

# In Your Own Words

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## 9to5 National Association of Working Women

9to5's mission is to build a movement to achieve economic justice by engaging directly affected women to improve working conditions.

9to5 envisions an economically just world where poverty and discrimination have been eliminated, the contributions of women are recognized, and women and their families thrive. Friday, April 13, 2012

## Center on Policy Initiatives

The Center on Policy Initiatives is a nonprofit research and advocacy center dedicated to the interests of working people in the San Diego region.

Through research, community organizing and public education, we seek policy changes that promote economic justice and strengthen the middle class.

CPI works to end working poverty by building a fair economy in which good jobs with healthcare coverage allow all working people to live with dignity.

We help strengthen communities through responsible development, affordable housing, child care, reliable public transportation, parks and other shared benefits.

## Coleman Advocates for Children and Youth

Coleman Advocates for Children and Youth is a member-led, multi-racial community organization working to create a city of hope, opportunity, and justice for all children and all families in San Francisco.

## Community Voices Heard

Community Voices Heard is a member organization of low-income people, predominantly women with experience on welfare, building power in New York City and State to improve the lives of our families and communities.

## Greater Birmingham Ministries

Greater Birmingham Ministries strives to serve God's purpose of justice and peace by assuaging the wounds of the **community** and struggling in community to realize more just systems and more faithful relationships.

Greater Birmingham Ministries is a multi-faith, multi-racial organization dedicated to serving people in need, pursuing justice, and building stronger communities.

## Families for Freedom

Founded in September 2002, Families for Freedom is a New York-based multi-ethnic defense network by and for immigrants facing and fighting deportation.

We are immigrant prisoners (detainees), former immigrant prisoners, their loved ones, or individuals at risk of deportation.

**Families for Freedom, cont'd.**

We come from dozens of countries, across continents.

FFF seeks to repeal the laws that are tearing apart our homes and neighborhoods; and to build the power of immigrant communities as communities of color, to provide a guiding voice in the growing movement for immigrant rights as human rights.

FFF has evolved into an organizing center against deportation.

We are source of support, education, and campaigns for directly affected families and communities -- locally and nationally.

**Florida Immigrant Coalition**

Florida Immigrant Coalition seeks equal rights for immigrants and integration into the civic and cultural life of our communities.

We accomplish our mission through coordination of immigrant organizations and community education, organizing and advocacy.

**Front Range Economic Strategy Center (FRESC)**

FRESC is a non-profit organization which brings together a diverse array of stakeholders to advance these principles and achieve lasting change for low and moderate-income workers, their families, and communities in Denver, the metro region and Colorado.

FRESC promotes a new vision of organizing that uplifts and empowers working families and creates healthier, more equitable and sustainable communities through policies and agreements.

**La Unión del Pueblo Entero**

César Chávez founded LUPE, a community union, rooted in the belief that members of the low-income community have the responsibility and the obligation to organize themselves.

Through their association they begin to advocate and articulate for the issues and factors that impact their lives.

Further, César Chávez believed that for people to have ownership of this endeavor, they have to invest of themselves, their efforts and resources, to sustain it.

The membership, and the responsibility that comes with it, form the base that is the power of the organization.

**Mujeres Unidas y Activas (MUA)**

Mujeres Unidas y Activas (MUA) is a grassroots organization of Latina immigrant women with a dual mission of promoting personal transformation and building community power for social and economic justice.

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## **Ohio Valley Environmental Coalition (OHVEC)**

OVEC's mission is to organize and maintain a diverse grassroots organization dedicated to the improvement and preservation of the environment through education, grassroots organizing and coalition building, leadership development and media outreach.

## **Puget Sound Sage**

Puget Sound Sage brings together labor, faith and community to build an economy based on shared prosperity.

We ensure all families benefit from economic growth, all workers are free from discrimination in the workplace and all development meets the needs of our communities.

## **Southsiders Organized for Unity and Liberation**

SOUL is dedicated to providing a vehicle for ordinary people to act together and build the power they need to get a seat at the table and have their voice heard.

SOUL's mission is to empower the Southside of Chicago and the South suburbs to fight for social justice and address issues and concerns within the community.

## **Texas Organizing Project**

TOP promotes social and economic equality for low to moderate income Texans through community and electoral organizing.

In order to address these and other critical issues, Texas needs an empowered and organized citizenry.

TOP provides hard working Texans the opportunity to implement real change by organizing their own neighborhoods, investing their time and energy in causes relevant to their respective communities, and collectively taking ownership over the TOP's agenda, strategy, and direction.

## **Western Organization of Resource Councils (WORC)**

WORC is a regional network of seven grassroots community organizations that include 10,000 members and 38 local chapters. WORC helps its member groups succeed by providing training and coordinating issue work.

WORC's mission is to advance the vision of a democratic, sustainable, and just society through community action. WORC is committed to building sustainable environmental and economic communities that balance economic growth with the health of people and stewardship of their land, water, and air resources.