



Unitarian Universalist Funding Program
Fund for a Just Society
Grants Made 2012

9to5 Bay Area **\$4,000**
San Jose, CA

Wage Theft Campaign

For a campaign to address an issue of wage theft through misclassification of Santa Clara County employees as “dependent contractors, thereby denying them access to benefits, to to extend full employee status to them, including union eligibility..

A New Way of Life Reentry Project **\$6,000**
Los Angeles, CA **\$1,500**

All of Us or None, Ban the Box

A second grant to continue to organize formerly incarcerated people and reduce barriers to employment.

Accion Westlake **\$4,000**
Los Angeles, CA **\$1,000**

Better Neighborhood, Same Neighbors

For organizing to expand affordable housing and improve public services and space and combat government/developer alliances and gentrification.

Arise Chicago **\$5,000**
Chicago, IL

Car Wash Worker Organizing Campaign

To organize to overcome the exploitative working conditions in the Chicago car wash industry, including wage theft and health and safety hazards.

Austin Immigrant Rights Coalition **\$4,000**
Austin, TX

ICE-Out Campaign

For organizing to decrease family separations and increase immigrant trust in local law enforcement by pressuring the Travis County sheriff to end local law enforcement’s collaboration with ICE (Immigration and Customs Enforcement) through Secure Communities.

Brazilian Immigrant Center **\$8,000**
Allston, MA

Reforming Labor Laws for Domestic Workers

For organizing domestic workers, mostly immigrant women of color, to reform labor laws in Massachusetts and Connecticut to bring domestic workers under state law protection.

Burlington RU12? Community Center **\$8,500**
Winooski, VT

Transgender Town Hall Series

To organize to include transgender issues in health care reform and safety.

Caaaelii Coalition **\$6,000**
Chicago, IL

The Health Promoters "Promotoras" Program

To educate and organize communities excluded by the Affordable Health Care Act for a low-cost one-on-one family oriented community health program, and promote community health organizers (promotores").

Central Ohio Immigrant Justice **\$1,000**
Columbus, OH

Know Your Rights in Central Ohio

For organizing to eliminate the deportation of immigrants and build alliances between Somali, Latino and Asian immigrants.

Centro Humanitario Para Los Trabajadores **\$2,000**
Denver, CO

Wage Theft Campaigns

For organizing to reduce wage theft through prevention, education and policy reform.

Chicago Coalition to Save Our Mental Health Center **\$5,000**
Chicago, IL

Winning Chicago's First Expanded Mental Health Services Program

A second grant to implement Chicago's first expanded mental health service program for poor and under-served populations.

Chicago Workers Collaborative **\$8,000**
Chicago, IL **\$1,000**

Bringing Down Barriers

For organizing Latino and African American workers to challenge the illegal use of criminal. immigration and credit background checks.

Childhood Lead Action Project **\$4,000**
Providence, RI **\$1,000**

Refugee Safe Housing Advocacy

To organize refugees and supporters to improve housing conditions and reduce incidence of childhood lead poisoning.

Coalition on Homelessness **\$3,000**
San Francisco, CA

Housing Justice

To address the housing crisis by publishing a report, organizing to increase housing subsidies and pressuring the housing Authority to turn vacant units of public housing over to the homeless.

Colorado Criminal Justice Reform Coalition **\$10,000**
Denver, CO *\$2,000*

End Mass Incarceration

For organizing to expand alternatives to incarceration, increase access to treatment, for sentencing reform and remaining barriers to social and political participation for people with criminal records.

Community to Community Development **\$1,000**
Bellingham, WA

Campaign to End Racial Profiling

For an immigrant-led campaign to end racial profiling of Latinos by local police departments and Homeland Security branches in Whatcom County.

Companeros: Four Corners Immigrant Resource Center **\$1,000**
Durango, CO

Companeros Youth

For organizing youth to change state legislation to create an equitable tuition for all state high school graduates regardless of their federal immigration status.

Damayan Migrant Workers Association **\$5,000**
New York, NY *\$4,000*

BAKLAS: Break Free from Labor Trafficking and Modern Slavery

A second grant to expand an anti-trafficking campaign.

Direct Action for Rights and Equality (D.A.R.E.) **\$4,000**
Providence, RI

Behind the Walls "Ban the Box" Campaign

For a campaign for civil and economic rights for formerly incarcerated people by banning the box on most job applications that asks "Have you ever been convicted of a felony?"

Environmental Justice Coalition for Water **\$10,000**
Oakland, CA

Water Justice for All

A second grant for organizing to ensure that communities of color and low-income communities have access to safe water and can participate in decisions affecting water.

