Lynn S. Larson; 9 board members; many volunteers

Working links: Wisconsin Conference, United Church of Christ; National U.C.C. Office of Peace and Justice Action; Wisconsin Council of Churches; National Council of Churches; World Council of Churches

Purpose: To become a community more and more faithful to Christ’s call to live love, peace, joy and justice.

Projects: Weekly gatherings to teach and learn love in action. Classes and service projects for children and youth, to learn helpful ways to respond to those in need. Providing facility to all nonprofit organizations of good will. Donating to help alleviate suffering and to build a more just and peaceful world.

(Update 1/07)
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History: Candlelight Coalition brings people together to work for just and peaceful resolutions of conflicts in our world. We organize community events to foster dialog and understanding, and to assist the victims of violence and injustice.

Membership: No formal membership. There are about 15 active members.

Geographical area of work: Wauwatosa and surrounding area.

Who does the work: All volunteer.

Working links with other organizations: Informal links to Unitarian Universalist Church West, Catholics for Peace & Justice, & Peace Action.

Projects: March: "Candlelight Conference" free informational workshops on peace and justice issues; July: participation in the 4th of July Parade under a peace banner; December: Peace Potluck Dinner: We write & send holiday cards to Amnesty International Prisoners of Conscience.

Congressional District: Primarily Representative Sensenbrenner's District.

(update 12/10)
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History: Founded in 1966 to shelter the homeless, feed the hungry, help the needy with used furniture and clothing, and provide the basic needs to people in the inner city. Also serves as a response to the waste, injustice, and violence which are the roots of poverty and inequality. Follows the tradition of the Catholic Worker movement started by Dorothy Day and Peter Maurin in 1933 in New York.

Membership: Volunteers committed to the philosophy of the Catholic Worker movement.

Geographical Area of Work: Greater Milwaukee Area.


Purpose: To live out and teach nonviolent action through the works of mercy and resistance to war and greed.

Projects: 1) taking in homeless women and children, providing basic needs for those who need them. 2) promoting nonviolence through nonviolent direct action. 3) active in campaigns against W-2 agencies (Maximus, UMOS and YWCA) and other corporate entities

Publications: Free monthly Newsletter Casa Cry.

Congressional District: 4th US Representative Gwen Moore. (Update 12/10)
Church Women United in Madison, Wisconsin

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History: Church Women United in Wisconsin (CWU in WI) is a part of the national movement of church women that was formed in 1941.

Membership: Open to all Christian women who wish to build an ecumenical community through worship, study, and cooperative action. Other women of faith may participate provided they understand the purpose of the movement. There are 41 CWU units in Wisconsin each representing multiple churches in their area. Key women from each church form the local units.

Geographical area of work: State of Wisconsin.

Working links: National offices of CWU are in Manhattan, NY, the Church Center at the UN (CWU is accredited as a nongovernmental organization), and Washington, DC.

Purpose: To grow in faith and extend our vision of what it means to be Christian women in society; to strengthen the ecumenical community; to work for a just, peaceful, and caring society; to use responsibly and creatively, the resources entrusted to us--intelligence, time, energy, and money--to carry out the mission of Christ.

Projects: An annual statewide gathering and a biannual regional gathering of women from WI, MN, IA, ND, SD, and NE. Local units determine their ongoing projects though each unit nationwide celebrates a World Day of Prayer, May Friendship Day, and World Community Day. Many also participate in the Fellowship of the Least Coin, which is an international effort to raise money for women's projects. [The Madison Unit represents 37 congregations and has created the Madison Ecumenical Center, which facilitates ecumenical communication and action by publishing an ecumenical directory and providing a mailing service to churches, clergy, and lay leaders, and staffs the Global Express, a fair-trade, nonprofit shop staffed and managed by volunteers.]

Publications: Local unit newsletters, CWU State Newsletter, and the national magazine The Churchwoman.

Congressional Districts: Statewide Districts 1-8. (Update 12/09)
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History: Since 1982, Citizen Action of Wisconsin has been organizing people to make Wisconsin a better place to live and work. We are a grassroots organization that brings together 42,000 individual members, 123,000 supporters and 144 diverse coalition partners to hold elected officials accountable and create a better future for families and communities. Examples of our recent accomplishments:

In early 2010 Citizen Action continued to lead the fight for national health care reform, and celebrated the passage of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act in late March of 2010. Citizen Action continues to lead a statewide coalition focused on implementing the new law in Wisconsin. Citizen Action is also working with a consortium of groups to track and promote the benefits of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act. The Good Jobs and Livable Neighborhoods Coalition continues to organize for the creation of family supporting jobs and high standards for job creation, especially when public dollars are used for economic development projects. (2010)

In 2009 Citizen Action continued to lead the Health Care for America Now campaign in Wisconsin, a national grassroots effort to pass comprehensive federal health care legislation. In July of 2009 Citizen Action merged with a previously independent non-profit organization, Good Jobs & Livable Neighborhoods (GJLN). GJLN is the Wisconsin affiliate of Partnership for Working Families, and is nationally recognized for landmark community benefits legislation in Milwaukee, notably the historic passage of the Milwaukee Opportunities for Restored Employment (MORE) Ordinance in early 2009.

In 2008 Citizen Action combined issue organizing with civic engagement to create a mandate for bold health care reform in the state. Citizen Action generated 585 distinct media stories in 2008. Launched in May of 2008, Citizen Action began a visibility campaign called got healthcare? that was designed to make health care the top issue for voters in Wisconsin. Building on an award winning national model for agenda setting developed by Citizen Action and its coalition partners in 2006, local health care advisory referenda were added to local ballots in 22 cities and counties in 2008. More than 588,000 voters had the opportunity to vote on a health care referenda in their municipality in 2008. The referenda passed overwhelmingly, garnering over 411,000 "Yes" votes.

In 2007 Citizen Action took the lead in organizing the Wisconsin Health Care Reform Coalition, an unprecedented coalition of 30 statewide organizations, including unions, faith based organizations, and advocates for seniors, farmers, the disabled, children, and families (2007). Through massive statewide issue work in 2006, including the initiation of universal health care referendums across the state, which garnered 83% of the vote, took the lead in making comprehensive health care reform the top issue in state elections (2006). In 2006, Citizen Action secured the gubernatorial veto (2006) of legislation that would have made it impossible for lead paint manufacturers to be held liable for their product – an important follow-up to our winning our year-long fight to get the City of Milwaukee to sue the lead paint industry to pay its fair share of lead clean-up costs in Milwaukee in 1999.

Membership: Citizen Action has approximately 85,000 individual members, covering every Assembly district in the state. Citizen Action unites 117 dues-paying affiliate organizations in the fight for a better future for our families and communities. Our affiliates include the state’s leading labor, senior citizen, environmental, interfaith, women’s, family farm, Native American tribes and teacher and civil rights organizations including: AARP-Wisconsin, Wisconsin State AFL-CIO, Wisconsin Education Association Council, NAACP, Clean Wisconsin, Coalition of WI Aging Groups, Planned Parenthood, Lutheran Office of Public Policy in Wisconsin, Voces de la Frontera, Wisconsin Council of Churches and the Potawatomi and Menominee Indian Tribes of Wisconsin.

Who does the work: Citizen Action has 20 full-time central staff members based in Madison, Milwaukee, Green Bay and Eau Claire, in addition to a statewide phone and field canvas staff in Milwaukee and Green Bay. The Board of Directors has 42 active volunteer-members including an 8 member Executive Committee.

Purpose: Citizen Action of Wisconsin organizes people to make Wisconsin a better place to live and work.

Congressional Districts: Members Statewide (updated 6/10)
Citizens for Safe Water Around Badger

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History: Citizens for Safe Water Around Badger (CSWAB) began as a "kitchen table" organization in 1990 when rural neighbors discovered their drinking water wells were polluted with high levels of carcinogenic solvents. Carbon tetrachloride, trichloroethylene, and chloroform were detected in the water supplies of three farm families at levels 15 times the safe standard. Toxins resulting from 50 years of weapons manufacturing from the nearby Badger Army Ammunition Plant had moved undetected through the groundwater, poisoning drinking water wells more than a mile away. Our goal is to ensure a healthy sustainable future for our children and the earth by reducing risks to human health and natural systems, strengthening community-based work for environmental justice, and creating opportunities for the public to have a voice in the debate around protection of human health and the environment. As an organization, we empower community members and rely on them to develop, prioritize, and implement program work – ensuring a solid foundation for long-term social and environmental justice.

Membership/Geographical area of work: The role of CSWAB is to empower stakeholders and tribal members in the decision-making process; we believe this participation will provide a powerful, long-term solution to military toxics in our rural communities, and will ensure a safe, healthy environment for ourselves and generations to come. We serve a constituency rather than a paid membership.


Purpose: The mission of CSWAB is to empower, unify, and strengthen communities affected by pollution; to restore the integrity of natural systems damaged by military activities including air, water, soil, and biodiversity; and to ensure mutual respect and social justice for all peoples, free from any form of discrimination or bias.

Projects/issue areas: Community organizing, environmental justice, environmental protection and remediation, military toxics, environmental health, occupational health, protection and preservation of habitat and indigenous ecosystems, protection and restoration of groundwater and drinking water resource, and pollution prevention. The group publishes a free quarterly newsletter and maintains an electronic action alert list and website.

Congressional District: 2nd, U.S. Representative Tammy Baldwin. (Update 1/10)
Coalition for Wisconsin Health;  
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History: Founded in 1986.

Membership: About 60 member organizations and numerous individuals.

Geographical area of work: Statewide.

Who does the work: volunteers.

Working links: Nurses for a National Health Plan (NNHP), Wisconsin Citizen Action, Universal Health Care Action Network (UHCAN).

Purpose: Working for health care for everyone as a right, publicly funded, paid for by a single payer to eliminate profits and to decrease paperwork and administrative costs.

Projects: Educational Speaker's Bureau, to go anywhere in the state, Forums, and "grassroots" organizing for healthcare reform, renewed membership drive. Ongoing petition drive that has already gathered more than 4,000 signatures. Supported the Wisconsin Health Security Act, proposed in both houses of the State Legislature.

Publications: Quarterly newsletter. A summary of the Wisconsin Health Security Act is available on the on website.

Congressional District: Located in the 2nd, U.S. Representative Tammy Baldwin’s district, but work statewide. (Update 1/10)


**Code Pink – Boscobel**

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**History:** The group focus is the wars in Iraq, Afghanistan and on "Terror," along with wars on the environment and the disenfranchised in our own country and the world. We work in our community to encourage dialog with those 'not in the choir' on these and other important issues that challenge all of us.

**Projects:** Monthly Meeting of Code Pink - Boscobel. At the Timber Lane Coffee, 934 Wisconsin Ave. Sponsored by Code Pink - Boscobel. Meets the first Wednesday of each month. 2:30 pm. All welcome. The group also presents periodic Forums, which are evening programs, and has a presence in local parades. The group has an event to bring attention to the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan each year as well.

(updated 12/10)
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History: Founded in 1988, in response to the human rights crisis in Colombia and to address the lack of accurate information on Colombia and the role of US military aid.

Membership/funding: National membership is around 3,000. Paid staff of one with 10-15 working volunteers and a board. Funded by individual memberships and foundations.

Geographical area of work: U.S. and Colombia.

Who does the work: Paid staff, volunteers and board.

Working links: There are other chapters of CSN: Minneapolis, Austin, Kansas City, Buffalo and Central New York, as well as Madison. There are chapters in formation in Detroit and Bloomington.

Purpose: Colombia Support Network is an activist grassroots organization that works through sister communities to help Colombians create a peaceful participatory democracy and an economically just Colombian society. We condemn violations of human rights by all actors involved in the conflict, including guerrilla groups, military, paramilitary, police, multinational corporations and foreign agents, including U.S. defense contractors. We support and provide political space for organizations and individuals that work for a nonviolent, just political solution to the conflict in Colombia.

Projects: Education--organize slide presentations and presentations in schools, publish newsletter and magazine, and organize speaking tours. Advocacy--Colombia Support Urgent Action Service which sends letters to Colombian officials in response to human rights abuses on behalf of subscribers to the service. Citizen Diplomacy--Dane County/Apartado Sister Community projects and annual delegations to Colombia.

Publications: Quarterly newsletter, Action on Colombia.

Congressional District: Located in 2nd, U.S. Representative Tammy Baldwin, but work is national. (Update 12/10)
Community Action on Latin America

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Organizational History: Founded in 1971 at Pres House, CALA has been a student/community effort.

Geographical Area of Work: Madison programs, in collaboration with local and national solidarity organizations

Who does the Work: We have a 6-member volunteer board.

Working Links with Other Organizations: Local solidarity organizations such as Madison Arcatao Sister City, Wisconsin Coordinating Council on Nicaragua, Colombia Support Network, Madison Guatemala Network, Madison Camaguey Sister City, UW Latin American, Caribbean, and Iberian Studies, Madison Fair Trade Action Alliance. National organizations such as Hands Off Venezuela, Mexico Solidarity Network.

Purpose: For over 30 years, CALA has worked to educate people on the effects of US foreign policy on Latin America. From civil wars and assassinations to the current economic policy wars, Latin America has suffered US aggression, intervention, and abuse. CALA works to expose these injustices by bringing authentic speakers from Latin America, hosting scholars and activists, showing films, and otherwise educating the local community.

Projects: Recently we have supported various development projects by Zapatistas, women artisans, and autonomous communities in Chiapas. We have taken student/community delegations to Latin America, including to Chiapas, Cuba, and Venezuela.

Congressional District: Located in 2nd, U.S. Representative Tammy Baldwin, but work is national.

(Update 12/10)
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**Purpose:** CCN's achievements this past year are as follows:

1. Worked with other environmental groups to develop ground and surface water legislation

2. Worked to promote a progressive social and environmental agenda such as helping to sponsor Fighting Bob Fest, attending the World Water Forum in Kyoto, Japan, and attending the WTO meeting in Cancun, Mexico. In the midst of the Kyoto Conference, when Bush invaded Iraq, CCN joined with a Japanese Peace group and demonstrated at the Forum.

3. Worked with Wisconsin Stewardship Network in inviting Maude Barlow and Robert Glennon to their annual meeting, where the focus was on water.

4. CCN is developing a campaign of corporate accountability against the bottled water industry. Grants are being sought to develop a marketing campaign to slow the consumption of bottled water. We also continue to monitor the efforts of major water bottling companies to establish wells and plants in our state.

5. CCN produced a new brochure entitled Why are you Drinking bottled Water. Copies are available by contacting Hiroshi Kanno - email: hirok8@aol.com

6. CCN website www.kNOwbottledwater.org is now on line. Check it out.

7. CCN in conjunction with the Polaris Institute distributed 1000 activity packets to student activist groups in Canada and the US.

8. CCN has participated in forums and presentations in WI and across the country.


**New for 2008:** We just negotiated an agreement with the Rainbow Bookstore Coop in Madison for a year long campaign focused on protecting Wisconsin waters. Book signings, informational programs on WI WATER and the environment will be held. Included in the agreement also is our Take Back the Tap pledge campaign. Individuals will be asked to sign a pledge to not buy bottled water.

(update 12/07)
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History: A Roman Catholic order of women religious celebrating its sesquicentennial in 2008 that created a Justice, Peace and Ecology Office in 1990 to raise issues on justice, peace, and ecology and coordinate activities for and of the congregation.

Membership: just under 260 Sisters, and over 250 Associates.

Geographical Area of work: Central office is in Wisconsin but work is in 16 states, Honduras, and Nicaragua.

Who does the work: One full-time coordinator, half-time staff.

Working links: Links with Catholic churches locally and globally. Active and supporting member of the 8th Day Center of Justice, Interfaith Center on Corporate Responsibility (ICCR), Leadership Conference for Women Religious (LCWR), and NETWORK, Pax Christi, CHA, SOA Watch, and UNANIMA International.

Purpose: The congregation is committed to the transformation of the world, the church, and themselves through promoting systemic change for the quality of life, justice for the economically poor, and furtherance of the role of women in church and society, mutuality, inclusivity, and collaboration.

Projects:
- Work with Interfaith Center on Corporate Responsibility (ICCR) in New York in taking shareholder action with corporations to hold them accountable.
- Work with United for Diversity, a local group focusing on welcoming diversity, in the Fond du Lac area.
- Manage a listserv that is international and reaches about 250 people, with weekly (or so) action alerts.
- Part of UNANIMA International, a UN NGO made up of 16 congregations with a current focus on the demand side trafficking of women and children for sexual exploitation.
- Have a video and book library with materials which can be sent anywhere.
- Organize demonstrations.

- UNANIMA International now has 18 member congregations and besides trafficking are focusing on Earth stewardship.

Publications: JUSTPEACE newsletter, published four times a year.

Congressional District: 6th, U.S. Representative Thomas E. Petri. (Update 12/10)
Coulee Progressives

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Purpose of the Coulee Progressives - gathering and disseminating information about progressives groups, programs, events and actions in the La Crosse, Wisconsin area and beyond and helping to educate about and motivate toward a more just and peaceful world. (updated 4/10)
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Membership: Congregational membership of 90.

Working links: John Knox Presbytery, MOM, Madison-area Urban Ministry, Church Women United, Synod, and all Presbyterian organizations.

Purpose: Mission statement is: "We are an open and accepting fellowship of Christian believers, expressing love by caring for and committing ourselves to each other, our community, and the world."

Projects: Outreach Committee provides educational forums for adult members and helps carry out local mission of the church. Projects vary as needs vary.

Publications: Dale Heights Newsletter.

Congressional District: 2nd, U.S. Representative Tammy Baldwin. (Update 5/08)
DeKalb Interfaith Network for Peace and Justice

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Purpose: To work toward bringing about a more peaceful world through working toward social justice.

History: We have been an organization for 22 years.

Membership: We have over 90 paid members, over 250 receive our newsletters.

Geographical Area of Work: The DeKalb Illinois Area and the area of the 14th congressional district. Have been supportive also of actions in the Chicago area.

Who does the work: Volunteers – Steering Committee

Working Links: Fox Valley Citizens for Peace and Justice, UFPJ, ILCPJ and a regional group of peace and justice workers.

Projects: Troop withdrawal referendum, Immigrant rights issues, Declaration of Peace, Weekly Bring the Troops Home vigils. Also working to Stop Blackwater Worldwide in Illinois

Congressional District: 14th Congressional district in Illinois.

(Updated 12/08)
Democratic Socialists of America - South Central Wisconsin Area

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History: Founded in the mid-1980’s locally to work on issues of social and economic justice such as healthcare, worker's rights, voter's rights, human rights, and elimination of poverty. Affiliated with National DSA, which emerged from the New American Movement and the Democratic Socialist Organizing Committee under the leadership of Michael Harrington in the late 1970s.

Membership: Approximately 45 on the mailing list.

Geographical area of work: South-central Wisconsin.

Working links: Other chapters of Democratic Socialists of America and Coalition for Wisconsin Health.

Purpose: To work with a diverse group of people and commit to working on economic and social justice for all.

Projects: international contacts to members of the Socialist International (e.g., Canada, Mexico).

Congressional District: 2nd, U.S. Representative Tammy Baldwin. (Update 12/10)
East Timor Action Network - Madison

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History: One of the first local chapters of ETAN/US to form, in late 1991. Since then, we've worked in support of human rights and justice for East Timor, through public education, protest, media work, and educating our elected representatives. We formed the first official US sister city with East Timor in 2001, between Madison and Ainaro.

Membership: Open to all and free.

Working links: We are active members of the local sister city coalition group, and often collaborate with area solidarity, peace, and social justice groups. We were a founding member of the Madison Area Peace Coalition, helped lead the 16 Days of Activism Against Gender Violence coalition, and are active supporters of other sister city groups.

Purpose: The East Timor Action Network/U.S. (ETAN) is a grassroots human rights organization working in solidarity with the people of East Timor. ETAN supports human dignity for all East Timorese by advocating for women's rights, democracy, sustainable development, sound environmental practices, and comprehensive social, legal and economic justice. To this end, we work to influence the policies of the US government and international institutions as they relate to East Timor. ETAN is also motivated by the need for continued vigilance to ensure genuine self-determination for the people of East Timor.

Projects: Our two main projects are the Madison-Ainaro Sister-City Alliance and Medical Aid for East Timor. Our sister-city relationship raises funds for community projects in Ainaro, a beautiful, remote and still-devastated region in the mountains of East Timor. Ainaro partners include the Centro Comunidade Ainaro, which runs educational programs for children; Centro Moris Foun, which helps train people in carpentry, mechanical and other skills needed to rebuild their community; and OPMT, a women's organization that runs adult literacy classes and helps organize women's income-generating projects. Our medical aid project raises funds for Bairo Pite Clinic, the country's only free medical clinic.

Publications: Ainaro Lia-Foun (local ~ 1x/year); Estafeta (ETAN/US newsletter, ~ 3x/year)

Congressional District: WI-2nd (Update 12/10)
Echo Valley Hope, Inc.

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Echo Valley Hope is an educational and charitable nonprofit advocating sustainable living and supporting initiatives of peace.  
Our mission includes raising funds for disaster and hunger relief and supporting the well being of individuals and communities.

Echo Valley Hope's 2011 initiatives include Farms Link People (www.farmslinkpeople.org), Peace First and Ending War (www.facebook.com/groups/peacefirstandendingwar), free sustainability classes, Hope Gardens (a community garden), Navajo rug sales, peace events and concerts, and community support.
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History: Started in the late 1980's and have pushed a number of peace and justice issues over about 17 years.

Membership: Presently six members with additional people who come in for workshops we sponsor such as racism and immigration issues. We try to meet monthly, usually on a Tuesday morning at the synod office at 1212 S. Layton Blvd. in Milwaukee, WI.

Geographical area of work: Southeastern Wisconsin Lutheran Churches

Who does the work? Our work is volunteer. Any postage or paper work is paid for by the Greater Milwaukee Synod of the ELCA.

Working links: MICAH of Milwaukee

Purpose: To make statements on peace and justice issues and keep ELCA Lutheran churches in the greater Milwaukee area informed on issues we think are important.

Projects in 2008-2009: Our main focus for 2009 is the Immigration issues and Returning Veterans. We have worked out materials which can be used with churches to inform their membership about the current Immigration Issues. Our members can act as facilitators on this. We also work to inform members on how to help Returning Veterans to come back to society and the churches.

