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| AREA A Connecticut Bridgeport Connecticut Sponsoring Committee, Fairfield County Chapter | The Connecticut Sponsoring Committee is group of between 35-45 congregations in the cities of Bridgeport and New Haven, Conn. The group is in its organizational development stage and hopes to begin identifying issues for its first planned public action in May of 2010. | \$40,000.00 |
| AREA A Connecticut Hartford Connecticut Public Housing Resident Network, Inc. | Since 1999, the Public Housing Resident Network (PHRN) has been a project of the Connecticut Housing Coalition. PHRN was started by the Coalition in order to bring the missing voice of public housing residents to the table in the public policy debate and provide resident leaders with the tools to better advocate for their housing and their communities. PHRN provides a range of assistance to residents of public housing. PHRN informs residents of new and important local, state and federal policy, and educates residents about the potential impact such policies may have on their lives. | \$35,000.00 |
| AREA A Connecticut Hartford Teach Our Children | Teach Our Children (TOC) is an organization of low to moderate income New Haven parents who organize for positive changes in our public schools. Teach Our Children's mission is to ensure that we as parents are truly involved with education policy and decision-making and rightfully acknowledged as critical participants in the success of our school system. TOC was founded by three New Haven natives (two parents and a community organizer) in the spring of 2006 and is now led by a core of 22 New Haven parents, with a growing membership of 321 parents. | \$35,000.00 |
| AREA A Connecticut Hartford United Connecticut Action for Neighborhoods, Inc. | United Connecticut Action for Neighborhoods, Inc. (UCAN) was established in 1978 to expand community organizing in Connecticut. In 1984 UCAN began its work on health care with the establishment of United Seniors in Action (USA), a statewide senior coalition. In 1999 UCAN established a new project called The Caring Families Coalition (CFC), so that its health care work could include consumers of all ages. CFC is the umbrella under which UCAN does all its health care organizing. CFC is a statewide consumer group with over 70 groups participating. The group has been working to expand health coverage to include all those who lack it in the state of Connecticut. | \$30,000.00 |
| AREA A Maine Portland Food AND Medicine | FAM's mission is to organize, educate, and empower workers and our communities in the fight for economic and social justice. FAM works with unions, farmers, community groups, small businesses and churches to create solutions and positive change. FAM runs several programs which seek to aid working people and strengthen our social safety net. Our most significant new effort is the Worker Center of Eastern ME (WCEM) which was launched on Labor Day 2007 and will address the situation that working class families face. Many low-income workers do not have the ability to join unions, and living wage jobs with benefits are steadily disappearing. The WCEM aims to bring together unorganized workers to collectively fight to better the situation of working families. | \$30,000.00 |
| AREA A Maine Portland Kennebec Valley Organization | The Kennebec Valley Organization Sponsoring Committee (KVOSC) is organizing to create a faith- and democratic values-based, multi-issue organization of congregations, community groups and small business groups in the Kennebec Valley of Maine, an unusually hard-hit region of the state. The Kennebec Valley Organization (KVO) will bring people and institutions together across lines of religion, geography, age, race, ethnic group, and economic status to take action on the issues they care most about, such as saving, strengthening, and creating good jobs, affordable housing, critical public services, and public and private investment in the Valley. Also, by building relationships and developing leadership this organization will strengthen not just the broader community but its individual member institutions as well. | \$30,000.00 |
| AREA A Maine Portland Preble Street Resource Center | Preble Street is a private, non-profit, social service agency that provides low-barrier services to empower people experiencing problems with homeless, housing, hunger, and poverty; advocates for solutions to these problems; facilitates consumer-led efforts to advocate for social change on behalf of people who struggle with these circumstances; and supports participation of this historically disenfranchised community in the public policy arena. Three years ago Preble Street supported the development of a statewide organizing effort of the homeless, "Homeless Voices for Justice. It remains the fiscal agent for this effort. Homeless Voices for Justice will use CCHD support to continue leading the effort in organizing homeless people in Maine to protect our vulnerable neighbors and work for social justice. CCHD funding is critical in helping us maintain our structure which includes a new, recently incorporated social organizing model. Our success with this new approach to developing leadership was directly responsible for our strongest "You Don't Need a Home to Vote" voter registration and education campaign ever. Homeless people's leadership with professional staff support and the stability of this growing and strengthening movement makes HVJ a significant voice at the tables of change in the state of Maine. | \$30,000.00 |
| AREA A Massachusetts Boston Boston Affordable Housing Coalition | MAHT organizes, trains and provides technical assistance to more than 34 member HUD tenant groups representing more than 8,000 low income families in Eastern and Central Massachusetts who live in privately-owned, HUD assisted multifamily housing. MAHT's mission is to preserve and improve at-risk HUD buildings as permanently affordable housing with a maximum of resident participation, ownership and control. MAHT's strategy is to 'organize the unorganized' HUD tenants in at-risk buildings before owners decide to opt out of HUD programs. Founded in 1983 as the nation's first HUD tenant coalition still operating today, MAHT is the only resident-run, membership coalition providing organizing and technical assistance to HUD tenants in Eastern Massachusetts. Since 1983, MAHT has preserved more than 10,400 at-risk apartments as affordable housing. | \$25,000.00 |
| AREA A Massachusetts Boston Boston Workers' Alliance | The Boston Workers' Alliance (BWA) is an organization of unemployed and underemployed workers, united to end the crisis of joblessness in Boston's poorest communities of color. As a member-led organization, the BWA drives grassroots campaigns and economic development projects to overcome job discrimination against those with criminal records-known as CORI. At BWA's official launch on September 22, 2005, over 80 unemployed residents voted to form the BWA with three main priorities, 1) change the CORI laws, 2) create a CORI friendly temp agency, and 3) help create new businesses owned by our members. Three and a half years later, the BWA functions as an independent, financially viable organization that has made significant inroads on each priority. | \$40,000.00 |
| AREA A Massachusetts Boston Brockton Interfaith Community | The Brockton Interfaith Community (BIC) is an organization of 19 Brockton area congregations and institutions. We are a broad-based power organization that identifies, trains, and develops grassroots leaders. Our leadership development process gives constituents the skills needed to organize members of their congregation, community, or institution, and work with other institutional allies to build power and utilize that power to accomplish shared goals. Brockton has a high unemployment rate, high school drop out rate, long waiting lists for ESOL classes, and declining state revenues leading to city and state budget cuts affecting Brockton. The group will be focusing upon crime and safety issues, education, and the needs of immigrants in the coming year. | \$30,000.00 |

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| AREA A Massachusetts Boston Community Labor United Inc. | CLU is a institutionally based organization composed of community groups and labor unions. CLU's overriding goal is to benefit and build power for Greater Boston's low and moderate income families. Our constituency encompasses all ages, and varying degrees of physical abilities. It includes people of color and non-English speakers. Our campaigns and research focus on and benefit this diverse constituency. Geographically, the focus of this work is in Boston and 23 other cities and towns within Suffolk and Middlesex counties in Massachusetts. The group will focus on expanding access to green jobs in the coming year. | \$30,000.00 |
| AREA A Massachusetts Boston Essex County Community Organization | Essex County Community Organization is a multi-ethnic congregationally based organization located in the towns along the north shore east of Boston, MA in Essex County. The group will be focusing upon the issues of Crime and Safety, ESL, and youth in the coming year. | \$25,000.00 |
| AREA A Massachusetts Boston Massachusetts Senior Action Council | Mass Senior Action is a statewide individual membership organization with chapters in most of the major population centers in the state. They will be focusing their work primarily upon the issues of housing and healthcare in the coming year. | \$25,000.00 |
| AREA A Massachusetts Boston Merrimack Valley Project, Inc. | MVP is a multi issue institutionally based membership group composed of congregations, unions, tenant groups, and a low wage worker center. MVP requests renewed general funding from CCHD in 2009-2010 to: 1) Unite hundreds of immigrant and non-immigrant leaders to win new public funding for citizenship and legal services, and access to education for legal and undocumented immigrants. 2) Continue MVP's organizing campaign to win 2 additional employer commitments to expand the groundbreaking "Career Ladders" workforce development program, increasing the program's annual funding base to \$450,000, and tripling the number of beneficiaries from 100 to 300 low-income immigrant workers per year. 3) Provide training and support to MVP congregational leaders in their ongoing efforts to build deeper relationships in their institutions. | \$30,000.00 |
| AREA A Massachusetts Boston Metropolitan Interfaith Congregations Acting for Hope | MICAH is a multi-ethnic, interfaith congregational based organization located in the Rt 128 corridor to the west of Boston, MA. The group will be focusing on immigrant rights, housing, and supporting local economic development initiatives. | \$30,000.00 |
| AREA A Massachusetts Boston Urban Revival Inc. | CL/VU is an individual membership organization composed of tenants in the City of Boston, MA. Their focus is Housing Organizing, with emphasis on the Campaign to Halt Post Foreclosure Eviction. This campaign builds the power of Boston's low- and moderate-income residents through organizing to reclaim control of the communities that they have built, protected, and loved. | \$40,000.00 |
| AREA A Massachusetts Fall River El Centro de Trabajadores Centro Americanos | El Centro de Trabajadores Centro Americanos is a newly established worker center in New Bedford, MA. The group works with Mayan, Guatemalan, Honduran, and Salvadoran immigrants from the low wage industries in the area. The group is in its developmental stage and will be working to establish its base and assist workers in identifying their first issues. | \$30,000.00 |
| AREA A Massachusetts Fall River United Interfaith Action of Southeast Massachusetts | UIA is a congregationally based organization located in Fall River and New Bedford, MA. This year they will organize for policy changes by the Superintendent and School Committee and for budget increases by the School Committee and Mayor in New Bedford. On the state level they will work for policy and funding changes on transportation policy. | \$30,000.00 |
| AREA A Massachusetts Springfield Anti-Displacement Project | The Anti-Displacement Project builds new institutions controlled by low income people and then links these institutions together into a broad based, regional, multi-issue organization that has (1) the power to compel accountability from decision makers and (2) the ability to act as a mediating institution for the thousands of people whose poverty cuts them off from civic life. ADP continues to work on housing issues which relate to Sec.8 and opened its worker center one year ago. The center works with low wage construction, service, and agricultural workers assisting them with a range of employment issues. | \$30,000.00 |
| AREA A Massachusetts Springfield Pioneer Valley Project | The Pioneer Valley Project was founded in 1996 to relieve conditions of poverty, unemployment, discrimination and inequality in the Southern Pioneer Valley of Massachusetts. We empower people to organize effectively through their congregations and unions to improve the quality of life around issues people themselves define as most important. Most recently our education organizing is creating partnerships between parents and teachers to improve Springfield schools. Our current organizing approach combines the educational benefits of teacher home visits as demonstrated in Sacramento, California, with a leadership development approach that grows out of our own congregational organizing experience. This grant proposal is based on the lessons we have learned from organizing in 2 schools this year. | \$30,000.00 |
| AREA A Massachusetts Worcester Ex-prisoners and Prisoners Organizing for Community Advancement | In the summer of 2004, a handful of hard-working, hopeful former prisoners stopped accepting the life-sentence of humiliation, and unemployment that we had been assigned. Our Mission: We are ex-prisoners, along with allies, friends and family, coming together to create resources and opportunities for those who have paid their debt to society. Over the last three years EPOCA has steadily grown in membership, influence and vision. Today, we are a well-respected organization with 194 members and a core of 45 leaders working every day to bring progressive change to Massachusetts' systems of criminal justice and re-entry. We are a diverse organization, roughly ¼ Latino/a, ½ white, and ¼ African American, and 90% of our members are directly affected by the criminal justice system. | \$35,000.00 |
| AREA A Massachusetts Worcester Pleasant Street Neighborhood Network Center, Inc. | The PSNN is a neighborhood based individual membership group located in the Pleasant Street Neighborhood of Worcester, MA. The group will be working on a number of local community development initiatives related to housing, they will participate in a city-wide coalition to maintain funding for city run pools, and seek to play a role in assisting with the foreclosure crisis. | \$25,000.00 |
| AREA A Massachusetts Worcester Worcester Interfaith | Founded in 1993, Worcester Interfaith (WI) is a multi-issue, multi-racial broad based community organization, comprised of 25 dues-paying religious congregations and community institutions that reflect the religious, racial, ethnic and geographic diversity of the city. As the mission statement reads, WI will be focusing on a range of local community development issues, youth organizing, and state employment funding for low wage, low skill workers. | \$25,000.00 |

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| <p>AREA A New Hampshire Manchester United Valley Interfaith Project</p> | <p>Leaders of Valley congregations began organizing the United Valley Interfaith Project (UVIP) in 2005. UVIP is a inter-faith congregationally based organization located in southwestern New Hampshire. Their current focus is winning their initial affordable housing and transportation campaigns; continuing to build low-income participation and leadership in UVIP through issue campaigns, internal campaigns in existing member groups, and adding additional low-income member congregations and organizations.</p> | <p>\$30,000.00</p> |
| <p>AREA A New Jersey Camden Camden Churches Organized for People</p> | <p>CCOP is a congregationally based organization located in Camden, NJ. The group will focus its efforts in the coming year on working to improve the community policing program instituted in Camden and to seek additional funding for the Citie's home improvement program. On a national level they will participate in PICO's efforts at Healthcare reform.</p> | <p>\$30,000.00</p> |
| <p>AREA A New Jersey Metuchen New Labor Education & Training Institute, Inc.</p> | <p>New Labor is a membership based worker organization that helps workers succeed by learning new skills and providing them with a voice on the job and in their communities. New Labor combines new and existing strategies to improve working conditions and create good jobs for primarily young, immigrant workers in central New Jersey. Adapting to the changes of the economy, New Labor strategically utilizes worker advocacy, customized training, and grassroots enterprises to leverage members' interests at work and in their communities. Since New Labor's founding in January of 2000, New Labor has grown to over 1000 dues paying members and provides important solutions to the challenges faced by immigrant workers in today's economy.</p> | <p>\$30,000.00</p> |
| <p>AREA A New Jersey Newark Statewide Education Organizing Committee, Inc.</p> | <p>Our SEOC local chapters in Newark and Jersey City are gradually growing in membership and leadership and are winning important local changes. Our Paterson chapter is starting out with great promise. And our Asbury Park chapter is very close to a significant district wide victory - changing how the district handles disruptive behavior so that suspensions decrease and positive alternatives to suspension will increase. Our challenge is to engage, support, develop and retain enough leaders so that we can be effective in changing the role of low income parents both at the local and at the state level. We are currently fine tuning a statewide campaign to improve secondary education which we see as a wonderful opportunity to enlarge our leadership pool and to create a greater number of leaders at all levels.</p> | <p>\$30,000.00</p> |
| <p>AREA A New Jersey Paterson Wind of the Spirit Immigrant Resource Center, Inc.</p> | <p>Established in 2000, Wind of the Spirit (WotS) is a grassroots, interfaith organization of immigrants from various parts of Latin America who are affected by immigration policies working in collaboration with non-immigrants. Wind of the Spirit's mission is to organize and empower the community for social change; to help immigrants and non-immigrants come to know each other and be enriched by one another; to educate members of the immigrant community on their rights and responsibilities; to promote activities to celebrate the rich cultural diversity of the Morristown community; to advocate for the human rights and dignity of all people regardless of immigration status; to create a deeper understanding of the global conditions that underlie immigration; and to work together for a world of solidarity, peace, and justice.</p> | <p>\$25,000.00</p> |
| <p>AREA A New York Brooklyn Bushwick Organization Independence Project</p> | <p>BHIP is an individual membership group composed of tenants in buildings in the Bushwick section of Brooklyn, NY. BHIP's fundamental mission is the preservation of affordable housing for low and moderate income families. BHIP is proposing legislation to the City Council to protect working tenants who are paying more than 40% of their income for rent. Initial discussion indicates that all other housing groups are anxious to support this idea, although the initial work will be in BHIP's domaine.</p> | <p>\$30,000.00</p> |
| <p>AREA A New York Brooklyn Families United for Racial and Economic Equality, Inc.</p> | <p>FUREE is an individual membership group with members throughout the Bourough of Brooklyn, NY. A CCHD grant over the next year will provide general operating support for FUREE organizing work to: 1) Prevent the mass shutdowns of family day care centers in low-income and working communities and win better wages, benefits, and working conditions for family day care providers. 2) Carry out a community-led economic development process in Downtown Brooklyn to ensure that development happens for - not at the expense of - surrounding communities of color. 3) Grow the voices, leadership skills, and power of young people of color to fight for high quality education, good jobs, and better opportunities. 4) Build low-income people's electoral and legislative power to influence policy decisions at every level of government. 5) Build the long-term infrastructure and capacity of FUREE and FUREE's members.</p> | <p>\$25,000.00</p> |
| <p>AREA A New York Brooklyn La Union</p> | <p>La Unión also has developed a youth organizing arm, Youth Action Changes Things (YACT), to empower the children of our members to achieve their goals and seek justice for themselves and their families. This year we are seeking funds to support our campaigns to organize immigrant parents and students to achieve equity for Mexican-American youth and youth at risk in the New York City Public Schools. The issue of sub-standard treatment or Mexican youth came to light when La Unión members began to talk about the discrimination suffered by their children at the hands of guidance counselors and teachers, ranging from withholding information from Latino students;</p> | <p>\$25,000.00</p> |
| <p>AREA A New York Brooklyn Queens Congregations United for Action</p> | <p>QCUA is an ecumenical congregation based organization located in the Bourough of Queens, NY. The group will focus its efforts in trying to expand affordable housing opportunities throughout Queens and NYC, attempt to improve the responsiveness of the Board of Education to Parents concerns, and it will hold local actions to address quality of life issues in the neighborhoods surrounding their members congregations.</p> | <p>\$35,000.00</p> |
| <p>AREA A New York Brooklyn SW Brooklyn Congregations United</p> | <p>Brooklyn Congregations United is the result of a merger of two smaller Brookly congregationally based groups. They are a Brooklyn Bourough wide organizaition now, composed of churches, synagogues, and mosques with an extremely diverse racial and ethnic membership mix. The group plans to focus its activiites on getting th Dept of Transportation to attend to the concerns of several member congregations, position itself to become active around bourough and citywide housing issues, and continue to develop a youth organizing initiative begun in 2008.</p> | <p>\$30,000.00</p> |
| <p>AREA A New York Buffalo Niagara Organizing Alliance for Hope</p> | <p>NOAH is an ecumenical congregation based organization located in Niagra Falls and the surrounding county. Unemployment in Buffalo-Niagara is 25 percent while unemployment of black males is 50 percent. Jobs remain the key issue. Challenges on Jobs: a) Meeting with the new mayor of Niagara Falls is brought about only with great pressure. He was reasonably cooperative about the park but does not want to move on the local hiring ordinance, saying it the city council's prerogative. B) NOAH continues to work with the Niagara County Legislature to get a local hiring ordinance passed. Only the Niagara Falls representatives express interest in this. Challenges on health care reform: The NYS and national economies make it a particularly difficult year to lobby for services in health care or any other area.</p> | <p>\$30,000.00</p> |
| <p>AREA A New York Buffalo People United for Sustainable Housing</p> | <p>PUSH is a neighborhood based individual membership organization located on the Westside of Buffalo, NY. PUSH plans to work on the systemic change goals outlined in the PUSH Anti-poverty Platform, which was developed in partnership with its membership. The three major planks of the anti-poverty reinvestment platform are: 1) increased investment by municipal, State and Federal entities, as well as banks, in housing rehabilitation in low-income neighborhoods (100 unit rehab goal citywide. currently only 10 are rehabilitated); (2) increased investment in weatherization to decrease utility costs and increase green efficiency (500 housin unit weatherizatio goal citywide); and (3) ensure that a goal of 50% of all jobs on neighborhood reinvestment projects are made available to low-income urban residents.</p> | <p>\$30,000.00</p> |