EPOCA
Worcester, MA **\$5,000**

Eliminating Collateral Sanctions at the RMV

For two campaigns: one to eliminate the \$500 drivers license reinstatement fee levied upon ex prisoners, and one to end prison-based gerrymandering - the practice of counting people in prisons rather than in their home towns for the census.

Equality Maine Portland, ME	\$1,000
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<i>People of Faith Organizing for Marriage</i>	
To train people of faith to hold conversations about marriage equality and encourage congregations to take action.	
Faith in Place Chicago, IL	\$1,000
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<i>From the Margins to the Center</i>	
To bring historically excluded people into the center of organizing for environmental justice. The focus is on the ethical implications of coal and expanding the rights of citizens to bring environmental regulation enforcement lawsuits directly to court, in addition to a coal lifestyle tour.	
Fuerza Laboral Central Falls, RI	\$3,000
	<i>\$1,000</i>
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<i>Worker Justice Campaign</i>	
To end the practice of underpaying - or even not paying - workers legally mandated wages and to eliminate unhealthy working conditions. In RI, wage theft is most common in the temporary employment services.	
Grassroots Leadership Charlotte, NC	\$5,000
	<i>\$5,000</i>
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<i>UnChain Mothers!</i>	
To abolish the practice, used in 36 states, of using four point metal restraints on pregnant and birthing women in public and private detentions center, jails, prisons and immigrant detention centers.	
Healthy Environment Alliance of Utah Salt Lake City, UT	\$8,000
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<i>A True Blue Sky</i>	
To organize utility customers to support renewable clean energy in Utah.	
Junta for Progressive Action New Haven, CT	\$7,000
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<i>Building Trust Campaign</i>	
For a campaign organizing to pass an act that will bar all law enforcement entities from complying with ICE hold requests for those who have not been convicted of a violent crime.	
Just Harvest USA Immokalee, FL	\$6,000
	<i>\$2,000</i>
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<i>Alliance for Fair Food</i>	
For organizing to improve the wages and working conditions of tomato farmers.	
Latino Advocacy Coalition Hendersonville, NC	\$6,000
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<i>Justice for All</i>	
To protect immigrant families, targeted by discriminatory immigration systems.	

Leaders for Equality and Action in Dayton (LEAD) Dayton, OH	\$4,000 <i>\$2,000</i>
<i>Let the People Ride</i>	
To open doors for living wage jobs for inner city residents by combatting exclusionary public transport systems.	
Mass. Coalition for Occupational Safety and Health (MassCOSH) Dorchester, MA	\$5,000
<i>REAL (Reform Employment Agency Law) Campaign</i>	
For a campaign to regulate rogue temporary staffing firms that create an underground economy and exploits vulnerable workers.	
Metrowest Worker Center Framingham, MA	\$11,000
<i>Immigrant Worker Organizing</i>	
For organizing immigrant communities to fight wage theft, and improve enforcement of violations.	
Mississippi Immigrants Rights Alliance Jackson, MS	\$5,000
<i>2013 Civic Engagement Day at the Capitol</i>	
To mobilize immigrant grassroots groups for civic engagement to oppose anti-immigrant policies.	
National Conference for Community and Justice Windsor, CT	\$4,000
<i>Yes! Youth Establishing Strength Campaign</i>	
For a peer-led campaign to end bias-based bullying in middle and high schools.	
National Mobilization Against Sweatshops New York, NY	\$8,000
<i>People First Campaign</i>	
For organizing by immigrant and low income workers and residents of Chinatown and the Lower East Side for low income housing, community programs and jobs and to fight displacement by developers building luxury apartments.	
Naugatuck Valley Project Waterbury, CT	\$2,000
<i>Immigrant Home Health Care</i>	
To organize with immigrants and their families to win improved medical interpretation and appropriate cultural resources for the home healthcare industry.	

New Sanctuary Movement of Philadelphia **\$3,000**
Philadelphia, PA *\$2,000*

“Trust Act” Advocacy Program

For a campaign to restore trust between police and the community by organizing in Philadelphia to pass a “No Hold” policy. Such a policy would require police not to comply with an “ICE Hold request” that requires police to hold a potentially deportable detainee for 48 hours so that ICE can pick up and transfer the person to an ICE facility.

North Carolinians Against Gun Violence **\$1,000**
Chapel Hill, NC

Gun Violence Prevention Collaboration

For a campaign to ensure that local municipalities pass ordinances that strengthen gun regulation and make it illegal to allow handguns to be carried in public parks or family restaurants.