Publications: Some mailings to congregations in our synod.
(update 12/08)
History: Family Farm Defenders (FFD) was formed in 1994 out of grassroots struggle against the dairy checkoff system and the introduction of synthetic bovine growth hormone (rBGH) and has since grown into a national coalition around the goal of creating a farmer-controlled and consumer-oriented food/farm system that places people before profit. Toward this end, FFD works on issues of sustainable agriculture, rural justice, consumer safety, fair trade, animal welfare, workers rights, and food sovereignty. It is FFD's belief that healthy, safe, accessible food is a basic human right, and that all communities should be able to control their own agricultural future.

Membership: Approximately 5,000 nationwide with 500 of those in Wisconsin.

Geographical area of work: Statewide, national, and global.

Who does the work: FFD has one part time staff person, plus numerous volunteers and active board members.

Working links: FFD is an active member of many other groups, including: Churches' Center for Land and People, Madison Fair Trade Action Alliance, 50 Years is Enough Campaign, Rural Coalition, National Family Farm Coalition, Campaign for Sustainable Agriculture, Community Food Security Coalition, and Via Campesina, to name a few.

Projects: Current FFD campaigns include: 1) Mobilizing grassroots opposition to agrofuels, genetically modified organisms (GMOs), factory farm expansion, exploitation of farmworkers, import of milk protein concentrate (MPC), food irradiation, cloning, patenting, free trade regimes (FTAA, WTO); 2) Building a local food/farm network; greater public support for family farming, consumer right-to-know, farmers' markets, community supported agriculture, direct markets for fair trade products that guarantee farmers a parity price/living wage such as our "Family Farmer" fair trade cheese project, as well as fair trade school fundraising opportunities; 3) Sponsoring international farmer-to-farmer delegations, grassroots solidarity and community recovery post-disaster (Hurricane Katrina, Midwest flooding) and other education and empowerment activities that cross borders and bridge the gap between the global North and global South, as well as rural and urban people.

Publications: Biannual newsletter, "Defender"

Congressional Districts: Statewide Districts 1-8. (Update 12/07)
The (Linda and Gene) Farley Center for Peace, Justice & Sustainability

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Organizational History: Shortly before Linda Farley died June 9, 2009 her four sons told her they would like the property they would inherit from both their parents to become the Linda and Gene Farley Center for Peace, Justice and Sustainability. They said selling the property would bring in money, but do nothing to help forward the causes their parents had worked for. Therefore this Center is being created by the sons, daughters-in-law and grandchildren of Linda and Gene Farley.
The Center is organized with three primary goals: socially and politically progressive change, community partnership and environmental sustainability. Recognizing that the organizations and groups needed to drive the kind of change the Center envisions already do or will exist, the Center will develop itself as a supporter, facilitator and incubator to maximize the ability of all these organizations to thrive and fulfill their chosen missions as much as possible. The Farley family is from a Quaker tradition, and the Madison Monthly Meeting of Friends (Quakers) is involved in a variety of ways at the Farley land. However the Center is non-sectarian and available to all who understand that without loving, caring justice there can be no peace and without peace there can be no sustainability – peace requires living in harmony with the ecological underpinnings of the planet we share with all of its inhabitants. Decision-making at the Farley Center will be through a Quaker consensus model, based on a belief in a common humanity and the ability to decide together. The Farley Center will be an environment to celebrate life through ecologically-sound, life-supporting sustainable small farm plots and community gardens and a family-friendly, natural green burial grounds for natural burials that contribute to life in a woods or meadow.

Geographical Area of Work: Dane County.

Who does the Work: Seven paid staff, several volunteers, a board and an advisory committee, and the growers that participate in the farm incubator and community gardens.

Working Links with Other Organizations: Many food and farming advocacy and education groups in the Madison area, including our fiscal sponsor, Community GroundWorks at Troy Gardens.

Purpose: The Linda and Gene Farley Center for Peace, Justice and Sustainability, located in Springdale, Wisconsin, will provide an integrated approach to sustainable practices, educating and preparing individuals to understand and respond to critical issues relating to the survival of our communities and our planet. The Farley Center, now in the process of becoming a 501(c)3 nonprofit, is located on 43 acres of forest and farmland, and includes a large passive-solar hexagonal house that will become a conference center.

Projects: We will offer two direct services:
1. an ecologically-sound and sustainable natural green burial grounds, which will in the long term produce a steady income for the center;
2. a farm incubator and community garden, where new farmers will be supported with land, tools, education, and links to a variety of local food and farming community efforts; and

Congressional District: 2nd district – federal State - Senate district 27, Assembly district 79

(update 12/10)
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History: Fellowship of Reconciliation (FOR) was founded nationally (and internationally) during World War I. Local chapter founded in 1991.

Membership: Five active volunteers; mailing list of 155.

Geographical area of work: Fox Valley (Appleton, Neenah-Menasha, and Oshkosh).

Who does the work: Volunteers.

Working links: One of the 62 local groups of the Fellowship of Reconciliation USA.

Purpose: The mission of FOR is to replace violence, war, racism, and economic injustice with nonviolence, peace, and racial and economic justice.

Projects: Participate in FOR National Projects: People’s Campaign for Nonviolence, Stop the Hate, Campaign of Conscience for the Iraqi People and Close the SOA. Monthly peace vigils. Daily individual prayers for peace, 8:30 am. Compiled information files on conscientious objection (CO) to war, and presented a workshop to college-age students on this topic, as an on-going project. We are available to present this workshop to others interested in this topic.


Congressional District: 6th & 8th (Update 12/10)
First Congregational United Church of Christ
Mission Committee

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Membership: Local congregational membership of 500 [Membership
open to everyone.] Staff of 4 with a 14-member board. Funded by contributions.

Geographical area of work: Dunn County.

Working links: National United Church of Christ and Wisconsin Conference-UCC.

Projects: Identification as a "Just Peace" church; Support for Dunn County Interfaith Caregivers,
Habitat for Humanity, CROP Walk, Bread for the World, Farmer to Farmer Fair Trade Coffee, and
support for SERRV/A Greater Gift. Support of members in witnessing in Chiapas, Mexico and at
the School of the Americas, Fort Benning, GA. Providing meeting place for PFLAG, AA, and other
groups.

Publications: Congregational newsletter.

Congressional District: 3rd, U.S. Representative Ron Kind. (Update 12/07)
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History: This is a regular committee of First United Methodist Church, Madison.

Membership: Committee appointed from membership of FUMC.

Geographical area of work: Madison area.

Who does the work: Members of the committee and other members of the church.

Working links: We work with other committees in the church, as well as appropriate boards of the denomination and the Wisconsin Conference.

Purpose: To encourage the local church to work on issues of peace and justice.

Congressional District: 2nd Madison. (Update 1/11)
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(update 12/10)
Fox Valley Peace Coalition

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We send letters to the editor, respond to legislative alerts and share information from area groups with our email list. We meet with members of Congress and attend town hall meetings.

History: This Fox Valley Peace Coalition started in late fall of 2002 as a peace group in response to the threat of war in Iraq. We did peace marches during Desert Storm and Ronna Swift was an original member of WNPJ! We have WW II and Viet Nam era vets in our group. Folks come from Oshkosh, New London, and the greater Fox Valley for rallies and bigger events (election year).

Membership: 110 on the e-mail list. Let Ronna Swift know if you would like to be included.

Geographical area of work: upper Fox Valley area (Appleton, WI)

Working Links: We are members of the Fox Cities Rotary MultiCultural Center, Peace Action, and the WI Network for Peace and Justice. We coordinate activities like dvd or video showings with Lawrence University students, co-sponsored an event with Kathy Kelly from Voices in the Wilderness in February of ’08, and had peace concerts in past years.

Purpose: Promote peaceful resolution of conflict and social-economic justice in our homes, community, nation, and world through education, advocacy, and witness.

Projects: We have a monthly rally on the first Saturday of each month at Houdini Square, corner of College Avenue & Appleton St. downtown Appleton from 11 to noon. We have candlelight vigils honoring all those who have died in the war in connection with others around the state and nation. Members participate in rallies around the midwest. We send letters to the editors, respond to legislative alerts, and share information from area groups with our email list. We meet with members of Congress and attend town hall meetings.

Congressional District: 6th & 8th

(Update 12/10)
Gay Straight Alliance for Safe Schools (GSAFE)

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History: Established locally in 1996, as a chapter of Gay Lesbian and Straight Education Network, the organization became an independent nonprofit in 2006. GSAFE continues to be the only education organization in Wisconsin that works with LGBTQ youth in schools. GSAFE’s mission is to make K-12 schools safe for all students regardless of gender identity/expression or sexual orientation.

Geographical Area of Work: in direct support of gay-straight alliances GSAFE covers south-central Wisconsin. Through student conferences and technical support GSAFE reaches students statewide. In partnership with the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction GSAFE leads trainings on LGBT issues and school safety to school professionals statewide.

Who does the work: Three full-time staff and one part time staff.

Working links: Briarpatch/Teens Like Us, Madison Metropolitan School District, Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction, Diverse and Resilient.

Purpose: To build the capacity of student leadership and to end anti-gay bullying and bias in schools.

Ongoing Projects: Supporting GSAs and building student leadership through conferences and direct visits to GSAs, offering technical support to students and school professionals, leading trainings for school professionals.

Focus for 2011: Assisting high school students and middle school students to find their power as activists and leaders; addressing racism; addressing bullying in middle schools; continuing to collaborate with the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction to provide trainings for educators and youth to make schools for LGBTQ youth.

Publications: GSAFE newsletters to adults and students and Newsaramas for students

Congressional District: 2nd, US Representative Tammy Baldwin. (Update 2/11)
Grandmothers for Peace

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History: Founded in 1982 because of a belief that the possession of nuclear weapons and the intent to use them is morally wrong.

Membership: 108 local members. There are also two members of the men’s auxiliary. To become a member send name and address and e-mail address and we will take care of the rest. Dues ($5.00 a year) and donations fund the work.

Geographical area of work: Duluth/Superior/Ashland area.

Who does the work: Volunteers.

Working links: Grandmothers for Peace International, based in California [20,000 members worldwide.]

Purpose: Work with other peace groups to rid the entire world of nuclear weapons forever. Work to create a peaceful world for our grandchildren.

Projects: Annual (non-war) toy drive. Letter/fax campaigns. Participated in the Million Mom March in Washington DC for better gun control. Gaining signatures for banning land mines. Protesting continuation of the School of Americas. We hold a vigil the third Friday each month at Hammond and Broadway from 4 – 5 pm, for the Iraq Moratorium – when the temperature is above 20 degrees!. We carry signs that say “Jobs, Not War”.

Publications: Quarterly newsletter.

Congressional Districts: 7th (Update 12/10)
Wisconsin has long needed a state-based, independent issue advocacy organization that can continually conduct aggressive grassroots and media campaigns on the important public policy issues facing the state.

To this end, the Greater Wisconsin Committee (GWC) was established in 2004 to communicate with people across Wisconsin, to help define and advance the important issues facing our state. The mission of GWC is to assemble some of the best research, strategic and creative talent to educate and mobilize Wisconsin residents on important economic, health, social and environmental issues.

Structure: GWC is organized as a Wisconsin nonstock corporation and has tax-exempt status and recognition as a section 501(c)(4) organization by the Internal Revenue Service, with the goal of influencing legislation and/or marshalling public opinion. As an independent organization engaged in issue advocacy, GWC does not work in cooperation with any candidate for Wisconsin or federal office or with any individual or political party committee that could be considered an agent of a candidate. It can, however, cooperate and coordinate its efforts with other 501(c)(4) issue advocacy organizations and certain groups organized under IRS section 527 that are engaged in similar advocacy activities. GWC will take all the necessary legal steps to ensure that its activities are in full compliance with state and federal law. It is governed by a board of directors. Michelle McGrorty is the full-time executive director.

Issues: GWC will communicate with the public to advance a variety of public policy issues. Policy agenda items for GWC include, but are not limited to:

- Helping to make health care more affordable and accessible
- Protecting state and local funding for public education, police and fire, and other vital services
- Improving the state’s economy for all Wisconsin citizens
- Protecting Wisconsin's clean land, air, and water
- Creating and retaining good paying jobs
- Advocating for strong judicial ethics
- Promoting clean government
- Preserving and improving Wisconsin's quality of life.

Plan: GWC’s efforts to advance public policy issues are to be research driven, targeted and professionally produced. It is active on its issues throughout the year, both while the legislature is in-session and out-of-session. • Polling. Polling is conducted to better gauge public opinion on the issues and test persuasive messages. • Research. Public statements, voting records, surveys, and other material is analyzed to determine where public officials and candidates for public office stand on the issues. • Targeting. Based on the polling and research, efforts are focused on the areas of the state and within communities that are critical to influencing the state’s legislative and political process. • Grassroots and Media. A variety of grassroots and media strategies mail, phones, print, radio and/or television — are utilized to communicate with the people of Wisconsin on the issues. In some cases, earned media is also employed as a way to inform the public of GWC’s agenda.

(update 7-08)
Groundwork (White Anti-Racist Collective)

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Groundwork is a white anti-racist collective working to dismantle white supremacy and achieve racial justice in our communities. We are committed to doing work against racism in our daily lives from the heart, with dignity, integrity, and radical honesty. Groundwork formed after a nine week anti-racism workshop in the fall of 2004 and we have consistently had 8-15 members.

Our Goals are:

1) Internal Support and Education: Support one another through self-education, reflection, and sharing our experiences of working against racism in our daily lives. Build our confidence, leadership, and analysis through this ongoing process.

2) Organizing for Racial Justice: Create and sustain accountable relationships with groups that prioritize racial justice and are led by people of color. Some organizations we currently support include Freedom Inc, Voces de la Frontera, Dignidad Sin Fronteras and Operation Welcome Home.

3) Community Education: Work with other white people to dismantle white supremacy and all systems of oppression within our circles of influence, particularly within movements for social justice.

(update 12/10)
The Habiba Chaouch Foundation

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**History:** The Habiba Chaouch Foundation was incorporated in 1991. We support an ongoing effort to establish friendships between Arab, Arab/Americans, and Americans. While we were defining our mission and our identity, Habiba Chaouch died suddenly. Because she opened her home and her heart to Americans, with the blessing of her family, we named the Foundation after Habiba. The Habiba Chaouch Foundation is a 501(c)(3) organization. Although we are also known as the Habiba Foundation, we are legally the Habiba Chaouch Foundation.

**Membership:** We are not a membership organization but have a mailing list of over 350.

**Geographical area of work:** Primarily in Southern Wisconsin/Northern Illinois area because of funding limitations, though we are open to distances also. We have been as far away as the Twin Cities. Our financial support comes from all over the country.

**Who does the work:** Sue Nelson with the assistance of board members. We are all volunteers.

**Working links:** American Friends Service Committee, schools, festivals, Tunisian schools at Shhimet and Beni Khalled, Wisconsin Youth Company, Americans for Middle East Understanding, Annalnthemiddleeast.com, Birthright Unplugged, Janesville International schools, and libraries.

**Purpose:** To lessen levels of violence in the world through education, understanding and exchange.

**Projects:** We continue to be connected with Tunisian and Moroccan groups, meeting children through schools in Tunisia and look forward to more dialog between the groups and expanding to Morocco. We also focus on giving children facts and interesting ideas about Arab cultures and the people through a traveling display (10’x10’) for community events and festivals. We sponsor community programs for adults to provide information on Arab cultures and their contributions to the world. We have a mini-display, “Children around the Arab world,” for schools and libraries, plus we give children’s books to libraries and have teacher resources on Arab cultures. This year has brought us a proliferation of “International Festivals.” We have made many new friends/contacts.

**Publications:** The Habiba.

**Congressional District:** The Habiba Foundation encourages people to be in contact with their representatives but does not participate in this effort because of our tax status. (update 1/11)
Hill Connections

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History: Hill Connections was initiated by Mary Pat Hill, OSM, as a free-lance ministry in 1998 and as a web site in 1999. Marguerite Samz, OSM, has been collaborating with the web ministry since 2002. Mary Pat and Marguerite are Servants of Mary of Ladysmith, Wisconsin.

Geographical area of work: Hill Connections is based near La Crosse, Wisconsin. The web site reaches people around the world.

Who does the work: Web ministry -- two Servants of Mary primarily do the work; many others collaborate with and share their gifts. Outside financial partnership is sought to further the ministry. Free-lance ministry -- Mary Pat.

Working links: Servite Coalition for Justice, La Crosse Interfaith Justice and Peace Network, and other social justice groups.

Purpose: The web ministry, http://hillconnections.org, is a project of Hill Connections, the free-lance ministry of members of the Servants of Mary of Ladysmith, Wisconsin.

The mission of the web site is to link and support Contemplation and Social Justice, faith in action. This ministry seeks to be educational, informational, and inspirational -- particularly for faith communities, social justice activists, those seeking spirituality, and youth. Goals include to: 1) Encourage links among spirituality, issues, people, ideas, and resources; 2) Develop faith-based, active citizenship; 3) Collaborate with others in building a faith-based, just, sustainable, and peace-filled world.

Projects: Hill Connections includes: faith reflections, inspirational people, rituals, links to spirituality and social justice sites, action alerts, an overview of social justice teachings and documents, introductions to social justice issues, announcements/calendars, prayer requests, a multi-faceted overview of walking gently on the earth, and much more.

Congressional Districts: WI 3rd and 7th districts. (update 12/10)
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History: The Sisters of Saint Benedict came to Madison in 1953 to establish a girls’ preparatory high school. In 1966, as a response to Vatican Council II, we created an ecumenical retreat and conference center. Our community continued this ministry for more than 40 years, providing hospitality to approximately 10,000 people annually. In 1998 the sisters’ community became Benedictine Women of Madison. Our ecumenical community welcomes single women from any Christian tradition. Our vision of “weaving prayer, hospitality and care of the earth into a shared way of life” guides our life and work. In 2006 we renamed our monastery Holy Wisdom Monastery to reflect our ecumenical identity.

Geographical area of work: Our work occurs primarily at our monastery located at 4200 Cty. M in Madison. Guests come from around the Midwest and beyond to attend Benedictine spirituality retreats or to spend time on personal retreats. We have extended hospitality to refugee families from India, Guatemala, Vietnam and China. More than 30 Missionary Benedictine sisters from Korea, Brazil and the Philippines have lived with us while studying English. And we maintain relationships with sisters and various women in China, the Philippines, Kenya and Mexico.

Who does the work: Community members, paid staff, volunteers, members of our Benedictine Women of Madison Board, of the Ecumenical Board and of the Benedictine Life Foundation Board and members of our Oblate Community.

Working links and Community Membership: Religious and ecumenical groups, environmental restoration groups and organizations, monasteries of Benedictine women and men in the U.S. and abroad, and peace and justice groups.

Projects: 1) growing our ecumenical community; 2) restoring and preserving the environment at Holy Wisdom Monastery; 3) raising funds for Missionary Benedictine Sisters of Nairobi, Kenya to help build educational facilities for children living near the Mathare slums; 4) offering spiritual resources (daily communal prayer, group and individual retreats, retreat leadership, spiritual guidance, theological library) to all who wish to deepen their spirituality.

Publications: Benedictine Bridge

Congressional District: 2nd District, US Rep - Tammy Baldwin (Update 8/11)
Interfaith Coalition for Worker Justice

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History: There is a long historic tradition of labor and religious cooperation. From the time of the earliest textile worker organizing in New England, 150 years ago, to the bitter labor struggles during the Great Depression, to the Civil Rights movement and the Farm Workers' organizing efforts of the recent past, various labor organizations and religious communities have worked side by side for social and economic justice. In the 19th Century, these coalitions fought for the right to have public meetings in company-owned towns, for an 8 hour work day, for wages above the level of starvation, and for the right to organize a labor union.

In the 20th Century, these coalitions expanded their goals to include minimum health and safety conditions in the workplace, retirement pensions and social security, equal treatment under the law, and voting rights for all Americans. Toward the end of the century these coalitions had significantly weakened. Thus, in 1999 a group of religion and labor leaders in Madison joined together to revive this powerful partnership on a regional level and formed the Interfaith Coalition for Worker Justice of South Central Wisconsin.

Mission: The Interfaith Coalition for Worker Justice of South Central Wisconsin (ICWJ) is a coalition of individuals, religious congregations, interfaith bodies, labor unions, and community organizations concerned about economic and worker justice. Our mission is to educate and mobilize the religious and labor communities of South Central Wisconsin on worker rights issues, to actively build relationships between faith and labor groups, and to support the rights of workers to organize and engage in collective bargaining.

Membership: Any individual or organization that supports our mission can join the coalition.

Geographical area of work: South Central Wisconsin

Who does the work: The coalition has a part time director and the rest of the work is done by volunteers and board members.

Working links: We work in collaboration with the Workers Rights Center, Voces de La Frontera, and many local faith communities and labor organizations.

Purpose: To educate and mobilize the religious community around issues of economic justice and workers rights and to support workers in their campaigns to organize and improve their conditions.

Projects: campaign against wage theft, pursuit of comprehensive immigration reform, faithful responses to immigration (educating faith communities about immigration and worker issues), Labor in the Pulpit, active member of the SweatFree Wisconsin, and Living Wage Certification Program for local restaurants.

Congressional District: The ICWJ includes members from throughout South Central Wisconsin.

(update 1/11)
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History: Founded in 1995, with encouragement from the Dalai Lama, when several religious leaders asked for a way to work together and help each other's practical peacemaking activities following the 1993 Parliament of World Religions in Chicago.

Membership: Peace Councilors from a variety of religions set overall agenda and policy. Trustees administer programs. Jim Kenney (Phone 847-867-2746) is a trustee and the Peace Council Coordinator. Prospective Peace Councilors are invited to join by existing Peace Councilors. The work is funded by individual contributions and grants.

Geographical area of work: Global.

Who does the work: Peace councilors, trustees, coordinator, and volunteers.

Working links: Links with peace, human rights, environmental, religious, and other groups in each area where projects are under way. Accredited to the United Nations as an observer at several diplomatic conferences concerning land mines.

Purpose: The mission of the Peace Council is to demonstrate that peace is possible, and that effective, inter-religious collaboration to make peace also is possible. In a world where religion too often is used to justify division, hatred, and violence, the Peace Councilors and trustees (including Buddhists, Hindus, Muslims, Jews, Catholics, Protestants, and Quakers) offer an example of leaders from different religious communities working together in practical ways to relieve suffering and to make the world whole.