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| AREA A New York Buffalo Voice-Buffalo Inc. | VOICE Buffalo is a citywide ecumenical , congregationally based organization. It has been working on regional transportation issues for some time and will continue to do so in 2009-2010. Additional areas of interest are local community development, they helped redevelop a park on the Eastside, and crime and safety issues. | \$25,000.00 |
| AREA A New York New York Chinese Staff and Workers Association | CSWA involves thousands of workers from various trades and backgrounds in organizing programs to change policy and tackle the root causes of exploitation. We are committed to building workers' centers as organs of participatory democracy. As the first workers center established in the U.S, CSWA continues to broaden its organizing work in its thirtieth year. CSWA is the only organization that organizes Chinese workers across diverse trades to fight for their legal and human rights in the workplace and the community. In the coming year CSWA will be working on land-use and displacement, childcare, health, youth development, immigration, and 9/11 disaster relief assistance. | \$25,000.00 |
| AREA A New York New York Church of Our Lady of the Rosary | The Day Laborers Project is a program in its second year of operation whose mission is to address the large and growing Latino immigrant community who serve as invaluable, temporary employees (day laborers) to small businesses in Port Chester, Rye and Greenwich CT. The day laborer community has historically lacked sufficient voice and organization in the community to attain the minimum standards of fair employment, including fair wages and other just working conditions. Since many of these workers are undocumented, there is both a fear of working within the legal/political system and a lack of sufficient knowledge in labor laws and practices that they can and should expect. The Day Laborers Project will enable and support day laborers in forming a 'community of workers' organized around the principles of fair wages and other just labor practices. | \$30,000.00 |
| AREA A New York New York Esperanza del Barrio | Esperanza del Barrio was founded in February 2003 by six Latina immigrant street vendors who began to organize and defend themselves in response to police harassment. Esperanza is a membership-led community organization based in East Harlem that assists the self-empowerment of low-income Latina immigrants and youth through leadership development, political/legal education, and grassroots organizing. Esperanza has been fighting for several years for an increase in the number of licenses available to street vendors and works to develop better working relationships with the Police in districts where their members are operating. | \$25,000.00 |
| AREA A New York New York Mirabal Sisters Cultural and Community Center, Inc. | DESCRIPTION OF ORGANIZATION The Mirabal Sisters Cultural and Community Center, Inc. (Mirabal) is a grassroots, constituent-led organization committed to empowering the West Harlem communities of Hamilton Heights, Manhattanville and Morningside Heights.. Mirabal was founded in the early 1990's by a group of activists of Dominican origin and was incorporated as a non-profit organization in April 2001. Our work in the areas of affordable housing/tenant rights, youth leadership development and family violence prevention has the ultimate goal of providing opportunities for community leadership and empowerment. In recent years we have assumed a leadership role in The Coalition to Preserve the Community, a community-wide initiative to oppose gentrification and the proposed massive expansion into and take over of our low-income residential community by Columbia University. | \$30,000.00 |
| AREA A New York New York Movimiento por Justicia del Barrio (Movement for Justice in El Barrio) | In December of 2004, prompted by countless complaints from low-income residents in El Barrio suffering under hazardous and illegal living conditions, St. Cecilia's church was compelled to initiate a housing rights project and used its own funds to provide the seed money to pay the salary of a full-time community organizer. Movimiento por Justicia del Barrio and received a small grant to hire a temporary part-time organizer. They are an emerging social justice organization geographically focused in El Barrio which covers the area from 96th to 125th streets between Lexington Avenue and the East River in Manhattan. An individual membership organization with over 400 primarily Mexican immigrant members they have and continue to focus on a variety of tenant issues and an anti-displacement agenda. Additionally they have had ongoing negotiations with the Mexican Consulate aimed at improving services to the Mexican immigrant population in NYC. | \$30,000.00 |
| AREA A New York New York Northwest Bronx Community and Clergy Coalition | The members of the Northwest Bronx Community and Clergy Coalition (NWBCCC) seek social, economic, environmental, and racial justice for our families, our communities. In 1974 the local Catholic Churches, led by Bishop Ahern, called together pastors and community leaders to launch the Northwest Bronx Community and Clergy Coalition. In the last nine years NWBCCC has also developed a powerful youth initiative by creating the first youth-led high school called the Leadership Institute, and a Youth Justice Organizing program called Sistas and Brothas United. The group will focus issue campaigns around economic development, housing, education, and youth issues in the coming year and is an active member in the citywide CCHD funded group Housing Here and Now. | \$25,000.00 |
| AREA A New York New York Restaurant Opportunities Center of New York | Although initially founded to provide support to restaurant workers displaced after September 11th, 2001, ROC-NY has expanded to organize restaurant workers citywide for improved working conditions. ROC-NY seeks to build a base for power among non-union restaurant workers through creative grassroots worker organizing efforts. ROC-NY is 1) conducting target research and initiating workplace justice campaigns against powerful Corporate Restaurant groups; 2) organizing restaurant workers to introduce worker-beneficial legislation at the state and local levels; 3) organizing immigrant workers to open their own Cooperative Worker-Owned Restaurants, training the worker-owners to be citywide advocates for workers' rights; 5) with the Restaurant Industry Coalition and the Restaurant Industry Roundtable, launching a campaign that includes research, litigation, 'testing', and policy work, on discrimination in the restaurant industry. All five programs, plus our ongoing outreach and political education work, allow ROC-NY to build power for restaurant workers in New York City. ROC-NY's membership includes 1200 restaurant workers. | \$30,000.00 |
| AREA A New York Rochester Progressive Neighborhood Federal Credit Union | Progressive Neighborhood Federal Credit Union was founded in October, 1995, to serve unbanked and underbanked consumers in Rochester, New York. Since that time, over 1,500 people have improved their credit and financial self-sufficiency, and more than \$6.6 million has been loaned with default rates at 5%. Over the next 18 months, Progressive will focus on: 1) formalize/expand the 'Progressive Way to Better Credit' (our highly successful credit counseling, credit building, and lending program); 2) move toward becoming a \$10 million institution by 2016, with growth in 2006 from \$2,500,000 to \$3,175,000, including \$1,250,000 in new loans, growing that portfolio from \$1,680,000 to \$2,260,000; and 3) increase membership through a brand identity and outreach campaign, yielding 300 new members during 2006, increasing membership by 16 percent. Member savings will increase 45 percent to an average \$448 per member. | \$25,000.00 |
| AREA A New York Rochester Tompkins County Workers' Center | The primary mission of the Tompkins County Workers' Center is to ensure that all who work are valued and treated fairly particularly with respect to their wages, but we also see ourselves as part of a broader movement for social and economic justice. CCHD funds will be used to expand our community movement to improve wages, benefits, and working conditions for low-wage area workers employed locally in the retail, hospitality, food service and health care service industries. Funds will be used during the grant year to: 1) recruit, organize, and train 10 workers or former workers from these industries who will expand our Low Wage Worker Organizing Committee formed during 2007-08 and who will take the leading role in developing this campaign; 2) strengthen the capacity of our Workers' Rights Center to elicit and respond to violations of workers' rights; 3) continue to restructure our organization in a way that is inclusive, top to bottom, of the new people we are organizing with. | \$30,000.00 |

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| <p>AREA A New York Syracuse Syracuse Cooperative Federal Credit Union</p> | <p>Cooperative Federal is a nonprofit, community development credit union that serves the 'urban core' of Syracuse, NY. We are a certified Community Development Financial Institution (CDFI; U.S. Treasury Department) and a Low Income Credit Union (LICU; National Credit Union Administration). Cooperative Federal was recognized and insured by the NCUA in February, 1982. We are considered a small credit union, with \$14 million in assets (9/30/08). Our MISSION is to rebuild the local economy in ways that foster justice, manage member assets responsibly, and serve those underserved by conventional financial institutions. The gap between member deposits and loan demand has been exacerbated by the current unstable state of the national economy. Increasing need requires Cooperative Federal to cultivate new sources of support as we gradually work toward self-sustainability. This application to CCHD is a key part of our strategy. By encouraging asset-building through savings incentives, education, and coaching, Cooperative Federal can create opportunity, improve quality of life, and help rebuild the local and national economy.</p> | <p>\$34,113.00</p> |
| <p>AREA A Pennsylvania Allentown Congregations United for Neighborhood Action (CUNA)</p> | <p>CUNA, a member of the PICO National Network, is a congregation based community organization founded in 1999. CUNA trains ordinary people to become leaders who can identify and address issues that affect our community. Through the years CUNA has successfully addressed numerous issues, large and small, and has grown to be respected as an organization that does its research, gets its facts straight and proposes solutions to issues. Some of the issues on which we are currently focusing include: Expansion of CUNA's work into the city of Bethlehem, PA. Access to healthcare, particularly for children -Youth recreation – Allentown and Bethlehem-Quality of life issues – umbrella for many cleanliness and community safety issues-Blight reduction-Public Safety and Gang Prevention</p> | <p>\$35,000.00</p> |
| <p>AREA A Pennsylvania Philadelphia Home Care Associates, Inc.</p> | <p>Home Care Associates is a thirteen-year old, worker-owned home health company serving the Philadelphia metropolitan area. HCA provides home health training and employment to low-income Philadelphia residents. Historically, over 75% of HCA's new employees were receiving public assistance benefits when hired. The majority of HCA recruits tend to be unemployed or working part-time prior to joining HCA. HCA provides employees with a quality job, including full health benefits, paid time off, transportation passes, adequate pay and ongoing case management and training, enabling them to tackle some of their other life challenges. By providing these benefits, HCA works to provide a quality job, which helps to ensure quality care for clients. These clients, hospice patients, individuals with physical and mental disabilities, and the elderly rely on HCA's high standard of care to assist them in living successfully in their homes.</p> | <p>\$30,000.00</p> |
| <p>AREA A Pennsylvania Philadelphia JUNTOS</p> | <p>JUNTOS is a membership organization of Mexican and Latino immigrants working to build power for justice in the city of Philadelphia and our home countries in order to create vibrant, organized, vocal, and healthy communities. Through support from CCHD, we aim to strengthen our ability to organize with workers around the challenges they face. Specifically, we will focus our organizing effort on a group of Latino day laborers who approached the organization in the spring of 2008. We have heard of workers being abandoned at worksites, miles away from home. Others have been threatened at gunpoint for requesting their pay. From the information we have collected, 20% of the time that a worker is recruited from the site, he is not paid. Juntos will continue its work with Mexican immigrant parents begun during this grant year assisting them in their efforts to improve their children's schools in South Philadelphia.</p> | <p>\$30,000.00</p> |
| <p>AREA A Pennsylvania Philadelphia Women's Community Revitalization Project</p> | <p>The Women's Community Revitalization Project (WCRP) is an individual membership based community organization – led by poor people, women and people of color.. WCRP was established in 1987 by a group of women in Eastern North Philadelphia. WCRP has since built five affordable housing developments (130 units of housing), organized hundreds of poor women to improve their neighborhoods and win more resources and better city services for their communities. Their current application will focus on their efforts to create a Community development land trust in their eastern North Philadelphia neighborhoods.</p> | <p>\$30,000.00</p> |
| <p>AREA A Pennsylvania Pittsburgh Mon Valley Unemployed Committee</p> | <p>The Mon Valley Unemployed Committee is an individual membership organization located in and around Pittsburgh, PA. The group has broad statewide relationships. The Mon Valley Unemployed Committee's assistance to dislocated workers gives it the opportunity to recruit the uninsured and those facing foreclosures. efforts to put into action healthcare reform, the Mortgage Conciliation Collaboration process, extend unemployment benefits, and improve the Trade Adjustment Assistance Program during the 2009-2010 grant year.</p> | <p>\$30,000.00</p> |
| <p>AREA A Puerto Rico Mayaguez Servicios Sociales Católicos de la Diócesis de Mayagüez, Inc</p> | <p>Servicios Sociales de the Diocese of Mayaguez is proposing to start an EDI with CCHD support that will create income and/or assets for low income people and their community in the Western part of the Island of Puerto Rico (Diocese of Mayagüez). This EDI will be a 501c3 run by the workers themselves with the assistance of "Servicios Sociales Católicos de la Diócesis de Mayagüez." We plan to have 5 home aides and one home healthcare aide for the first year; 10 home aides and 2 home healthcare aides for the second year; and 15 home aides and 3 home healthcare aides for the third year. Our main goal is to provide a most needed service to our elderly growing community and create job opportunities for poverty oriented groups. As a service corporation to the community, the individual workers will own a salary and fringe benefits as a major asset. Home aides will earn \$7.25 an hour while home healthcare aides will earn \$8.66 an hour, plus their fringe benefit. The larger community will benefit with the services of home care provided for the elder.</p> | <p>\$40,000.00</p> |
| <p>AREA A Puerto Rico San Juan Red de Apoyo a Grupos Comunitarios en Desarrollo Socioeconómico, Inc</p> | <p>The Red de Apoyo is an island wide coalition of community based economic development organizations, technical assistance providers, worker owned businesses, and advocates. Their focus is on developing policy initiatives in both the public and private sectors to support economic development in low income communities.</p> | <p>\$25,000.00</p> |
| <p>AREA A Rhode Island Providence Fuerza Laboral</p> | <p>Fuerza Laboral is a Rhode Island-based organization of immigrants and low-income workers who organize to end exploitation in the workplace. We train workers in their rights, develop new community leaders, and take direct action against injustice to achieve real victories. Local CCHD provided us with our first grant and on September 1st, 2006 we opened our doors. Members and staff outreach in the Latino immigrant community to identify potential organizing campaigns and leaders. Our members support each other to improve their workplaces and conditions for immigrant workers across the state. Two years after opening we have two full-time staff, our 501c3 status, grew a dues-paying membership and powerful grassroots leadership, trained hundreds of workers, and obtained over \$22,500 in stolen wages through direct action.</p> | <p>\$35,000.00</p> |
| <p>AREA A Rhode Island Providence Rhode Island Disability Vote Project</p> | <p>Founded in 2006, the RI Disability Vote Project (RIDVP or Vote Project) has grown into a membership organization with dues-paying members from a cross-disability base. The mission of the Rhode Island Disability Vote Project is to mobilize the disability vote through building a nonpartisan and powerful voting bloc of people and organizations interested in disability issues. The RIDVP plans to continue efforts to educate the disability community about voting rights, advocacy and civic participation to make their voice heard at the state level in 2009. With a strong voice, people with disabilities can achieve economic justice.</p> | <p>\$30,000.00</p> |

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| AREA A Rhode Island Providence The Rhode Island HUD Tenant Project, Inc. | The Rhode Island HUD Tenant Project is the state's only organization working to organize tenants of privately-owned, HUD-subsidized, multifamily housing in order to preserve affordable housing and improve living conditions for Rhode Island's low-income tenants. Our approach is to 'organize the unorganized' tenants in at-risk HUD developments into independent tenant associations that take action to affect the future of their affordable homes. | \$30,000.00 |
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| AREA B Illinois Chicago Southwest Organizing Project | Sponsored by the Southwest Catholic Cluster Project in 1989 to strengthen connections among Southwest Chicago's increasingly diverse residents and neighborhoods, the Southwest Organizing Project (SWOP) was formed in 1996 and has grown to include 28 member institutions. SWOP's mission is to build a broad-based organization of churches, mosques, schools, and other institutions in Southwest Chicago, which will enable families to exercise common values, determine their own future and connect with each other to improve life in their neighborhoods. Leaders of SWOP have dedicated themselves to building relationships across racial, ethnic and faith differences. A multi-issue organization, SWOP is known for its work to reduce violence, its fight to end predatory lending, its efforts to win rights and protect the civil liberties of immigrants, and its commitment to achievement in public schools through the Parents-as-Mentors and Grow Your Own Teachers initiatives. | \$45,000 |
| AREA B Illinois Chicago Northwest Neighborhood Federation | Northwest Neighborhood Federation (founded in 1979) exists to empower the residents of the lower Northwest side of Chicago as they face challenges such as the experience of immigration (from Latin American and Poland), an unresponsive political machine, aging infrastructure, crowded schools, escalating crime and gang activity, inadequate access to health care, and other issues common to lower-income urban communities. Over the course of our history we have addressed housing blight and predatory lending, flooding due to inadequate sewers, displacement of long-time senior residents, parent participation in public education, and many other issues. | \$30,000 |
| AREA B Illinois Chicago Lake County United | Lake County United is a broad based citizens organization made up of 37 churches, synagogues, mosques, non-profit organizations and unions in the largely suburban county directly north of Chicago. The organization was launched on April 23, 2003 when close to 2,000 people came together at a founding assembly in Libertyville. The clergy and lay leaders that put the new organization together (including then-Auxiliary Bishop Gerald Kicanas) sought to create a vehicle to allow the residents of this diverse and fast-growing county to address the challenges of poverty, lack of affordable housing, poorly funded schools, inadequate transportation and other issues. Lake County United's mission is to build relationships across Lake County, identify community concerns and needs, and works as a united power for human dignity, social justice and the greater good. | \$40,000 |
| AREA B Illinois Chicago Little Village Environmental Justice Organization | LVEJO became incorporated as a 501-c-3 CBO in August, 1998. We now have 400 paying members, 10 paid staff, 6 voluntary staff and 12 board members. Our programs are: Clean Power/Clean Air, Clean-up Toxic Land Now, Public Transit Justice, Youth are Our Future, Adult & Youth Leadership (People United for Dignity, Democracy and Justice: PUDDJ), Immigrant Rights, Urban Agriculture and Forestry, More Parks for Little Village, and Healthy Latino Schools. Our mission is to work with our families, co-workers, and neighbors to improve our environment and lives in Little Village and Chicago through democracy in action. Our environment is where we live, work, study, play and pray. We believe democracy means giving time and space for every voice to be heard and counted in everyday matters, full participation in all types of decision-making that affects our lives, and determining the future of our neighborhood and city. | \$40,000 |
| AREA B Illinois Chicago The Latino Union of Chicago | Founded in 2000 by women day laborers, the Latino Union of Chicago collaborates with low-income immigrant workers to develop the tools necessary to collectively improve social and economic conditions. The organization develops grassroots leadership from within the immigrant corner day laborer community, creates feasible alternatives that address the injustices immigrant workers face in Chicagoland, and works to build the broader grassroots movement for immigrant workers' rights. As the only organization that works with Chicagoland corner day laborers, the Latino Union's membership comprises the most vulnerable sector of the immigrant worker community. Workers who congregate on street corners where employers hire them on a temporary basis encounter situations of extreme poverty, exclusion by community, language barriers, and lack of designated physical spaces in which to congregate to find work, along with physical, verbal, and sexual abuse. | \$30,000 |
| AREA B Illinois Chicago Chicago Workers' Collaborative | The Chicago Workers' Collaborative (CWC), in existence since 1999, is a coalition of workers and organizations which seek to raise standards for low income workers in Illinois. The agenda and practice of the CWC are driven by workers with first-hand knowledge of contingent industries who serve as volunteers and staff members. For the past 9 years, the CWC has assisted thousands of Latino workers in the greater Chicago area in fighting anti-worker and anti-immigrant activities of employers and certain government agencies while also building the nation's strongest protections for temporary staffing and day laborers. CWC's mission is to empower ourselves as day laborers and low-wage workers by educating ourselves and defending our rights, by organizing and changing the unjust structures to create a just society that ensures economic opportunity for all. | \$30,000 |
| AREA B Illinois Chicago Progress Center for Independent Living | Progress Center for Independent Living, founded in 1988, is a private, non-profit, non-residential service and advocacy organization operated by and for persons with disabilities. Independent Living is a form of community organizing unique to the disability rights community. By empowering persons with disabilities to define and achieve their goals, and working together to change society, independent living helps millions to live satisfying and rewarding lives outside of institutions. This mission of empowerment guides all of Progress Center's services, including intensive one-on-one peer mentoring, disability rights training, outreach to various constituencies, community organizing and advocacy. Since its founding, Progress Center has 1) provided sponsorship for the national anti-euthanasia organization Not Dead Yet; 2) organized to create legislative support for measures that allow disabled and elderly nursing home residents to re-integrate into the community; 3) worked to make transit more accessible to people with disabilities; and 4) successfully pushed numerous public and private entities to comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act. | \$30,000 |
| AREA B Illinois Chicago TARGET Area Development | TARGET Area Development Corporation's AFC Multi-Cultural Theater Company (AFC/MCT), is a performing arts company on the south side of Chicago in the Auburn/Gresham community that provides a platform for artists, including hard-to-employ individuals, to develop and showcase their music, dance, theater, and choral skills through productions. Participants will learn how to create, produce, and promote their own shows. In 2009, AFC-MCT will aim to create an opportunity for our audiences of all ages to have a deeper experience at the theater by producing a series of socially-conscious theatrical productions that portray historical content of lived African-American experiences. These performances will provide a voice for diverse and underrepresented populations on stage, generate participation and dialogue between local communities, and create paid employment for local theater artists. This economic development strategy will assist low-income individuals in developing artistic skills needed to move themselves toward self-sufficiency. | \$35,000 |

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| <p>AREA B Illinois Chicago</p> <p>Parents Organized to Win, Educate and Renew - Policy Action Council</p> | <p>COFI is a Chicago-based organizing center that works to build the leadership and power of low-income parents of color. Through its unique model of Family Focused Organizing, COFI brings low-income parents - particularly recent immigrants, women of color, and TANF recipients - into the public sphere and engages them in direct action campaigns. In 2003, COFI-trained parent leaders created POWER-PAC, a citywide membership organization with the goal of uniting low-income parents across cultures and communities to fight for changes in city and state policies that affect their lives. POWER-PAC has engaged hundreds of parents from nine Chicago communities in campaigns to transform punitive and racially discriminatory school discipline policies, restore recess in elementary schools, win public funding for community schools, and increase voter participation in communities of color.</p> | <p>\$40,000</p> |
| <p>AREA B Illinois Chicago</p> <p>Senior Action Network</p> | <p>Senior Action is a growing network of 30 African-American and Latino congregations in the Chicago metropolitan area, dedicated to improving the quality of life for the region's senior citizens through training and organizing them to be their own advocates. The Senior Action Network is continually learning ways to impact public policies and practices that affect their quality of life. Senior Action Network focuses on providing practical and effective opportunities for congregations to act on larger issues that are beyond the reach of any single institution. The Senior Action Network is an important conduit for collaboration, connecting diverse congregations, strategic partner organizations and affected populations in removing barriers to social change in the wider community.</p> | <p>\$25,000</p> |
| <p>AREA B Illinois Joliet</p> <p>DuPage United</p> | <p>DuPage United is a non-profit citizens' organization made up of churches, mosques, synagogues, and non-profit agencies in west suburban DuPage County, Illinois. The mission of DuPage United is to build a network of institutions that nurture and develop active citizens to take collective action for structural change for human dignity, social justice and the greater good. The focus of DuPage United is to challenge and help institutions engage people as citizens rather than clients, customers or consumers, and provide the tools for people to have the capacity to act on their own behalf and for their community. We work on issues including, but not limited to, health care, transportation, education, public safety, affordable housing and economic development. Our issues reflect the common interests of Jews, Muslims, and Christians as well as the secular community represented in our member institutions.</p> | <p>\$40,000</p> |
| <p>AREA B Illinois Peoria</p> <p>Farmers Supporting Independent Agriculture</p> | <p>Farmers Supporting Independent Agriculture (FSIA) was organized by local family farmers in 2003 to combat the presence of absentee mega-farmers in Logan County, Illinois. At that time, over 6,000 acres of farmland in Logan County had been taken from local family farmers and rented to absentee mega-farmers who do not support local agribusiness vendors, do not spend their profits in Logan County, and do not practice good land stewardship. The mission of FSIA is to promote economic justice through a faith-based framework that seeks to establish relationships between landowners and local farmers. Members are committed to preserving the local economy, ensuring the survival of the family farm, and promoting good land stewardship.</p> | <p>\$40,000</p> |
| <p>AREA B Illinois Peoria</p> <p>Central Illinois Organizing Project</p> | <p>The Central Illinois Organizing Project (CIOP) is a multi-issue, faith-based community organization in the heartland of Illinois, made up of a core, ecumenical group of clergy representing various communities. CIOP is now a powerful and growing regional faith-based community organization of 37 dues paying member churches, grassroots, labor and ethnic groups. The organization is active in the communities of Peoria, Bloomington-Normal, Champaign-Urbana, Danville, Decatur and Springfield, IL. CIOP relies on leaders from member groups to be responsible for all facets of the organization. Current issue campaigns include anti-foreclosure, anti-payday lending, CRA, immigrant rights, and living wage.</p> | <p>\$25,000</p> |
| <p>AREA B Illinois Springfield</p> <p>United Congregations of Metro-East</p> | <p>United Congregations of Metro-East (UCM) is an interfaith, multiracial community organization. UCM's coalition of congregations and allies transcends the divisive barriers of race, economic status, religion, partisan politics, and geography to unite in a powerful voice for justice. We believe all citizens deserve the opportunities and resources necessary to have a voice in the decisions that affect the quality of their lives. UCM's vision of society is one in which all persons have equal opportunity and the resources needed to reach their full potential. UCM works to create systemic change that overcomes the root causes of poverty and injustice in our local communities. This is accomplished through the implementation of community organizing strategies for justice and the common good.</p> | <p>\$40,000</p> |
| <p>AREA B Illinois Springfield</p> <p>Homeless United for Change</p> | <p>Homeless United for Change (HUC) began in January 2007 when thirty homeless people, many of whom were sleeping outside the public library due to a lack of available beds held a series of meetings during which homeless people developed a list of things that would make their world better, and to demand a voice in decision making in the community. Three goals were identified and these continue to be HUC's goals. They are Housing First especially for the chronically homeless, a full service day center, and additional shelter beds. In addition, it was determined that homeless people must be the deciders and leaders so all meetings, events, and decisions must be conducted in such a way that people who have experienced homelessness are given leadership in the discussion and in decision making.</p> | <p>\$25,000</p> |
| <p>AREA B Indiana</p> <p>Ft. Wayne and South Bend Transforming Action through Power</p> | <p>Transforming Action through Power (TAP) is dedicated to training leaders to be forces for progress in the community. Enhanced personal civic skills lead to community-based solutions to address such persistent problems as low educational attainment, poverty, inadequate health care, violence and limited civic engagement. As people of faith & good will, we will work to ensure children have safe neighborhoods, schools have adequate resources and families have opportunities to maintain or improve their livelihood. TAP is committed to giving ordinary citizens the tools, knowledge and experience to become leaders for progress in South Bend and Michiana.</p> | <p>\$40,000</p> |
| <p>AREA B Indiana Gary</p> <p>Central District Organizing Project</p> | <p>The Central District Organizing Project (CDOP) was established as a result of a group of about 40 residents and activists who first organized against the rumored closing of the Gary's only hospital, Methodist, in February 2005. Our mission is to bring together residents, religious and community organizations and individual activists into a powerful coalition to fight for social justice in Gary, IN. The focus of the Central District Organizing Project is to build capacity in the residents of Gary to win local issues by bringing people together in action and improving the quality of life in the neighborhood and the city.</p> | <p>\$25,000</p> |
| <p>AREA B Indiana Indianapolis</p> <p>Workforce, Inc</p> | <p>Workforce, Inc is a not-for-profit located in Indianapolis, IN. The organization was founded in 2003 with the goal of working with urban employers to give a second chance to formerly incarcerated individuals. In working closely with these employers, Workforce came to the realization that there was a very real need for an actual intermediary employer, who could provide soft skill and hard skill training. After an intense period of study, Workforce selected the electronic recycling industry as one that would work well. Workforce set up a division called RecycleForce to recycle computers and employ formerly incarcerated individuals. We began in the Fall of 2005 with two employees and now have a payroll of over 30 individuals. Since inception we have processed over 3.2 million pounds of materials. Over 150 men have passed through our program and we have experienced a recidivism rate of only 15%. Further, 60% of the participants have gone on to find permanent employment.</p> | <p>\$30,000</p> |
| <p>AREA B Indiana Indianapolis</p> <p>Ryves Neighborhood Association</p> | <p>The RNA was started in 2003 between Catholic Charities of Terre Haute staff, neighborhood residents and Indiana State University. The initial and primary effort was focused on voter registration and personal empowerment. The mission of the RNA is "To strengthen the community through resident participation by improving the living conditions. The purpose is to affect sustaining change, assist our neighbors and families wherever possible and create a safer and desirable neighborhood." In short, the RNA simply wants what any taxpayer expects. Safer streets, less crime, a drug free community, clean streets and alleyways. The membership wants their neighborhood to be considered for improvement just the same as the higher income neighborhoods throughout the city.</p> | <p>\$35,000</p> |

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| AREA B Maryland Baltimore United Workers Association | The United Workers Association is an organization of low wage workers who are organizing for better wages and working conditions. We recognize that there are many barriers workers face in ensuring their basic economic human rights. These barriers include the growing day labor industry, discrimination of ex-offenders, and rise in low level service jobs. We can overcome these barriers through organizing and uniting workers together. Our history and accomplishments suggest the UWA is dedicated to identifying root causes of homelessness and poverty. We understand the need for developing new organizing tactics in response to the new economy. Finally, our work holds as a central value the abilities and agency of the poor themselves. | \$50,000 |
| AREA B Maryland Baltimore Out For Justice | A group of former prisoners formed the Out For Justice project in 2006 with a grant from the Baltimore Catholic Campaign for Human Development. Out For Justice works to empower a largely unrepresented group in the political and social arenas. Out For Justice seeks to address the myriad of problems in the prisons in Maryland, as well as the barriers former prisoners face as they return to society. No highly paid consultant is needed to analyze these problems and draft a report. The members of Out For Justice have all lived through these problems. They know the issues, and if empowered can find innovative solutions to these issues. | \$30,000 |
| AREA B Maryland Baltimore Youth As Resources | YAR is a youth-led grant making, community problem solving and leadership development organization. YAR grant making focuses on supporting community organizing efforts in Baltimore neighborhoods and institutions that have the fewest available resources and the most challenges, including high crime rates, violence, low incomes, high drop out rates and drug addiction. YAR grants provide youth in those neighborhoods and institutions with the resources needed to put their community organizing ideas into action. A volunteer Board of Directors made up of 25 young people from across Baltimore and four adult community leaders are responsible for all aspects of organizational governance and development including managing two grant cycles per year. Since 1994, Youth As Resources has completed 25 funding cycles, making grants to 264 youth-led community building projects. <i>CCHD National Staff note: CCHD funds are used to build YAR's capacity to promote community organizing skills, and are not regranted to YAR grantees.</i> | \$40,000 |
| AREA B Maryland Baltimore United Workers Association | The directive of the program is to establish worker owned and run businesses with the following characteristics: sustainable and expandable, provide family-supporting (livable) wages and respectful working environment, address root causes of poverty by overcoming barriers to quality employment. In 2008, First Time Services and Dignity Services were created as cooperatives leveraging leadership and skills of our membership, primarily low wage day laborers with experience cleaning Camden Yards stadium. | \$45,000 |
| AREA B Maryland Baltimore People Acting Together in Howard | In 2002, the IAF began meeting with religious leaders in Howard County to register the level of interest in forming an institution-based, broad-based organization which would be racially, ethnically, culturally, denominationally, religiously, and socio-economically diverse. We found a great deal of interest among various congregational leaders. The mission and focus of the organization is to create a third sector in the county - a civic sector - to offset and balance the powerful corporate and government sectors. Pastors are particularly interested because they are tired of having to refer people in poverty to Baltimore City because there are no services for poor people in Howard County. | \$40,000 |
| AREA B Michigan Detroit Michigan Interfaith Voice | Michigan InterfaithVoice incorporated in 2004 and re-named Gamaliel of MI in 2008, is the coalition of congregation-centered community organizations from Detroit (MOSES), Saginaw (Ezekiel), Kalamazoo (ISAAC) and JONAH (Battle Creek) -- all affiliates of the Gamaliel Network. The purpose of Gamaliel of MI is: 1.) assisting in the creation, growth and development of powerful "congregation-centered community organizations" in the cities and regions of Michigan and 2.) to collectively address common issues of concern." (By-laws) Currently our state-wide issues work includes: Health Care - securing a state mandated essential services act and state regulation for Health Insurance Company "reserve" funds; Immigration: securing of anti-profiling amendments and in-state college tuition for immigrants; and Jobs: securing community benefits agreements and "good" road construction jobs for low-income and minority persons. | \$25,000 |
| AREA B Michigan Detroit Metropolitan Organizing Strategy Enabling Strength | Metropolitan Organizing Strategy Enabling Strength (MOSES) is a congregation-centered, interfaith and interracial, interdenominational, urban and suburban community organization. MOSES officially incorporated in 1997. Currently MOSES has a membership of 50+ congregations and institutions across Southeast Michigan. In 2003, MOSES joined with Ezekiel of Saginaw Michigan and ISAAC of Kalamazoo to develop a statewide network called Michigan Interfaith Voice (MI*Voice) to impact state policy on issues that are in common to our local communities. MOSES is a vehicle by which congregations of faith come together to develop a network of relationships, to identify common interests, and to exercise power on behalf of those interests. Through MOSES we assert our religious principles in the public realm to improve the quality of life in our communities and to create a more just and human society. | \$30,000 |
| AREA B Michigan Grand Rapids Bethany Housing Ministries-- Healthy Neighborhood Project | The mission statement is to "show the love of God by walking alongside neighbors as they transition to success." Our vision is for a restored neighborhood, in which all of our neighbors have identified and have opportunity to use their God-given gifts towards the building and strengthening of our community. We envision a neighborhood where all the assets of our community--the gifts of the residents, of the associations, and of the institutions--are fully utilized, so that our neighborhood becomes more of a picture--or preview!--of heaven. In partnership with the McLaughlin Neighborhood Association, several neighbors, two neighborhood churches, and a non-profit housing ministry in our neighborhood, we developed an initiative called the "Healthy Neighborhood Project," which has the primary goal to foster the creation of a neighborhood where it makes sense for us to invest time, energy, and goal in our homes and our neighborhood. | \$25,000 |
| AREA B Michigan Kalamazoo Michigan Organizing Project | Michigan Organizing Project is a congregation-based community organization whose mission is to assist local congregations in building power for a greater degree of justice at the local, state, and national levels. We formed in Muskegon Heights in 1992 to deal with the problems faced by that low-income, mostly African-American community. MOP expanded to Grand Rapids in 1999 and to Kalamazoo in 2002. Now work at local, state, and national levels. | \$40,000 |
| AREA B Michigan Lansing Flint Area Congregations Together | Faith institutions from 8 denominations, including four Catholic Parishes, created Flint Area Congregations Together (FACT) in 2005 to help working families and neighborhoods develop new vision and direction for the Flint region, which has been devastated by the collapse of the U.S. auto manufacturing sector. FACT incorporated in 2006 and received startup funding from the Presbyterian Church USA, the Mott Foundation, United Way and member congregations. The goal of FACT is to revitalize the Flint region by advancing systemic change in housing, education, health care, public safety and employment. FACT is broad-based, creating unity and community by bringing together all of the major racial and ethnic groups and faith traditions in the region. It is rooted in the faith values and concrete social and economic needs of local congregations and neighborhoods, each of which develops a local organizing ministry. The organization's mission is to develop the talents of lay leadership by equipping people with the skills to develop an agenda, negotiate with officials and lead the organization. | \$25,000 |
| AREA B Missouri Kansas City and Saint Joseph Communities Creating Opportunity | CCO evolved from the Kansas City Organization Project (KCOP), which was formed in 1977 in response to the rapid racial transition and financial disinvestment in the city's Southeast neighborhoods. KCOP provided residents with the organizational tools and leadership skills to address these trends, enhance their communities, and create environments to nurture safe and healthy families. Today, CCO's mission is to bring economically and socially disenfranchised people together to build skills and relationships that result in the development of strong leaders who can play a central role in improving the quality of life in their communities. CCO works through a disciplined process of faith-based community organizing to: train congregation and community members to participate effectively in civic life; develop the leadership skills to achieve needed change; bridge the racial, economic, denominational, and geographic divisions in the city; and organize people to effect social change in their neighborhoods and community. | \$30,000 |

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| <p>AREA B Missouri Kansas City and Saint Joseph Veronica's Voice</p> | <p>VV supports its mission of partnering with prostituted women and children in the KC metropolitan community to encourage them to choose lifestyle changes, which lead to recovery of their mind, body, and spirits. VV has operated since 2000 and has effectively touched over 4500 lives in presenting alternative behaviors away from prostitution's lifestyle. The organization has provided shelter, life skills training, counseling and women's health education to combat the dehumanizing lifestyle that prostitution promotes. The organization spends over 50 percent of its time working with the Crime Commission to change institutional policies and lobbying local and state governments for support. Additionally, another unique feature of our program is that it is entirely staffed and designed by survivors of the sex industry. Consequently, the organization incorporates a peer-based model that emphasizes a common set of experiences in delivering women out of prostitution and into conventional society.</p> | <p>\$35,000</p> |
| <p>AREA B Missouri Saint Louis Missouri Disability Vote Project of Parquad, Inc.</p> | <p>The Missouri Disability Vote Project (MO DVP) began in July 2001 and is a statewide, nonpartisan, 501(c)(3) grassroots project whose purpose is to close the political participation gap between people with disabilities and the general population. Without a mobilized voting bloc, it is difficult for people with disabilities to impact the decisions made by our elected policymakers, who have authority over many issues affecting the disability community. This project is building a coalition of organizations who are doing nonpartisan Get-Out-The-Vote (GOTV) campaigns to increase voter registration and turnout rates.</p> | <p>\$30,000</p> |
| <p>AREA B Missouri Saint Louis Metropolitan Congregations United</p> | <p>MCU is a multi-racial, interfaith, grass roots organization made up of 50 congregations affecting over 100,000 people throughout the St. Louis region. Our primary membership are congregations of poor and working class people who live in the urban core and first and second ring suburban communities. The mission of MCU is to build strong, integrated communities located in the St. Louis Metropolitan area. Through scripture, our faith calls us to build a social fabric that is inclusive of all people, not to isolate based on class and race. Through member congregations we train poor and working class people to speak with one strong voice to decision makers to create systemic change in the neighborhoods surrounding their congregations.</p> | <p>\$30,000</p> |
| <p>AREA B Ohio Cincinnati AMOS Project</p> | <p>AMOS is a congregation-based, community organizing project committed to building power for those directly affected by poverty, segregation, disinvestment, inadequate health care and other policies that harm poor and working class communities. AMOS is specifically focused on the development of grassroots leaders, training them to build and wield real power, grounded in the interests and problems faced by their communities. It is these leaders who lead the recruitment, mobilization, negotiation, and direct actions that are required for systemic change. These efforts are committed fundamentally to changes that bring about racial and economic justice in Greater Cincinnati. AMOS was initiated in the late 90s. It now has 30 member congregations and is an affiliate of the Gamaliel Foundation.</p> | <p>\$35,000</p> |
| <p>AREA B Ohio Cincinnati Intercommunity Justice and Peace Center</p> | <p>IJPC is a coalition of faith-based organizations and individuals who work together to educate around justice issues, take collaborative action and do public witness. We address local, national and international concerns focusing on economic justice, women's issues, human rights, racial equality, peace and the environment. Founded by Catholic Women Religious, IJPC works out of a deep faith perspective, basing decision-making on Catholic Social Teaching, yet involved in interfaith collaboration. Founded in 1985, IJPC's goals continue to be: to deepen awareness of justice as integral, not optional, to our faith response; to network participating organizations and to collaborate with other concerned groups for stronger public witness and impact on justice and peace issues; to plan and carry out programs of education and action which affect structural injustice. Under the pursuit of human rights, IJPC has strategically planned an Ohio Death Penalty Moratorium Project. This multi-faceted plan allows for the continued growth of the Families That Matter [FTM] Program.</p> | <p>\$25,000</p> |
| <p>AREA B Ohio Cincinnati Contact Center Inc.</p> | <p>The Contact Center is a membership organization started thirty-nine years ago by Franciscan Friars as a direct service organization. Over the years our members saw a great need to make changes in policies that keep people needing charity. In 1979 Contact Center incorporated and became a membership-based organization committed to changing policies to make it easier for people to get out of poverty, whether it be through income support, adequate housing, having health care or other means of poverty reduction. Contact Center started its statewide project, the Ohio Empowerment Coalition (OEC), in 1995. We have successfully made changes in both local and state policies. Our mission is to build the voice of low-income people through leadership and skill development trainings so that we can successfully make changes in policies that directly impact our members. Contact Center focuses on issues of economic justice, including income support, kinship care support, health care, and civic participation.</p> | <p>\$30,000</p> |
| <p>AREA B Ohio Cincinnati Leaders for Equality and Action in Dayton</p> | <p>Leaders for Equality and Action in Dayton (LEAD) prepares and empowers people of faith to work together for justice in the greater Dayton area through grassroots community organizing of congregations and community groups in Montgomery County. Organized in 1990 and incorporated in 1992, LEAD has had 31 successful Direct Actions, addressing the needs of poor and working class citizens. 1400 people have attended local and national trainings on leadership, issues research, and fundraising.</p> | <p>\$50,000</p> |
| <p>AREA B Ohio Cincinnati Cincinnati Interfaith Workers Center</p> | <p>The Mission of the Cincinnati Interfaith Workers Center is to educate, empower and mobilize people experiencing injustice in the workplace in order to achieve positive systemic change. Cincinnati Interfaith Workers Center focuses on: Workers experiencing injustice in the workplace, specifically low wage earners and immigrant workers; Issues that low wage and immigrant workers and their families have at their workplace - CIWC takes our direction directly from workers who are then engaged at every level of our organization; Educating and Training workers to understand the power that they already have to create systemic change.</p> | <p>\$40,000</p> |
| <p>AREA B Ohio Cleveland Northeast Ohio Alliance for Hope</p> | <p>NOAH's mission is to build a broad-based community organization made up of diverse ethnic, racial, and faith institutions such as churches, mosques and synagogues, schools, social service agencies, and other organizations from across the greater Cleveland area. We seek to end racial segregation and poverty by working collectively around our shared values of faith, social justice, and the pursuit of human dignity through direct action and empowering communities affected by poverty, racism, and lack of opportunity. NOAH is based on the belief that grassroots leadership holds the solutions and ability to correct the challenges facing greater Cleveland.</p> | <p>\$30,000</p> |
| <p>AREA B Ohio Cleveland East Side Organizing Project</p> | <p>Established in 1993, the East Side Organizing Project's (ESOP) mission is to create organized leadership around issues that impact neighborhood life in Cleveland and its surrounding suburbs. ESOP works with community residents, schools, businesses, churches and other neighborhood institutions to identify, prioritize and take actions that create safe, economically viable and stable communities for all residents. ESOP has 13 years experience using empowerment organizing to increase safety and parental involvement in the Cleveland Public Schools, to strengthen East Cleveland neighborhoods through grassroots blocks clubs and to combat the rise of predatory lending and community divestment in Cuyahoga County. Decisions about strategy and organizational direction are made by ESOP members, as the organization firmly believes that the people most impacted by community issues are in the best position to create and implement solutions. ESOP now works to increase access to capital and investment in low-income and minority communities. We do this by fighting predatory lending, defending the CRA, partnering with local and national financial institutions and creating high-quality, low-cost loan products for families.</p> | <p>\$40,000</p> |