Projects: Actual projects have been carried out in the State of Chiapas (Mexico), North and South Korea, Thailand, Sudan, Cambodia, Northern Ireland, and Israel/Palestine. The Peace Council has provided support for the International Campaign to Ban Landmines.


Congressional District: 2nd, U.S. Representative Tammy Baldwin. (Update 12/10)
Organizational History: IARP was founded in 2005 to promote reconciliation between the people of Iraq and the U.S. and support the Muslim Peacemaker Teams (MPT) in Iraq. MPT was founded by Iraqi-American and Minneapolis resident Sami Rasouli when he returned to Iraq after the 2003 U.S. invasion. In 2007 IARP was officially incorporated as a nonprofit in the state of Minnesota, and is now under the fiscal sponsorship of Springboard for the Arts.

Membership: IARP does not have a formal membership. We maintain an email and mailing list and welcome all volunteers.

Geographical Area of Work: IARP works mostly in the Twin Cities area in Minnesota and the Najaf area in Iraq. Recently we have begun expanding to schools and communities around the United States and southern Iraq.

Who does the Work: Volunteers: staff, Board Members, interns, and others.

Working Links with Other Organizations: IARP works very closely with its partner organization in Iraq, the Muslim Peacemaker Teams (MPT), led by Sami Rasouli. In the U.S., IARP works with Friends for a NonViolent World, Women Against Military Madness, Twin Cities Peace Campaign: Focus on Iraq, the University of Minnesota, and others.

Purpose: IARP seeks to promote reconciliation between the people of the United States and Iraq in response to the devastation affecting Iraqi families, society, and culture. IARP recognizes the common humanity of the people of Iraq and the people of the United States. IARP's goals are to: 1. Raise consciousness in the American public about the well-being of average Iraqis, their daily lives, and their culture. 2. Provide material support to Muslim Peacemaker Teams (MPT). 3. Build bridges between the people of both countries.

Projects: Iraqi Art Project: The Iraq Art Project brings art and culture to the US from the Cradle of Civilization with images, created by Iraqi artists, of the people and the land. Building on the transformative power of art, this project helps to personalize relationships with Iraqis. It bridges American communities with Iraqi artists. Some of the art carry messages that invite the Children of Abraham—Christians, Jews and Muslims, to recognize their common roots.

Water for Peace: This is a service-learning project for schools, religious groups, organizations, and individuals in the United States to sponsor the purchase and installation of water sanitation systems at schools and hospitals in Iraq without access to clean water. Approximately 500 schools, as well as 20 hospitals and clinics in Najaf, are in desperate need of water sanitation systems. The main water system in Najaf is gradually being restored, but the water is contaminated with bacteria from sewage, forcing school children and others to drink contaminated water. Water for Peace provides clean water and forms relationships between groups or individuals in the U.S. and schools, clinics and hospitals in Iraq through letters and photos.

Letters for Peace: This is a letter exchange program between students in Iraq and the U.S. Students in each country write letters to students of the same age in the other country and send along with a photo. IARP and MPT translate the letters and provide educational materials to accompany letter-writing in classrooms. The purpose is to open channels of communication so that students might open their hearts to one another and find that what we have in common is greater than what separates us.

Sister City Project: On July 31st, 2009 the Minneapolis City Council passed a resolution by unanimous vote establishing Minneapolis, USA and Najaf, Iraq as official Sister Cities. The resolution came after more than a year of work to build support in the two city councils by the Iraqi and American Reconciliation Project (IARP) and the Muslim Peacemaker Teams (MPT). IARP and MPT are now planning ongoing cultural, educational, commercial, and personal exchanges between the two cities with the aim of building close interpersonal and community connections.

Educational Materials: IARP produces educational materials for schools and other interested groups with the aim of helping to create an atmosphere of trust, respect and understanding between the young people of America and the young people of Iraq. The materials are designed to open channels of communication and assist future generations of Americans to see beyond war into nonviolent means for settling conflict.

Publications: E-Newsletter (bi-monthly) Congressional District: Minnesota’s 5th District (8/09)
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History: Iraq Veterans Against the War (IVAW) was founded by Iraq war veterans in July 2004 at the annual convention of Veterans for Peace (VFP) in Boston to give a voice to the large number of active duty service people and veterans who are against this war, but are under various pressures to remain silent.

From its inception, IVAW has called for:
Immediate withdrawal of all occupying forces in Iraq;
Reparations for the destruction and corporate pillaging of Iraq so that Iraqi people can control their own lives and future; and
Full benefits, adequate healthcare (including mental health), and other supports for returning servicemen and women.

The Madison Chapter was formed in August 2006 with three members.

Membership: The chapter now has 13 members and is growing. Members have served in the United States Military since September 11, 2001. All recent veterans and active duty servicemen and women from all branches of military service, National Guard members, and reservists are welcome to join our ranks.

Geographical Area of Work: Mainly Madison but we work with other groups statewide in coordinating speakers at events and working in classrooms.

Who does the Work: Members volunteer their time speaking to other activists and classes talking about their experiences in the military and why they are in opposition to the war. They also coordinate with the national office to promote the national strategy of the organization to bring and end to the occupation of Iraq.

Working Links with Other Organizations: Veterans For Peace, Truth and Alternatives to Militarism in Education, and many other groups across Wisconsin and Northern Illinois.

Publications: Sit-Rep is produced from nationwide member submissions of poetry, art, reflections, essays, book and DVD reviews, and chapter events by the editor and is available for free to active duty military, veterans, and IVAW members.

(Update 01/09)

Juneau County Peace Committee
Mission: Our group is focused on bringing peace to the world starting with Juneau County. We are interested in empowering and educating people to handle conflict without violence.

History: In the past we have created three affordable housing projects, offered a community mediation service, partnered with W2 to offer anger management classes, and partnered with the Robert Wood Foundation to offer assistance to senior citizens.

Membership: We have 10 members.

Project: We have offered a Peace Scholarship to graduating seniors since inception in 1980. Applicants are assigned a mentor from our membership and they design and implement a peacemaking project in the community. The maximum award is $1,000.

We are also sponsoring the Local Energy Excellence Fair, held in Mauston Saturday, August 7, 2010. LEAF brings information on renewable and sustainable energy to Juneau County citizens. There are seminars throughout the day and special offers by local merchants.

In addition we are sponsoring Lend a Hand, a local group that works with the homeless to provide housing and help in contacting local support agencies.

Congressional District: Ron Kind of the 3rd District.

(update 12/10)
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**History:** Formed January 17, 2002.

**Membership and Projects:** The Kickapoo Peace Circle began in the wake of the events of September 11, 2001 and the Quaker speaker series in November of that year. Eventually the focus of the group shifted to publishing *Grassroots Initiative*, an alternative paper printed three to four times a year and distributed mainly in southwestern Wisconsin. We no longer publish *Grassroots*. However, communication remains as a theme of the various endeavors of those involved in this loosely-constructed group. A community website, [www.kicktime.org](http://www.kicktime.org), began during the summer of 2005. It creates a village structure with pages for the various aspects of life in the area surrounding Viroqua. This website maintains editorial standards but tries to appeal to anyone in the community to contribute.

Also during the summer of 2005 a community radio station began web-streaming from Viroqua. Starting in September, 2005 a weekly peace calendar began airing covering projects and events. WDRT went on the air in September of 2010 at 91.9 FM. Anyone in our area should submit information about their peace projects or events to peacecalendar@wdrt.org. To follow our progress or contribute visit [www.wdrt.org](http://www.wdrt.org).

Members of our group started a peace vigil in Viroqua that occurs on Fridays between noon and 1 pm outside the post office on Jefferson St. An on-line Kickapoo Peace discussion group also involves discussion of ideas, plans and information among interested participants.

**Geographical area of work:** The work of this group occurs mostly in southwestern Wisconsin. Viroqua and Gays Mills provide main focus points, but we welcome information and participation from people further afield.

**Congressional District** – 5th, Ron Kind is our Congressman. (Update 12/10)
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History: Founded in 1990 to bring an ecumenical, community-wide focus to peace and justice issues.

Membership: Not a membership organization. Holds monthly public meetings.

Geographical area of work: Greater LaCrosse area.

Who does the work: Volunteers.

Working links: With regional peace and justice activities/groups through interests of regular attendees, through our website: http://www.laxinterfaithjusticepeace.org/. 

Purpose: To build an area peacemakers’ support and witness group.

Projects: To seed and support ideas for other groups to implement. To organize peace vigils and demonstrations. To provide forums, and educational events, and encourage advocacy by members of the group.

Congressional District: 3rd, U.S. Representative Ron Kind. (Update 12/10)
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History: Founded in early 1980s to work on a nuclear weapons freeze.

Membership: Active e-mail list of about 75 and mailing list of about 25 more.

Geographical area of work: The northeastern shore of Lake Michigan, including the cities of Manitowoc, Mishicot, Maribel, Two Rivers, and Sheboygan.

Working Links: Member and affiliate of Peace Action Wisconsin and WNPJ.

Purpose: The Lakeshore Peacemakers is comprised of a group of individuals from the lakeshore area who are involved in peace and justice issues. Our purpose is three-fold: education, mutual support, and activism locally and globally on issues of peace and justice. We are enriched by all faith traditions and secular orientations committed to nonviolence. We seek to replace violence, war, racism, and economic injustice with nonviolence, peace, and justice. It is an interfaith organization committed to active nonviolence as a transforming way of life and a means of radical social change.

Projects: Voter registration and peace voter education, National Hot Lunch Program, referendum work in the school district, peace vigils, monthly business/education meetings, and special programs with films, speakers, and discussions.

Congressional Districts: 6th and 8th (Update 12/08)

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History: an intentional community providing temporary hospitality to homeless men and homeless families. Also challenges the structures and powers that are responsible for the increasing disparity between the have and have-nots through nonviolent direct action.  

Area of Work: mostly local and in the areas of northwestern Wisconsin, but some direct action work is done nationally and internationally.  

Who does the Work: The work is done by live in volunteers but also relies on help from members of the larger Duluth community. We are seeking live-in volunteers right now, give us call to find our more about our work.  

Working Links with Other Organizations: National Catholic Workers through newsletters and CW website; Nukewatch of Luck.  

Publications: Loaves and Fishes newsletter.  

Congressional District: NE district in Minnesota  
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(update 12/10)
Lutheran Human Relations Association

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History: The Lutheran Human Relations Association (LHRA) was founded in 1953. Prior to this, pastors, educators and lay leaders met during the summers on the campus of Valparaiso University in Indiana to learn about issues of peace and justice and to support one another as they stood against war, racism, sexism, and other systemic oppression. These gatherings sparked a group of these leaders to form the Association to work for peace and educate people to work for justice for oppressed people everywhere, including the Church institutions. While the organization was founded by Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod Christians, we work with a wide audience, today.

Mission: The mission of the Lutheran Human Relations Association (LHRA) “… is to bring people together to do justice by: breaking down hostilities and fears between peoples; bridging racial, cultural class, gender, age, ability and other separations; and building up human community.

Work: We provide a variety of training, workshop and consulting options. Topics include but are not limited to: cultural proficiency or competency, tools and organizing strategies to work against racism/other oppressions, and long term organizational/systemic transformation. You may choose from programs that have already been developed or have the staff and consultants design a program to help you reach your goals.

This is lifetime – journey work, and we would be honored and excited to work with your group/institution. Please contact our office, today.

(Update 12/10)
Madison Arcatao Sister City Project

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History: The Madison Arcatao Sister City Project was created in 1986 through a City Council Resolution formulated by concerned Madisonians to bring light to state-sponsored violence against the people of Arcatao, El Salvador and to help end the isolation of targeted civilians. It increased local awareness of US foreign policy in El Salvador and provided humanitarian aid for the people of Arcatao suffering from the ravages of war.

Membership: Working Committee of 10-15 persons, and a group of several hundred volunteers.


Who does the work: volunteer Core Working Group and two part time assistants working 10-12 hours per month.

Working links: Member of the US - El Salvador Sister City Network, and Madison’s Sister Cities group. Links with the Wisconsin Coordinating Council on Nicaragua (WCCN), Community Action on Latin America (CALA),Madison-Camaguey Sister City Association (MCSCA), the Madison Rafah Sister City Project, UW Student Labor Action Coalition, Family Farm Defenders, Just Coffee, Workers Rights Center/Interfaith Coalition for Worker Justice.

Purpose: The Madison Arcatao Sister City Project and its Salvadoran partners provide mutual support and raise awareness about our common struggle for peace, justice and democracy. As partners, our central focus is building grass root coalitions both locally and on an international level as we organize around common issues of sustainable agriculture, fair trade, labor and immigrant rights and environmental preservation.

Projects/Program: For twenty years, MASCP has accompanied the residents of Arcatao and neighboring communities through a series of advocacy, community development, health care and educational projects. MASCP has a scholarship program for students from Arcatao; communicates regularly with City Council of Arcatao; raises support for Salvadoran organizers in the regional area of Arcatao and two national sister city representatives based in San Salvador. Its program involves issues of fair trade, labor and immigrant rights and sustainable agriculture. MASCP in collaboration with local groups and the national US-El Salvador Sister City Network hosts Salvadoran visitors and send delegations to El Salvador to work on these global issues.

Publications: Newsletter.

Congressional District: 2nd, U.S. Representative Tammy Baldwin. (Update 5/11)
Madison Area Bus Advocates

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Organizational History: Started at the end of 2005 in response to a continual downward spiral of service cuts and fare hikes, MABA is now registered with the state of Wisconsin as a charitable organization and has attained 501(c)(3) status with the IRS.

Membership: Listserve has 88 people. Board of Directors of 8 people.

Geographical Area of Work: The Madison Urbanized Area

Who does the Work: All volunteer.

Working Links with Other Organizations: Transportation 4 America, Wisconsin Urban and Rural Transit, National Alliance of Public Transportation Advocates, Community Transportation Association of America and Madison Peak Oil Group

Purpose: MABA's mission is to engage in research, education, partnership, and advocacy with the goals of increasing bus ridership, expanding bus service, and improving the bus system as an efficient, clean, convenient, and affordable means of travel in the greater Madison area.

Projects: Our 2010 strategic plan focuses on (1) Guiding a Regional Transportation Authority in the Madison Urbanized Area to initially prioritize the improvement and expansion of our current transit system, the bus; (2) Establishing a multi-modal terminal in Madison that provides for convenient downtown inter- and intra-city transit; (3) Influencing the development of the next 5-year Transit Development Plan; (4) Developing coordinated, market-based policies toward roads, bicycle paths, pedestrian ways, transit, and parking; and (5) Encouraging transit-oriented research and education.

Congressional District in which you are located: Congressional District 2  
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History: Madison Area Peace Coalition (MAPC) was formed 9-25-01 by 200 area residents and a number of organizations in response to the 9-11 attacks. Determined our points of unity and organizational structure in the initial meeting. Sponsored city of Madison and county board resolutions calling for the cessation of bombing in Afghanistan, opposition to the war in Iraq, and opposition to the Patriot Act. Met with legislators to raise objections to the war and to attacks on civil liberties. Sponsored a “People for Peace” event that gathered blankets and supplies for families in Afghanistan. Have consistently been a voice to oppose and organize against the “War on Terror” and attacks on civil liberties, invasion of Iraq, US support of Israeli occupation, overthrow of Haiti’s government, U.S. torture and detentions and violations of international law. Have helped to legitimize dissent, criticize U.S. foreign and domestic policies, and organized for the impeachment of Bush administration, etc. Have sponsored a variety of activities including marches, rallies, forums and educationalists, film showings, door-to-door canvassing, counter-recruitment in the schools, pickets, direct action, lobbying, tabling, seasonal caroling, giant puppets and street theater, and leafleting. Work in coalition with member groups and others to accomplish the above. Supported recent referendum campaign against war on Iraq and for bringing all troops home now.

Membership: About 900 individual members and 50 organizations.

Geographical area of work: Madison, Dane County, and surrounding area.

Who does the work: All volunteers, structured into ad hoc working groups. A coordinating committee, consisting of members elected at-large, facilitates communication between the working groups and coordinates overall activities.

Working links: Cooperate with the member groups in activities as requested by the organization and approved by general MAPC meeting.

Purpose: The mission of MAPC is to organize a broad-based movement to inform public opinion and promote US government policies that truly further peace, justice, and freedom in the world. These values are manifest in our three core principles: 1) Peace and justice, not war and revenge; 2) Unity and respect for diversity: stop scapegoating and harassment; 3) Protect human rights and civil liberties at home and abroad. We employ nonviolent strategies of communications, outreach, legislative initiatives, and direct action to promote our core principles and to further our goals.

Projects: Rallies, tabling, speakers bureau, leafletting, teach-ins, community outreach and education, street theater, guest columns, letters to editor, poetry readings and publication, legislative initiatives.

Publications: MAPC brochure; leaflets covering peace, civil liberties, and racial profiling issues; newsletter.

Congressional Districts: 2nd, U.S. Representative Tammy Baldwin. (Update 1/08)
Madison Buddhist Peace Fellowship

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Mission: The mission of the Buddhist Peace Fellowship (BPF), founded in 1978, is to serve as a catalyst for socially engaged Buddhism. Our purpose is to help beings liberate themselves from the suffering that manifests in individuals, relationships, institutions, and social systems. BPF's programs, publications, and practice groups link Buddhist teachings of wisdom and compassion with progressive social change.

(updated 12/10)
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History: For more than 50 years, Madison Friends of International Students (MFIS) has been connecting UW-Madison international students, scholars, and their families with individuals and families from the Madison community as a way to create global goodwill, understanding, and friendship around the world.

Membership: There are about 900 on the MFIS mailing list. New volunteers are always needed and welcome.

Who does the work: MFIS is an all-volunteer, non-profit group with no political or religious affiliation.

Programs: MFIS offers students and volunteers the "Welcome to Wisconsin" Fall Picnic, Thanksgiving Hospitality, Temporary Hosting, Friendship Sharing, English Classes, a State Capitol Reception, and Furniture Loan.

Congressional District: 2nd

(Update 12/09)
Madison Friends Meeting,
Peace, Social and Earth Concerns Committee

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History: Madison Friends Meeting was founded in about 1940. This Peace and Social Concerns Committee was formed about 1965 through the merger of a Peace Committee and a Social Concerns Committee to provide a way for Quakers in Madison to act on their traditional peace testimony and their concern for social justice.

Membership: About 150 people in the Friends Meeting and 12 on the Peace, Social and Earth Concerns Committee and another 15 on related special projects’ sub-committees. Persons active in the Friends Meeting can join the Committee by indicating an interest.

Geographical area of work: South Central Wisconsin and Vietnam.

Working links: American Friends Service Committee (AFSC), Friends Committee on National Legislation, Northern Yearly Meeting, San Salvador Yearly Meeting, and Quaker Earth Care.

Purpose: The purpose of the Peace and Social Concerns Committee is to recommend funding for projects, and to provide leadership and information in support of projects and activities that promote peace and social justice, both locally and worldwide. These projects will be pursued in the spirit of nonviolence with the intention of fostering human compassion and understanding.


Congressional District: 2nd, U.S. Representative, Tammy Baldwin (Update 12/10)
Madison Hours Co-op

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History: Madison Hours was formed in 1996 to publish and support local currencies in and around Madison, Wisconsin.

Membership: 120 active.

Geographical area of work: Madison and surrounding areas.

Who does the work: 100% volunteer.

Working links: We work with food security, poverty and peace organizations. We are a member of Community Shares of Wisconsin, the Madison Area Peace Coalition, Wisconsin Community Fund, and the Wisconsin Network for Peace and Justice.

Purpose: The primary mission of the co-op is to create and sustain a local currency in order to promote economic equity and well-being and to promote cooperation among community members. Cooperative philosophy and values are an essential part of our enterprise.

Projects: We have a pancake breakfast on the second Sunday of each month at the Wil-Mar Center in Madison.

Publications: Bi-annual Newspaper. (Update 12/10)
Madison Infoshop

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History: The Madison Infoshop is a resource clearinghouse for progressive communities statewide. It has existed in various forms and locations for over a decade in Madison. We are a non-hierarchical, anti-authoritarian, all volunteer collective that provides informational resources, a safe space, and organizing assistance to individuals and groups working to achieve lasting social change. We aim to "educate, agitate and organize" ourselves and the surrounding community on local and global issues that challenge privilege and hierarchy and bring about peace and justice. Some of our resources available to the broader activist community include: video and book lending library, newspaper, periodical and zine collection, issue resource files, theater props, art supplies, button maker, bullhorns, graphix folders, public internet access, word processing, fax machine, and meeting/work space, as well as skills shares, trainings, and workshops on a wide variety of topics, from nonviolent direct action and street theater to zine making and holistic health care.

Membership: The collective consists of about a dozen volunteers, with many more community supporters. We are always looking for more volunteers.

Geographical area of work: Madison, statewide, and regional.

Working links: The Madison Infoshop is part of a global network of infoshops and radical community resource centers and also a unionized jobshop recognized through the Industrial Workers of the World - IWW (I.U. 620). The Infoshop is a member and supporter of many other activist groups and grassroots projects such as the Madison Fair Trade Action Alliance, Food not Bombs, Critical Mass, Family Farm Defenders, WI Books to Prisoners Project, Madison May Day Coalition, etc.

Projects: The Madison Infoshop is involved in numerous ongoing projects. Examples include organizing events and protests around corporate globalization (WTO, FTAA, etc.), supporting counter recruiting, anti-militarism and prison solidarity work, hosting alternative speakers, films, and events, as well as supporting efforts to stem gentrification, abolish sweatshops, phase out dirty coal energy, support fair trade, promote alternative transportation, challenge white privilege, resist consumerism, and reclaim local food/farm systems.

Publications: The Madison Infoshop produces a wide range of fact sheets and brochures on all sorts of topics, many of which can also be found on our webpage. We also produce the popular "Dis-Orientation Manual" each year, an alternative resource guide for students and others who visit UW-Madison.

Congressional District: #2 Representative Tammy Baldwin. (Update 12/08)
Madison Mennonite Church

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Website: www.madison-mennonite.org

Membership: About 120 members including children

Geographical area of work: We are an urban Mennonite congregation with most members living in Madison and a few in surrounding communities of Dane County

Who does the work: Many members are involved with projects under the rubric of peace and justice. The peace and service-related activities of our church are now assisted by a new committee entitled the Faith in Action Support Team; FAST supports and facilitates members who feel called to engage their faith in action-oriented ways.

Peace and Justice Committee (PJC): 1) Support of peacemakers in Israel/Palestine, especially the Christian Peacemaker Teams and Coalition for Secure Dwellings in the Occupied Territories; 2) Support of local events on nonviolent resolution of Middle East conflict; 3) Distribution of yard signs during initiation of Gulf War; 4) Peace vigils in Madison and Stoughton; 5) Letter writing campaigns.

Recently, our PJC has focused on education relating to conscientious objection and draft counseling: Several of our members have undergone draft counselor training and participate in the Wisconsin Draft Counseling Network. We have put on numerous educational sessions about the draft for area churches and youth groups, including how to register as a CO. We have visited the offices of Senator Feingold and Representative Baldwin on several occasions, to raise awareness of the possibility of a draft and to ensure that the CO option remains intact.

Other committees and activities: 1) Interfaith Hospitality Network. Provides shelter and meals for community residents who lack these, on a rotating basis with other churches, for one weekend every 3 months. 2) Several of our members have written a book, accompanied by a song, entitled Praying With Our Feet, published in 2005 by Herald Press. The book tells the story, in song, of a family which participates in a local peace rally as an expression of their faith. 3) Mary House. A Catholic Worker house that houses family members visiting inmates. We assist the Mary House resident staff by performing chores inside and outside the house several days per year. 4) Mennonite Central Committee has periodic needs for relief kits, special projects, and disaster relief. 5) Church members participate in many other peace and justice-related projects.

Publication: Our church newsletter lists activities and opportunities.

Congressional District: 2nd, Dane County. (Updated 7/08)
Madison MoveOn

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Mon 6:30 pm Madison MoveOn Council Planning Meeting – Madison. At the Wil-Mar Neighborhood Center, 953 Jennifer St. All welcome to join these meetings, the 1st & 3rd Monday of each month. To join Madison MoveOn: http://www.moveon.org/team/

PLEASE SIGN THE FIGHT WASHINGTON CORRUPTION PLEDGE ON LINE:

http://www.standfordemocracy.com/ratify/
Madison Pledge of Resistance

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Organizational History: Madison Pledge of Resistance is a member group of the National Campaign for Nonviolent Resistance, founded in September of 2002 as Iraq Pledge of Resistance. It is a nationwide network of activists and organizations committed to ending all war through nonviolent, Gandhian and Kingian resistance.

Membership: Open to anyone interested in following the guidelines of Gandhi and Martin Luther King in doing nonviolent civil resistance against war.

Geographical Area of Work: This is a local chapter of a national organization.

Who does the Work: Volunteers

Purpose: To all who are sick of heart and conscience over the death and destruction of war, we call on you to join us in nonviolent resistance. For the sake of our humanity; for the sake of justice; for the sake of peace in the world, we must act now. And we cannot rest from our campaign of nonviolent resistance until our demands of peace and justice are met.

We call for expressions of nonviolent resistance that are many and varied. From the offices of Congresspersons and Senators to military recruiters and military bases, from our payment of federal taxes to the facilities where weapons are made that become the profits and sorrows of empire, we welcome each and every person who is moved to engage in or support non-cooperation and nonviolent resistance, at whatever level, to take action.

Projects: The group organizes actions of civil resistance in Wisconsin. Several actions took place at Truax field in Madison before the war began and at the one year mark of the war. Over the years, Madison Pledge of Resistance has organized actions at offices of our U.S. Senators, and Representatives, military recruiting stations, shopping malls, state military bases, military contractors, and other places. Our actions have included chalk drawings of the war dead, reading names of the dead, silent vigils, march of the dead, and other actions to get our message of resistance heard. We also provide nonviolence training to those who may be interested in joining us. Members of the local group participate in national civil resistance actions in Washington, DC.

(Update 12/10)
Madison Raging Grannies

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Organizational History: The Raging Grannies began in 1987 in Victoria, British Columbia, and quickly spread across the country to the United States. The Raging Grannies of Madison started as a project of the Madison chapter of the Women’s International League for Peace and Freedom (WILPF), first singing to the crowds of Madison WI anti-war protesters in the fall of 2003, but is now an independent group.

Membership: Membership is open to all older women who know that “war is stupid” and that for the sake of our children and grandchildren we must sing out for peace, economic & social justice and the environment.

Geographical Area of Work: Primarily in the Madison area but the Grannies “have songs, will travel” anywhere in the state.

Who does the Work (paid staff, volunteers, board): We are a “dis-organization” without formal leadership. Each Granny does what she can and we make decisions by consensus.

Working Links with Other Organizations: We are linked with other “Gaggles of Grannies” through out the US in particular the ones in Milwaukee (harthouse9@yahoo.com), Tucson, and South Florida. The Raging Grannies International website is at http://raginggrannies.org/

Purpose: As it says on the Website: “We are totally non-violent, believe in only peaceful protest (with lots of laughter), work for the ‘many not the few’ … and see our work as the spreading green branches of a great tree, rising up to provide shelter and nourishment for those who will come after us.” That’s true -- but Madison Grannies also want to have fun, refuse to be silenced, and sing out against those things that will harm the planet we leave to our grandkids.

Projects: Our project is to sing wherever we are invited -- and sometimes where we’re not -- like singing about single payer health care at the offices of our members of Congress, at a military recruiting event at a local high school, or at our local farmer’s market.

Publications: (Please put WNPJ on your mailing list!) None. (The only paper we use is for our loose leaf song books which change rapidly!)

Congressional District(s) in which you are located or work: 2nd Congressional District (update 12/2010)

Recipients of the 2010 WNPJ Lifetime Achievement Award
Madison-Rafah Sister City Project

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Membership: About 12 active members and much larger group of supporters. Open to anyone who wants to participate in our projects.

Geographical area of work: Mainly Madison and Dane County, with some outreach elsewhere.

Who does the work: Volunteers.

Working links: Rafah Partner: Al Mezan Center for Human Rights; WI Middle East Lobby committee (contact: Joyce Guinn: jfguinn@earthlink.net); Member of Madison Sister Cities group, member of the U.S. Campaign to End the Israeli Occupation, working relationship with Olympia-Rafah Sister City in Olympia, Washington; member Madison Area Peace Coalition.

Purpose: To establish a people-to-people relationship between citizens of Madison and Rafah, a city in the Gaza Strip, occupied Palestine; to focus on humanitarian, social, and cultural issues of concern to both cities; and to provide material assistance and support to the devastated community of Rafah; and to carry out public education and advocacy work on behalf of a just peace for Palestine and Israel in accordance with international law and human rights. We were denied status of an official Madison Sister City, but continue to work as an NGO.

Projects: In 2011, continue to provide Water Filters for Gaza schools project in cooperation with MECA. Family Support Committee: Marketing beautiful, handmade embroidery by the women of Rafah and Atfaluna School for the Deaf, Gaza City (ongoing); Olive Oil Project, selling West Bank Fair Trade olive oil & olive oil soap (ongoing); Large lending library of films about Palestine; slide presentations, speakers, and videos available. Public Policy Advocacy Committee: focusing on advocating Middle East policy change with public officials and others. Will continue to sponsor a variety of public educational activities.

Congressional District: 2nd, US Representative Tammy Baldwin's district. (Update 12/10)
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Organizational History: MUUYACM is the oldest, recognized religious organization at the University of Wisconsin, Madison and has a rich history of being a community for religious liberals and freethinkers. Today, the group is a home for Unitarian Universalist college students and young adults in the Madison area.

Membership: Membership in MUUYACM is geared for 18-35 year olds who are interested in Unitarian Universalism.

Geographical Area of Work: MUUYACM serves the Madison area.

Who does the Work: MUUYACM is staffed by a minister at the First Unitarian Society and a part-time paid coordinator. Leadership comes from two co-chairs elected by the group members.

Working Links with Other Organizations: MUUYACM serves students from the University of Wisconsin, Madison and the Madison Area Technical College. MUUYACM is funded primarily by donors and members of the First Unitarian Society of Madison.

Purpose: MUUYACM exists to provide a spiritual home for Unitarian Universalist young adults in Madison. The group meets for a weekly worship as well as social and volunteer activities.

Projects: The group has had an annual trip to the vigil outside the School of the Americas and has organized alternative spring break trips that include a service project.

Publications: See the website, http://www.muuyacm.org to download our weekly electronic newsletter.

Congressional District: Tammy Baldwin’s in greater Madison
(update 1/09)
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History: Madison-area Urban Ministry (MUM) was founded in 1973 in an attempt to give congregations an opportunity to engage in work in declining neighborhoods. Over the years, MUM is responsible for beginning and then “spinning off” over 25 programs which have become separate agencies such as Madison Community Health Center, Family Enhancement, Transitional Housing, Project Home, the Allied Wellness Center and Adult Day Care Centers. MUM currently serves as the incubator for Voices Beyond Bars, the Allied-Dunn’s Marsh Neighborhood Association and Streetpulse.

Membership: About 100 congregations. Funded through individual, congregational, denominational contributions, the United Way of Dane County, and grants. MUM has five full-time staff, and six part-time staff.

Geographical area of work: Madison and Dane County, Dane and Columbia County for the Mentoring Connections Program.

Working links: Religious groups, Wisconsin Council of Churches, Wisconsin Network for Peace and Justice, United Way, WI Women’s Network, Community Action Coalition, Allied Partners, Homelessness Services Consortium, Interfaith Coalition for Worker Justice, schools, neighborhood groups, Dane County United, and mayor and county executive offices.

Purpose: MUM is prophetic voice for justice, neighbors working together for social change.

Projects: Restorative Justice Initiative including: Mentoring Connections which recruits, trains and matches caring adult mentors with children ages 4-17 in Dane or Columbia County who have an incarcerated parent.

Circles of Support and The Journey Home programs provide supportive services to individuals returning to the community from prison. Voices Beyond Bars is a weekly meeting of formerly incarcerated individuals providing support and leadership development. MUM has produced a Documentary Film “Today's Prisoners, Tomorrow's Neighbors” and has developed the Returning Prisoner Simulation – an adult education workshop about re-entry.

MUM is engaged in advocacy in the areas of poverty, homelessness, fair and affordable housing, quality education, healthcare reform, racism and criminal justice system reform. The Greater Isthmus Group (GIG) sees housing as both a social and a racial justice issue and advocates for solutions to homelessness and poverty in our community. MUM also offers free housing classes to inmates at the Dane County jail, as well as employment services to jail inmates, and involves members of congregations in these efforts. The Chance to Work, Chance to Succeed initiative focuses on employment rights for ex-offenders.

Publications: Quarterly newsletter, The Dialogue, and bi-weekly listing of volunteer opportunities/events called Social Action Connection offered through its listserv and through MUM’s website.

Congressional District: 2nd, US Representative Tammy Baldwin. (Update 12/10)
Many Ways of Peace

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(update 12-10)
Marquette University Center for Peacemaking - Milwaukee

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Mission Statement: The Marquette University Center for Peacemaking helps the University and the wider community to explore together the necessary skills to become informed, spiritually-centered, nonviolent peacemakers. Rooted in the Ignatian charism, the Center seeks an awakening to the holistic relationship of scholarship, spirituality, nonviolent living, and the active struggle for peace and justice.

PROGRAMS [check our website for details]

Study of Israeli-Palestinian Nonviolent Coexistence

Milwaukee Community Peacemaker

Student Peacemaking Fellowships

Nonviolent Dispute Resolution

Faculty Research Fellowships

Nonviolence Study Groups

Peacemaker in Residence

Fall and Spring Retreats

Soup with Substance

(update 4-11)
Mary House

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Mission: Mary House is a Catholic Worker house, dedicated to offering hospitality to visitors who come to see relatives and friends in the Oxford Prison.

History: Mary House has provided hospitality to visitors since 1989.

Membership: No paid staff or members. Volunteers welcome.

(Update 1-10)
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History: The Midwest Renewable Energy Association (MREA) is a tax-exempt, nonprofit organization. Founded in 1990, this grassroots organization was created to organize the first Renewable Energy and Sustainable Living Fair in recognition of the 20\textsuperscript{th} anniversary of Earth Day. Governed by a volunteer Board of Directors, membership in the MREA is open to all interested individuals and businesses.

Purpose: The Midwest Renewable Energy Association promotes renewable energy, energy efficiency, and sustainable living through education and demonstration.

Membership: More than 3,000 members and contributors on the mailing list.

Projects: Renewable Energy and Sustainable Living Fair is the largest and longest running renewable energy educational event in the world. The Fair features hundreds of workshops, exhibits, and displays. It’s fun for the whole family. ReNew the Earth Institute, MREA’s educational facility and office, was purchased in 1998. Through the generous donations of members and friends, it is quickly becoming a state-of-the-art demonstration site for renewable energy equipment. Tours are available. Workshops throughout the year offer participants the chance to gain in-depth knowledge and hands-on experience. Topics include: general renewable energy, water and space heating, photovoltaic systems, wind systems, and alternative construction and sustainable living. Course catalogs available upon request.

Publications: ReNews, MREA’s quarterly newsletter, is printed on 100% recycled paper and includes information on the MREA, Midwest and regional happenings, and political updates.

(Update 12/10)
Milwaukee Fair Trade Coalition

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(update 11/09)
Money, Education and Prisons Task Group

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History: The Task Force on Money, Education and Prisons (MEP) is a non-profit organization created to increase public awareness of serious problems in the Criminal Justice and Prison Systems of Wisconsin. MEP began as a conference planning group in 1998. Joann Griffin of Project Bootstrap was concerned about the impact of the growing prison system on minority communities and on the State’s education budget. Conferences were held in Middleton and Milwaukee in 1999. The success of the conferences moved the group to organize as an ongoing entity. MEP, with other organizations, has sponsored Prison Awareness Week in the early fall as an annual event beginning in 2001 and Forums on Change in the Criminal Justice System in 2007, 2008, 2009.

Vision: The Task Force on Money, Education, and Prisons envisions a Restorative Justice System rooted in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights which holds the Community, the Offender and the Victim all accountable for re-establishing just relationships in the Community when they are damaged by the violence of individual, economic, or political actions.

Membership: Open to general membership. Dues are $25 annual, with a sliding scale.

Geographical area of work: Statewide membership.

Who does the work: No paid staff. Work is done by board members and volunteers.

Purpose: The Task Force on Money, Education and Prisons will focus public attention and encourage public action:
- to reverse the numbers of incarcerated persons
- to shift public priorities from prison spending to education, programs for prevention and treatment, and community based alternatives to incarceration that are humane, cost-effective, and preserve public safety, and -
- to reduce the disproportionate impact of our criminal justice system on people of color, people in poverty, people of limited education and people with mental illness.

Projects: Conferences, speakers bureau, demonstrations, resource library, production of video and audio presentations.

Congressional Districts: Statewide Districts 1-8. (Update 1/11)
Mother Fool's Coffeehouse

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Organizational History:

A little bit about us -

Mother Fool's Coffeehouse first opened in the spring of 1994. At that time it was under the ownership of Jean Lister. Jean ran it for a year, creating a very homey and comfortable community space, then decided to move to Minneapolis. She sold the coffeehouse to us, Stephanie Rearick and Jon Hain, in June of 1995. We had met Jean when our old band, Your Mom SRO played at Mother Fool's.

We have music at the coffeehouse every Friday and Saturday night, and have released a compilation CD, "Live at Mother Fool's," on our own record label, Uvulittle Records, featuring a number of our regular performers.

We accept the local currency, Madison HOURS, every day. We serve coffee from Alterra. All of our coffees are Organic and Fair Trade Certified. Our baked goods -- muffins, cupcakes, cookies, and brownies -- come from East Side Ovens, also in Milwaukee. We chose East Side ovens because they make some of the most delicious treats we've ever had -- and they're all vegan! Our soup and kombucha are both made here in Madison. One of the missions of Mother Fool's is to show people that you can have wonderful treats without using animal products. We’re on Madison's near east side on the corner of Williamson and Ingersoll. We hope you come for a visit Be sure to sign-up for our weekly e-mail list through our website -- it is the best way to keep up on everything going on over here.

(update 12/10)
National Peace Foundation - WI

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History: The National Peace Foundation (NPF) was established in 1982 as the companion organization to the National Peace Academy Campaign, which lobbied for the establishment of a peace academy. When the legislation establishing the US Institute of Peace (USIP) passed in 1984, the Campaign ceased and the Foundation took over as a membership organization, first supporting the implementation of the USIP legislation, and then establishing its own programs supporting conflict-resolution education and peace building for peacemaking in the US and internationally.

Membership: 6,000.

Geographical area of work: National wide in U.S.; Russia, South Caucasus, Africa (Zimbabwe), Cuba, Israel/Palestine.

Who does the work: Paid staff, board and a few volunteers.

Working links: NPF is a founding member of the Alliance for International Conflict Resolution and Prevention (AICPR), a coalition of organizations working in international peacemaking and peace building. This group works with The Africa University in Zimbabwe, Ivanovo University in Russia, Clemson University in South Carolina, and the Open World Leadership Center at the Library of Congress.

Purpose: The National Peace Foundation seeks to prevent conflict and build peace at home and around the world. NPF programs help people and their leaders develop citizen networks, advance peace education, and promote democratic values through international exchanges.

Projects: In partnership with the Institute of World Affairs and the US State Department's Wye River Peace Initiative, sponsors a Middle East Dialogue involving youth leaders of both Palestine and Israel. The Open World Leadership Program, under grants from the Open World Leadership Center at the Library of Congress, brings emerging leaders in Russia and other parts of the former Soviet Union to be hosted in cities and communities throughout the United States in order to gain significant firsthand experience on how American democracy works and how American citizens conduct their daily lives. The Russian Civic Network, NPF Board, Advisory Board, and Fellows work with communities, corporations, and local governments in Russia on strategies for solving local problems.

Publication: Will be reinstating our Peace Reporter newsletter shortly. (update 12/10)
Northland Anti-War Coalition

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(update 4/11)
Northwoods Peace Fellowship

Dedicated to peaceful alternatives for individuals and our community in North Central Wisconsin

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History: The Fellowship began in the mid 1990's, and has become very active since the spring of 2004.

Membership: 15.

Geographical area of work: Central Wisconsin.

Who does the work: Volunteers.

Purpose: Provide a forum for activists in our community to share their perspectives on issues of peace and social justice, create an opportunity for open dialogue to promote peace in our community, and celebrate our community’s stories of hope and inspiration.

We are involved with organizing the following opportunities for our community: 1) Nonviolent workshops, trainings and actions; 2) peace education with study groups which use literature and film resources as a means to create dialogue between individuals (Wausau Peace Studies and Merrill Peace Studies); 3) Counter military recruitment and conscientious objector education, training and legal assistance as alternatives for selective service and the military draft; 4) Venues for community members and activists to publish their perspectives on peace and social justice issues through opinion papers, newsletters and pamphlets; 5) Creative studies using the visual arts as a forum for peace building.

Congressional District: 7th District. (Update 12/10)
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History: Nukewatch and its parent organization, the Progressive Foundation, were founded in 1979 as an outgrowth of the case U.S. vs The Progressive magazine in which the government attempted to censor publication of the article "The H-bomb Secret, How We Got it, Why We're Telling it" by Howard Morland. Nuclear secrecy continues to be a focus for the organization.

Membership: Approximately 2,500 on the mailing list in North America and Europe. (Membership is $25 a year.) Paid staff of two full-time and one part-time, twelve working volunteers, six-member board funded by contributions from members and grants.

Geographical area of work: United States.


Purpose: Nukewatch is a Wisconsin-based peace action group dedicated to the abolition of nuclear power, weapons and radioactive waste. It brings critical attention to the locations, movements, dangers and politics of nuclear weapons, depleted uranium, food irradiation and militarism. Staff and volunteers advocate Gandhian nonviolence in education and action.

Projects: Provides education, information, speakers and training on: U.S. nuclear power and weapons policy and the development and spread of the nuclear industry; the production, transport and disposal of radioactive waste; the campaign against uranium weapons; the removal of military waste barrels from Lake Superior. Nukewatch staff also provide inexpensive nonviolence trainings.

Publications: Nukewatch Quarterly ($15-$25/year). Bulk packs available to distributors upon request. And we offer 'Special Reports' like the Nov. 2010 'Drinking Water At Risk - Military Wastes Haunt Lake Superior'.
Congressional: Located in 7th, but work is national. (12/10)

One Wisconsin Now (OWN)

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Mission: One Wisconsin Now is a statewide communications network specializing in effective earned media and online organizing to advance progressive leadership and values. OWN also provides training and capacity-building strategies for progressive organizations.

(update 1/10)
Offbeat Press
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(update 10/11)
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OutReach!

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1. What is your mission statement or how do you describe what your organization does?

OutReach's mission is to promote "equality and quality of life for LGBT people". OutReach is the lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender (LGBT) community center of Madison & south central Wisconsin. (This comes from an interview with Community Shares of WI)

2. What do you want others to know about you?

Our services include a 6,000 volume lending library, basic resource identification and professional referrals, over 20 social/support groups including one targeted at smoking cessation, topical health in-services, and very active speaker's bureau. While we have two paid staff, our programming foundation is our incredible volunteer base of some 65 individuals. The only requirement for volunteer work here is support of our agency mission and we welcome straight allies.

3. What is your biggest recent success?

We recently secured a grant from the Madison-based New Harvest Foundation to support our diversity initiative here in terms of communities of color in 2010. The initiative will include promotion of OutReach's pre-existing services and programs, development of new services/programs targeting people of color and ethnic diversity issues, getting involved in anti-racism work with non-LGBT groups, working with Freedom Inc, which works in the Hmong community on joint programming efforts, increasing the number of people of color involved at OutReach from client, volunteer and employee segments, and promotion of racial diversity throughout the LGBT community.