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| <p>AREA B Ohio Cleveland Reclaim Lorain</p> | <p>Reclaim Lorain is a project to build a powerful community, institutionally based organization to address the central issues confronting working and poor families in Lorain. For the last two years Reclaim Lorain's work was centered on increasing voter turnout in Lorain's poor neighborhoods. It was quickly embraced by church leaders, residents, and other neighborhood associations desperate to change the direction of the city. In the course of completing 6,000 one-on-one meetings on neighborhood porches, leaders in the effort learned much about our city. Reclaim Lorain knows that we have to work on smaller issues before we can tackle some of the larger ones. To work on those issues we have to create partnerships and alliances with public and private entities. We know that to realize institutional changes focusing on the poorest areas of Central and South Lorain we have to train and develop scores of new leaders.</p> | <p>\$25,000</p> |
| <p>AREA B Ohio Columbus Mayas Inmigrantes Guatemaltecos</p> | <p>MIGUATE was founded by many undocumented Guatemalans from Tuscarawas county that in 2004 decided that helping each other when needs or difficulties arise was a big necessity. We started having weekly meetings for about two months at the homes of different people until board members were elected and a name for the organization was chosen and a place for meetings and activities was rented. In June of 2004 the board of directors laid out activities and plans for three years. We are actually working closely with Immigrant Worker Project, St. Joseph Catholic Church, United Food and Commercial Workers union and Hispanic Ministries from Tuscarawas County, sharing information and approaching our separate goals. Our mission is to identify challenges that Guatemalans are facing in this county, so we at MIGUATE can find ways to help by offering services, trainings, workshops or advice for the Guatemalan community to grow spiritually, improve their ways of living and live with dignity.</p> | <p>\$50,000</p> |
| <p>AREA B Ohio Columbus Building Responsibility Equality And Dignity</p> | <p>BREAD is a congregation-based community organization composed of 50 religious congregations located throughout Franklin County. The mission of the organization is to deeply engage those congregations in the work of building power to "do justice." Over the last three years, we have won significant victories on truancy, payday lending, and expanding drug court. Going forward, the organization will be working on access to healthcare and addressing neighborhood blight.</p> | <p>\$30,000</p> |
| <p>AREA B Ohio Toledo Toledoans United for Social Action</p> | <p>TUSA was founded in 1991 by a group of local pastors and their congregations to address community problems and injustice. TUSA members come from diverse backgrounds geographically, religiously, socio-economically, and racially, and are united by their common interest of increasing the level of justice in their community. Through basic organizing processes of relationship-building, networking, researching problems, mobilizing people and engaging in direct action, TUSA successfully addressed a series of significant justice issues throughout the 1990s: everything from demolishing crack houses to holding schools accountable for effective reading curriculum.</p> | <p>\$50,000</p> |
| <p>AREA B Ohio Youngstown Alliance for Congregational Transformation Influencing Our Neighborhoods</p> | <p>ACTION's mission is to build a multi-ethnic, multi-racial, interfaith organization of congregations, schools, social service agencies and other organizations from across Mahoning Valley (Trumbull, Mahoning, and Columbiana County). We strive to promote and be guided by our common values, the cultural and spiritual traditions of our members, and our shared democratic principles. Our organization's purpose is developing strategies to reduce concentrated poverty, fighting racism and inequities based upon where one lives, and eliminating forms of discrimination and injustice. ACTION is based on the premise that grassroots people themselves hold the solutions and capacity to address the problems that face their communities. ACTION's organizing approach involves training and developing local leadership, identifying common issues, creating collective and strategic ways to address those issues, and systematically strengthening the institutions in Mahoning Valley.</p> | <p>\$25,000</p> |
| <p>AREA B Ohio Youngstown Immigrant Worker Project</p> | <p>The Immigrant Worker Project grew out of our dialogue between the growing Latino/a population of Ohio and various community leaders and activists. Through a study commissioned by the Ohio Catholic Rural Life Conference we mapped the extensive demographic growth and needs of newcomers in rural Ohio. In this process a Statewide Immigrant Leadership Council was formed. With the help of CCHD and other funders IWP is working in 27 comunidades de base within seven major regions of the state. The Immigrant Worker Project is dedicated to the struggle for justice and human dignity for rural immigrant workers from Latin America. We are an organization that is working toward a future when Economic Democracy and Communities of Solidarity are achieved for rural immigrants in Ohio.</p> | <p>\$35,000</p> |
| <p>AREA B Wisconsin Green Bay ESTHER</p> | <p>ESTHER (Equality, Solidarity, Truth, Hope, Empowerment, Reform) is an interfaith social justice advocacy organization that includes Catholic and Protestant congregations as well as the Fox Valley Islamic Society. We work to link communities of faith, to build relationships that will bridge divisions and to act collectively in pursuit of the common good. Though our membership is rooted in religious congregations, its mission is civic in nature. ESTHER members do not seek to proselytize, but work to find common ground on which to build a more compassionate and sustainable community. ESTHER focuses on the root causes of needs and injustices, organizing people to bring about action that will lead to systemic change. Our current focus is on five key issues: criminal justice reform, improved public education, comprehensive immigration reform, affordable healthcare and workforce housing. Action reflecting core values based in our faith gives voice to the powerless, emboldens people, and brings hope that change can happen for the greater good.</p> | <p>\$32,000</p> |
| <p>AREA B Wisconsin Green Bay Justice Organization Sharing Hope & United for Action</p> | <p>JOSHUA is a congregation based community organization with 17 institutional members, including religious congregation from Catholic, ELCA Lutheran, Methodist, Episcopal, UCC, Unitarian, Moravian, and non-denominational congregations. More denominations are expected to join, including Presbyterians, before the grant year. JOSHUA is dedicated to being an effective power organization. We organize our members and others to form a community that can have a positive impact on decisions made in the public arena. JOSHUA works through: Intentional relationship building among members of our own congregations, public officials and others; Leadership development and training - providing tools to individuals promoting better leadership, while fostering both collaboration and accountability; Education and Action - We organize committees, public events, and other actions for change in public policy and accountability of both government and private officials. Current issue concerns include: health care, housing, immigrant rights, and, treatment alternatives to incarceration.</p> | <p>\$25,000</p> |
| <p>AREA B Wisconsin LaCrosse Joining Our Neighbors Advancing Hope</p> | <p>We are a congregation-based organization that works for social justice. We are a member of the statewide WISDOM network and the international Gamaliel Foundation. Our primary goals are embedded in our name -- Joining Our Neighbors (building community that crosses economic, religious, social and geographic boundaries), Advancing Hope (developing new leaders, and cutting issues that can make a tangible difference in our community -- especially for the most needy and marginalized). JONAH is a new organization; our initial "covenanting" celebration was in November 2007. JONAH is an interfaith coalition. At the moment, our member congregations are Roman Catholic, Unitarian Universalist, Friends Meeting (Quakers), Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA), United Church of Christ (UCC), Episcopalian, and the Unity Christ Center. We are in conversation with the Jewish Synagogue in Eau Claire and the Islamic Society in Altoona about their joining us.</p> | <p>\$25,000</p> |
| <p>AREA B Wisconsin LaCrosse AMOS, Inc</p> | <p>AMOS is a powerful coalition of faith communities working to deepen relationships within and among congregations and empower people to act together to build a more just and healthy society. We seek to: Deepen relationships by promoting "one-on-one" interviews through which people discover their talents, resources and motivations to act for the good of the community; Empower people by teaching communication and organizing skills that will enable people to be agents of change; Build cooperation and trust between congregations by working together to listen to the broader community, identify issues of common concern, analyze causes of poverty and injustice, and develop strategies for positive change; Work with leaders in government, business and other community organizations to impact decisions regarding the political, social, economic, and environmental issues for the purpose of promoting a more just and healthy society.</p> | <p>\$25,000</p> |

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| AREA B Wisconsin Milwaukee Common Ground Inc. | The mission of the organization will be non-partisan political power for social justice and social change. Initial issues for action identified to date include health care for the uninsured, gun violence, job training, water distribution, racial tensions and school reform. These key issues greatly impact the lives of the poor and most vulnerable in our community. | \$40,000 |
| AREA B Wisconsin Milwaukee Voces de la Frontera Workers' Center | Voces de la Frontera (VF) is a workers' center that educates low-wage and immigrant workers about their employment rights, promotes youth leadership, and promotes community organizing as a means to win changes that will benefit the immigrant community and the workforce at large. In order to win policy changes we build alliances at the local, state, national, and international level. VF started as a bilingual newsletter which covered the struggles of workers in the maquiladora industry to improve working and living conditions. It evolved into a workers center in Milwaukee in 2001 and has steadily grown in numbers and chapters. It is a community run organization; primarily composed of low-income Latino workers and youth. | \$50,000 |
| AREA B Wisconsin Milwaukee Racine Interfaith Coalition | The Racine Interfaith Coalition (RIC) is a congregation-based community organization. Our history began in 1993. Our mission is to address the root causes of social problems and lead to new ways of thinking and acting. We accomplish that by focusing on identifying the most marginalized members of Racine. We train them to run their own meetings and lead others to understand the policies and procedures at the source of their pain. We do extensive research, and plan community forums and print publications as a result of our findings. We recruit people to formulate solutions through focus groups, called issue committees. Our issue committees set goals to reduce the problem little by little. Currently RIC includes 17 congregation members with two newly recruited in December of 2007. Our total membership is 10,000. | \$25,000 |
| AREA B Wisconsin Superior Comunidad Hispana | Comunidad Hispana works to provide local Hispanics with community solidarity helping them to enjoy the rights to which they are entitled so they can begin to become empowered to overcome some of the root causes of poverty. Comunidad Hispana has evolved appropriately under the control of low-income Hispanics. Non-Hispanics who played a major role in launching the organization currently serve on the board and/or provide technical assistance. The focus of the organization is to continue to provide a place for local Hispanics to have a dominant voice in shaping the policies and activities of Comunidad Hispana. Through Comunidad Hispana, local Hispanics are taking the lead affecting institutional changes that will improve their living conditions within the community. | \$25,000 |
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| AREA C Alabama Birmingham Federation of Southern Cooperatives/Land Assistance Fund | The Federation of Southern Cooperatives is a regional organization which provides service, resources and advocacy to a membership of 20,000 low-income families organized into 75 active cooperatives and credit unions across the rural South. Founded in 1967, the organization has a 41 year track-record of working with low-income people on self-help strategies to improve their lives and the distressed rural communities where they live. | \$25,000 |
| AREA C District of Columbia Washington District of Columbia Grassroots Empowerment Project | Initiated in 2003, the District of Columbia Grassroots Empowerment Project's mission is to enhance, improve and promote the self-advocacy of low-and moderate-income DC residents in order to bring about sustained improvement in their quality of life through organizing and training, leadership development and community education. Three main issues drive the organizing work of Empower DC: child care subsidy, affordable, low-income housing and public land use. Currently Empower DC is working with tenants from 15 at-risk federally subsidized equity cooperative buildings. Unique to Empower DC is their efforts to amend DC law to save public assets and increase transparency and community involvement in public land development and planning to serve the needs of low-income communities. | \$30,000 |
| AREA C District of Columbia Washington Partnership for Renewal in Southern and Central Maryland | Initiated in 2004, PRISCM's mission is to build a congregation-based organization that will be a powerful vehicle for addressing and impacting issues of equity and justice, and the resulting social, political, environmental, and economic decisions and policies that affect the lives of low-income and marginalized people in the east metro DC area - specifically Charles, Calvert and Prince George's counties in Maryland. Having affiliated with the Gamaliel Foundation and broadening their base, the organization has grown to represent 21 dues-paying institutional members, sent leaders to training and has begun an analysis of the social and economic forces, built relationships with business, political and religious leaders on issues that are pivotal in the region's future. | \$35,000 |
| AREA C District of Columbia Washington Project ACTION! | With the support of CCHD funds, Project ACTION! was founded in 1997 by adults with developmental disabilities (e.g., intellectual disabilities, autism, cerebral palsy, etc.). Project ACTION! was created to take active control of members lives and work to change and influence those agencies that have always exercised control. Not only is this organization in conformity with Church teachings, but it actually furthers Church teachings to promote the life and dignity of the human person. This organization brings persons into public forums in a way that shines a light on the positive contributions persons with disabilities can make in the community. The results of their work and forging positive social policies that support persons with disabilities so that they can live life fully will make the social sphere more conducive to persons with disabilities. | \$25,000 |
| AREA C District of Columbia Washington WASHINGTON INTERFAITH NETWORK | WIN is a city-wide, multi-racial, multi-faith citizens organization comprised of 48 congregation, union, and community organization members representing 25,000 DC families. Since 2003, WIN has built 150 Nehemiah townhomes for first time homebuyers, secured \$12.5 million in repairs to schools, helped enforce the city to require contractors receiving city subsidies to hire and train DC residents for living wage jobs in the construction trades, and pressured US HUD to forestall foreclosure on 1,000 units of Section 8 housing. WIN is affiliated with the Industrial Areas Foundation (IAF). | \$35,000 |
| AREA C Florida Miami Broward Organized Leaders Justice | BOLDJ is comprised of 28-member churches and seeks CCHD funding to help support organizing and training to build a congregation-based organization with the capacity to bring about systemic change on issues identified by the residents of Broward County, FL. At present, the organization's top two priorities are affordable housing and dental care. CCHD funds will help advance leadership development and training in member congregations and provide a vehicle for building relationships amongst diverse cultures. Last February 1,600 leaders were mobilized for BOLDJ's first public action on dental care and affordable housing. As a result of their efforts \$808,000 in new funding was committed to providing low cost dental care in Broward County. | \$30,000 |
| AREA C Florida Miami People Acting for Community Together, Inc. | PACT is a diverse coalition of 38 churches, synagogues, schools and community groups throughout Miami-Dade County. It is the largest grassroots organization in South Florida, representing more than 100,000 people. PACT was founded in 1988 and its mission is to organize and train leaders to build a community voice capable of holding local officials accountable, achieve long-term systemic change, promote fairness and justice and democracy in Miami-Dade County. | \$35,000 |

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| AREA C Miami Power U Center for Change Inc. | Florida Social | Power U seeks funding to: 1) expand Renters Union chapters, 2) support county-wide efforts to establish a Renters Bill of Rights and standard lease format, 3) organize residents around alternative models of home ownership and, 4) continue organizing and monitoring of development planning for Overtown including the replication of the restorative justice model in at least one new high school. Since the late 1990's Power U has worked tirelessly to increase low-income housing which recently resulted in securing \$1.5 million from the Community Redevelopment Agency to construct 40 low-income apartments and signing of a Memorandum of Understanding with DevCon, a large developer committed to green building practices. | \$35,000 |
| AREA C Miami WeCount!, Inc. | Florida | WeCount! seeks funding to support community organizing efforts in south Miami-Dade County to advance the struggles for economic and social justice for immigrant workers. Over the last three years, WeCount! and the Community Worker Center documented 97 cases of wage theft totaling \$109,012. As a result of their efforts and in collaboration with the South Florida Wage Theft Task Force, to date more than \$54,000 has been recovered in unpaid wages. WeCount! continues to conduct workers' rights leadership trainings so leaders will be equipped to mobilize the community for action when the draft ordinance is complete. Likewise, the organization continues to assist workers fighting wage-theft disputes through the court system and proposes to win a county-wide anti-wage theft ordinance that will allow the county's Equal Opportunity Board to hear cases of non-payment of wages. | \$35,000 |
| AREA C Orlando Federation of Congregations United to Serve, Inc. | Florida | FOCUS is a grassroots, multi-cultural, inter-denominational community organization that empowers low-and-moderate income families with leadership training and skills that build relationships for community change. The mission of FOCUS is to develop grassroots leaders and empower people to take action to improve the quality of life for families in Orange County. FOCUS is composed of 14 churches representing more than 30,000 families in Orange County and its primary focus is creating systemic change in the areas of public education, youth crime, public safety, affordable housing and children's health insurance. Goals for 2009-2010 include training 300 grassroots leaders and engage 1,000 residents in creating specific, long-term systemic changes. | \$30,000 |
| AREA C Florida Orlando Fighting Against Injustice Harmony | Towards | FAITH is an organization composed of 24 diverse institutions in Daytona Beach and the surrounding area. The group seeks CCHD funding to continue building organizational capacity and to support staff salaries that will allow them to establish Justice Ministry Networks in at least 15 new institutions. In December 2007, FAITH began working on mental health issues in the county jail and won commitments from the Volusia County Council at their 2008 Action Assembly to contract with a local provider for mental health care. The Council voted to subcontract with ACT/Stewart Marchman in August who established an office in the county jail Dec. 1, 2008 giving inmates continuity of care by having them work with the same organization before, during, and after incarceration and ensuring more adequate care while in jail. Last November, FAITH brought together 450+ leaders who identified unemployment, jobs and living wages as new issue areas. | \$40,000 |
| AREA C Orlando Polk Ecumenical Action Council for Empowerment | Florida | The Polk Ecumenical Action Council for Empowerment (PEACE) is a multi-issue, congregation-based, community organization composed of churches from various denominations and ethnic backgrounds throughout Polk County, Florida. Its purpose is to build an organization capable of holding the local political, economic and religious systems accountable for operating justly and equally among all. | \$45,000 |
| AREA C Florida Beach People Engaged in Active Community Efforts | Palm | PEACE is a congregation-based community organization dedicated to building member organizations to effectively fight injustices that affect low-income communities in Palm Beach County. Founded in 1991, PEACE has grown to represent 20 diverse churches throughout Palm Beach County. Last April Peace mobilized more than 1,000 leaders for an action on affordable housing and health care for the uninsured with the county commissioners of Palm Beach County. In 2009-2010 PEACE proposes to win the support of these County Commissioners as they continue organizing around their campaign initiatives. The housing initiative recommends the use of interest on impact fees and buyout money from the Mandatory Inclusionary Zoning Ordinance go into a local affordable housing trust fund specifically for families earning less than 80 percent of the AMI. | \$30,000 |
| AREA C Florida Pensacola and Tallahassee Top of the Bottom Outreach Ministries, Inc. | | Since 2004, Top of the Bottom Outreach Ministries has led several major community initiatives resulting in significant institutional change as a resident led grassroots community organization committed to lifting people up out of the "bottom" of the community. TOTBOM began organizing with such efforts as Oakwood Terrace Tenants Association around barbed wire fences and curfews at a local housing project and youth development and leadership training in the Englewood/Brownsville community. | \$25,000 |
| AREA C Saint Augustine Action Network | Florida | ACTION Network's mission is to train low-and moderate-income people how to become leaders and transform their communities. Leaders are taught how to build community networks, identify and prioritize issues, research options for change, build relationships, leverage systemic change, and implement solutions. ACTION Network bridges the racial barrier bringing black and white communities together to improve their neighborhoods. ACTION Network has become an agent for social change addressing a multitude of issues including: after-school programs, crime and safety, neighborhood blight, transportation for seniors, and housing. In the past three years, ACTION has leveraged over \$4 million in community improvements. | \$30,000 |
| AREA C Saint Augustine Interfaith Coalition for Action Reconciliation and Empowerment | Florida | ICARE is a diverse, multi-issue congregation-based community organization representing 26 churches from 11 denominations in Jacksonville, Florida. ICARE uses a three-part system of listening, researching, and acting to address issues in the Jacksonville community. ICARE initiated its first action campaign in 1996. As a faith-based organization, its primary mission is to develop a network of lay and clergy leaders able to engage the political and economic systems in Duval County around serious issues of injustice. ICARE successfully pressed the Duval School District to implement specific changes in reading instruction and assessment in 15 low performing schools. One key addition included a plan to establish 10 sites for students to receive supervised academic enrichment while serving out-of-school suspensions. In 2009-2010 ICARE proposes to work with city officials and health care providers to expand access to health care for the working uninsured. | \$35,000 |
| AREA C Florida Saint Petersburg Faith and Action for Strength Together (FAST) | | The mission of FAST is to bring together diverse congregations in order to address the root causes of poverty and injustice in Pinellas County, FL. FAST was founded in 2004 when 700 people came together at a covenant assembly. Currently FAST has 30 member congregations, representing 50,000 people located throughout Pinellas County and are diverse in their socio-economic, racial, denominational and geographic backgrounds. Congregations in FAST work together to build relationships, listen to common concerns, research community problems, and then to take action to see that systems in the community are held accountable to principles of justice and fairness. | \$50,000 |
| AREA C Florida Saint Petersburg Hillsborough Organization for Progress and Equality, Inc. | | Started in September 1988, HOPE is a multi-issue, direct action, community organization consisting of 21 institutions committed to justice in Hillsborough County. Based on the common values of justice, fairness, and dignity of people, HOPE's mission is to empower low-to-moderate income people to identify common community problems and bring long-term systemic resolution to those problems through effective civic participation. HOPE's long-term mission is to: 1) build a powerful, interfaith, interracial and multicultural community organization that successfully addresses community problems, 2) develop the public skills of low-to-moderate income residents enhancing their ability to successfully negotiate with the institutions that impact their lives, 3) strengthen participation of member organizations and their neighbors to systemically improve their communities, and 4) reduce racial and economic discrimination in public services, education, employment and housing thereby enhancing the quality of life in Hillsborough County. | \$40,000 |