(updated 9/09)
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History: Marie-Marthe Dortel Claudot, a French woman, founded Pax Christi in 1945 in the aftermath of World War II. She met regularly with a small group to pray for forgiveness, reconciliation and the peace of Christ after having witnessed fellow Catholics killing one another in the war. The movement spread across Europe and in 1972 Pax Christi USA was born. Mission statement: Pax Christi USA strives to create a world that reflects the Peace of Christ by exploring, articulating, and witnessing to the call of Christian nonviolence. This work begins in personal life and extends to communities of reflection and action to transform structures of society. Pax Christi USA rejects war, preparations for war, and every form of violence and domination. It advocates primacy of conscience, economic and social justice, and respect for creation. Pax Christi USA commits itself to peace education and, with the help of its bishop members, promotes the gospel imperative of peacemaking as a priority in the Catholic Church in the United States. Through the efforts of all its members and in cooperation with other groups, Pax Christi USA works toward a more peaceful, just, and sustainable world.

One of 250 local groups across the United States, Pax Christi Madison was formed in January 2004 to support local peacemaking efforts. For more information, see www.paxchristiusa.org.

Membership: 95 on mailing list; 25 in regular attendance at meetings.

Geographical Area of Work: Catholic Diocese of Madison

Who Does the Work: Volunteers

Purpose: Our mission is to explore Christ’s call to peace, nonviolence and justice and to witness to this call in our personal lives and in the wider community.

Projects: Pax Christi-Madison holds regular meetings at Edgewood College on the 2nd last Thursday of each month, participates in local peace initiatives and informs the community of their work at a table at the Madison Farmer's Market. Monthly programs are designed to inform the local community on issues of peace and justice. (Updated 1/07)
PEACE ACTION - Wisconsin

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History: Founded in 1977 as "Mobilization for Survival", what started as a group of activists meeting around a kitchen table has grown into a statewide mailing list of over 1,000.

Membership/funding: About 1,000 (Annual membership is $10 limited income, $35 for an individual, $50 for a family, and $1000 lifetime.) Funded by membership dues, donations, fundraisers, and grants.

Geographical area of work: Wisconsin.

Working links: Nationally affiliated with Peace Action (peace-action.org), and United for Peace and Justice (unitedforpeace.org). Other formal affiliates: Milwaukee Coalition for a Just Peace, the Peace Seekers of Washington County, the Racine Coalition for Peace and Justice, and the Sheboygan Area PeaceSeekers. We are also a member of Community Shares of Greater Milwaukee.

Purpose: Peace Action uses education, legislative lobbying, public witness and nonviolent action in our work to end military intervention, abolish nuclear weapons and nuclear power, and transfer military spending to meet human needs.

Projects: Current focus: End US war in Afghanistan/Pakistan and occupation in Iraq and prevent war with Iran. Committees: End the War; Middle East (Israeli/Palestinian conflict); Disarmament (Nuclear Abolition, End Missile Defense, the militarization of space); Counter-Military Recruitment (also Draft and Conscientious Objection) – packets available in our office; School of the Americas Watch; and Latin American Issues.

Publications: Monthly newsletter, The Mobilizer. E-mail: Weekly Action alerts - To subscribe to our events/alerts email list, please email Info@PeaceActionWi.org with your request.

Congressional Districts: Statewide Districts 1-8 (Update 8/11)
Peace Economics

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Geographical area of work: US, especially Midwest. (Eugene, OR; Madison; Chicago).


Purpose: Motivate the Midwest to abandon its economic colonization by the military industrial complex. We suffer in military buildups and prosper in military build-downs. High military states "own" the military industrial complex and low military Midwest states "rent" it. We pay the increased military taxes with less than half the taxes coming back home to the Great Lakes states.

New video starts by debunking the idea that World War II "brought us out of the Great Depression". As the military burden increased from 1941 to 1946 the economy decreased. The period from 1942 to 1947 had zero net growth. Military spending depletes manufacturing, construction, and farming. Jobs have gone from 40% manufacturing in 1950 to 10% today. Thus the current military buildup has stagnated the economy and led to lost manufacturing jobs. 60% of the job losses in the two years after 9-11 are due to the military buildup and only 40% from trade. Military regions in the Atlantic Coast states and California have quadrupled the growth rate of the Midwest in past military buildups. This has lead to the housing bubble in the Bush buildup which began to unravel the economy with the Iraq surge, as predicted by Bob at Lorna Miller's Martin Luther King day party in 2007. The Midwest lead the nation in the prosperity of the low military nineties and sixties.

National political leaders come about 80% from high military states, and murder rates are twice as high in the high military-economy states.


Congressional District: 2nd: Tammy Baldwin said "great" when I told her I was making a video. John Nichols said I was the best expert on the military industrial complex he knew. The video is 40 minutes, for $10 postpaid, and $5 each in quantities of 3 or more. (Update 1/11)
Peace North

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Membership: 118 on the mailing list

Geographical area of work: Namekagon River Valley (Drummond, Cable, Seeley, Hayward, LCO Reservation, Spooner, Trego).

Who does the work: We're all volunteers.


Purpose: Peace North is a group of concerned citizens in the Northwest Wisconsin area. Our mission is to promote a world of peace and justice. Our means: 1) Propose non-violent solutions to conflicts; 2) Be visible in our communities witnessing for peace; 3) Educate and motivate our fellow citizens and elected decision makers by: educating ourselves so that we can teach others; 4) Disseminating up-to-date information about peace and social justice activities by the use of: printed materials, maintaining an informative website, using community radio stations and newspapers, writing letters to local newspapers and to decision makers, talking to our neighbors when appropriate occasions arise, and sponsoring public events such as movies, workshops, etc.; 5) Network with other groups and seek the support of local religious groups to accomplish our mission.

Projects: Weekly vigil for peace in downtown Hayward; Iraq Moratorium vigil every third Friday; movies of interest to people working for peace shown twice a month; support for peace activities and peace groups in the area.

Congressional District: 7th.

(Update 12/10)
Peace Seekers of Washington County (inactive status – May, 2011)

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History: Peace Seekers has been in West Bend even before the first Gulf War, but really grew after 9/11, with house meetings and support potlucks, meetings at local churches, vigils to stand for peace, speakers, displays at events, floats at parades, a regular newsletter, and sub-committees on Palestine, the draft, and legislative updates.

Projects: Vigils second and fourth Saturday of the month, 11:30 am.

Membership: There are 200 on the e-mail list and 50 on a phone tree list.


(Update 5/11)
People for Peace

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History: The group has been active in the community since the 1980s, with particular drive during times of conflict.

Geographical area of work: Waupaca and surrounding communities.

Who does the work: Volunteers and diverse membership.

Working links: Many indirect links, nothing directly.

Purpose: To promote peace at home, in our communities, and throughout the world through education, peaceful protest, witnessing, networking, events that nurture peacemaking and promote solidarity.

Projects: Peace Day, Vigils for Peace, Peace Scholarships, Peaceful Protest, media efforts, discussions.

Congressional Districts: 6th, 7th and 8th (Update 12/08)
People's Books Cooperative

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(update 12/10)
Peregrine Forum

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History: Set up in Madison in late 2004 as a regional outgrowth of the Open University of the Left in Chicago.

Membership: At this point, not yet a membership organization; developing an email list.

Geographical area of work: Southern Wisconsin and northern Illinois.

Who does the work: Volunteer coordinator.

Working links: Open University of the Left in Chicago (est. 1987).

Purpose: To facilitate forums, multimedia presentations, and study groups on politics, philosophy, history, social theory, and current affairs; also facilitates author- and book-related events.

(Update 1/08)
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History: The Wisconsin chapter of PSR was founded in 1981 by doctors inspired to take action after Dr. Helen Caldicott’s speech on the devastation caused by the use of nuclear weapons. PSR is the US affiliate of International Physicians for the Prevention of Nuclear War.

Membership: About 800 members statewide with active Student PSR Chapters at the Medical College of Wisconsin and UW Madison.

Who does the work: Steering Committee, volunteers and a part time staff person.

Working links: Student PSR Chapter at UW-Madison Medical School; PSR National (www.psr.org); the International Physicians for Prevention of Nuclear War (www.ippnw.org).

Purpose: Fostering a healthy and sustainable environment, the abolition of weapons of mass destruction, nuclear security, reduction of violence and its causes, and access to health care for all.

Projects: 1) Global Warming: Educate the public and policy makers about the health impacts of global climate change and the need for immediate action at the individual and public policy level, 2) Nuclear Power: Oppose development of nuclear reactors in Wisconsin and nation-wide, 3) Nuclear Security: Oppose national funding of nuclear weapons and strive for abolition of all nuclear weapons, and 4) the Wisconsin Environmental Health Network (WEHN): Wisconsin health care professionals and environmental advocates promote sound clinical practice and public policy around toxins in the environment and public health.

Publications: The PSR Wisconsin chapter newsletter published three times each year and the quarterly PSR Monitor.

Congressional District: 2nd, U.S. Representative Tammy Baldwin

(Update 1/01)
PNHP-WI  ** Linda & Gene Farley WI Chapter - Physicians for a National Health Program

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History: The Plowshare Center, formerly known as Waukesha Center for Peace and Justice, was started in 1989 by a group of individuals who were interested in creating a presence for peace education in Waukesha. Our first project, Plowshare Gifts, was established in 1990 as an active model of peace through economic justice. Over the years, we have sponsored speakers, forums and events to educate about issues of social concern. We have also held classes on conflict resolution, parenting for peace, and organic gardening/earth issues.

Membership: 250 members (total mailing list of 1,050)

Geographic area of work: In Waukesha County, mainly, with education outreach. Our Fair Trade Gift Shop does offsite sales and programs mostly around S.E. Wisconsin.

Who Does the work: Three paid staff (one manager; one assistant manager; and one clerk) for the shop; volunteers to help staff the shop. Twelve board members, with five board committees functioning with volunteers from Plowshare membership.

Working links: Shop-Waukesha Downtown Business Association; Carroll College history and other academic departments; Waukesha Catholic Worker; Waukesha Racial Diversity Task Force; Waukesha County Family Peace Initiative; Waukesha United Nations Association; Waukesha South High School Unity Group; and the University of Wisconsin Waukesha Student Peace Organization.

Purpose: Our mission is “making peace relevant to the world around us.”

Projects: Fair Trade Gift Shop with items from over 43 developing countries. Forums, speakers, and events on cultural, political, environmental issues about countries where we get products for our shop and on other issues of peace and economic justice. Educating our store customers about “Fair Trade” issues and doing talks at churches and schools about the “Fair Trade” concept and corporations which are socially responsible and just. Workshops for teachers on peace and social justice topics.

Publications: Quarterly newsletter and flyers for speakers and events

Congressional District: 5th with Rep. F. James Sensenbrenner, Jr. (Update 1/10)
Portage Area Peace Seekers

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History: Formed in October, 2005.

Membership: 4 active members.

Mission: To be a presence for peace in the Portage area.

Projects: We want to make peace visible in our area of the state by: taking part in local parades; working on counter-recruitment in our local high school; distribution of toy soldiers everywhere, with the message “Bring (or) Send Me Home”; promotion of speakers to our community.

We meet on the corner of Wisconsin St and Cook St every first Thursday of the month, usually at 5-5:30 pm. For 2 years we got a van load of protesters to Ft McCoy on the Feast of the Holy Innocents, after Christmas.

(update 12/10)
Prairie Unitarian Universalist Society

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(update 12/10)
Preserve Our Climate

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Progressive Democrats of America - WI

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History: This organization is five years old, on the national level. There are about 700 on the e-mail list here in Wisconsin.

Purpose of the organization: PDA works inside the Democratic Party, and outside in movements for peace and justice, to bring about social change.

Who does the work? This is all volunteer, with a congressional district point person – and a state coordinator.

Working links with other groups? PDA works nationally with UFPJ, CODE PINK, California Nurses Association, Health Care NOW, and After Downing Street.

Projects: National Project: Brown Bag Lunch Vigil Campaign

Congressional District? 1st, 3rd, 4th, 5th and 7th

(update 3/10)
PROGRESS media
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(update 10/11)
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HISTORY: Founded in early 2002 by Racine area people fearful of the repressive domestic and reckless international behavior of the US government. We developed a statement of principles and position statements on Iraq and the Israeli-Palestinian conflict.

MEMBERSHIP: We have about 50 dues-paying members and 150 addresses on our e-mail list. Turn-out for presentations is 15 to 30, although we used to draw up to a hundred. Much 2008 political energy was drawn into the election campaign. American attention to US aggression has waned.

PROJECTS: Presenters sponsored by RCPJ in 2008 included Inshirah Farhoud on women in Islam, Othman Atta on Muslim and anti-Muslim violence, Veterans for Peace on training for combat, Robert Ashmore on human rights, Dan Barker on church and state, and Steve Watrous on China. We organized rallies at Congressman Paul Ryan's Racine office and at Monument Square in downtown Racine, and monthly stands for peace at our busiest suburban intersection. We ended the old year (or started a new one) with a downtown rally protesting Israeli attacks on the people of Gaza. RCPJ helped develop a successful peace curriculum much used in local schools. In July we hosted the Voices for Creative Nonviolence caravan on its march from Chicago to St Paul.

RCPJ events are telecast on local public-access cable television, CAR 25. Interested individuals are invited to be included in RCPJ's e-mail list. The Coalition compiles and distributes a list of local peace activities, its e-mail "peace calendar."

Scheduled RCPJ events for early 2009 include presentations on Colombia, the international view of Barack Obama, national healthcare policy, and life on the West Bank. Although we organize public demonstrations and write letters to the editor, our activities have been aimed mostly at citizen education. Virtually all of our communication is by Internet. We have our own e-mail list and use others' as well.

LINKS: We are a provider of information and local networker. We work closely with, and receive invaluable assistance from, Peace Action Wisconsin (of which we are an affiliate) and the Wisconsin Network for Peace and Justice (of which we are a member). Local allies have been the Racine Dominican Sisters and peace groups at UW-Parkside and in Kenosha (neither of which are now active), the Racine/Kenosha Central America Solidarity Coalition (CASC), the Racine Interfaith Coalition (RIC), Burlington Area Progressives (BAP), and the Kenosha-Racine Greens.

MISSION: "The Coalition is an initiative to promote citizen understanding, raise public awareness, and encourage participation in the democratic process for the purpose of achieving peace and just relations among peoples and nations and protecting civil liberties." (update 1/10)
Racine Dominicans Justice Outreach

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Membership: 180

Geographical area: Mostly Wisconsin, with missions in Detroit, AZ, IL, IN, MO, NV, OH and NM.

Who does the work? All community members are part of the JR Commission; committee members of JRC work in collaboration with the Justice Outreach Office Socially Responsible Investment team, Ministry Fund committee and the Racine Dominicans Ministries Board.

Working links with other groups: CASC, MSN, Peace action, Racine Peace Committee, NETWORK, 8th Day Center, Dominican Justice Promoters, and Center of Concern.

Purpose: Our mission: “Committed to Truth; Compelled to Justice”. 2005 priority is to address violence in all its forms – “Promote justice by exposing and addressing sources and practices of violence in self – relations – politics – church – society”. We are focusing this year on human trafficking.

We’re also working with globalization, the WalMart campaign, corporate accountability, Iraq war, immigration, the Great Lakes compact and the international campaign on water issues, and abuses in Latin America.

Congressional District: Paul Ryan’s.

(Update 12/09)
Rainbow Bookstore Cooperative

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Website: www.rainbowbookstore.org

History: Founded July, 1989, Rainbow has functioned ever since as a resource and learning center for the left and progressive communities.

Membership: Cooperative with aprox. 300 consumer members. (Two types of membership--$30 per consumer per year, or work about four hours per week. Stock is also available for $100 and $500 shares, with a membership for as long as you keep your stock with Rainbow. Both get discounts on books, etc.)

Geographical area of work: Madison area and an on-line resource/bookseller for progressive activists around the region, and now the world.

Who does the work: 3 staff hired by the Coop's Board of Directors, approx. 25 volunteers, and 6 member Board of Directors.

Working links: Radical and progressive bookstores/info shops, local activist groups.

Purpose: Collectively owned and managed bookstore that strives to be more than just another retail outlet. We provide progressive books, magazines, crafts and ephemera and act as a resource for activists and scholars.

Projects: Casa Del Popolo: popular education about political issues, author events, forums, and study groups. We doubled our retail space eight years ago in order to do more events with organization such as WNPJ and its members: author events, meetings, poetry readings, music, etc. Come visit out new expanded space. Call Allen Ruff to talk about events.

Congressional District: 2nd, U.S. Representative Tammy Baldwin. (Update 9/10)
Rapids Citizens for Peace

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History…..The group now known as (Wisconsin) Rapids Citizens for Peace evolved in early 2003 from the legislative committee of the Wood County Democratic Party. A half dozen members and one Republican responded to the build-up to the Iraq War/Occupation and began holding local demonstrations in Rapids. From that point, the group slowly has grown into between 10 and 20 active members with an e-mail list of about 80 persons. We now number all ages, mostly older persons; Dems, Independents, and Republicans; and varied religious members, as well as those with Buddhist leanings, those who are agnostic, and at least one atheist.

Most new members have come through phone calls by Judy Urban to letter writers in the local paper and from people seeing our demonstrations/vigils at the Expressway Bridge over the Wisconsin River, participation in a local parade, and other activities, such as demonstrating and leafletting on July 4th at the site of the local Celebration-Fireworks. Initially, those passersby at the Bridge who responded (about 10 %) largely opposed what we were doing. Slowly the tide has turned to largely favorable responses, the record being 81 in favor and 3 opposed during one demo/vigil.

Projects: During the past year, we have conducted frequent twice monthly bridge demos-vigils during reasonable weather; shown related films; participated and asked questions at local appearances by Congressman Dave Obey and Senator Russ Feingold, and a representative of Senator Herb Kohl, together with phone calls, e-mails and letters on related issues; held a table at and participated in the Peace Sunday of the local UCC church; held our own Veterans Day candle light vigil and reading of the names of Wisconsin victims of the wars in Afghanistan and Iraq; attended events put on by other groups, such as the Concerned Citizens of Stevens Point (candle light vigil and death reading, and a demo and march); attended the Stevens Point program by Iraqi-American speaker Sami Rasouli At Frame Memorial Presbyterian Church; attended the presentation in Madison of the Partners for Peace touring group Jerusalem Women Speak: Three Women, Three Faiths, One Shared Vision. In addition, 1 to 4 of us attended each of the last two national antiwar-peace mobilizations in Washington, D.C., and the October Regional Mobilization in Chicago.

(Update: 1/08)
Red Cedar Peace Initiative

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History: Founded in the fall of 2002 as a long term institution replacing ad hoc activist efforts on the environment, land use, and peace issues.

Membership: Informal, about 25.

Geographical area of work: City of Menomonie and Dunn County.

Who does the work? Volunteers.


Purpose: Red Cedar Peace Initiative works for a world where nonviolence is the norm for resolving conflict. To that end, Red Cedar Peace Initiative seeks to educate its members and the community on the tools of nonviolence as the most effective and enduring means of resolving conflict within ourselves, families, communities, nations, and the whole natural world. We resolve to take action according to nonviolent principles to promote peace and social justice in all areas of our lives.

Projects: Sponsor speakers on American foreign policy issues, peace, civil liberties, and nonviolence. Organize rallies, peace vigils, and teach-ins. Other activities include writing guest columns, letters to editors, dramatic readings, lobbying Congress, and exploring alternatives to violence. Cooperate with other local peace and justice groups.

Our group also sponsors community events such as a commemoration of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day with speakers, music, art in cooperation with local public schools; a teach-in about recent demonstrations against the government in Burma.

Congressional District: 3rd, US Representative Ron Kind (Update 2/09)
Returned Peace Corps Volunteers of Wisconsin – Madison Chapter

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Membership: Open to all Wisconsin people who have served in the Peace Corps and allies; approximately 150 members.

Projects: Monthly meetings and production of an annual calendar. Proceeds of the calendar fund international development projects. (Calendar mailing address is 271 Oakridge Ave., Madison, WI 53704.) **New in 2009 – 4 posters using the best of the calendar photos; contact Char to find out how to get your posters.

Congressional Districts: Statewide Districts 1-8. (Update 12/09)
River Falls Peace and Justice

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This group holds a monthly Peace and Justice Walk on the second Monday each month - 6-7 pm in River Falls. They meet on the UWRF campus on Cascade Street, across from "Journey" House, and then walk through the downtown of River Falls. Join us!

(Update:3/19/2011)
Rock County Citizens for Peace (inactive status – April 2011)

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History: Evolved from anti-Vietnam activities in the late 1960s to early 1970s.

Membership: No official membership; we do have a mailing list of those who are unofficially considered to be members of about 165 people.

Geographical area of work: Rock County.

Who does the work: Board.

Working links: WNPJ.

Purpose: Encourage global peace, nonviolence, and tolerance.

Projects: Related activities including, but not limited to; newsletter publication, public actions (i.e. lectures, vigils, marches, etc.) building coalitions and collaboration with like-minded organizations.

Publications: Occasional newsletters.

Congressional District: 1st, US Representative Paul Ryan. (Update 4/11)
Rock Ridge Community

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History: Land and housing cooperative (Quaker-oriented) approximately 25 years old.

Membership: 10 adults and their children.

Geographical area of work: Southwest Wisconsin.

Who does the work: Work done as individuals and as a collective.

Working links: Fellowship of Reconciliation, Madison-area Urban Ministry, Friends Committee on National Legislation; Grassroots Citizens for Peace; UNA/USA.

Purpose: Create circles of peace in our families, community, and world. We are involved with long range land stewardship projects – prairie restoration, stream bed restoration, and living simply.

Congressional District: US Representative Ron Kind. (Update 11/09)
Rock Valley Fellowship of Reconciliation

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History: We are a spiritually based peace group whose vision came out of the Beloit Friends Meeting. Our goal is to offer at least two programs each year with speakers from all over who are voices for peace. We have always done more than the minimum. The Rock Valley FOR is an officially-allowed organization by the Fellowship of Reconciliation-USA. The Fellowship of Reconciliation USA seeks to replace violence, war, racism, and economic injustice with nonviolence, peace, and justice. We are an interfaith organization committed to active nonviolence as a transforming way of life and as a means of radical change. We educate, train, build coalitions, and engage in nonviolent and compassionate actions locally, nationally, and globally. Our RV-FOR fiscal sponsor is the Habiba Chaouch Foundation.

Membership: At this time we are considering anybody who asks to be part of our work and sends contributions to be a supporter of Rock Valley - FOR. There are 190 who have signed up for our mailing list.

Geographical area of work: Rock Valley areas with support from as far north as Watertown, as far west as Brodhead, and as far east as Clinton and Delavan.