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| AREA C Georgia Atlantans Building Leadership for Empowerment | Atlanta | ABLE is a multi-racial, interfaith regional coalition of 31 congregations, unions and grassroots organizations that develops and empowers ordinary people to become leaders who effect change in their communities for the common good of all. On November 19, 2006 the organization held its founding event called 'Faith and Equity in Action' which was presided by Archbishop Wilton D. Gregory of the Catholic Archdiocese of Atlanta. Three hundred people from 20 institutions attended this event. From November 2006 to October 2007 leaders from member institutions met to research issues around housing, education, immigration, and health care. | \$25,000 |
| AREA C Atlanta Georgia Latino Alliance for Rights | Georgia Human | The Georgia Latino Alliance for Human Rights is a statewide organization that supports community participation in decision making, taking action in defense of immigrant civil rights and to empower low-income Latinos no matter of immigration status. They strive to create and encourage a coordinated effort between leaders and community organizations in the search for the social justice and well-being of the Latino community. | \$25,000 |
| AREA C Georgia Savannah McIntosh Sustainable Environment and Economic Development | | McIntosh SEED is located in McIntosh County in the far southeastern corner of Georgia. A rural community, it is an incredibly rich and diverse ecological treasure and designated by The Nature Conservancy as one of the 75 'Last Great Places' in the world. It is also one of the poorest counties in the State of Georgia. McIntosh SEED seeks continued CCHD funding for general support and to advance leadership development in low-income and underserved communities. McIntosh SEED through its partnerships is creating measurable and long-term systemic change. In collaboration with local officials and the City of Darien, McSEED's efforts helped the Old River Road Association to complete the city's first ever Community Development Block Grant application. As a result more than 20 families will benefit from new or rehabbed homes, better water quality and much improved basic infrastructure with an estimated value of \$1.3 million dollars. | \$25,000 |
| AREA C Georgia Savannah Southeast Georgia Community Development Corporation | | Southeast Georgia CDC is a private, not-for-profit, community-based organization created in response to a community needs assessment which identified housing and economic development as priorities for the low-income community in Glynn County, Georgia. The organization's mission is to revitalize neighborhoods using strategies and resources while ensuring affordable housing is the focus of organizational efforts. | \$25,000 |
| AREA C Louisville Citizens of Louisville Organized & United Together | Kentucky | CLOUT is an organization comprised of 17 religious congregations and neighborhood groups working together to build internal capacity and to empower low-income to moderate-income community leaders. CLOUT is a grassroots, direct action, multi-issue organization working to become a voice to work for a greater degree of justice in the community. In 2008, CLOUT got state and local health officials to commit to enroll uninsured children in the Medicaid and KCHIP health coverage programs with Gov. Beshear committing to enroll 35,000 more for a total value of \$112 million over the next two years. | \$40,000 |
| AREA C Louisville Women In Transition | Kentucky | Formed in 1998 by a group of welfare recipients, WIT's work focused on influencing legislation that would provide welfare recipients two years of post-secondary education without additional work requirements. Over the past three years, WIT has continued to address economic justice issues while developing into an organization working for change. Through organizational development, WIT broadened its mission to include TANF recipients as well as other people with low incomes, with or without children. WIT is an organization run by and for poor people and current issue campaigns are the unjust removal of children because of poverty, dismantling classism and the need for affordable housing and living wage jobs. | \$25,000 |
| AREA C Baton Rouge Faith United for Empowerment and Leadership, Inc. | Louisiana | FUEL is a project of PICO Louisiana Together and People Improving Communities through Organizing (PICO). The organization was formed October 6, 2007 and incorporated February 6, 2008 with a sponsoring committee of 5 congregations. It has grown to represent 9 multi-racial and diverse congregational members. FUEL's mission is to develop leaders in communities across Pointe Coupee Parish with innovative strategies and training to increase access to health care, improve public schools, make neighborhoods safe, create housing opportunities and improve conditions that may affect the quality of life for the most impoverished citizens. | \$25,000 |
| AREA C Baton Rouge Greater Baton Rouge IAF Sponsoring Committee | Louisiana | GBISC seeks CCHD funding to continue building a broad-based coalition of 30 churches/institutions and the hiring of a second community organizer. The organization's work covers two civil parishes and five major neighborhoods of East Baton Rouge. More than 600+ leaders have participated in various IAF training sessions including 1-1s, institutional organizing development, listening campaigns and research actions. They have also initiated house meeting campaigns to surface new leaders and issues and worked on basic organizing skills. Several members attended IAF's regional training who provides ongoing consultation and technical assistance. | \$50,000 |
| AREA C Louisiana Houma and Thibodaux Interfaith Sponsoring Committee (BISCO) | | Formed in 1995, BISCO has organized 25+ public meetings attended by more than 5,000 congregation members, neighbors and public officials. BISCO's mission is to build a multi-ethnic, multi-racial, multi-issue organization that serves as a voice for all people in the communities of Lafourche and Terrebonne in southeastern Louisiana. BISCO works from bottom-up issue determination, prioritization, research, and action, with a focus on changing policies and systems that have held local people in long-held cycles of poverty, racism and isolation. BISCO proposes to use the CCHD funds to sustain its mission of community organizing in the bayou region with growth in the Terrebonne Parish area to promote understanding of the purpose for and principles of community-based organizing. | \$30,000 |
| AREA C Louisiana New Orleans The Jeremiah Group | | The Jeremiah Group is a multi-racial, multi-issue organization composed of 28 institutions in metropolitan New Orleans bringing about change through broad-based community organizing. The goal is to achieve long-term social and economic structural changes by building a base of relationships within communities where people have political and social power and are capable of representing the interest of both families and community during neighborhood discussions, public actions, and political decisions. Recently Jeremiah won a unanimous vote of the New Orleans Redevelopment Authority (NORA) to reserve 25-50 percent of Road Home properties representing \$18-38 million dollars in affordable housing for at least 1,200 low-income families. In July 2008, Jeremiah also "won a unanimous vote of the Louisiana Recovery Authority for the key funding behind Project Homeownership -- an allocation of \$75 million statewide for soft-second mortgages, with \$52.3 million going to New Orleans and the other \$22.7 million going to other Katrina-affected parishes. This funding will allow about 4,000 low-income families to become homeowners -- the largest affordable homeownership strategy in the history of the City of New Orleans or the State of Louisiana." | \$50,000 |
| AREA C Louisiana Shreveport Delta Cluster of Northern and Central Louisiana Inteffaith | | The northeast Louisiana Delta remains a community with a plantation mentality. The area is racially polarized and economic control remains in the hands of a few even though blacks have the majority of the vote. The black community itself is polarized and its few elected leaders unresponsive. The Delta Cluster seeks to organize citizens to think regionally and organize around common interests such as economic development, housing and infrastructure improvements and proposes to be a vehicle for individuals and institutions to channel their energy and desire for change. The Delta Cluster is also networked with various organizations that have corresponding interests including Northern and Central LA Interfaith, LCWR Region V Collaborative Ministries, Pride of Waterpoof, Mid-South Delta Local Initiatives Support Corporation and the Deep South Delta Consortium, among others. | \$25,000 |

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| AREA C Louisiana Northern and Central Interfaith | Shreveport Louisiana | NCLI is a broad-based coalition of institutions dedicated to providing a way for ordinary residents to have a voice at the table. NCLI intentionally crosses the lines of race, religion, party affiliation, geography and socio-economic status. Affiliated with IAF, the oldest and largest community organizing/training institute in the country, NCLI was formed 10 years ago in an attempt to create a civic culture that worked for the common good of each neighborhood represented. The three Civil Parishes served by this organization can be described as communities that to a large degree missed the improvements of the Civil Rights' Movement. These communities remain largely segregated in housing, education and religious participation. NCLI is working to change the way decisions are made and develop a statewide network in Louisiana capable of addressing the great disparities between wealth and poverty that is a product of this segregated history and system. | \$25,000 |
| AREA C Mississippi Concerned Citizens For A Better Tunica County, Inc. | Jackson Louisiana | Concerned Citizens is a rural broad-based grassroots community leadership development, education, and training organization working to empower the community by developing new grassroots leaders and organizers in Tunica County, Mississippi. Concerned Citizens' mission is to empower the disadvantaged and low-income community by building leadership and empowering residents to participate in effective decision making processes in the educational, economic, political, environmental, and social change systems. Concerned Citizens has evolved into a multi-issue community based organization that is lead by low-income people of color. | \$25,000 |
| AREA C Jackson Greater Jackson Sponsoring Committee | Mississippi | The Greater Jackson Sponsoring Committee is a new effort working to build a broad-based coalition of institutions in the metropolitan Jackson area dedicated to non-partisan political action and civic engagement aimed at addressing the root causes of poverty. GJSC is developing a new community organization using the experience and methodology of the Industrial Areas Foundation. | \$25,000 |
| AREA C Carolina Latino Coalition of Randolph County | North Charlotte | Formed in 2003, the LCRC's mission is to identify and address the needs of the Latino/Hispanic community in Randolph County by providing social, educational, and cultural services that improve the general well-being and enrich a multicultural community. Since starting, the Coalition has sponsored events such as an annual Dia de la Raza festival, developed a strategic plan, and provided educational classes and information and referral services. Now the agency is changing its focus from primarily sponsoring social/cultural events to responding to the needs of the Hispanic Community. To date, 40-50 outreach meetings in the Hispanic Community to determine their needs and issues. From these we will develop ongoing programs. | \$30,000 |
| AREA C North Carolina Community Success Initiative | Raleigh | Founded in 2004, CSI's mission is to create communities where people discover their potential, set worthy goals for their lives, and take action in a positive way. The organization's work includes leadership development and entrepreneurial training and positive youth development and enrichment. About 60 percent of the work is dedicated to empowering ex-offenders and their families to improve the quality of their lives beyond the prison system by serving as a community connector to resources. The other 40 percent involves leadership training for adults and youth. | \$30,000 |
| AREA C Carolina Triangle CAN (Congregations Associations and Neighborhoods) | North Raleigh | Formerly known as Metro Durham Sponsors, Triangle CAN is a coalition of 28 dues-paying member institutions affiliated with the IAF network in the city and County of Durham. Triangle CAN's mission is to build relationships across Durham County to identify community concerns and needs, and to work together as a united power for human dignity and social justice. T-CAN seeks funding to change the policies and institutions that perpetuate poverty in Durham County. Most recently T-CAN persuaded the local city, county and school board policy making bodies to enact living wage policies for full-time and contracted employees. Similar policies were enacted with Duke University (the largest County private employer). | \$35,000 |
| AREA C Tennessee Knoxville Community Economic Development Network of East TN | | CEDnet serves as a diverse network of grassroots, community organizations based in low and moderate-income communities that focus on improving the economic standing of people and supports the development of their internal capacity and effective strategies for addressing issues facing their communities. CEDnet promotes racial, economic, and social justice. It is based on the principle that diverse people and organizations from across the East TN region can gain greater effectiveness by eliminating traditional barriers and by coordinating with and supporting one another. This year, CEDnet celebrates its 12th year. | \$32,500 |
| AREA C Tennessee Nashville Homeless Power Project | Nashville | Founded in 2002, NHPP is a group of homeless and formerly homeless people confronting the root causes necessary to eradicate homelessness while protecting the basic rights of those who remain in the streets. The primary goal of the NHPP is the redistribution of power from those with economic power and societal privilege to those who are economically oppressed and marginalized, the homeless. NHPP also proposes to: advocate for an increase in the number of services provided to the homeless, with a focus on low-income housing; change laws that criminalize people for being poor and raise awareness through educational workshops and experiential learning activities. | \$25,000 |
| AREA C Tennessee Nashville Tennessee Disability Coalition | | TDC promotes the full and equal participation of adults and children with disabilities in all aspects of life. The Coalition envisions a society in which all individuals have the freedom and opportunity to exercise decisions concerning their lives, welfare and personal dignity. To achieve this vision, the Coalition engages in advocacy efforts to advance public policies that protect and promote the self-determination, independence, empowerment and inclusion of children and adults with disabilities in all aspects of life. Empowering people with disabilities and their families to advocate on their own behalf by providing training, research, and support while helping make vital connections with policy makers and coordinating grassroots efforts across the state is the heart of their work. | \$25,000 |
| AREA C Tennessee Tennessee Health Care Campaign | Nashville | Est. in 1988k THCC is a statewide organization advocating for the health care needs of Tennesseans, particularly those of low-income, vulnerable populations. It is made up of organizations and individuals, and is governed by a Board made up of providers, consumers, advocates and others, including low-income and TennCare enrollees. It has been instrumental in bringing about policy changes resulting in: increased eligibility for pregnant women, infants and qualified Medicare beneficiaries; establishing state-funded Consumer Advocacy phone lines for foreign-born residents and the hearing impaired; removal of cost-sharing for those below poverty and protections against disenrollment for former welfare recipients in transition from Medicaid to TennCare. THCC accomplishes its work through research, education and community organizing. | \$30,000 |
| AREA C Nashville Tennessee Immigrant & Refugee Rights Coalition | Tennessee | TIRRC is a statewide, immigrant and refugee-led collaboration whose mission is to empower immigrants throughout Tennessee to develop a unified voice, defend their rights and create an atmosphere in which they are viewed as positive contributors to the state. Formed in 2001, TIRRC leaders have worked hard to formalize and strengthen the organization making it one of the most diverse immigrant rights coalitions in the country. | \$25,000 |

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| AREA C Arlington Virginians Organized for Interfaith Community Engagement | Virginia | VOICE--Northern Virginia Clergy and lay leaders have been working with the Industrial Areas Foundation (IAF) over the last three years to create a broad-based, non-partisan, multi-racial, multi-faith citizens organization, rooted in local congregations and other voluntary associations to act on issues (affordable housing, immigration, etc) that affect the lives of poor, working-class, middle-income, and immigrant NOVA residents. | \$40,000 |
| Virginia Empower Hampton Roads | AREA C Richmond | Founded in 2001, EHR is an interfaith coalition that organizes and mobilizes citizens to engage those who make and shape public policy to be responsible and accountable in creating justice for all people of Hampton Roads. Goals for the 2009-2010 include: 1) continue base building efforts through building core teams in 10 new congregations; 2) continue organizing the low-income communities of Norfolk through engaging the Tidewater Gardens public housing project (stop the displacement of 600 families) and 3) hire additional staffing to facilitate organizational growth. | \$25,000 |
| AREA C Richmond Interfaith Movement Promoting Action by Congregations Together | Virginia | IMPACT is an alliance of churches and was formed in 2003 as a sponsoring committee of 12 and has grown to represent 32 diverse congregations. IMPACT will gather, train and empower local leaders to address the structural injustices in their community. Through this process, individuals will build relationships across racial, religious and economic lines, identify pressing local issues that have a broad community impact, and develop strategies and long-term solutions to respond to these issues. IMPACT's two major focus areas for research and action are health care and housing. | \$25,000 |
| AREA C Virginia Richmond Quality Community Council | | QCC's mission is to support and improve the lives of those who live in the Charlottesville community by cultivating grassroots leadership, promoting civic engagement and addressing those problems that detract from a higher quality of life for its citizens. In partnership with other organizations and institutions in Charlottesville, QCC seeks to create more affordable housing, jobs that pay a living wage, effective drug prevention and wellness programs, more effective educational programs for our young people and a safer city. | \$25,000 |
| AREA C Virginia Richmond The Clinch Coalition/Virginia Forest Watch | | TCC was formed in 1998 with a mission to protect and preserve the forest, wildlife, and watersheds of the Clinch Ranger District of the Jefferson National Forest and surrounding areas. TCC began organizing local citizens living in the area surrounding the Jefferson National Forest when they learned of the US Forest Service's plans to timber 1400 acres of forest on High Knob in the Clinch Ranger District. | \$25,000 |
| AREA C West Virginia Wheeling/Charleston Direct Action Welfare Group Inc | | DAWG grew out of a group of mothers directly impacted by welfare reform and is the only welfare rights group in WV. It is comprised of welfare recipients, low wage workers and people living in poverty. DAWG's mission is to ensure poor people have input into the policies and laws that affect their lives. To this end, DAWG seeks continued support to help build a network of low-income West Virginians as a unified voice for change. Most recent wins include: \$8 million to stop cuts to state child care and school clothing voucher programs, restoration of funds for transportation, pre-employment dental and vision programs for welfare recipients and a state funded program that allows welfare recipients to stay in college while receiving benefits. | \$25,000 |
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| AREA D Arizona Phoenix Interfaith Worker Justice of Arizona/Worker Rights Center | Description of Organization Started in 2006, the Interfaith Worker Justice of Arizona educates and mobilizes the local religious community to support issues and campaigns that improve wages, benefits, and conditions for workers, especially workers in low-wage jobs. In the past, IWJAZ has organized clergy to advocate for workers' rights. CCHD is funding IWJ's efforts to establish a worker center, created by and for vulnerable and low wage workers in Arizona. This includes procurement of an accessible location, hiring and providing leadership training to one or more worker/organizers, and to develop worker advocacy and worker rights manuals. | | \$30,000.00 |
| AREA D Arizona Phoenix TONATIERRA-Macehualli Day Labor Center | TONATIERRA is a human rights organization that developed out of the Maricopa County Organizing Project and the Arizona Farmworkers Union. It is run by and serves Native Americans and Latinos living in poverty. It became a 501 (c) (3) in 1993 and its Mission has been to defend the Human Rights of all peoples, the earth and all its creatures. It has focused in the defense of the migrant, the environment, and the education of youth. In that respect Tonatierra has been instrumental in changing ordinances that allow migrant workers to work without harassment or persecution in the name of law. Currently, in order to confront the drastic economic downfall which has resulted in increased worker exploitation (delaying of payments and wage theft), TONATIERRA is working to establish an informal-work center for the 36th and Thomas area. The group will create a formal network of business, clergy and jornaleros along with neighborhood residents to guide the process for a work center. | | \$40,000.00 |
| AREA D Arizona Phoenix Valley Interfaith Project - Phoenix | Established in 1989, Valley Interfaith Project (VIP) is an interfaith organization of 40 congregations and neighborhood institutions that work to develop grassroots leadership in the Phoenix metropolitan community. VIP seeks to train those who perceive themselves as powerless how to organize for power and use it for the interest of their families and communities. This has led to important victories for neighborhood safety, health care, long-term elder care, housing, and immigration. Currently, Metro Phoenix families are in economic crisis and face structural barriers to securing family wage jobs. Low-skill workers face a Catch-22: they could advance if they were able to concentrate on education; however, wages are so low they cannot both provide for their families and pursue a course of study. Because of its diversity and power, VIP is uniquely positioned to shed light on this issue and bring the right people together to address it- to create a workforce development strategy in Maricopa County. VIP will use CCHD funds to train leaders who want to address this problem and organize them to work with employers, public officials and training providers to build a long term labor market intermediary that puts workers on a path from poverty wages to family wages. | | \$30,000.00 |
| AREA D Arizona Phoenix West Valley Sponsoring Committee | The West Valley Sponsoring Committee is a community organization in the West Valley suburbs of the Metro Phoenix area, building a diverse, non-partisan group of leaders which will be trained to raise funds for the organization and negotiate with business and political leaders for immigration reform, jobs, affordable housing, quality healthcare, educational and job-training opportunities. While workforce, immigration, and healthcare remain vital concerns, this fall WVSC leaders will focus on the mortgage crisis, which is severely harming families and communities. Once a surrounded by growing cities, rapid growth has now been halted by escalating foreclosures, creating vacating neighborhoods, uprooted families, and falling tax revenues. Particularly vulnerable, especially to rampant mortgage fraud, are the undocumented. WVSC has begun a public conversation with local and state officials, seeking a unified front calling on the Arizona congressional delegation to force lenders to halt foreclosures, renegotiate mortgages, and allow families to remain in their homes. | | \$40,000.00 |