Who does the work: Sue Nelson, Scott Crom, John Graf and the steering committee. Norm Aulabaugh does the web site. Steering committee: Kathy Holcombe, Jan Stebbins, Neil Deupree


Purpose: We provide discussion of the issues of war and injustice through programs and events.

Projects: Weekly vigil at Ryan's office, 20 S. Main St., Janesville. Occasional rallies and programs. We had a program and worked toward getting h.s. students in the Opt Out program, away from recruiters. We do counter recruiting each month in the schools. Material from our programs is taped and shown at least six times on local access JATV. War is not Green is the topic we will promote in 2010.

Publications: The Peacemaker.

Congressional Districts: 1st District, Paul Ryan; 2nd District, Tammy Baldwin (Update 1/10)
St. Norbert Abbey Justice and Peace Committee

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History: The Committee was formed in 1995 to advise the Abbot of St. Norbert Abbey and his council on matters related to justice and peace.

Membership: There are presently four committee members. Membership is open to any Norbertine frater, brother, priest, associate, or friend of the order. Members are appointed by the Abbot of St. Norbert Abbey.

Geographical area of work: The committee is especially concerned with justice and peace in locations served by St. Norbert Abbey.

Who does the work: All committee members are volunteers. The committee chair does most of the work.

Working links: The committee works closely with the Peace and Justice Center of St. Norbert College and the justice and peace ministry of the Catholic Diocese of Green Bay.

Purpose: To advise the Abbot and Abbot's Council on matters related to justice and peace; to help educate Norbertine priests, brothers, fraters, and friends of the Abbey on matters related to justice and peace; to serve as a referral agent for those interested in justice and peace opportunities.

Projects: The committee is particularly interested in civil rights of immigrants and affordable housing in the Brown County area.

Congressional District: 8th District.
(update 12/10)
St. Norbert College, Peace and Justice Center

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History: Norbert of Xanten was known as a peacemaker, one who brought enemies together by inviting them to share together in the Eucharist. In the spirit of St. Norbert, the college sought in the mid-1990's to make more explicit its commitment to justice and human dignity. A group of faculty members, staff, and students began planning for a peace and justice center in 1997. When their vision was funded by a grant from the Norbertines of St. Norbert Abbey, the Peace and Justice Center became a reality. It opened in 1998, the centennial year of St. Norbert College.

Geographical area of work: From northeastern Wisconsin to the world.

Who does the work: The office staff includes one Director, one part-time Program Coordinator, and several student interns. The Director reports to the Vice-President for Mission and Heritage and the Center has an advisory committee that meets monthly during the academic year.

Working links: Catholic Diocese of Green Bay, St. Norbert Abbey, St. Norbert College International Center, St. Norbert College student organizations, and other social justice organizations.

Purpose: Through curricular and co-curricular programs, the St. Norbert College Peace and Justice Center partners with all academic disciplines in cultivating awareness, compassion and commitment to justice and the building of sustainable peace. Our curricular and co-curricular programs help prepare students and others to engage with issues of peace and justice both locally and globally with clarity and charity.

Publication: Website, Facebook page, and e-mail discussion list.

Congressional District: Wisconsin - 8th Congressional District  (Update 1/11)
School of Americas Watch

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History: The School of Americas Watch (SOAW) group was founded in January 2004 by students and community members who had traveled to Ft. Benning, GA in November.

Membership: students from the Madison area, community members.

Geographical area of work: Madison, WI and Ft. Benning, Georgia.

Who does the work: Volunteers

Working links: SOAW, national group and local group

Purpose: SOAW-Madison is a nonviolent, nonpartisan group whose main goal is to close the Western Hemisphere Institute for Security Cooperation through the following means:
1) Participating in the annual march on Ft. Benning Military Base, promoting peaceful participation in the annual march by seeking to enlist participants and by securing funds to help underwrite their expenses.
2) Educating ourselves and the public about peace and justice issues in relation to WHINSEC.

Projects: Spring lobbying day, writing letters to representatives, and annual trip to Ft. Benning in November for international Vigil, local Madison Vigil in November.

Congressional District: 2nd.

(Update 1/11)
School Sisters of Notre Dame – Milwaukee Province

Office of Global Peace and Justice

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History: The School Sisters of Notre Dame (SSND) is an international order of women religious. Known particularly for their teaching, they are committed to promoting human rights and human dignity in all aspects of ministry and life. They have been serving throughout North America for the past 150 years.

Membership: There are over 350 sisters and associates in the Milwaukee Province engaged in a wide variety of services and ministries.

Geographical area of work The Milwaukee Province includes all of Wisconsin, Michigan, and Indiana. Globally there are over 3,800 School Sisters of Notre Dame in some 30 countries across 5 continents.


Projects: The Office of Global Justice and Peace has a part-time paid staff person. Sisters and associates serve voluntarily on the Global Justice and Peace Commission and on the Corporate Responsibility Committee. The key focus areas are human dignity/rights - (comprehensive immigration reform, the trafficking of women and children and other right-to-life issues), economic justice (international debt, Fair Trade, clean clothes, housing), education, integrity of creation, peace and non-violence, and shareholder resolutions/alternative investments. The Green Habit Campaign has individuals and groups from 16 states and 5 countries pledging to live more sustainably and share their green habits. Check it out at www.ssnd.org/External/greenhabit/greenhabit_pledge.html

Publications: Shalom News North America is a monthly social justice e-newsletter distributed to all SSNDs throughout North America and to anyone interested in receiving it. On-line it can find it under the “Our Ministries” tab at www.ssnd.org

Congressional Districts: District #5, US Representative James Sensenbrenner Jr. Also District #1, US Representative Paul Ryan and District #4, US Representative Gwen Moore.(Update 12/09)
SEIU Health Care Wisconsin

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History: Since the 1970s SEIU District 1199W/United Professionals for Quality Health Care has represented health care workers employed at nursing homes, counties, cities, the State of Wisconsin, and private hospitals. We actively organize for more health care workers to join us in our efforts to win safe working conditions, such as when we passed legislation for safe needles for all health care workers, and as we fight to end mandatory overtime and win safe staffing levels in health care facilities and have worked to pass guaranteed health care coverage for all.

Membership: Almost 4,000 health care professionals.

Geographical area of work: State-wide.

Who does the work: An elected board of our membership governs our union. Our board hires staff to help coordinate member programs as identified by members. Staff with the help of elected member-leaders recruits member-volunteers to execute the programs and do the work of our union.

Working links: We are also proud to be part of the largest union of health care workers, the Service Employees International Union (SEIU) and our SEIU WI State Council. Proudly affiliated at all levels with the American Federation of Labor - Congress of Industrial Organizations (AFL-CIO).

Purpose: It is our mission to improve the lives of working people and their families and lead the way to a more just and humane society.

Projects: Organize our members to stand together with a winning plan to gain strong union workplace contracts and help organize health care workers where they work to join us in our efforts. We engage in on-going contract campaign activities as needed. We secure and defend the rights of all workers to organize. We engage in grassroots, non-violent direct action to win needed change from private and public employers and from elected decision-makers. At our core, we strive to hold private and public health care employers accountable to our patients and their employees.

Publications: A periodic member newsletter.

Congressional Districts: All Wisconsin. (12/10)
SHAMA, Inc

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Organizational History: Started in July 1987 as India Project with Wisconsin Women in Higher Education UWSP to promote women empowerment of women in dire poverty while offering diversity education programs among local communities with Indian food, workshops on Indian culture and arts entertainment to create the annual ‘Festival of India’ for 23 years. It became 501(3)c a non profit organization and was named Shama, Inc in 2000. Working together with established educational institutions and non-profit organizations in India, it has developed a well-functioning sponsor-a-child’s education program for $10 a month, ShamaKids; a women’s empowerment interest-free micro-grant program who pay forward to help the next woman to train in job skills and small business to improve family income generation capacity, SHAMA WELL; SHAMA has co-created a poor village sustainable development model using eco-based technology, education and health care. Please visit our website, www.uwsp.edu/multicultural/shama for more details. Our latest programs include SHAMA Slum kids, Women On Wheels taxi driver and car repair training and a gifted and talented leadership program.

Membership: We have no membership fee. We have group of volunteers who help us in many different capacities. We have 100 volunteers at a time to help us do different programs.

Geographical Area of Work: Primarily in Central Wisconsin, cultural awareness activities through lectures, craft sales, food stalls, folk and classical entertainment, whose proceeds benefit impoverished women and children’s empowerment programs in India through education, basic health care, and economic development by micro-grants to women and sustainable development models. Programs also are given throughout Wisconsin, Illinois and on the east coast.

Who does the Work: Volunteers.

Working Links with Other Organizations: UWSP Multicultural Affairs, UWSP South Asia Society, Stevens Point Area School District.

Purpose: SHAMA, Inc. is committed to empowering women and families, primarily in, but not limited to, India, through innovative cultural, educational, medical, and developmental programs in collaboration with established like-minded organizations, without regard for religion, race, caste or creed, and to simultaneously fostering awareness of the culture of the Subcontinent of India in the local community.

Projects: Working together with established educational institutions and non-profit organizations in India, it has developed a well-functioning sponsor-a-child’s education program for $10 a month, ShamaKids; a women’s empowerment interest-free micro-grant program who pay forward to help the next woman to train in job skills and small business to improve family income generation capacity, SHAMA WELL; SHAMA has co-created a poor village sustainable development model using eco-based technology, education and health care. Please visit our website, www.uwsp.edu/multicultural/shama for more details. Our latest programs include SHAMA Slum kids, Women On Wheels taxi driver and car repair training and a gifted and talented leadership program.

Congressional District: Portage County, WI (update 8/09)

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Sinsinawa Dominicans

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History: Founded in 1847 to preach and teach the Gospel.

Membership: 586 sisters.

Geographical area of work: USA, Bolivia, Guatemala, and Trinidad.

Working links: Amnesty International, Center of Concern, Dominican Leadership Conference, 8th Day Center, Intercommunity Peace & Justice Center, Interfaith Center for Corporate Responsibility, Leadership Conference of Women Religious, NETWORK, Project IRENE, WIM/CRI.

Purpose: Called to proclaim the Gospel through the ministry of preaching and teaching in order to participate in the building of a holy and just society.


Congressional District: The Motherhouse is located in the 3rd District, represented by US Representative Ron Kind.

(update 01/10)
**Sisters of St. Francis of the Holy Cross**

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**History:** Founded in 1881 to serve the needs of the immigrant community in Wisconsin.

**Who does the work:** Most directly, the Justice, Peace and Integrity of Creation Committee (7 volunteers among sisters and associates), part-time Justice and Peace Coordinator; collaboration by other sisters and associates. No paid staff.


**Purpose:** We strive through education and healing and various areas of Christian ministry to build the Lord's Kingdom; work to uphold human dignity, pursue peace and promote Gospel Justice.

**Projects:** We support pro-life campaigns, including the abolition of the death penalty, debt cancellation for the most impoverished countries, campaign finance reform, “Bread not Stones – a Campaign” that works to redirect excessive military spending toward response to human needs, protection of family farms, needs and rights of the poor throughout the world, educational outreach, comprehensive immigration reform, literacy education, job procurement and assistance in acquiring citizenship for Hmong and Hispanic people, and letter writing to national and state legislators on issues to support the poor, peace, and earth care.

**Congressional Districts:** 6th and 8th

(Update 11/11)
Sisters of St. Joseph, Third Order of St. Francis

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History:  The Sisters of St. Joseph of the Third Order of St. Francis are a community of over 400 Franciscan women, under the patronage of St. Joseph, founded in 1901 in Stevens Point, Wisconsin, where our motherhouse remains to this day. The congregation was founded in response to a need that existed, to serve as teachers in Polish American neighborhood parishes in the Midwest. As years have gone by, the specific mission has changed, but the founding spirit remains the same.

Membership:  About 350 sisters and 85 associates make up the membership of SSJ-TOSF.

Geographical area of work:  Today, the missioned presence of the Congregation is felt throughout 104 cities in 14 states and 4 locations off the mainland; 117 members are in Wisconsin.

Who does the work:  Sisters and associates.

Working links:  Leadership Conference of Women Religious, Franciscan Federation, 8th Day Center for Justice, to name just a few.

Purpose:  Dedication to Jesus Christ involves us intimately with His liberating and reconciling mission: to make God more deeply known and loved, and in so doing, to draw all persons to fuller and freer life. Together, with all our sisters and brothers who strive for a more just world, we undertake those activities which promote the material and spiritual development of the human family.

Projects:  Clare Oaks Continuum of Care Facility, Clare Woods Academy, Marymount Health Care Systems, Inc., Regina High School, Trinity High School.

Publications:  Gathering Place.  (Update 2/09)
Sisters of the Divine Savior

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History: Founded in 1888 to spread Jesus’ goodness and kindness to all God’s people, especially those who experience the least quality of life.

Membership: United States 84; Internationally 1,245

Geographical area of work: Wisconsin, Alabama, California, Arizona, Tennessee, Rome, and 31 regions around the world.

Purpose: Extend mission of Jesus in contemporary ways according to the needs of the culture and our gifts.

Projects: Tithing, direct service and advocacy. 1) Participation in interest free loans for housing and education of the poor. 2) Participation with Habitat for Humanity, Crop Walk, etc. 3) Letter-writing, e-mail sending and calling campaign for systemic change. 4) Stop Human Trafficking national committee and international information website at www.sdssisters.org/slavery. 5) Tsunami Relief effort for Sri Lanka went from an urgent appeal to long-term support; 6) Safe house for victims of human trafficking and slavery

Publications: Newsletter on justice and peace action possibilities. STOP TRAFFICKING (monthly publication on human trafficking). To be added to the mailing list, please e-mail: jeansds@stopenslavement.org or http://www.stopenslavement.org/index.html

Congressional District: 5th. US Representative F. James Sensenbrenner, JR. (Update 12/10)
Socialist Party of South Central WI

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The Socialist Party of South Central Wisconsin has meetings on the second Saturday of every month, at the Wilmar Center on Jenifer St.. All welcome.

(update 10/11)
Socialist Party of Wisconsin

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History:  Founded in 1897 to better living and working conditions of working people.

Membership:  Over 100, with a board of 11 and volunteer staffing

Geographical area of work:  Wisconsin.

Working links:  Socialist Party of Milwaukee, South Central Wisconsin, and USA.

Purpose:  Promote democratic socialism.

Projects:  Promoting the principles of democratic socialism, implementing Agenda for Social Improvement, producing pamphlets including ones on campaign reform, welfare policy, and economic injustice.

Publications:  Pamphlets on various topics including welfare policy.

Congressional Districts:  Statewide Districts 1-8. (Update 8/10)
Social Justice Center

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History: Social Justice Center is a cooperatively owned non-profit office center with a social justice focus founded in 2000.

Geographical Area of Work: Madison

Who does the work: One paid half-time staff person who oversees the fundraising, event planning, website, newsletter, art gallery, and facilities management of the Center.

Working Links with Other Organizations: Indirect work with other organizations housed in the building.

Purpose: Provide affordable and functional office space to non-profit and advocacy organizations and assist in the development of emerging organizations.

Projects: Non-profit incubator in lower level of the Center

Publications: News from the SJC (Social Justice Center newsletter) (update 6/10)
SOS Dane County - Senior Council "Save Our Services"

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History: In 1981 the Dane County SOS (Save Our Security) Senior Council was founded as a chapter of the National SOS Organization, whose mission was to protect Social Security/Medicare in response to a conservative effort to weaken these programs. We here in Madison wanted to become part of this larger national movement.

In 1985, the SOS Senior Council, with the assistance of Meriter Hospital and the Physicians Plus Group, developed a health program for senior and disabled persons on Medicare, called the Capital Care Health Plan (CCHP). In 2004, the University of Wisconsin Hospital and Clinics became participants in the program.

The Capitol Care Health Plan is available to any financially eligible member of SOS. With CCHP a member has no other cost when the service is provided by the program. It has expanded into neighboring counties wherever there are providers. Dane County residency is not required.

SOS members who are also enrolled in the Capital Care Health Plan, pay nothing for their Medicare services, at participating providers.

Number of members: 700

Congressional District: Tammy Baldwin’s  (Update 2/11)
Solidarity Sing-along

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(update 11/8/2011)
South Central Federation of Labor

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History: Founded in 1893 to respond to the oppression of the working class.

Purpose: Umbrella organization for local labor unions.

Membership: Local unions voluntarily affiliate. Currently 88 local labor organizations representing about 40,000 workers are affiliated with the South Central Federation of Labor (SCFL). Three paid staff, a board of 11, and 500 working volunteers. Funded by per capita payments by local unions.

Geographical area of work: Dane, Sauk, Iowa, and Columbia Counties.

Who does the work: Paid staff and volunteers.


Publication: Union Labor News.

Congressional District: 2nd, US Representative Tammy Baldwin. (Update 12/10)
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(May, 2011)

Southwest Wisconsin Grassroots Citizens for Peace and Justice

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Organizational History: A continuation of a peace presence that has existed in the Dodgeville area for over 25 years. More recently it became affiliated with 'Grassroots Citizens of Wisconsin' - a regional group 'promoting political dialogue and participation'.

Membership: Members come from Dodgeville, Mineral Point, Spring Green, Barneveld and other rural communities mainly within Iowa County, WI.

Geographical Area of Work: Southwest Wisconsin with a particular emphasis in Iowa County.

Who does the Work: volunteers.

Working Links: Wisconsin Network for Peace and Justice, Grassroots Citizens of Wisconsin, Fair Wisconsin, Friends Committee on National Legislation (FCNL), Fellowship of Reconciliation, American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU), and Veterans for Peace.

Purpose: to change our cultural paradigm from a culture of war to a culture of peace
- by bearing witness in support of peace
- by doing educational outreach concerning nonviolent alternatives to war & issues in the Middle East
- by organizing intergenerational peace events

Projects:

BEARING WITNESS: Monthly Vigil in Support of Peace; Participation in Local Parades with Peace Float; Letters to the Editor; Ads in Newspaper Commemorating the Anniversary of Iraqi War; Sponsored Exhibit of David Giffey's Art and Book; Sponsored 'Eyes Wide Open' (Boots) exhibit

EDUCATIONAL OUTREACH: Islamic Series, Nonviolence Series; Book Discussion War is the Force that Gives Us Meaning; Presentation by Veterans for Peace; Sharing by Local Veterans of their Military Experience; Letters to the Editor; Sponsored 'Witness to Innocence' speakers against Death Penalty.

FILMS: 'If Turtles Could Fly', 'Paradise Now', 'Iraq for Sale'.

INTERGENERATIONAL EVENTS: Lanterns for Peace Event each August; Parades in local communities; joined the UFPJ Peace March Oct. 27, Chicago – 2007.

Publications: Our events and activities are promoted in the Grassroots Gazette an e-mail newsletter. Our members frequently write 'letters to the editor' for our local weekly newspaper.

Congressional District: 3rd district (updated 12/07)

Single Payer Action Network
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SPAN has bi-monthly meetings, the first and third Tuesday of each month, at Michelangelo's Cafe, ~120 State St....with single payer health care as their main focus. (10/09)

T.A.M.E. - Truth and Alternatives to Militarism in Education

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TAME is a statewide volunteer network of students, families, community members, veterans, teachers and school staff, working together to counter the influence of militarism in WI schools. We provide information on alternatives to military service, truth-in-recruiting details, counseling guidelines for students considering enlisting, and tabling materials, and can arrange for speakers to students and community groups.

(1/11)

The Madison Institute

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History: Founded in 1985 as a public policy study center providing a focus for fresh, independent thinking and expression from the liberal-progressive perspective. The Madison Institute (TMI) has brought nationally known speakers to Madison, created opportunities for citizen education and discussion, sponsored significant events, and produced books, articles, and audio/video tapes.

Membership: Not a membership organization, but an activist-participant organization which encourages its participants to advocacy. Sixty or more individuals take active part in the monthly sessions of the Progressive Round Table. The Board has 9 members and 4 associates.

Geographical area of work: Presently TMI's reach is mostly Madison and environs. The goal is to reach out nationally and become an effective progressive counter-force to the conservative Heritage Foundation and other conservative think tanks.

Who does the work: Volunteers and board.

Working links: Works closely with many other like-minded groups.

Purpose: To study, educate, and stimulate thoughts and action about social, economic, and political justice. TMI is a not-for-profit, volunteer, cooperative, citizen based, progressive/liberal policy research, study, education, and action organization.

Projects: 1) The Progressive Roundtable; 2) Public lectures, seminars and conferences; 3) Audio and videotapes of conference proceedings; 4) Informative internet web page with wide linkages to other compatible groups’ web pages; and 5) Developing internship and fellowship programs and a speakers bureau.

Publications: See website. Contact Dan Cornwell (608-233-4990) for a list of articles, audio and video-tapes, and other publications.

Congressional District: 2nd, US Representative Tammy Baldwin. (Update 1/11)

Union de Trabajadores Inmigrantes (UTI) Immigrant Works Union

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2008—A New Political Year in the Struggle for Amnesty!

In the first days of January, UTI took advantage of the chance to do some evaluation and above all to take note of the organization's planned goals for 2008. Unfortunately, on the topic immigration, it seems that we have gone backwards—2007 has been a year marked by increased raids; more lost rights, like the right to obtain an ID or a driver's license; and above all it has been a year in which an immigration reform has hardly been considered, despite 11 million undocumented families in this ill-named “country of opportunities.”

It's not a surprise that none of the most important candidates in these elections speak of the immigration crisis or that when they find themselves forced to speak on the topic, they turn their backs on our community and encourage the most racist and anti-immigrant sectors.

A year also marked by initiatives that might have put our rights back on track—the governor of New York who has intended to create a license for undocumented drivers, and Illinois a new law HB1100 has been past that could give a driver’s certification to those who can’t demonstrate their immigration status. Although the two initiatives have confronted resistance and obstacles, they at least demonstrate that there is hope that the status quo may change and that we will finally recuperate some of our rights. Even more positive is the situation in New Haven where a municipal ID has been created to permit undocumented community members to identify themselves; following New Haven, San Francisco, Madison, and one city in Florida have presented similar projects. The California city already managed to pass the regulation, but the proposal is stagnant while the details are debated.

Here in Madison, the proposal has been received with a certain distrust, especially within certain sectors of our community that have opposed the idea of a Dane County ID. And as expected, the inability to count on a unanimous voice in our community shows us that unity makes us strong, and division doesn’t permit us to move forward.