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| <p>AREA D Arizona Tucson Border Action Network Katie O'Connor</p> | <p>Border Action Network formed in 1999 to ensure that those who are most impacted by border and immigration policies have a seat at the table when local, regional and national policy debates take place and result in decisions that impact their lives on a daily basis.</p> <p>BAN is a membership-based organization that combines grassroots community organizing, leadership development, litigation and action. The group has intensified their organizing and training efforts to strengthen the message of immigrant leaders to promote the urgency within Congress to change the policies and practices that hurt border communities. In the coming year, the group will expand the coalition of border community leaders called the "US-Mexico Border and Immigration Task Force" and work with the National Immigration Forum to promote their recommendations for border enforcement policies that respect human dignity and nurture safe and healthy communities.</p> | <p>\$25,000.00</p> |
| <p>AREA D Arizona Tucson Pima County Interfaith Council</p> | <p>Pima County Interfaith Council (PCIC) is a non-profit, non-partisan 501(c)4 organization, affiliated with the Industrial Areas Foundation (IAF) and with the Arizona Interfaith Network - an organization of five IAF organizations. PCIC is not a social service agency. It was founded in 1990 to build the economic and political power of Tucson's low income families and communities. With 48 member institutions, PCIC is a respected power in Southern Arizona, and is positioned to systemically address problems that threaten families.</p> <p>PCIC uses individual meetings and house meetings to search for leadership talent and uncover issues that are adversely affecting their communities. As a result of these meetings, PCIC is currently focused on addressing issues made worse by the economic crisis: foreclosure prevention, unemployment and hunger relief. In the group will conduct a series of foreclosure prevention clinics where those who have lost their jobs will be identified. The group will work with public officials, lenders, job training/placement providers and employers to create a strategy that puts people to work and allows them to remain in their homes.</p> | <p>\$40,000.00</p> |
| <p>AREA D Iowa Davenport Quad Cities Interfaith</p> | <p>Quad Cities Interfaith/QCI is the oldest affiliate of the Chicago-based Gamaliel Foundation organizing network. The organization was formed in 1986 in response to the collapse of the farm machinery industry in the region, which resulted in loss of more than 22,000 jobs. In response, Church leaders on both sides of the Mississippi River joined forces to form QCI, an ecumenical organization, to address social and economic problems in the region. For more than 20 years QCI has been the catalyst for local change including spearheading development of a gang intervention program, a housing rehab program, public school programs for at risk students, and successful partnerships with local chambers of commerce for downtown revitalization. Currently, QCI is targeting exploitation of low income persons by predatory lenders, organizing the immigrant community to know their rights and working to gain access to health care. To combat predatory lending, the group will be working with local credit unions, local group Dollar Wise, and state Senator Joe Bolkam to pass state legislation limiting Payday Loans to 36% Interest Rate. To minimize racial profiling and arresting immigrants, QCI will build strong local networks among the community, conduct know your rights clinics and AMOS was formed over 10 years ago when Rabbis, lay leaders, pastors and the Bishops from the Roman Catholic, United Methodist, ELCA and Episcopal traditions gathered with an interest in forming a congregation based community organization that could help the faith community live out its prophetic imperative for justice. The mission of AMOS is to re-create community by giving ordinary citizens an organizational vehicle through which they can act in the public arena, cross the lines that divide and win concrete specific improvements to their communities. The group addresses poverty and powerlessness through the on-going building of a diverse, broad-based community organization with a particular emphasis on issues of health care for all, workforce development and expansion of the organization in the areas of recruitment and leadership development. In the area of healthcare, AMOS will continue to work with the Iowa Legislature to expand health care coverage to poor uninsured adults and not just children. Additionally Ms. Camargo and others will be working to develop a constituent presence of ordinary people who currently do not have insurance and must rely on the fractured and often ineffectual safety net system.</p> | <p>\$40,000.00</p> |
| <p>AREA D Iowa Des Moines A Mid-Iowa Organizing Strategy</p> | <p>In 1991 SCA was born in Wichita's African American district with technical assistance from the National Training and Information Center. From the beginning Sunflower's mission has been to identify potential neighborhood leadership and teach them how to define their issues, address decision-makers, and win victories that improve their lives. While SCA was identifying and training African American leadership in the 1990s, a wave of Hispanic immigration more than doubled Wichita's Spanish-speaking population. Since then Sunflower's Hispanic member leaders have won victories on access to a driver's license, banking services, and higher education. In the past, Sunflower addressed issues of predatory lending- the community won a \$7 million settlement with Conseco Finance on behalf of Kansas consumers that rolled back interest rates from 15% to 10%. Currently, CCHD is recommending funding for Sunflower to continue its immigrant organizing efforts in Kansas so that they can address issues related to exploitation at the workplace and contribute to local, state and national efforts to bring about comprehensive immigration reform.</p> | <p>\$45,000.00</p> |
| <p>AREA D Kansas Dodge City Sunflower Community Action, Inc.</p> | <p>The Lawrence Community Shelter is a 24/7 shelter for the homeless and nearly homeless of Douglas County, KS. It currently houses the Good Dog! Biscuits & Treats project- a small entrepreneurial business that provides employment, job skills, and work experience for homeless or near homeless individuals. Jobs that have been created under EDI grant include marketing reps, bakers, mixers, and packers. The next and final year of EDI funding will allow this small business to continue to increase its sales through marketing efforts so that enough profit is made to create at least one more full time position.</p> | <p>\$35,000.00</p> |
| <p>AREA D Minnesota Crookston Mujeres Unidas del Red River Valley</p> | <p>Mujeres Unidas is the oldest Latina grassroots nonprofit in Crookston Diocese that serves Latina women, young women and girls. The group began through the determined efforts of migrant farmworker women and women from farmworker families. The group focuses on education and empowerment for children and adults, by working to change the root causes of poverty in the area: lack of access to education, housing, jobs. In the coming grant year, Mujeres Unidas proposes to continue strengthening existing networks of women and build new networks that would enable them to tackle issues such as unequal access to education.</p> | <p>\$25,000.00</p> |
| <p>AREA D Minnesota Duluth Northern Communities Land Trust</p> | <p>Northern Communities Land Trust (NCLT) is a community based non-profit founded in 1990. The group was started as a grassroots organization by local peace & justice activists. The organization focuses on creating and preserving affordable housing for low and moderate income people. Interwoven within that focus are neighborhood revitalization, community development and individual asset building. Over the last 8 years the organization has increased their staff to 5 full time positions, created 3 limited liability corporations and have added over 125 permanently affordable homes to the trust.</p> | <p>\$40,000.00</p> |
| <p>AREA D Minnesota Saint Paul and Minneapolis All Parks Alliance for Change</p> | <p>APAC is a state-wide organization of Minnesota's manufactured home park residents and is the nation's largest homeowner-directed manufactured home park advocacy group. APAC has eight full-time staff members, with expertise in leadership development, community organizing, lobbying, and legal advocacy. Since 1980, APAC has worked to improve the quality of life in manufactured home communities, protect homeowners' rights, advance public policy change that supports safe, affordable, and stable communities, and preserve this vital source of affordable housing, all with a focus on resident leadership development. In the coming year, APAC will continue to strengthen local homeowner associations and work to preserve manufactured home parks.</p> | <p>\$25,000.00</p> |

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| <p>AREA D Minnesota Saint Paul and Minneapolis Mental Health Consumer/Survivor Network of Minnesota</p> | <p>(CSN) is a grassroots membership-based organization of consumers/survivors of mental health services. The group promotes programs that pair 'consumer' with 'survivor' to convey that mental illness is not a neutral affliction, but a life-altering condition hallmarked by both complicated personal health status as well as discriminatory social practices.</p> <p>The CSN fulfills a unique niche within Minnesota as the only consumer-run, consumer-lead statewide mental health organization. CSN has provided consumer-directed services (peer support, training, education) to more than 11,000 people with mental illness through 8 local offices, and have organized and advocated for the rights of consumers with regard to the local, state, and federal public policy decisions that affect them. In 2007, the CSN helped pass the Certified Peer Support Legislation. In the coming year, the group will focus on ensuring that the CPS legislations is implemented adequately.</p> | <p>\$35,000.00</p> |
| <p>AREA D Minnesota Saint Paul and Minneapolis Minnesota Coalition for the Homeless</p> | <p>The Minnesota Coalition for the Homeless (MCH) is a twenty-four year old statewide coalition of people who have experienced homelessness, service providers, and advocates who are committed to ending homelessness and developing flexible resources so that each community can design a housing and homelessness response system to meet its needs. MCH organizes people who have experienced homelessness and service providers, actively involving them in the planning, decision-making, and implementation of housing policy and community homelessness responses and informs public policy-makers on local, state, and federal efforts that will: 1) address the housing needs of low-income individuals and those facing barriers to securing stable housing; 2) prevent homelessness through community collaboration and early intervention; and, 3) promote services which advance long-term economic stability and respect clients' needs. In the coming year, MCH will work towards stabilizing the housing situation of an additional 6,500 households living in poverty and/or are homeless by secure passage of the Housing Solutions Act, a policy that would expand the state's low-income rental assistance program.</p> | <p>\$25,000.00</p> |
| <p>AREA D Minnesota Saint Paul and Minneapolis Minnesota Immigrant Freedom Network</p> | <p>The Minnesota Immigrant Freedom Network is a multi-ethnic, state-wide group that grew out of the principles promoted by the immigrant workers freedom ride of 2003: legalization, path to citizenship, family reunification and workplace place rights/civil liberties. The group became a 501c3 and began to work for those principles in 2005. They continue to work for reform of the country's immigration system through community organizing, leadership development, legislative lobbying, using art to build awareness, and civic participation. In the last year, MIFN successfully worked to pass a state law that ensures that 22 out of the 32 Minnesota State Colleges and Universities (MnSCU) provide a flat-tuition rate for all students, regardless of immigration status. In the coming year, the group will organize Minnesotans to pass the DREAM act at the national level.</p> | <p>\$35,000.00</p> |
| <p>AREA D Minnesota Saint Paul and Minneapolis Somali Action Alliance</p> | <p>The Somali Action Alliance was formed in 2002 following the successful execution of a voter participation campaign in the Somali community which registered nearly 800 Somali to vote. The mission of the Somali Action Alliance is to bring together Somali individuals and organizations who share a common interest in building and understanding of public policy and expanding civic engagement among members of this immigrant community. The group's work focuses on issues that affect the lives of their community especially: the education of our children, civic engagement and most recently, economic issues (which includes workers rights and money wiring). In the coming year, Somali Action Alliance will continue to focus their work on securing local community investment from major financial remittance (money wiring) companies and work with the Minneapolis School District and ELL department to define bi-lingual education at the district level.</p> | <p>\$45,000.00</p> |
| <p>AREA D Minnesota Winona Land Stewardship Project</p> | <p>The Land Stewardship Project (LSP), which celebrates 25 years of rural organizing in 2007, is a grassroots membership organization with over 2,600 memberships. Created to promote strong rural communities and stewardship of the land, LSP has been a leader in engaging farmers and rural residents in grassroots organizing to work for social justice and to change policies that negatively affect their communities. In the 80's LSP successfully worked to stop insurance company foreclosure of farms. In the 90's, LSP was a leader in creating farmer-to-farmer education about low-cost, environmentally sound farming practices and successfully changed policy at the state level to increase university research into sustainable farming practices. More recently, LSP helped design and pass the federal Conservation Security Program which rewards farmers for farming in ways that benefit the environment. LSP has also led the fight to preserve the rights of townships and counties to enact local ordinances that prohibit or limit factory farms. LSP is active in working to stop the growth of factory farms and to date its members have stopped the construction of over 30 factory farms. In the coming year, LSP will continue its work to reduce the harm caused by factory farms and press local, state and federal officials to prioritize land access for beginning and minority farmers and to encourage retiring farmers to sell or rent land to new farmers.</p> | <p>\$40,000.00</p> |
| <p>AREA D Nebraska Omaha Omaha Together One Community</p> | <p>OTOC, founded in 1995, is comprised of 37 institutions which represent a mix of Anglo, Latino and African-American congregations as well as immigrant hometown associations, neighborhood organizations and a working affiliation with labor organizations. The Institute of Public Life (IPL) was founded in 1994 as the non-profit 501(c)3 leadership development arm of Omaha Together One Community (OTOC). In the coming year, OTOC will work to reduce youth crime by working with Omaha City Council and Mayor's office to expand anti-violence curriculum at city Sun Dawg shacks (City of Omaha's summer youth program), linking OTOC institutions to targeted shacks.</p> | <p>\$35,000.00</p> |
| <p>AREA D New Mexico Las Cruces Dona Ana County Colonias Development Council</p> | <p>The Colonias Development Council (CDC) began in the late 1980s as a program of the Office of Catholic Social Ministry of the Catholic Diocese of Las Cruces. The CDC's mission is to improve the quality of life in the colonias of southern New Mexico by building supportive community networks that empower people to overcome institutional obstacles in their environment. The CDC works with community members to address issues identified by residents as priorities like lack of infrastructure, decent housing, and access to educational opportunity. In the past, CDC won a case in the New Mexico State Supreme Court which appealed a proposed third landfill in Chaparral. With CDC's help, the Court found that the State's landfill permit application process was flawed because it did not sufficiently consider community input, social impact, or allow for cumulative environmental assessment. In the coming year, the group will continue to build the political power and civic participation of colonia residents.</p> | <p>\$25,000.00</p> |
| <p>AREA D New Mexico Santa Fe Albuquerque Interfaith, Inc.</p> | <p>Founded in 1993, Albuquerque Interfaith is a broad-based, multi-ethnic power organization made up of 26 institutions, congregations, labor unions, and non-profits. It is affiliated with the Industrial Areas Foundation and puts a heavy emphasis on leadership training, institutional development, relationship building, action, and evaluation. The emphasis on leadership training not only strengthens member institutions but has allowed AI leaders to be effective actors in the public arena working for the common good. Through cross-institutional leadership training and house meetings, the institutions organize around the issues pertinent to their neighborhood. For example, in the Martineztown neighborhood of Albuquerque, an area of high crime and drugs, huge sinkholes, flooding and sewage backups, 4 AI institutions organized together getting \$11.8 million of state money to address serious infrastructure issues. Also important, by organizing, neighbors built relationships that broke down fear and isolation and reduced crime. Currently, AI leaders are determined to build a workforce training strategy that trains people for good, employer-committed jobs.</p> | <p>\$25,000.00</p> |

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| <p>AREA D New Mexico Santa Fe New Mexico Acequia Association</p> | <p>The New Mexico Acequia Association is a state-wide, grass-roots organization that was founded in 1990 to protect acequia water rights through community organizing and policy advocacy. Acequias are the communal irrigation systems that provide water to thousands of families in New Mexico. The group works to sustain their way of life by protecting water as a community resource and by strengthening the farming and ranching traditions of the surrounding communities and families. Acequias are concentrated in the historic Indo-Hispano communities that have the highest rates of poverty in the state. In the past, NMAA was able to help pass six pieces of legislation including a new law authorizing acequias to regulate water transfers which prevents the commodification of water. In the coming grant year, NMAA will continue work to prevent transfer of water rights out of acequia communities.</p> | <p>\$45,000.00</p> |
| <p>AREA D New Mexico Santa Fe Pajarito Mesa Community Development Project</p> | <p>The Pajarito Mesa Community Development Project seeks to address the need for basic services, environmental protection and political representation by the community of Pajarito Mesa. This work is done through direct community organizing among the residents of this low-income, primarily Mexicano community. The Pajarito Mesa Community Development Project seeks to address the need for basic services such as waste removal, healthcare, roads, etc., environmental protection and political representation by the community of Pajarito Mesa. This work is done through direct community organizing among the residents of this low-income, primarily Mexicano community. In the past, PMCD successfully brought water to the Mesa- implementation and access issues are ongoing and the community continues to address them. Also, as a result of the group's organizing efforts, they have gotten a mobile health unit to come to the Mesa once a month. Currently, the group is working to develop relationships with their state legislators as well as their new County Commissioner- asking that he advocate for the County to assume greater responsibility for the Mesa by working with them to obtain County resources to meet the needs of families on the Mesa.</p> | <p>\$25,000.00</p> |
| <p>AREA D New Mexico Santa Fe The Arc of New Mexico</p> | <p>The Arc of New Mexico is a private nonprofit organization incorporated in 1955 by parents who had children with mental retardation. Since that time, The Arc of New Mexico, in collaboration with the affiliated chapters of The Arc throughout the country, has played an instrumental role in changing public policy to provide free and appropriate public education for children with disabilities, to close institutions throughout the country, to fund and support the development of community based service systems and to protect the civil rights of people with disabilities. Most recently, the Arc of New Mexico adopted a vision of self-determination based on the principles of freedom, responsibility, authority and support. The Arc organized and educated individuals with intellectual disabilities and their allies to change the developmental disabilities service system so that they could self-direct their services. These individuals and allies worked with the New Mexico Department of Health, the Aging & Long Term Services Department and the Human Services Department to develop a self-direct program called Mi Via, meaning "my way." Starting in March, 2007, individuals with intellectual disabilities have been able to free themselves from the constraints of the provider system through Mi Via. In the coming year, The Arc will work to ensure implementation and promote use of Mi Via.</p> | <p>\$25,000.00</p> |
| <p>AREA D North Dakota Fargo Immigrant Development Center</p> | <p>IDC was established in 2003 by a diverse group of refugees and immigrants who believed that in order to advance out of poverty they needed to band together and collectively build their own businesses. To that aim, the group is working to provide the community with a business incubator. During this grant year, the group will move closer to opening up an international market plaza that will allow new business owners to become economically self sufficient. The international market plaza will enhance the strength and well being of the entire community through enhanced entrepreneurial training and support for small immigrant businesses, individuals and their business enterprises.</p> | <p>\$45,000.00</p> |
| <p>AREA D North Dakota Fargo New Sudanese Community Association</p> | <p>The New Sudanese Community Organization is a new community organizing group out of Fargo. The group is working to bring together various small immigrant organizing groups in the area to create a powerful and unified voice with which they can address issues that effect them like access to transportation in order to get to good paying jobs.</p> | <p>\$40,000.00</p> |
| <p>AREA D Oklahoma Oklahoma City Oklahoma Sponsoring Committee, Inc.</p> | <p>Following the passage of a harsh piece of anti-immigration legislation in Oklahoma in 2007, representatives of several faith communities in Oklahoma City began a conversation about what had happened, which quickly expanded to encompass the pressures facing poor and middle class families in the community. Out of these conversations, the Oklahoma Sponsoring Committee (OSC) was formed- with the aim of building a congregation-based community organizing project that would give our congregations the tools they need to better understand the pressures facing families and to learn to work together to use our power more effectively in the democratic process so that families can have a voice in what happens to their neighborhoods, schools, and the greater community. During the grant year, OSC will continue to create a structure for people living in poverty to be involved in policy-making that affects their lives.</p> | <p>\$35,000.00</p> |
| <p>AREA D South Dakota Rapid City Oglala Sioux Tribe Partnership for Housing, Inc.</p> | <p>The Oglala Sioux Tribe Partnership for Housing, Inc. (the 'Partnership') was chartered with approval by the Oglala Sioux Tribe as a 501(c)(3) in January 1999 to address the severe housing shortage on the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation. The Partnership's mission is to promote homeownership for low-income tribal members living on the reservation by (1) developing and building affordable housing on the reservation; (2) providing credit counseling and financial literacy education for reservation residents; and (3) securing subsidies for low-income homebuyers that decrease the purchase price of each home.</p> | <p>\$30,000.00</p> |
| <p>AREA D Texas Austin Austin Interfaith Sponsoring Committee</p> | <p>Austin Interfaith is a coalition of 25 religious congregations, public schools, and labor unions which act collectively on issues which affect primarily poor and working class families. As a 'University of Public Life', Austin Interfaith identifies, trains, and develops the capacity of ordinary citizens to become leaders in their institutions and to engage public officials and business leaders to invest in education, job training, healthcare, safety, immigration, and affordable housing. Austin Interfaith has been organizing for 20 years and has had a major impact on the lives of thousands of families in the city and county. In the past year, AI was able to secure \$1.3 million from local government for Capital IDEA, a long term job training program started by Austin Interfaith and \$106,000 for English as a Second Language Classes, among other wins. During the grant year, AI will work to double investment by city, county, school district, and state officials in human development programs such as long term job training, ESL, after school programs, and social services.</p> | <p>\$35,000.00</p> |
| <p>AREA D Texas Austin Workers Defense Project</p> | <p>WDP is a membership-based organization that empowers Latino/a immigrant workers to act collectively for racial and economic justice in the workplace through leadership development, education, organizing, and collaborating with strategic allies. WDP- was founded in August 2002 to address the problem of wage theft (failing to receive minimum wage, overtime, or not being paid at all) for Austin immigrant workers. The organization has evolved from a social service agency into a immigrant led social justice organization, utilizing tactics of direct action, grassroots leadership development, and democratic participatory structures to build a just society. The group has been working to draft language for legislation called the Construction Worker Protection Act. In the coming year, WDP will work to pass the Construction Worker Protection Act.</p> | <p>\$35,000.00</p> |
| <p>AREA D Texas Brownsville Valley Interfaith</p> | <p>Valley Interfaith's mission is to build power for sustainable social, economic and political change through institution-based leadership development and action. Valley Interfaith continues developing local leaders to become citizens in the fullest sense: participants in the economic and political decisions of public life, holding public officials accountable for the common good. The proposed goal is for the development of a strategic plan for an organizing strategy to re-organize and expand the organization including Protestant congregations. During the grant year, the group will continue to build new and strengthen existing networks to more efficiently address issues such as access to healthcare and passing legislation that addresses immigration problems comprehensively.</p> | <p>\$25,000.00</p> |

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| <p>AREA D Texas Dallas Dallas Area Interfaith</p> | <p>2009 Combined Fundraising Dallas Area Interfaith (DAI) is an organization of approximately 400 institutions, established in 1990 to provide a vehicle for citizens to impact the decisions that affect their daily lives. In the past eighteen years, DAI's advocacy and organizing work has resulted in an estimated 15,200 children in North Texas becoming eligible for CHIP in 2007, DISD adoption of after school programs, \$500,000 increase in funding for indigent care in Collin County, parent-led school improvements, prevention of a 15% statewide sales tax to pay for School Finance Reform, and provision for 400 additional police officers in the City of Dallas budget. In the coming year, DAI will work to crease Access to healthcare for all persons and indigent care in Dallas and Collin Counties.</p> | <p>\$40,000.00</p> |
| <p>AREA D Texas Dallas Texas Tenants' Union, Inc.</p> | <p>The Texas Tenants' Union is a grassroots, non-profit tenants' rights organization. TTU empowers tenants through education and organizing to protect their rights, preserve their homes, improve their living conditions, and enhance the quality of life in their communities. The group began in 1973 as the East Dallas Tenants Alliance. In 1979, the Texas Tenants' Union was formed when the East Dallas alliance merged with tenant groups from Fort Worth and Austin.</p> | <p>\$25,000.00</p> |
| <p>AREA D Texas El Paso Border Network for Human Rights</p> | <p>The Border Network for Human Rights' general purpose is to facilitate the participation of marginalized border communities to defend and promote their human and civil rights; to the end that these communities work to create political, economic, and social conditions where every human being is equal in dignity and rights. The Human Rights organizing model that BNHR utilizes not only teaches immigrants and marginalized border communities about their rights, but it builds on their daily necessities and experiences as it creates a collective commitment to fight for their rights. Part of BNHR's work at the border is to play a lead role in creating a more democratic and accountable community. In the coming year, BNHR will continue to promote, protect and defend human and civil rights in the immigration law enforcement context, in particular, in the process of border enforcement.</p> | <p>\$25,000.00</p> |
| <p>AREA D Texas El Paso El Paso Interreligious Sponsoring Organization</p> | <p>The El Paso Interreligious Sponsoring Organization (EPISO) works to broaden the level and quality of participation in public life in El Paso. With 12 key community-based institutions, including congregations and schools, EPISO has identified and trained thousands of community leaders to engage in democratic action to work for justice and defend the interests of families and communities. EPISO began 25 years ago when an interfaith group of religious leaders questioned the polarization between rich and poor, Anglo and Hispanic, and growing inequities within El Paso in housing, employment, public education, neighborhood services and health care. EPISO's community organizing has leveraged over \$1 billion in federal, state and local resources to improve quality of life through job training, education finance reform, housing, tax reform, neighborhood infrastructure (especially colonia water and wastewater) and health care. In the coming year, EPISO will work to decrease poverty in El Paso by securing funding for the Project ARRIBA labor intermediary.</p> | <p>\$40,000.00</p> |
| <p>AREA D Texas El Paso Westside Interfaith Alliance Sponsoring Organization</p> | <p>In 1999, clergy from four Protestant and Jewish congregations met with the Lead Organizer of EPISO (El Paso Interreligious Sponsoring Organization). EPISO is affiliated with the Texas IAF, and its Roman Catholic parish base works primarily in the far eastern side of El Paso. (It is a two-hour drive from one side of the county to the other) While EPISO has accomplished many of its goals, community-wide (mis)perceptions of the organization have marginalized its ability to broaden the base to include the west side. BI/WIA's mission is to build a truly broad-based organization that develops leadership through education and inter-faith relationships for effective democratic practices and meaningful community service. A Westway Colonia taskforce is training 40 Westway residents and a half dozen other BI/WIA leaders to work to improve the infrastructure and health of the area. In addition, over 250 low-income and middle-class leaders are researching economic development and education via a series of Public Life Institutes. In the coming year, WIASO will continue to strengthen existing networks and build new networks to address community issues.</p> | <p>\$35,000.00</p> |
| <p>AREA D Texas Fort Worth Allied Communities of Tarrant</p> | <p>In the 1980's, a group of religious and civic leaders set out to create a broad-based community organization capable of initiating community change at a grassroots level. They chose the community organizing model taught by the Industrial Areas Foundation (IAF). Today, ACT continues to organize for change. Our members come from local churches, schools, and other voluntary associations. We are intentionally broad-based, with diverse religions, ethnicities, incomes and political perspectives. In the last year, ACT worked to increase health care options and participation by middle and low income families -- as a direct result of ACT's work, the county hospital reorganized its board, dismissed top management and made a change of course to better serve its basic mission of providing health care to those in need. ACT is now working with the new managers to craft new options for poor and working poor families and to create a welcoming atmosphere for the hospital and its clinics. Several ACT pastors now serve on a community advisory board. In the coming year, ACT will work on Immigration, Healthcare and Education; specifically, the group will work to find new solutions to these community problems.</p> | <p>\$25,000.00</p> |
| <p>AREA D Texas Galveston and Houston Gulf Coast Interfaith</p> | <p>Galveston County Interfaith (GCI) is an interfaith and interracial coalition of 19 congregations located principally in south Galveston County, Texas (in the cities of Galveston, Texas City, LaMarque, Hitchcock & Dickinson). GCI is conducting the leadership training, congregation development and community organizing necessary so that congregation leaders can learn how to work together to address the many serious economic, social, and educational problems which affect the health and well being of families in this region. In the past, GCI successfully repealed laws keeping children from the CHIP program and worked to obtain money for school grants for low-income communities. More recently, as a result of Hurricane Ike, which severely effected organizing efforts, GCI worked to ensure that elderly, disabled and single parent households in Galveston Contry and other coastal communiteis can repair their homes through federal funds or volunteers from national disaster recovery groups.</p> | <p>\$35,000.00</p> |
| <p>AREA D Texas Galveston and Houston Houston Interfaith Worker Justice Center</p> | <p>The Houston Interfaith Worker Justice Center (HIWJ) is a safe space for low wage workers to gather and learn about their rights in the workplace, network for various social services, file complaints with government agencies, meet with attorneys and connect with community allies. HIWJ also mobilizes the religious community on issues and campaigns to improve wages, benefits, and working conditions for workers. The biggest problem that low-wage workers face is non payment of wages. In response to this problem, HIWJ is working to create a worker led workers center that organizes for workers rights and provides assistance in recovering stolen wages.</p> | <p>\$25,000.00</p> |
| <p>AREA D Texas Lubbock Catholic Family Service, Inc. Diocese of Lubbock</p> | <p>Catholic Family Service, Inc., according to its Mission Statement, exists to serve "the least among us," and to empower people to change their lives and to liberate them from any form of oppression. Catholic Family Service (CFS) was incorporated in 1984 as a 501 (C) 3 non-profit. CFS worked with religious leaders in the community to establish the West Texas Organizing Strategy in 1997, and has remained involved with community organizing since that time. This is CFS's last year of CCHD funding, and the organization will continue to strengthen its rural organizing work.</p> | <p>\$25,000.00</p> |
| <p>AREA D Texas San Antonio West Texas Organizing Strategy</p> | <p>Begun in 1994 with the support of Bishop Placido Rodriguez and other religious leaders, the West Texas Organizing Strategy (WTOS) is a coalition of churches, public schools, and civic groups working together to understand and address the pressures facing families in the Texas Panhandle by building relational power and learning how to effectively use the democratic process. Across the region, WTOS has served as a mini-university of public life, training hundreds of institutionally-based leaders to reflect and act upon their religious traditions which call them to work toward the elimination of the root causes of povery and enact social change. In the last year, through the work of WTOS with SAPD, more drug raids have taken place in target neighborhoods so that drug houses are shut down. SAPD has made significant strides in shutting down the major drug dealer in town. In the coming grant year, beside working on healthcare reform and easier access to housing assistance, WTOS will tackle the ever increasing problem of meth use in Tom Green County as well as emerging problems between the local State School and the surrounding school districts by working more closely with the school systems in San Angelo and the surrounding communities.</p> | <p>\$40,000.00</p> |

| <p>AREA D Texas San Antonio San Antonio Communities Organized for Public Service</p> | <p>Communities Organized for Public Service (COPS) is a broad based, interdenominational and inter racial organization formed in 1978 by the Industrial Areas Foundation (IAF). Its purpose is to develop the capacity of San Antonio's disenfranchised to participate as citizens in the public life of the community and to have a voice in decision-making that affects their lives. The organization is composed of 42 member institutions, is non partisan and does not endorse or support candidates for political office, political parties or political philosophies. The organization does teach people how to hold elected officials accountable to the communities they were elected to serve. Since its earliest campaigns for improved drainage in the poorest neighborhoods of the city, COPS has won over \$1 billion in public projects to improve drainage, streets, housing, education, health care and job training. Most recently, the organization has focused on moving San Antonio from a 'cheap wage town' to a modern metropolitan area where families live in decent neighborhoods, earn a living wage, and educate their children to be active participants in the life of the community. COPS leaders created Project QUEST, a long-term skills training program for low income residents which prepares participants for living The Border Organization (TBO) was founded over 20 years ago in the communities of Del Rio and Eagle Pass. It was founded by the Oblate Fathers who contracted with the Industrial Areas Foundation (IAF) to develop a broad based community organization with the power to significantly impact the social and the political environment of Middle Rio Grande communities for the benefit of families, especially working class families.</p> | <p>\$45,000.00</p> |
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| <p>AREA D Texas San Antonio The Border Organization</p> | <p>TBO counts among its members the three Catholic Churches of the community, as well as the American Federation of Teachers and the local Policemen's Association. The organization is a confederation of institutions that are made up of a broad based and diverse collective leadership with the skills necessary to organize the people of the community around issues that effect them, such as education, wages, health care, infrastructure and housing. In addition to addressing issues of education, crime and resource management, TBO will be working to get a bridge built over a pond adjacent to a local Colonia of 3,000 people. Every time it rains, the pond floods the only road in/out of the area, stranding people either in the Colonia or in the city.</p> | <p>\$40,000.00</p> |
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| <p>AREA E Alaska Anchorage Anchorage Faith & Action - Congregations Together</p> | <p>The Anchorage Interdenominational Sponsoring Committee (AISC) was formed in 2003 and was connected to the PICO network. Six years later, it is known as Anchorage Faith & Action -Congregations Together and is not currently connected to any faith-based network. Its purpose is to train and develop congregational leaders who will identify, research, and take action on issues that affect local low- and moderate-income people. This will involve learning about public decision-making processes and building relationships with local officials in order to bring about institutional change. AFACT currently has 15 institutional members and will be working on the issues of children's health care/expansion of SCHIP, Native Alaskan student education and homelessness.</p> | <p>\$35,000.00</p> |
| <p>AREA E California Fresno Faith in Community</p> | <p>Faith In Community (FIC) began in 2003 and is affiliated with the PICO National Network. It now includes 17 congregations and three faith-based nonprofit organizations in Fresno, CA. The purpose of FIC is to build an interfaith, interracial organization with the power to address the root causes of poverty in Fresno and throughout the San Joaquin Valley by holding institutions accountable to the people they are intended to serve. Their mission is to identify, promote and build up leaders in local neighborhoods and congregations, and equip them with the knowledge and skills essential to improve their communities. Leader priorities are to create safe, healthy neighborhoods that offer access to a full range of community opportunities including more green space, parks, schools and recreational centers. FIC's Valley-wide strategy is to develop a successful and powerful organization in Fresno and then replicate that effort in the development of new PICO-affiliated organizations in Madera, Tulare, Kings, and Kern Counties.</p> | <p>\$25,000.00</p> |
| <p>AREA E\California\Fresno Faith In Action Kern County, Inc.</p> | <p>Faith In Action Kern County, which began in 2006, is a 501c3 faith-based community organizing effort committed to developing and sustaining a regional grassroots leadership network of urban and rural congregation-based community organizations in Kern and Tulare counties. It is the only congregation-based community organizing organization in the region, and an affiliate of PICO (People Improving Communities through Organizing) National Network. The purpose of Faith In Action Kern County is to help create a Southern San Joaquin Valley that offers an acceptable quality of life to all of its residents who will act together to improve health, employment, education, housing, and safety in their communities. Their goals involve reducing the Kern high school district dropout rate, adopt a local hiring strategy with commercial developers to employ low-income, minorities workers and to reduce crime in east Bakersfield neighborhoods.</p> | <p>\$25,000.00</p> |
| <p>AREA E California Los Angeles Southern California Education Fund (IAF-Los Angeles)</p> | <p>The Southern California Education Fund (SCEF), a 501c3, was created in 2004 to assist One LA-IAF to build relational power for sustainable social and economic change for low and moderate income residents of Los Angeles County. One LA-IAF is a non-partisan multi-ethnic organization comprised of dues paying congregations, schools, unions, and non-profits. At its 2004 Founding Convention 12,500 One L A delegates from 90 local institutions adopted the STANDING for FAMILIES Agenda to build non-partisan political power and to give low income families 'standing' in the decisions of public life in metropolitan Los Angeles and California. The convention was the culmination of a five year reorganization of IAF in Los Angeles. The STANDING for FAMILIES Agenda focuses on a range of challenging issues, most notably immigration rights, major school reform, public safety, work-force development, housing and above all, the reinvigoration of civic life. The issues they are currently working on in this grant request are helping immigrants through 'mobile matricula' events, holding career advancement academies and working to prevent foreclosures.</p> | <p>\$45,000.00</p> |
| <p>AREA E California Los Angeles CANGRESS, dba Los Angeles Community Action Network</p> | <p>The mission of the Los Angeles Community Action Network (LA CAN) is to help people dealing with poverty create and discover opportunities, while serving as a vehicle to ensure they have voice, power and opinion in the decisions that are directly affecting them. LA CAN was formed in 1999 by residents of the Central City East community, also known as Skid Row, who came together to work on the problems that exist in their community. Building from 25 members to over 300 members, LA CAN has built substantial influence and power over the past six years. While they were originally focused mainly on civil rights issues, they now have efforts and campaigns addressing civil and human rights, housing, community health and nutrition, economic development, anti-gentrification. Some of the more specific goals LA CAN is working on in this request are 1) to prevent unfair and/or illegal displacement and improve health and safety conditions for low-income tenants in Skid Row; 2) to decrease the incidence of civil rights violations by the LA Police Department and private security guards; 3) to ensure that past victories translate into meaningful change through monitoring, testing and accountability measures.</p> | <p>\$40,000.00</p> |

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| <p>AREA E California Los Angeles Instituto de Educacion Popular del Sur de California</p> | <p>The Instituto de Educación Popular del Sur de California (IDEPSCA) beginnings trace back to 1983 & their mission is to educate by popular education methodology and organize low-income immigrants concerned with solving problems in their own communities. IDEPSCA has several years of experience working with day laborers, household workers, parents, youth & adult learners through its programs. IDEPSCA's economic development vision is to create job opportunities for immigrant workers that reside in the greater Los Angeles Area. Decent working conditions and livable wages positively affect diet and health, increases the number of educational opportunities available to the workers, and raises their ability to afford housing, health services, clothing, and to participate in recreational activities. This grant request to CCHD is for the Magic Cleaners coop that IDEPSCA has been developing since 2002. It is a professional, eco-friendly housecleaning company with 7 workers. This year Magic Cleaners hopes to expand to 10-12 workers who will eventually become the worker/owners of the coop.</p> | <p>\$50,000.00</p> |
| <p>AREA E California Los Angeles People Organized for Westside Renewal</p> | <p>People Organized for Westside Renewal (POWER), is an institutionally based community organization that works in low-income areas of Venice, Mar Vista, Inglewood, and Santa Monica. POWER employs a community organizing strategy focused on relationship building and direct action to effect positive change within low-income communities. Since its inception in 1999, POWER has built relationships with over 5,000 community members and has identified and works on critical issues of community concern. These include preserving affordable housing, education reform, childcare funding, welfare reform, and immigrant rights. Since the founding of the organization POWER leaders have preserved 246 units of affordable housing, won commitments from LA Mayor James Hahn to affordable housing issues, saved nearly \$1 million in Title I funding for local schools, led a fight to prevent cuts to the State education budget and worked in coalition to create the Los Angeles Affordable Housing Trust Fund. In this CCHD grant request, POWER is continuing to work on these issues.</p> | <p>\$50,000.00</p> |
| <p>AREA E California Los Angeles Coalition LA</p> | <p>Coalition LA is a multi-issue, multicultural organization that focuses on developing community leaders and activists by facilitating ways for low-income folks from various racial and ethnic backgrounds to work together on issues that directly benefit their communities. Our leader-trainees gain hands-on experience by working on issues such as affordable housing, development that takes community needs into consideration and parks and open spaces in low-income neighborhoods that need them the most. Coalition LA has an individual membership of 2,350 members, leaders who are part of neighborhood unions. Some of their accomplishments have been to create 4 Neighborhood Unions which is an organizing model that they patterned after the base communities developed by Archbishop Romero; got the agreement of a councilmember to support a mixed income housing policy; helped to defeat Prop 98 which could have eliminated rent control in the state of CA. Coalition LA fights to stop displacement of low-income people from their homes. They will work towards the update on the year of coverage of rent control in Los Angeles, from 1979 to 1995.</p> | <p>\$40,000.00</p> |
| <p>AREA E California Monterey Center for Community Advocacy</p> | <p>The Center for Community Advocacy (CCA) is dedicated to training farmworkers to form and lead neighborhood-based committees to advocate for improved housing and health conditions. CCA promotes communication and dialogue among farmworkers, agricultural and housing businesses, politicians, visionaries, investors/funders and community leaders. CCA was founded in 1989 and is based in the Salinas and Pajaro Valleys of Monterey and Santa Cruz Counties. Over the years, CCA developed a model for organizing farmworkers at their housing sites. CCA-trained tenant committees have used this model to force landlords to bring more than 1000 substandard housing units up to code standards and to support the constructions of approximately 1000 new affordable housing units for farmworkers. In this CCHD grant request, CCA incorporates health promotion and strengthens public official partnership by training leaders to be promotoras who then organize in their communities and train people to take on health-related issues in the community. Currently, CCA is focused on youth violence.</p> | <p>\$25,000.00</p> |
| <p>AREA E California Monterey Communities Organized for Relational Power in Action</p> | <p>Communities Organized for Relational Power in Action's (COPA) was founded in June, 2003 with 13 founding dues-paying members. This followed a three-year sponsorship funded by then Bishop Ryan Sylvester of the Diocese of Monterey, along with 7 other denominational leaders. COPA has grown to 21 institutional members. COPA's current focus is implementation of its 2008 Shared Prosperity Agenda, including policy changes in housing, health care, economic development and public safety; recruitment of new institutional members and widening participation in institutional core teams. This CCHD grant request includes making the necessary policy changes that affect enrollment in Healthy Families and Medi-Cal; developing a job-training program that will prepare workers for identified job opportunities, with living wages and advancement, on the Central Coast; increasing parent engagement in schools, particularly among immigrant parents to create a culture for high expectations of achievement, support for, children within Catholic parish communities.</p> | <p>\$30,000.00</p> |
| <p>AREA E California Oakland Congregations Organizing for Renewal</p> | <p>Congregations Organizing for Renewal's (COR) is a faith-based, grassroots community organization made up of thirteen congregations in San Leandro, Hayward, Union City, Fremont and the unincorporated areas of Ashland, Cherryland and San Lorenzo, representing 25,000 families. They are part of the PICO national network. Rather than providing direct services, their work creates new opportunities for increased public participation by very low, low and moderate income residents who engage with public officials and decision-makers outside of formal government structures to gain equitable policies and resources in their communities. Participation in the shaping of policy creates perhaps the broadest form of social change, equipping the people whose needs are often ignored over the long-term to address a broad spectrum of issues that reduce poverty in their communities. This CCHD request is focused on different affordable housing strategies, ie. community benefits agreements, inclusionary zoning ordinances, education, violence reduction and jobs.</p> | <p>\$40,000.00</p> |
| <p>AREA E California Oakland Oakland Community Organizations</p> | <p>Established in 1972, Oakland Community Organizations (OCO) began as the organizing project of PICO founders, Fr. John Baumann, S.J. and Fr. Jerry Helfrich, S.J. From 1972 -- 1977, Baumann and Helfrich focused on building neighborhood organizations in West Oakland, San Antonio/Fruitvale, Central East Oakland and Elmhurst neighborhoods. In 1977, over 1,000 leaders came together in a convention and founded Oakland Community Organization. In 1985 OCO began the transition from a neighborhood organizing model to a congregation community-based model of organizing. In 1987, OCO gathered over 2,000 people for their first citywide action, launching a campaign to address Oakland's drug epidemic. Since then, OCO has grown to include work with 40 congregations and 30 public schools who have utilized power to drive significant institutional change in Oakland. In this current CCHD grant request, OCO wants to provide organizing support and leadership development to immigrant families seeking pathways to citizenship and greater civic participation. OCO will also work to increase voter development and participation in African American congregations with a history of low voter turnout.</p> | <p>\$35,000.00</p> |
| <p>AREA E California Orange Orange County Congregation Community Organization</p> | <p>OCCCO, Orange County Congregation Community Organization, is an affiliate in the national PICO network. OCCCO develops grassroots community leadership, identifies urgent community problems, conducts analysis of relevant public policy, and promotes civic engagement among residents. OCCCO is the only interfaith community organization of its kind in Orange County. OCCCO has been in existence for twenty years and has trained hundreds of grassroots leaders. In this CCHD grant request, OCCCO plans to increase public investment in community centers and youth programs to provide healthy alternatives for youth violence; will work toward approval of affordable housing developments in Anaheim, Santa Ana and Fullerton; and will work toward improved code enforcement policies for tenants of apartments and trailer parks.</p> | <p>\$35,000.00</p> |