But not everything is based on the divisions among our people; it can be said that Dane County is losing its friendly relationship with the undocumented immigrant community. This past October 4th, the Union of Immigrant Workers with the help of Ashok Kumar passed an ordinance prohibiting landlords from asking about immigrant status or asking for social security number when renting an apartment. Unfortunately, drafting errors by county attorneys caused this law to be vetoed by the executive and now UTI has to return to work to pass this law again. This is compounded by the increase in police in poor neighborhoods and the situation in local jails, where they are literally deporting dozens of immigrants, including those who have already served their sentences for driving under the influence. The only conclusion that we can reach is that Madison and surrounding areas, which have been historically friendly, are turning more hostile to our community each day.

The year 2007 has also been a year in which, aside from everything else, we mobilized ourselves locally and nationally. It has been a year in which thousands of activists, leaders, organizers, journalists, and religious figures have demonstrated that even in the most difficult, most confusing times, we are not going to throw in the towel and we have given an example of dignity and struggle not only to those who want us out of this country, but also to those that come after us. Dignity is the best lesson that we can teach to our children, to hold their heads high and demand that which is just. Another thing we can teach them, if we want our youth to trust in their future, is to focus on their studies—it is our duty to teach them how to conquer everything through the struggle.

The year 2008 is not going to be different—we are going to march out to the street, and with everyone’s help, we are going to stop the deportations in the jails, and with or without elections we have to achieve amnesty. And we are going to do it because it has already been done in the past, the last time in 1986, and it wasn’t a coincidence but rather through struggle and insistence of thousands of people. And we are going to do it because from coast to coast immigrants are unifying themselves and preparing to return to the streets and to finally achieve that which is just—unconditional amnesty for all.

UTA wishes you all a prosperous new year, and invites you to join in the efforts that are already being made to prepare for this spring’s marches and the relentless struggle for the ID and for a moratorium on the raids. Not even one day will pass without struggle and we will organize ourselves until our families receive the deal that they deserve: liberty and papers for everyone!

Come and collaborate with UTI in the organization’s office at 29 E. Wilson, or call 608-345-9544. (update 5/08)

United Methodist Federation for Social Action –Wisconsin

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History: The Methodist Federation for Social Action was founded nationally a century ago in 1907 and wrote the Methodist Social Creed. This was the time of the Social Gospel and organizing around economic and labor issues. The Wisconsin Chapter was re-established in 1979 to help the United Methodist Church in Wisconsin focus on its social concerns.

Membership: About 100 dues paying members. (Most of the dues go to the national organization which directs the major lobbying and witness activity in the denomination.) Steering committee of 10. No paid staff.

Geographical area of work: Statewide.


Purpose: To keep the United Methodist Church involved in societal issues such as: 1) economic justice, 2) world peace, 3) human and civil rights, 4) racial, ethnic, and gender equality.

Projects: Reconciling Church Program (to open the church to gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgender persons), Middle East Peace Project, Death Penalty and Abortion education within the church.

Publications: Plumbline, an annual newsletter to all United Methodist Pastors and Lay Delegates to the annual conference (Editor: Dave Steffenson, 344 W. Dayton St. #401, Madison, WI 53703 - telephone 608-692-3576 or dsteffe70@gmail.com).

Congressional Districts: Statewide Districts 1-8. (Update 1/11)

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**History:** The predecessor to the United Nations Association--USA was started in 1943 to support the League of Nations and then the UN when its Charter was adopted in 1945. Eleanor Roosevelt was one of the organization's prominent, early leaders.

**Membership:** About 100 local members. Dues to United Nations Association (UNA-USA) are $25 for the first year and $40 thereafter. Attendance at UNA events is open to all and special outreach is underway to recruit new members from diverse communities, younger adults and youth.

**Geographical area of work:** Dane County.

**Who does the work:** Officers and board members as well as individual members who volunteer.

**Working links:** Collaborates with other organizations to sponsor a Forum on Global Affairs each election cycle that invites the candidates for Wisconsin 2\textsuperscript{nd} Congressional District to state their positions on international issues. Co-sponsors the annual Lanterns for Peace event on August 6th. Participates in the annual Sinsinawa UN Day for Middle School Students and its essay program. Supports the programs of the National UNA-USA and is one of the 175 local chapters and state divisions of UNA-USA. Actively seeks out opportunities for collaboration with WNPJ partners to co-sponsor visiting speakers, and support other educational and advocacy efforts around the international, peace and human rights issues of the day.

**Purpose:** The purpose of UNA-USA is to "help the UN help the world." It offers Americans the opportunity to connect with issues confronted by the UN--from global health and human rights to the spread of democracy, equitable development, environmental sustainability, international justice, and peace.

**Projects:** * Hosts Chapter meetings on the second Tuesday of the month featuring speakers with special knowledge about the UN and international affairs open to the public. * Organizes an annual United Nations Day Dinner and speaker in October. * Encourages Model UN Teams in local high schools and colleges. * Supports the annual National High School Essay Contest.

* Urges use of the UNICEF "trick or treat" boxes for children at Halloween. * Supports the HERO program for college age students to participate in school-based support to orphans and vulnerable children living in HIV/AIDS-affected communities in Africa. * Raises funds for the Adopt-a-Minefield program to clear minefields, provide assistance to landmine survivors, and raise awareness of the global landmine crisis

**Publications:** *The InterDependent*, the quarterly journal of the UNA-USA ; for local updates and activities check the website at: [www.unadane.com](http://www.unadane.com)

(Update 12/10)
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History: The Greater Milwaukee Chapter of the UNA (GMUNA) has been in existence since before the founding of the UN, as the UNA-USA was one of the grassroots citizens' groups that advocated for the creation of the UN in 1945. Former Milwaukee Mayor Frank P. Zeidler served as president during most of the chapter's past 50 years. Susan McGovern succeeded Mayor Zeidler in 2004, and Gary Shellman was elected president in 2006.

Numbers of your Membership: Approximately 100, and growing.

Geographical Area of Work: City of Milwaukee and some surrounding suburbs of Milwaukee County; Chapter leaders serve on the UNA Wisconsin Division Board, a statewide organization.

Who does the Work: The chapter has working committees on 1. Education, 2. Millennium Development Goals, 3. Advocacy and Membership. Committee chairs are Anita Zeidler, Jack Murtaugh, Susan McGovern and Debbie Metke. Chapter officers in addition to Gary Shellman are: Anita Zeidler, vice president; Les Hagensick, secretary, and Barbara Martinka, treasurer. The chapter board consists of the elected officers, committee chairs, and past president Susan McGovern, Anita Zeidler, Chuck Baynton and Joan Robertson.

Purpose: The UNA-USA is dedicated to educating and mobilizing Americans to support the principles and vital work of the UN, reforming and strengthening the UN system, promoting constructive US leadership in that system, and achieving the goals of the UN Charter. We are concerned with all of the issues addressed by the United Nations system, but especially those related to peace, human rights, human and social development, and humanitarian affairs.

Projects:

Recurring events: Speaker programs at monthly meetings, cosponsored activities with the UWM Institute of World Affairs, the Mayor's Committee on the UN, the Governor's Commission on the UN, Peace Action Wisconsin, UN Day, Human Rights Day, and participation in the UNA Wisconsin Division's state assemblies.

Current projects: To raise public awareness of the UN’s Millennium Development Goals, a combined Annual Assembly and “Call to Action and Celebration of the Global Campaign to 'Make Poverty History’” was organized for October, 2005. The Millennium Development Goals represent a comprehensive set of strategies to accelerate development, universalize primary education, and to reduce global poverty and hunger, inequality, disease, and environmental degradation, all by 2015. Following the conference, a chapter Millennium Campaign Committee was formed to take concrete action to advance the goals locally and through local-global partnerships. Non-members are invited to join us. The current projects of GMUNA's Education Committee include efforts to incorporate the UNA-USA’s "Global Classrooms" curriculum in Milwaukee's urban schools and to involve area schools in educational UN Day observances.

Publications: Monthly newsletter and meeting announcement.

Congressional Districts: 4th, Gwen Moore-D; 5th, James Sensenbrenner-R. (updated 12/10)
United Nations Association -Wisconsin Division

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History: Founded in the mid-1940s to advocate for the creation of the United Nations.

Membership: About 300 throughout Wisconsin. Work is funded by membership fees and annual fund appeals to members and Friends of UNA. No paid staff but administrative support is provided by volunteers who work in the UNA office in Madison, 122 State St., #407. Contact office for membership brochure.

Working links: There are local chapters or contact groups in LaCrosse County, Racine County, Waukesha County, Milwaukee County, Dane County, South Central Wisconsin (Rock and Walworth counties), and the Wausau area. There are also 56 members “at large”, i.e., not affiliated with a local chapter or contact group within the state. National affiliation with the UNA-USA.

Purpose: The mission of UNA-Wisconsin Division is to educate its members and the general public, with special emphasis on student programs, about the United Nations, i.e. its mission, history, budget, structure, programs, reform efforts and challenges currently facing the UN. The Division advocates for positive U.S. engagement in the UN system to insure that the United States pay its dues for the UN regular budget, peacekeeping and specialized agencies. The Division also advocates that the U.S. abide by treaties and agreements which foster peace and security, conflict resolution and disarmament, environmental security, social and economic security and human rights. The Division advocates for UN reform and a more effective United Nations. The Division and its local affiliate groups raise funds for landmine clearance and humanitarian efforts such as UNICEF.

Projects: Annual observance of UN Day and Human Rights Day; co-sponsorship of model UN programs for students; letter writing and visits to congressional offices; tabling at public events, publishing a bi-monthly newsletter to its membership and Friends of UNA, and several other educational and advocacy projects on behalf of the United Nations. Local affiliate chapters and groups generally meet on a monthly or bi-monthly basis.

Congressional Districts: Statewide Districts 1-8. (Update 1/09)

UW Milwaukee Peace Studies Program
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Organizational History: Academic Certificate Program for undergraduate students at UWM

Membership: Students, faculty

Geographical Area of Work: World

Who does the Work: Paid university employees

Working Links with Other Organizations: Institute of World Affairs, UWM’s Center for International Education

Purpose: Educate students

(update 4/10)

UWW – P.E.A.C.E.

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Our Mission Statement: To creatively educate and activate students, faculty, and community members about peace.

Organizational History:
Accomplishments of Fall 2009:

Accomplishments of Spring 2009:

Accomplishments Fall 2008:

Accomplishments from Spring 2008:

Membership: 30 members in person weekly. Mainly European American male and females. Great representation of the LGBTQ community. 50+ members on e-mail list.

Geographical Area of Work: Walworth / Jefferson County

Who does the Work: Volunteers

Working Links with Other Organizations: Rock River Peace Group, Citizens for a Global Society, S.A.G.E. (student group), IMPACT (student group)

Purpose: To creatively educate and activate students, faculty, and community members about peace.

Projects: Project for the Spring 2010 semester will be decided upon its commencement.

We intend upon continuing work for Invisible Children Inc., women's rights, and local issues. (update 9/11)

Uppity Wisconsin

Contact: Steve Hanson
Uppity Wisconsin is an on-line project to promote a discussion of progressive/liberal politics in Wisconsin. It's a collaborative effort to allow people of a progressive viewpoint to write blogs and to comment on articles. Anyone can sign up for an account on the website to blog, comment and post calendar items. Visit and bookmark the site at www.uppitywis.org

(update 12/09)
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http://www.madison.com/communities/madveteransforpeace/ (local)

History: Founded nationally in 1985 and active in Wisconsin since 1988 as an organization of military veterans of all eras to engage in educational and humanitarian activities. Local Chapter 25 is also known as the Clarence Kailin Chapter, after member and social activist Clarence Kailin who fought with the Lincoln Brigade in the Spanish Civil War of 1937-38.

Membership: About 100 in Chapter 25. Our national membership is comprised of veterans from all wars spanning from the Spanish Civil War to the Iraq War. These members are distributed among 100+ chapters nationally and dozens of international affiliations.

Geographical area of work: Work done by volunteers in Wisconsin.

Working links: National Veterans for Peace, Inc., (VFP) is based in St. Louis, MO. Our international activities include working with our affiliations in El Salvador, Russia, Canada, Japan, Guatemala, Viet Nam, the Netherlands, Chiapas (Mexico), France, England, Cuba, Nicaragua, Vieques (Puerto Rico), and numerous others. A member of the Nobel Peace Prize-winning Coalition to Ban the Sale and Use of Landmines, VFP has been undertaking arduous tasks since its inception, from bringing medical aid to Central American nations to evacuating wounded children from war-torn Bosnian hospitals and securing medical treatment for them.

Purpose: 1) Increase public awareness of the costs of war; 2) Restrain our government from intervening, overtly or covertly, in the internal affairs of other nations; 3) End the arms race by reducing and eventually eliminating nuclear weapons; and 4) Abolish war as an instrument of international policy.

Projects: We offer countering presentation to the military recruiters in our area schools and have a speakers bureau to present our message, experiences and philosophy to the community. We have established a Youth Peace Scholarship for graduating high school seniors, we erect the Memorial Mile annually on Memorial Day to help people remember the true cost of war, and we have a quarterly newsletter which is available at the farmers market, local events and by mail upon request.

Congressional Districts: Statewide Districts 1-8. (Update 1/11)
Veterans for Peace - Chapter # 80, Lake Superior Area

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Membership: 20 members in the northern peninsula of Michigan and in Wisconsin. Many of the members travel extensively in Mexico, the Far East, and the Middle East.

Geographical area of work: We work all over, following the lead of the National Veterans for Peace. Who does the work: Volunteers with a board.

Meetings: Regular meetings the third Tuesday of each month, 6 pm, at the Superior Public Library.

Working links: National Veterans for Peace, Northland Action for Peace and Justice, Women Speak for a Sane World, Resisting Weapons in Space, Loaves and Fishes, and others.

Purpose: 1) To work with others to increase public awareness of the costs of war; 2) To restrain our government from intervening, overtly or covertly, in the internal affairs of other nations; 3) To end the arms race and reduce and eventually eliminate nuclear weapons; and 4) To abolish war as an instrument of international policy.

Congressional Districts: WI Districts 1-8, and also in Minnesota’s 8th District. (update 12/10)

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Veterans for Peace Mission:

VFP promotes a humane and democratic local, national, and global society, by educating the public as to the true social, ecological, and spiritual costs of war.

Our membership includes veterans of all eras and duty stations and we actively work to prevent the spread of militarism as a form of foreign policy.

(1/11)
Veterans for Peace – Sheboygan

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(September, 2008)
Voces de la Frontera
Centro de Trabajadores / Workers’ Center

Voces de la Frontera

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Voices for Creative Nonviolence

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Mission: Voices For Peace Institute LLC (V4PI) is committed to changing public opinion through education resulting in a pro-peace, anti-war mindset becoming mainstream in America.

(1/11)
Members: 200

Geographical Area of Work: Central America, Africa, United States.

Who Does the Work: Staff of 1 full-time & 2 part-time, 9-member board, volunteers.

History:
The Volunteer Missionary Movement was founded in England in 1969 by Edwina Gateley. Our European office in Dublin, Ireland sends volunteers primarily to Africa. The United States office (a 501c (3) corporation) founded in 1982 sends volunteers to Central America and the United States. While our roots are Roman Catholic, we are an ecumenical movement with members from various Christian traditions. The Volunteer Missionary Movement recruits, trains, and supports lay volunteers. Our volunteers live among and work with God’s poor and marginalized for a two-year commitment.

Vision:
The Volunteer Missionary Movement (VMM) is an international community of lay Christians who are catalysts for peace, social justice and human empowerment of the poor and marginalized as we work together in a divided world to inspire "the transformation of all things in Christ" (Phil. 3:21; Eph. 1:10, 22, 2:21, 4:14)

Mission / Purpose:
The Volunteer Missionary Movement (VMM) recruits lay Christians in an ecumenical spirit to witness to the Catholic social justice tradition. VMM supports their commitment to sharing their lives, resources and skills as they collaborate with domestic and overseas partners to promote equality, empower sustainable human development and challenge unjust and oppressive social structures.

Current Partners in Central America:
In Guatemala: CAPAZ, A.C. - Capacitación en Producción Agropecuaria para la Zona; in El Salvador: Te SHARE Foundation, Colectivo CEIBA, Asociación Nuevo Amanecer de El Salvador (ANADES), Passionist Social Services (SSPAS), OIKOS Solidaridad; in Nicaragua: Centro Cultural Batahola Norte. Some of the areas in which our volunteers are engaged are teaching, livestock and agricultural development, alternative energy methods, micro-business creation and support, youth leadership development, and capacity building.

Publication: Bridges quarterly newsletter. (update 5/11)
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History: Started in February 2005.

Membership: 51

Geographical Area of Work: Watertown and rural area; east to Oconomowoc, south to Jefferson, and west to Lake Mills.

Who does the Work: An unpaid staff composed of the Peace Committee. It is a joint effort. We do not have 501 (c) status.

Working Links with Other Organizations: Peace Action WI.

Purpose: Promote peace, end corporatocracy, political campaign reform, un-embed the media and language framing, ecological wisdom, protect voter rights, and sustain church/state separation.

Projects: We support: peace rallies, such as the March 19 Watertown march for peace, weekly peace vigils, speakers, including George Martin on the "Reality of US Occupation in Iraq", plant Watertown city-wide flower boxes/displays, host WNPJ annual meeting in Watertown on Oct. 8th, and improve relations between the Hispanic community and the Watertown Police Department.

Congressional Districts: 2nd, 5th and 6th. (update 12/08)
Waukesha catholic Worker

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History: Ecumenical community initiated in 1994 and Catholic Worker House acquired in 1997.

Membership: Mailing list of 150 and extended community of volunteers.

Geographical area of work: Waukesha County.

Working links: Other Catholic Worker Houses, Peace Action-Milwaukee, Plowshare Center-Waukesha, Lake and Prairie Life Community. Member of SOPHIA, social justice consortium of WISDOM/GAMALIEL Foundation, supporting immigration, treatment instead of prisons, and education reform

Purpose: To engage in works of mercy, particularly care for the sick and visiting the prisoners. To be a house of hospitality and to take a spiritual stand for peace.

Projects: Jail ministry in the Waukesha County Jail by visiting and providing music for worship services; Prayer Group; Peacemaking Forums; Hospitality to people in partial treatment for medical needs.
Sponsor of a Vigil for Nonviolence, meeting every Sunday, 12-1pm, in Library Park, at Clinton and Wisconsin in Waukesha. Partner in Marquette U. Center for Peacemaking Program for veterans with PTSD.

Publication: Seasonal newsletter.

Congressional District: 5th, US Representative Jim Sensenbrenner. (Update 1/10)
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History: WAVE Education Fund is a non-profit, statewide organization dedicated to preventing gun violence, injuries and deaths. Since 1995, we've been building an ever-growing statewide coalition seeking commonsense solutions to a complex problem. We work with concerned citizens and with professional partners across the state. Founded as an entirely volunteer, grassroots organization, WAVE incorporated in 1998, and began building a strong and professional organization. WAVE Educational Fund raises awareness about firearm violence throughout the state, provides up-to-date information to the public and to policy makers, and promotes commonsense measures that will bring our state to the forefront of gun violence prevention.

Projects: Please Volunteer to Collect Postcards in Your Community: WAVE has been out in the community collecting postcards expressing support for background checks on all gun sales and transfers, and we need your help. Please take them to your workplace, friends, family, neighbors or place of worship. After you get them signed, return them to WAVE, and we will deliver them to legislators. Call WAVE and let us know how many postcards you need!414-351-9283

WAVE is also Building a coalition of organizations supporting background checks on all gun sales in the state. Unfortunately, currently in Wisconsin, anyone can get a gun without undergoing a background check or even showing identification. That’s because nearly half of all guns purchased in the state are sold at gun shows, on the street, in homes, through classified ads or over the internet by unlicensed, private sellers who are not required to conduct background checks. These unregulated sales are legal, even though they create a source of guns for young people, felons and others prohibited from purchasing a gun from a licensed seller in the “primary” market.

Gun violence prevention policies, like requiring criminal background checks on all gun sales, have been proven to be effective strategies for reducing firearm violence, injuries and deaths. Please join this grassroots movement and become part of the growing coalition of organizations in Wisconsin that supports background checks on gun sales and transfers.

Please join us by signing on in support of the following statement: We believe that the dangerous and unfair “secondary sales” loophole should be closed. Just like when buying a gun from a licensed gun dealer, a person buying a gun from an unlicensed dealer or private seller should be required to show identification and undergo a criminal background check. Your involvement in this effort will truly help to make Wisconsin safer! To be included, we simply need your organization’s name, as you would like it listed, and your updated contact information. If you have any questions, please contact Heidi Rose.

Publications and Outreach: WAVE publishes several Newsletters a year and has a large statewide mailing list and email action alert list which enables us to distribute information quickly and efficiently. Please visit our website www.WAVEedFund.org or e-mail wave@WaveEdFund.org & get on our list.(update 1/09)
Waysmeet Quaker Center

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History: Waysmeet Quaker Center was organized as a not-for-profit corporation in 2000. There are three areas of focus; 1) Programs for Family Enrichment through weekend and week long family outings at Camp Woodbrooke, located near Richland Center, WI.; 2) Caring for Creation workshops and family participation weekends. The focus is understanding our natural world by living and observing close to nature, also held at Camp Woodbrooke; 3) The third area is Peace Building. Waysmeet organized programs use borrowed space for this area of programing. A workshop for Draft Counselors was held in the Madison Friends House October 2004. A workshop, Prayer and Peacemaking is being held at Timber-lee Christian Center, March 11-13, 2005

Membership: Waysmeet provides programs as described in the history above. Participants are drawn from the Quaker community and other interested persons. The mailing list contains 350 names. The Draft Counselors public meeting drew 78 persons, with the counselor training workshop drawing 32. Typically the family weekends draw 25 to 30 participants.

Geographical area of work: Participants come from northern Illinois, Wisconsin and Minnesota

Who does the work: Programs are planned and hosted by volunteers. Some workshop leaders are paid.

Working links: The main links are with Camp Woodbrooke and Quaker meetings in the upper midwest.

Purpose: There are three areas of focus; 1) Family focused retreats; 2) Exploring Natures World with families and adult groups; and 3) Peace Building retreats and workshops for adults and students

Publications: Flyers related to specific programs.