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| <p>AREA E California Sacramento North Valley Sponsoring Committee</p> | <p>2009 Combined Funded Groups North Valley Sponsoring Committee (NVSC) is a non-profit, faith-based organization that began its work in the Northern Region of California in 2003. NVSC is part of PICO network. NVSC has the commitment to do organizing efforts in the northern counties of California where the poverty levels are more than 20% of the population. Basically, agricultural work is the only employment opportunities in these counties; this means there is a lack of jobs. To teach people a way to find issues that affect their families and through research actions they search for people who can help them find the solutions to their problems. Through the values of their faith NVSC teaches them to put their faith in action that will permit a community of betterment and justice. In this current CCHD grant request, NVSC plans to improve policies related to health care access and immigrant rights in rural communities of northern Sacramento Valley (principally in Shasta and Tehama Counties).</p> | <p>\$40,000.00</p> |
| <p>AREA E California Sacramento Placer Faith-Based Sponsoring Committee</p> | <p>In 2006, Deacon Ed Morgado from St. Theresa Parish in Auburn attended a continuing education day for deacons in the Sacramento diocese. That day, he heard about PICO organizing. Later Ed participated in a program called JustFaith which deepened his interest in faith-based social action and PICO. In 2007, Ed started a PICO effort in the foothills which is northeast of Sacramento. In the fall of 2008, clergy leaders from 17 congregations agreed to form a sponsoring committee, to pursue 501c3 status and to establish an affiliate with the PICO National Network. At this time, there are no broad-based organizing or advocacy efforts focused on social action and systemic change. The faith leaders involved in the Sponsoring Committee are committed to bring a 'faith voice' to the public debate in Placer County and to bring attention to the needs of poor and working class families. In this current CCHD grant request, Placer Faith-based Sponsoring Committee will be establishing the organization, building capacity, developing leaders, looking at their first issue of homelessness and holding house meetings to surface other issues that they will work on in the near future.</p> | <p>\$25,000.00</p> |
| <p>AREA E California Sacramento Sacramento Area Congregations Together</p> | <p>Founded in 1991, Sacramento ACT, an affiliate of the national PICO network, is a multi-faith, grassroots organization that teaches adults and youth from different ethnic, religious, and socio-economic backgrounds how to assess their most pressing needs and empowers them to address these concerns with a suite of organizing, critical thinking and strategy building tools. In 2006, ACT launched its Stand Together Campaign, their coordinated multi-prong effort to reduce youth violence through improving opportunities for youth and through developing prevention and early intervention efforts. Through this campaign, ACT is serving as a change catalyst by bringing together various institutions and creating new ways to work together on behalf of youth. ACT is also currently working with the Diocese of Sacramento to develop a Diocesan Immigrant Support Network. ACT trained 50+ members of 17 churches in the Diocese to put on 18 community forums (5 were staffed by ACT organizers), regarding immigrant rights and responsibilities, immigration law, and community dialogues on immigration. In this current CCHD grant request, Sacramento ACT plans to secure the creation and passage of a new permanent revenue stream of funding for youth in order to reduce youth violence. They also plan to continue to increase participation by immigrant leaders in advocacy campaigns on issues affecting their communities.</p> | <p>\$40,000.00</p> |
| <p>AREA E California San Bernardino Inland Congregations United for Change</p> | <p>Inland Congregations United for Change (ICUC) is a faith-based network of 20 congregation-based community organizations within the Inland Empire (San Bernardino and Riverside Counties) of Southern California. ICUC employs a model of community organizing that provides faith congregations with the necessary tools and training to be powerful vehicles of social change. In a climate of huge demographic shifts, housing market turmoil, growing demand for social services, and overwhelmed infrastructure, ordinary people are losing faith in government and simply opting out of civic life. As an affiliate of the People Improving Communities through Organizing (PICO) National Network, ICUC unlocks the power of ordinary people to solve community problems and build vibrant communities. ICUC is a 501(c) 3 non-profit corporation formed in 1992 and officially incorporated as ICUC in 1998. In this current CCHD grant request, ICUC plans to revise the local interpretation of policies regarding the towing of vehicles driven by undocumented and unlicensed drivers within Coachella Valley; to reduce the number of preventable foreclosures within the City of Riverside and promote measures to keep families in their homes even if they are foreclosed; and to expand the base for faith-based community organizing within the High Desert of San Bernardino.</p> | <p>\$45,000.00</p> |
| <p>AREA E California San Diego Justice Overcoming Boundaries in San Diego County</p> | <p>Justice Overcoming Boundaries (JOB) of San Diego County became tax-exempt, established a Board of Directors and held its first public meeting in 2004. Its present membership is 14 congregations and organizations in San Diego County. JOB was created because the Gamaliel Foundation recognized the disparities in the county and decided to build a collective county-wide organization. San Diego County needs such an organization. The median price of a home is \$583,000; only 6% of the people can afford one; and, a high percentage of employment opportunities are in low-paying agricultural and tourism related jobs. In this current CCHD grant request, JOB's goals focus on immigration reform (Dream Act, AGjobs, stop racial profiling & vehicle seizures); increase healthcare access for children and families; work for living wages & health care benefits.</p> | <p>\$25,000.00</p> |
| <p>AREA E California San Diego San Diego Organizing Project</p> | <p>San Diego Organizing Project, SDOP, is an interfaith, multicultural organization representing 25 communities and congregations. SDOP is an affiliate in the national PICO network. Through organization, people are able to participate in our political system and our society in a meaningful way. The organization seeks to awaken people to their greatest resource -- each other, rich and poor -- and empower them to transform those institutions responsible for their health and safety. Through working together, people effectively bridge ethnic, cultural, and racial diversities. They learn to appreciate the richness of each other's cultural heritage. In this current CCHD grant request, SDOP plans to create access to health care for every child in San Diego, to combat youth violence and create a future of hope and opportunity for youth in San Diego.</p> | <p>\$25,000.00</p> |
| <p>AREA E California San Francisco Nuestra Casa</p> | <p>Nuestra Casa, a community education organization that began in 2002, is dedicated to increasing the civic participation and promoting the economic self-sustainability of the Latino immigrant population of East Palo Alto and the area served by the Ravenswood City School District. They utilize the principles of popular education and develop local leadership to seek changes in favor of the community's economic and social well-being. From 2003 to 2008, Nuestra Casa has focused on improving education for East Palo Alto youth and families. Nuestra Casa facilitates school reform by developing families' participation in the community in order to improve K-12 education in the area. Nuestra Casa developed two programs to best fulfill these goals: the ESL Program for Adults and the Parent Leadership Training Program. In this current CCHD grant request, Nuestra Casa plans to increase the number of prepared Latino immigrant parents that can participate as leaders and decision-makers in school site/district committees and at the school board; to expand network of relationships with parent organizations and School Administrations; to evaluate and strengthen the capacity of parents to train other parents to be leaders.</p> | <p>\$35,000.00</p> |

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| <p>AREA E California San Francisco San Francisco Organizing Project</p> | <p>SFOP, San Francisco Organizing Project, is a grassroots coalition of congregations and schools working to create innovative solutions to the problems facing the city. Their core group of more than 250 volunteer leaders from over 30 member and affiliate institutions represents over 40,000 families. SFOP was founded in 1983 as a coalition of labor unions and Catholic Charities. In 1992, SFOP affiliated with the PICO National Network. SFOP is a broad-based, multi-ethnic, non-partisan coalition that focuses on building relationships and developing leaders. In this current CCHD grant request, SFOP's goals focus on several issue areas: 1) on violence prevention and workforce development, they plan to open city operated centers (One Stops) that effectively serve communities with a high need for educational, vocational and employment programs; 2) with the Bayview Community Benefits Agreement, they plan to win a comprehensive set of community benefits as part of the development process; 3) with affordable housing, they plan to increase the number of affordable housing units with adequately funded maintenance and operating support in San Francisco; 4) with Healthcare, to ensure universal healthcare coverage for children and adults on the local, state and national level.</p> | <p>\$35,000.00</p> |
| <p>AREA E California San Jose PACT: People Acting in Community Together</p> | <p>PACT is an inter-ethnic, multi-faith organization that engages people from all walks of life in their proven model of community organizing developed by PICO to tackle pervasive social problems. Over twenty years ago, PACT began as groups of concerned parishioners from a few Catholic churches in low income downtown and East San Jose neighborhoods. Today PACT represents 50,000+ people through 19 member congregations in Santa Clara County. Currently, PACT's major focus areas include health, education & immigrant integration. PACT leaders are also working on mental health, affordable housing and environmental issues. PACT's goals for this current CCHD grant request are: 1) to improve educational outcomes for children in East San Jose by reducing the drop-out rate and increasing the number of low-income and children of color who are on track to succeed in college; 2) to make Santa Clara County more immigrant friendly by reducing biased immigrant-targeting by government officials and private individuals and increase the rate of people becoming citizens.</p> | <p>\$35,000.00</p> |
| <p>AREA E California Santa Rosa North Bay Sponsoring Committee</p> | <p>The Industrial Areas Foundation (IAF) has more than a decade of history in Sonoma and Napa Counties. Building on this time, these efforts are being renewed in the creation of the North Bay Sponsoring Committee (NBSC). NBSC is building a broad base of diverse religious and civic institutions. In particular, the NBSC is focused on building alliances between institutions representing predominantly younger, immigrant, farm and service workers and those serving an older, well-educated, white collar professional class in order to develop the broad-based institutional power necessary to address the great disparities between rich and poor in the region. In this current CCHD request, NBSC's goals are: to increase the number and diversity of membership institutions; to expand leadership structure to bring more immigrant, poor and Latino leaders into positions of influence; to engage NBSC leaders in a Bay Area regional strategy addressing cross county issues effecting low-income immigrants; to increase fiscal ownership of NBSC by member institutions, towards a goal of 60%.</p> | <p>\$35,000.00</p> |
| <p>AREA E California Stockton Golden Agers for Progress</p> | <p>Golden Agers for Progress (GAP) is a young organization established 3 years ago by Catholic Charities of Stockton. GAP was created as a loose knit network of senior citizen leaders who are identifying needs and issues facing seniors in a four-county area. These leaders are creating GAP to empower seniors to fight for public policies that directly affect them. In this current CCHD request, GAP's goals are to secure the use of LTF (local transportation fund) monies to establish door-through-door transportation for senior and disabled adults in Stanislaus County; to include door-through-door transportation in the Consolidated Plan of San Joaquin RTD; to establish door-through-door transportation as an unmet need in the Mother Lode counties and research possible inter-county solutions.</p> | <p>\$35,000.00</p> |
| <p>AREA E California Stockton People and Congregations for Stockton, Inc.</p> | <p>PACT, begun in 1988 as Stockton Interfaith Sponsoring Committee (SISC), was reformed in 1996 with PICO's help. PACT has become a recognized strong voice for low income residents, winning the United Way Agency of the Year award in 2000 for work in creating a network of Tutoring Centers. PACT uses the PICO model of community organizing utilized in 150 cities in 17 states. PACT develops leadership teams (Local Organizing Committees) in 22 congregations and ethnic communities to allow low income residents a voice in key community decisions. PACT is recognized as one of the most diverse organizing projects in the country. In this current CCHD grant request, PACT for Stockton's goal is to continue work on changing school policy in order to increase academic support for underserved and low performing students, reduce dropout rates, increase parents understanding of and power in the school system and increase the working relationships between the school and the community.</p> | <p>\$35,000.00</p> |
| <p>AREA E Colorado Denver Metro Organizations for People</p> | <p>Metro Organizations for People (MOP) was founded in 1978 with the mission of empowering ordinary people to strengthen and transform their communities through community organizing. The community organizing process begins locally with member congregations, schools, youth and neighborhood associations. MOP is currently comprised of 35 member churches, schools, youth and neighborhood associations representing 55,000 people in the seven county metro Denver region. MOP is affiliated with The PICO National Network, a 33 year old national network of faith based community organizations based in 150 cities nationally. MOP has a 25 year track record of significant social change accomplishments. In this current CCHD grant request, MOP's broad issue agenda goals include transforming schools initiative; children's healthcare; youth organizing; in-state tuition for immigrant students.</p> | <p>\$40,000.00</p> |
| <p>AREA E Colorado Denver Congregations and Schools Empowered</p> | <p>In November 2003 a group of parents, students, and members of the faith community began meeting around community issues related to the towns of Glenwood Springs, Carbondale, and Basalt on the western slope in CO. The group discussed creating a community organization in the Roaring Fork Valley with the mission to engage congregations and schools in a process of community organizing. As a result Congregations and Schools Empowered (CASE) was born & became part of the national PICO network. The focus of CASE is for local leaders to build powerful organizing efforts throughout the Roaring Fork Valley capable of involving large numbers of people in the identification, research, and resolution of issues defined by the community. In this current CCHD grant request, CASE's goals focus on affordable workforce housing, children's healthcare, immigration reform and citizenship campaigns.</p> | <p>\$30,000.00</p> |
| <p>AREA E Colorado Pueblo Hispanic Affairs Pastoral Project</p> | <p>The Hispanic Affairs Pastoral Project (HAPP) had its start in 1990, when Guadalupana Sisters from Mexico, came to Olathe and to Grand Junction for summer catechism programs. Their focus soon widened to meet the needs of the adult immigrant community. In this current CCHD grant request, HAPP's goals focus on 1) create positive change in legislation that improves employment opportunities, education, living conditions and social stability for immigrant families; 2) promote policy reform that ensures access to higher education for undocumented students in Colorado; 3) work together with state legislators to achieve improved labor conditions for H2A-visa workers, especially shepherders in Western CO; 4) improve relationship between local police department and community through the formation of citizen advisory committees to monitor abuses by authorities; 5) support families affected by the deportation process & those who need information about the adjustment of immigration status; 6) organize the base to be able to support families affected by workplace abuses.</p> | <p>\$32,000.00</p> |

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| AREA E Idaho Boise Idaho Community Action Network (ICAN) | Idaho Community Action Network (ICAN) was founded in January 1999 through a merger of Idaho Citizens' Network and Idaho Hunger Action Council. ICAN originally had local programs in Idaho's three largest cities and in three clusters of rural communities. Outreach to meet the increasing need has expanded this to a total of 12 communities (seven rural), with three of the most recently created local programs in predominantly Latino or Native American communities. Through consciousness raising work in local communities, ICAN builds unity among those facing poverty, racism, and unemployment. Together the members take on the fight for food security, immigrant justice, income security, and health care access. In this current CCHD grant request, ICAN's goals are to expand SCHIP eligibility from 185% to 200% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines; promote immigrant integration; help increase Idahoans' incomes by passing a State Earned Income Tax Credit. | \$35,000.00 |
| AREA E Montana Great Falls Northern Plains Resource Council | For over 33 years, Northern Plains Resource Council (NPRC) has been a vital leader in Montana's grassroots movement to protect family farms and ranches, valuable resources and unique way of life. NPRC is committed to land stewardship, the preservation of family farms and ranches and small businesses, and providing the information and tools necessary to give citizens an effective voice in decisions that affect their lives. Recognizing the need to balance the quest for economic gain with social and environmental responsibility, NPRC strives to protect Montana's water, land, air, and unique quality of life to pass them on, unimpaired, to future generations. In this current CCHD grant request, NPRC's goals are to help Montana farmers sustain their livelihoods by adding the option of oilseed crops produced for community-based biodiesel use; increase institutional and individual patronage of local food and businesses to support the local economy; help ranchers by gaining adoption of meat safety measures that are less aimed at punishing cattle producers and more focused on tracing the real origins of meat safety programs; protect Montana's farming and ranching families from having to bear the external costs of energy development. | \$35,000.00 |
| AREA E Montana Helena North-Missoula Community Development Corporation | The North-Missoula Community Development Corporation (NMDC) is a neighborhood-based community development corporation with 501(c) 3 status. The NMDC works to build a healthy neighborhood with opportunities for people of all ages and abilities to live, work, and play. Despite depressing economic and social disinvestment trends that earlier plagued North Missoula, a rising enthusiasm in the neighborhood is at the root of recent successful community projects such as development of 30 units of housing (made affordable through use of NMDC's land stewardship program), a volunteer-built showcase playground, a rails-with-trails greenway, and a pedestrian railroad overpass. The NMDC is also incubating the Northside Neighborhood Food Project, which includes a member run community market with a commercial deli-kitchen, restaurant and community meeting space. In this current CCHD grant request regarding the Land Stewardship Program or community land trust, NMDC has completed another 17 units of affordable housing and is now in the marketing stage of selling these homes. | \$25,000.00 |
| AREA E Oregon Portland VOZ: Workers' Rights Education Project | The Day Laborers Project began in 1996 as a project of the Workers' Organizing Committee (WOC) in response to repressive tactics by the former Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) and by the police to discourage day laborers from seeking work. As day laborers began to organize themselves the need for leadership development and to have a greater local and national connections became clear. Subsequently, day laborers and community members founded VOZ: Workers' Rights Education Project in June of 2000 under the fiscal and administrative sponsorship of the Saint Francis of Assisi Church. VOZ's mission is to secure and promote the rights of day laborer workers through organizing, leadership development, and community education. As a community based non-profit organization of low wage workers, immigrants are its majority. In the Portland, Oregon metropolitan area, they work together to develop and enhance their leadership capacity in order to act collectively to assure needed changes on current institutional structures. In the current CCHD grant request, VOZ's goals focus on comprehensive immigration reform. | \$40,000.00 |
| AREA E Oregon Portland Adelante Mujeres | Adelante Mujeres is an organization that promotes the holistic education and empowerment of low-income Latina women and their families. The name of the organization represents the strength of the women they serve and their ability to thrive—Adelante Mujeres translates to: 'Women moving forward.' Adelante Mujeres primarily serves first generation Latina immigrants in Washington County, including individuals from the cities of Beaverton, Hillsboro, Forest Grove and Cornelius. Ninety percent of the families they serve fall below the Department of Health and Human Services poverty guideline. Adelante Mujeres' programs increase opportunities for family and community self-determination through holistic education, workforce and entrepreneurial training and family literacy. In this current EDP grant request, Adelante Mujeres is creating an expanded Farmer's Market, teaching people organic farming and creating a business incubator and marketplace for micro-enterprise businesses. | \$35,000.00 |
| AREA E Utah Salt Lake City Disabled Rights Action Committee | Disabled Rights Action Committee (DRAC) is a cross disability organization, comprised of persons with physical, psychiatric, developmental, acquired brain injury, hearing and visual impairments. DRAC advocates and fights for civil rights of all persons with disabilities. They recruit, train and organize persons with disabilities who have frequently been marginalized by society. They also join with other local anti-poverty, religious and social justice groups to accomplish common goals. In this current CCHD grant request, DRAC plans to work with the Utah legislature to provide Medicaid funding for adult vision and dental services for 2009; advocate for individuals living in ICF-MRs (Intermediate Care Facilities for Persons with Mental Retardation) so they will have equal access to a "money follows the person" policy; will work to bring 100 individual apartment units and 20 individual businesses into accessibility code. | \$30,000.00 |
| AREA E Washington Seattle OPAL Community Land Trust | The mission of OPAL Community Land Trust is to acquire and own land so that islanders in need may have access to permanently affordable homes and workplaces. OPAL collaborates with others, develops improvements and stewards the land in a manner that is cooperative, stable, environmentally sensitive and socially responsible. Incorporated in 1989, OPAL has provided 65 permanently affordable homes on Orcas Island and is currently working on a neighborhood of 32 homes for people who are not able to afford a home in the traditional market, and is providing leadership-board training for the National Community Land Trust Network. | \$25,000.00 |
| AREA E Washington Seattle El Comité Pro-Amnistía General y Justicia Social | The Comité Pro-Amnistía General y Justicia Social, founded in April 2000 to address the needs and rights of Washington's immigrant populations, is a community group made up of individuals and organizations whose purpose is to educate, organize and mobilize members of their community so that amnesty and social justice are made a reality for all, regardless of their origin. In this current grant request, this coalition of 600 individual and 18 institutional members is focused on general immigration reform. | \$25,000.00 |
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