Congressional District: Representative Ron Kind represents our area. (Update 9/10)

We Are One World Foundation
Our mission is to raise awareness of family to mankind through distribution of cards and use of the internet worldwide.

What is our goal?

Our goal is to spread peace and open people’s minds through distribution of cards to make the world a better place for our children and grandchildren.

Who are we?

We are a grass root, non-profit organization with no religious or political affiliation. We have no “hidden agendas” and are simply trying to make the world a better place with the use of our cards to raise awareness.

How will this be accomplished??

Three levels of participation are possible:

A. Those who receive a card from a friend or a stranger will be exposed to an opportunity which may raise awareness of brotherhood and support coexistence.

B. Those who hand out the set of cards will be additionally committed by taking the action of distributing the cards. They may impact friends and strangers lives.

C. Organizations that distribute the cards will have the chance to promote awareness of the brotherhood of mankind in various teaching opportunities.

How will we measure our success?

The amount of cards distributed world-wide (see “Where We Are” page) along with hits on the website.

Where and when was We Are One started?

We Are One was founded in Appleton, Wisconsin in 2008 by a retired businessman to try make this world a better place for his children and grandchildren.

How can I help?

A. Distributing the cards.

B. Making suggestions of other like-minded organizations that may be willing to help.

C. Making a donation to help with the cost of production and distribution of cards.

How can I receive cards?

Mail an order form to: We Are One P.O. Box 506 Appleton, WI 54912-0506 or order them online on the Request Cards page.

What quantity of cards can be shipped?

Any quantity in multiples of 100 will be shipped, FREE OF CHARGE, anywhere in the world.

How can I make suggestions?

We would love your feedback. If you have an interested organization or business, inspirational quote or anything, please e-mail us at info@weareoneworldfoundation.org

(Update 1/10)
Weekly Gathering for Peace, Justice and Sustainability (WGPJS)

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Mission: To gather with others who share a passion for making the world more peaceful, just and sustainable. Education, support, networking, inspiration, action and fun for people of all ages.

(update 12/09)
Projects in Viet Nam sponsored by Madison Quakers, Inc.

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History: These projects, sponsored by Madison Quakers, Inc., began with the establishment of the My Lai Loan Fund in January 1994. The aim of these projects are to provide badly needed economic aid to the poor women of Viet Nam, especially in My Lai which was the site of a massacre by US troops. They also provide much needed healing to both the people of Viet Nam and America from the wounds of the war.

Geographical area of work: Nationally and in Vietnam.

Working links: Madison Quakers, Inc. is the fiscal agent for all projects. The Women's Union of Viet Nam, the Children's Protection Fund of Quang Ngai Province, the Education Authority of Quang Ngai Province. Funding organizations and individuals are from all over the country. Oversight for all projects provided by Madison Quakers, Inc. Project Coordinator in Vietnam, Mr. Phan Van Do.

Projects: 1) Building a peace park in My Lai “as a place for children and a place where all people can meditate over the past with its suffering and losses while also hoping for a better future”. These funds have provided loans to more than 3,000 women and have a repayment rate of about 98%; 2) As of January, 2006, Madison Quakers, Inc., has established loan funds in sixteen villages including My Lai. (These funds have provided loans to more than 3,000 women and have a repayment rate of about 98%); 3) Improving My Lai's infrastructure by helping to build a new 20-room primary school, providing a filtration system and new pumps for the local hospital, and helping bring electricity to the homes of the poor; and 4) An art pen-pals project between elementary schools in My Lai and Madison.

Congressional District: 2nd, U.S. Representative, Tammy Baldwin. (Update 1/10)
Wisconsin Books To Prisoners

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Our Mission: Wisconsin Books to Prisoners is an all-volunteer, nonprofit organization that sends books to prisoners in Wisconsin as well as prisoners in other states. WBTP believes that books are tools for learning and that reading opens minds to new ideas and possibilities. By sending books to prisoners, we hope to foster a love of reading and support the pursuit of self-education.

What We Do: Incarcerated individuals send us their requests for books. We attempt to send the requested materials from our collection. We also accept donations of gently used books on all topics, funds for postage, as well as packing material and bookshelves.

In Madison donated books may be dropped off at:
- Rainbow Books, 426 West Gilman St.
- Lakeside Press, 1334 Williamson St.
- Madison Infoshop, 1019 Williamson St.

In Milwaukee donated books may be dropped off at:
- Fair Ground Coffeehouse, 5901 W. Vliet St.

History: The project was drafted in August 2006, and by November 2006 we had located a space for our library and began to ship books to prisoners. Since 2006 we have sent over 15,000 books to prisoners, initially nationwide, and since 2008 only to Wisconsin prisoner and LGBT prisoners nationwide.

Membership: The collective consists of a core group of 4-6 people, with a half a dozen other supporters. We are always looking for more volunteers.

Working links: Wisconsin Books to Prisoners is part of a national network of books to prisoners groups. We also work closely with other activist groups including, e.g., Wisconsin Prison Watch, Prison Legal News, the Madison Infoshop, Groundworks, Community Connections, The Real Cost of Prisons Project, and WI-ACLU. Our 501 c(3) fiscal sponsor is the PC Foundation, which accepts tax deductible gifts on our behalf.

Publications: Wisconsin Books to Prisoners reproduces a wide range of fact sheets and brochures on prisons and related issues, including topics such as the economic and social cost of prisons, racism, white privilege, crime and public safety, the war on drugs, prison abolition and others.

Congressional District: #2 Representative Tammy Baldwin. (update 12/09)
The Wisconsin Center 4 Missing Children & Adults (WCMCA)

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Website:  www.wcmckids.org

The Wisconsin Center 4 Missing Children & Adults (WCMCA), a division of Operation
L.A.P. Foundation, Inc. (OLAPF) was founded in 2002. Since that time 100+ others
have been recovered by the assistance of the staff of this group. OLAPF is here for the
recovery of ALL missing children & adults, and now expanding into the "Wisconsin
Center for Missing Children & Adults", and Human Trafficking prevention.

(update 6/11)
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History: Wisconsin Coalition Against Domestic Violence (WCADV) is a statewide membership organization of domestic abuse programs, formerly battered and other individuals who have joined together to speak with one voice against domestic violence.

Membership: More than 300 domestic abuse programs for individuals and organizations. Membership is $25 for individuals, $5 for battered/formerly battered women, and $150 for organizations.

Geographical area of work: Statewide.

Who does the work: Paid staff of 29, funded primarily by state and federal grants, membership dues, donations and training fees. Board of 12 members.

Working links: Local member organizations in over 100 locations and national domestic violence organizations. Member of National Network to End Domestic Violence.

Purpose: Changing societal attitudes about women, their children and violence. We offer the following services: training and technical assistance; a quarterly educational journal; forums for the involvement of battered women and their children; networking and support for programs serving battered women and for professionals in related fields; training for professionals in legal, medical, social service, child welfare, housing, education, and mental health fields; and legislative advocacy.

Projects: National Clearinghouse on Abuse in Later Life (NCALL); Communities of People of Color Project, African-American Planning Project; National Health Care Standards Project. Ongoing projects and research in areas of policy, women of color, welfare reform, economic issues, and the law. The group works with Battered/Formerly Battered Women's Committee, DELTA Primary Prevention Project, and the LGBT committee.

Publications: Quarterly educational journal.

Congressional Districts: Statewide Districts 1-8. (Update 6/07)
Wisconsin Coalition to Normalize Relations with Cuba

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Vision and Purpose: The Wisconsin Coalition to Normalize Relations with Cuba consists of both organizations and individuals who have come together based on the points of unity and principles listed below. We hope you also subscribe to them and will join us:

- We support the normalization of relations with Cuba.
- We oppose any policy of our government designed to increase the misery of the Cuban people in order to obtain political gain.
- We oppose the ban on travel to Cuba and the recently intensified US economic embargo, which has restricted even food and medicine, and discouraged third countries that seek to trade with Cuba.
- We support and encourage increased person-to-person contact between the US and Cuba, such as through religious, union, professional, and cultural organizations. US businesses should be allowed to trade with Cuba on the basis of mutual benefit.
- We especially seek to overcome the artificial barriers dividing African-Americans in the US from people in Cuba, where a vibrant Afro-Cuban culture continues to thrive.
- We also seek to particularly involve and promote activities by area residents of Latin American and Caribbean origin, so they may freely relate to our brothers and sisters in Cuba and help relieve their suffering in the current period.
- The coalition is nonpartisan and nonsectarian. It is not affiliated with and does not support any political party or candidate.
- We do not presume to tell the people of Cuba what political or economic system they should adopt; that is their decision, on behalf of a sovereign nation with the right of self-determination.
- The coalition may share and forward information on related activities challenging the embargo that we, as a coalition, have not formally endorsed (such as study tours, and challenges to US restrictions).

The group is meeting monthly, the 2nd Tuesday of each month, at 7pm, at Milwaukee's Central United Methodist Church, 639 N. 25th St., Milwaukee. All welcome.

(Update 2/06)
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History: Formed in 1982, Wisconsin Community Fund has provided millions in grants and other program services to organizations working for social justice in Wisconsin.

Geographical area of work: The Fund grants within the state of Wisconsin. Donor Advised funds are awarded throughout the U.S.

Who does the work: The Fund employs 3 part-time staff people and has numerous volunteers on its board of directors and various committees.

Working links: Funding Exchange (FEX), Social Justice Center and Community Shares of Wisconsin.

Purpose: Wisconsin Community Fund raises money and gives it away to organizations that are too new, too small or too controversial for mainstream funding.

Projects: The Fund currently maintains six Donor Advised Funds: the Frederick Douglass Edhlund Memorial Fund, the Mildred Harnack Memorial Fund, the Rob Mean Fund, the Sandy Klippel Memorial Fund, the Amy Gilliland Fund and the Yeager/Schwartz Fund.

Publications: Newsletter and annual report.

Congressional Districts: Statewide Districts 1-8.

(Update 12/10)
Wisconsin Council of Churches, Peace and Justice Committee

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Membership: 25 judicatory units of 13 denominations, 2 Catholic dioceses have observer status, and 4 ecumenical or interfaith organizations; Madison-area Urban Ministry, Interfaith Conference of Greater Milwaukee, Church Women United, and Benedictine Women of Madison have associate member status. This represents 3,000 congregations with over one million church members.

Geographical area of work: Statewide.

Who does the work: Executive Director, Coordinator for Ecumenical Formation, Public Policy Coordinator, Administrative Assistant, Accountant, and Coordinator for Program Support Services.

Working Links: WI Catholic Conference, WI Jewish Council, Lutheran Office for Public Policy, Madison-area Urban Ministry, Interfaith Conference of Greater Milwaukee, offices of all member judicatories.

Purpose: The mission of the Peace and Justice Committee (PJC) is to assist faith communities in Wisconsin in their ministry to the world of discovering, teaching, and living out the vision of nonviolent love, as taught and lived by Jesus. The present emphasis is on nonviolence as both a viable lifestyle and a means for social transformation.

Projects: The Peace and Justice Committee hosts one nonviolence event annually, supports the Nobel Laureates Peace Appeal for a Decade of Nonviolence & Family Pledge of Nonviolence, and brokers conversations with representatives of faith-based peace organizations with a goal toward working together in a more unified way.

Publications: ECUNEWS, E-News (on-line), E-Alert (on-line)

Congressional Districts: Statewide Districts 1-8. (Update 12/10)
Wisconsin Democracy Campaign

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History: The Wisconsin Democracy Campaign (WDC) was founded in 1995 to track the money in state politics and work for clean, open and honest government.

Membership: About 1,700 individual members plus a statewide e-mail network of over 4,000. (There is no specific member dues structure. Contact WDC for more information.)

Who Does the Work: Small paid staff, volunteer board of directors and general volunteers. Funding comes from individual and organizational members and philanthropic grants.

Geographical Area of Work: Statewide.

Working Links: Over 40 coalition members.

Purpose: WDC is an independent, nonpartisan, grassroots coalition of individuals and organizations working for clean government and real democracy. The Democracy Campaign is a watchdog that tracks the money in state politics and advocates for campaign finance reform, media reform, election reform, and other pro-democracy reforms.

Projects: 1) Maintain the state’s only online searchable computer database that tracks special interest money in campaigns; 2) Conduct research documenting the flow of special interest money in the political system and the corrupting effect it has on public policymaking; 3) Advocate for reforms that make people matter more than money in politics and empower ordinary citizens; 4) Build a broad coalition of public interest organizations in support of democracy reforms; 5) Organize and orchestrate a Citizen Vigil for the Greater Good to create an ongoing public protest at the State Capitol of special interest ownership of our government and the U.S. Supreme Court ruling allowing unlimited corporate election spending; 6) Participate in a regional alliance of reform groups in the Great Lakes region called the Midwest Democracy Network - an alliance of political reform advocates committed to improving democratic institutions in Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Minnesota, Ohio and Wisconsin.

Congressional Districts: Statewide Districts 1-8. (Update 12/10)
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History: Founded as the Wisconsin Greens in 1988 to provide coordination of efforts and a statewide voice for local green activist groups. One goal was to work toward a Green political alternative in Wisconsin. In 1996, the Wisconsin Green Party was established when we gained ballot status for the first time. In 2000, the Nader-La Duke Presidential campaign received over 93,000 votes in Wisconsin. The party continued to grow in the 2002 elections when we ran Jim Young for Governor, Paul Aschenbrenner for State Treasurer who received close to 115,000 votes, and a number of local and regional candidates.

Membership: Over 600.

Geographic area of work: Local, regional, statewide, national, y todo el mundo.


Purpose: The Green Party has four pillars to serve as its foundation: Social Justice, Ecological Wisdom, Nonviolence, and Grassroots Democracy. Our political philosophy is rooted in the awareness that all life is interconnected. Greens believe that we must develop new relationships amongst ourselves as human beings and also with the rest of nature - - relationships based on respect and harmony rather than domination. The Wisconsin Green Party seeks to provoke positive change in our society through electoral and grassroots efforts revolving around our four pillars.

Projects: Specifically, the Greens continue to work toward a more just and peaceful society through coalition efforts and political campaigns that address: Treaty Rights, Groundwater Protection, Economic Sustainability, Educational Opportunities, Social Equality, Democratic Reform, and Alternatives to War. Our more general agenda includes recruiting candidates to run in partisan and nonpartisan elections throughout the state.

Congressional Districts: Statewide Districts 1-8. (Update 8/10)
Wisconsin Impeachment/Bring Our Troops Home

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MAIN ISSUES: IMPEACHMENT OF OBAMA, PROSECUTION OF BUSH & CHENEY & STOPPING THE ILLEGAL WARS

COALITION’S GOALS

GOAL #1. CITY OR VILLAGE LOCAL REFERENDUMS. Via the direct legislation petition law, help local Communities force troops home or impeachment or both referendums on local city or village ballots. Note: the petitions force the municipality to pass the referendum as a policy or place the referendum question before the public at the next general election (April or November of each year).

GOAL #2. CITY, VILLAGE, TOWNSHIP & COUNTY REFERENDUMS. Help groups ask local government bodies to place BOTH and or impeachment referendums on the local ballots for primary or general election. Note: the municipal body may respond at it chooses and place or not place issues on the ballot.

GOAL #3. CONGRESSIONAL LEADERSHIP — STATEWIDE PETITION. Calling upon the WI Congressional delegation to become leaders in calling for & voting for impeachment investigations in the U.S. House. During Bush’s terms over 12,000 signatures were collected on a statewide impeachment petition. See ImpeachWI.org in Jan. for a copy of the petition to download and circulate.

GOAL #4. JOINT RESOLUTION. Lobby to get the WI State Assembly & Senate to pass a joint resolution requesting the U.S. House of Representatives commence proper impeachment investigations against President Obama. Also lobby for a joint legislators’ letter requesting impeachment.

GOAL #5. NATIONAL ELECTRONIC PETITION CALLING FOR ALL PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATES TO TAKE A STAND ON & ADVOCATE FOR IMPEACHMENT.

GOAL #6. EDUCATE, ACTIVATE AND AGITATE FOR IMPEACHMENT via town meetings on impeachment, rallies, street theater, press releases, tabling at events, circulating petitions, etc.

Persons and organizations all over the state are invited to join us work to impeach for peace!

(Updated 12/10)
Wisconsin National Organization of Women
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The main focus of this group is to promote economic justice for women.
(updated 6/11)
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History: Founded in 1983 to protect Wisconsin's precious ground and surface waters from metallic sulfide mine pollution.

Membership: About 500. (Membership is $15, or $5 for low-income or retired persons. Send to WRPC, Box 263, Tomahawk, WI 54487.) No paid staff, 8-member steering committee, and 20 working volunteers.

Geographical area of work: Statewide and the Upper Peninsula (U.P.) of Michigan, with chapters in Forest County, White Lake, and La Crosse.

Working links: Member of Wisconsin's Carbon Free, Nuclear Free (CFNF) campaign and the Midwest Coalition Against Lethal Mining (MCALM).

Purpose: To educate the public about the hazards of metallic sulfide mining and corporate planning for a new mining district in northern Wisconsin, the U.P. of Michigan and the ceded territory of the Lake Superior Chippewa.

Projects: 1) Review of Kennecott’s compliance with monitoring of Flambeau River for pollutants from the abandoned Flambeau mine and possible legal action to enforce the Clean Water Act  2) Public education about Tamerlane’s revival of the Lynne mining project in Oneida County, WI 3) Opposition to Kennecott's nickel sulfide prospect on the Yellow Dog Plains in the U.P. and in the ceded territory of the Lake Superior Chippewa. 4) Opposition to the Mineral Processing Corporation's (MPC's) Back Forty zinc prospect in Menominee County, MI. 5) Produced video, “Keepers of the Water”, about the issues surrounding the proposed Crandon mine. 6) Wisconsin Resources Protection Council (WRPC) and Midwest Treaty Network co-produced a brochure, “Questions and Answers about BHP Billiton’s Proposed Crandon Mine in Wisconsin.” (Copies of the video and brochure are available through WRPC)

Publications: Newsletter (3-4 times/yr).

Congressional Districts: Statewide, but especially 3rd and 8th (Update 1/11)
History: The Wisconsin Women’s Network (WWN) was founded in 1979. The impetus for its formation was the dismantling of the Wisconsin Commission on the Status of Women. WWN’s agenda is based on the principles articulated in “Wisconsin Women and the National Plan of Action” resolutions adopted at the Wisconsin State meeting and the National Women’s Conference in Houston in 1977.

Membership: A coalition of organizations and individuals.

Geographical area of work: Wisconsin.

Who does the work: Part-time staff and volunteers.

Working links: WWN organizational members; WWN task forces focus on specific issues of concern.

Purpose: The Wisconsin Women’s Network advances the status of women and girls in Wisconsin through education, communication and advocacy.

Projects: Task Forces: Reproductive Rights, Women and Criminal Justice, Women Veterans; Special Projects: Wisconsin Elder Economic Security Initiative, Uncommon Fun: Jumping into Wisconsin Women's Network middle-school residency; Special Events: annual Stateswoman of the Year brunch, annual Artful Women Show and Sale, Wisconsin Young Women's Agenda and Aging Justice Replication Project


Congressional Districts: Statewide Districts 1-8. (Update 12/10)
Women’s International League for Peace and Freedom – Madison Branch

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History: Founded in 1915 by US and European feminists, to seek a negotiated settlement to the European conflict. Its purpose was broadened in 1918.

Membership: Madison Branch, 120. (Membership dues are $5 to $35.)

Geographical area of work: Local/national/international. The Women’s International League for Peace and Freedom (WILPF) has 142 US branches and sections in 37 countries.

Who does the work: Members and specific committees.

Working links: National WILPF and the Midwest branches in Milwaukee, Minneapolis, Des Moines, Indianapolis, St. Louis, and Champaign-Urbana.

Purpose: To work for those economic/social/legal/psychological conditions which promote world peace, justice, and equality for all.

Projects: Jane Addams Book discussion for adults, monthly, 7:00 pm, 1st Wednesdays, mostly non-fiction, at the Madison South Precinct, 805 Hughes Place. Annual reading and evaluation of nominees for Jane Addams Children's Book Award winners. Madison WILPF facilitates participation of local teachers and students in the award selection process. We host quarterly public forums on timely topics. We offer humanitarian/political support to the Dane County sister community in San Jose de Apartado, Colombia and Tax Day leafleting. Together with South Central Wisconsin Move to Amend we are advancing the idea of amending the US Constitution to restore rights to natural persons by limiting the rights and powers of corporations. Together with other Madison area women we are Raging Grannies, bringing humor and common sense to current events on street corners and by invitation.

Madison WILPF meets every second Wednesday of the month at the South Police Precinct, 805 Hughes Place, Madison, 7:00, almost always preceded by supper at El Pastor, 6:00.

Publications: Local quarterly newsletter, national Peace and Freedom magazine, and International WILPF newsletter.

Congressional District: 2nd, US Representative Tammy Baldwin. (Update 12/10)
The WRC is a Madison based 501(c)(3) that provides workplace rights education, advocacy and referrals to workers in South Central Wisconsin. Volunteer advocates who staff the WRC perform intakes and provide clients with legal information about local, state and federal employment law. Advocates assist in mediating disputes and provide guidance in filing complaints with local, state, and federal agencies. The WRC holds trainings throughout South Central Wisconsin on issues of employment law for community members, service providers, and community organizations. The mission of the Workers’ Rights Center is to give low-wage workers in South Central Wisconsin a greater voice in the workplace and the community. (update 1/11)
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History: We have been meeting for worship and business since September, 2002. Our worship is in the unprogrammed Quaker tradition.

Purpose: To worship in the manner of Friends (Quakers), to provide community for each other and those who want to join us, and to live our principles and faith.

Projects: We have endorsed and committed ourselves to the Earth Charter. We have established a program called "True Cost of Travel", which provides a mechanism to offset the negative environmental impacts of automobile and other motorized transportation. We have supported a variety of peace and justice activities, and write letters to the editor about our concerns, often suggested by Friends Committee on National Legislation or AFSC.

Congressional District: U.S. Representative Tammy Baldwin in the 2nd.

(update 1/09)
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Congressional phone numbers: (800-828-0498, 800-459-1887 and 800-614-2803)

White House Comment Line: 1-202-456-1111

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