Oregon Fair Trade Campaign **\$1,000**
Portland, OR *\$1,000*

Stories Project Organizing in the High Tech Sector

To organize displaced high-tech workers whose jobs have been shipped overseas from the state’s “Silicon Forest”, including foreign temp workers - people who have been harmed by existing trade agreements - to become effective fair trade advocates,

OUR Vanderbilt **\$6,000**
Nashville, TN

Organizing for Vanderbilt Justice

To give workers at Vanderbilt a voice, gain better working conditions and wages.

Peace & Justice Action League of Spokane
Spokane, WA *\$2,000*

Economic Justice: Raise Revenue to Reject Cuts

For organizing to reject state cuts which disproportionately hurt low-income families and people of color and to close the 500 plus corporate and luxury tax loopholes.

Pesticide Watch Education Fund **\$2,000**
Sacramento, CA *\$1,000*

Just Strawberries

To expand a campaign to organize residents, community leaders and unions and prohibit use of the toxic pesticide methyl iodide in California, after outgoing governor Swarzenegger approved its use in his final days in office.

POWER - An Interfaith Movement **\$15,000**
Philadelphia, PA

Economic Justice Campaign

For organizing low-income and unemployed Philadelphians to push for an economic justice ordinance that would include first source hiring, living wage standards and job protections.

Restaurant Opportunities Center of Los Angeles	\$6,000
Los Angeles, CA	<i>\$2,000</i>
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<i>Restaurant Worker Justice Project</i>	
For a campaign to remedy the growing wage theft and discrimination workers face at La Capitol Grille.	
Retail Action Project, Inc.	\$4,000
New York, NY	<i>\$2,000</i>
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<i>Campaign for Sustainable Scheduling</i>	
For organizing retail workers in a campaign for sustainable work hours, pay equity and 3 benefits.	
Rhode Island Organizing Project	\$7,000
Providence, RI	
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<i>Ageing in Community</i>	
For organizing senior citizens to advocate for community based programs that serve the elderly.	
Richmonders Involved to Strengthen Our Communities	\$2,000
Richmond, VA	
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<i>Affordable Housing Trust Fund Campaign</i>	
To establish an “Affordable Housing Trust Fund” to finance up to 340 new units of affordable housing.	
Rural Advancement Foundation International - USA	\$2,000
Pittsboro, NC	<i>\$1,000</i>
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<i>Campaign for Contract Agriculture Reform</i>	
For organizing to protect farms and local communities.	
Rural and Migrant Ministry	\$12,000
Poughkeepsie, NY	
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<i>Justice for Farmworkers Campaign</i>	
For organizing to pass labor rights legislation for New York State farmworkers, including collective bargaining and overtime pay.	
Sisters of the Road	\$1,000
Portland, OR	
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<i>Homeless Bill of Rights Campaign</i>	
For organizing to pass a Homeless Bill of Rights in Oregon.	
Sociedad Latina	\$12,000
Roxbury, MA	
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<i>Youth Community Organizing</i>	
For Latino youth organizing to revise the Boston Public School curriculum to be inclusive of different cultures and to increase the hiring and retention of Latino, multilingual teachers.	

Statewide Organizing for Community eMpowerment Knoxville, TN	\$1,000
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<i>Mt. Pleasant Water Quality Project</i>	
To improve the water quality and reduce unfair sewage rates which were raised due to poor decisions made by elected officials.	
Tennesseans for Alternatives to the Death Penalty Nashville, TN	\$4,500
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<i>Tennessee Death Row Freedom Tour</i>	
To educate and organize the people of Tennessee about the extreme costs, unfairness and risks of the death penalty and to repeal it.	
Texas Tenants' Union Dallas, TX	\$7,000
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<i>Tenants Rights and Affordable Housing Preservation</i>	
For organizing tenants to win improvements to tenant/landlord law and win full funding for federally subsidized housing programs.	
United Workers Association Baltimore, MD	\$5,000
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<i>Fair Development Campaign</i>	
A second grant organizing for fair development at Inner Harbor in Baltimore.	
Western Colorado Congress Grand Junction, CO	\$8,000
	\$1,000
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<i>Gasfield Justice Campaign</i>	
For a campaign to ensure that the natural gas industry on the Western Slope operates in such a way as to protect landowner's rights, people's health and environment as well as build citizen participation in local, state and federal decision making.	
Western North Carolina Workers Center Marion, NC	\$5,000
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<i>Community Campaign to End Wage Theft</i>	
For organizing against wage theft in the mountains of North Carolina.	
Workers Dignity Project Nashville, TN	\$10,000
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<i>Wage Theft and Worker Rights</i>	
A second grant for organizing to address wage theft in Middle Tennessee, engaging in mini campaigns and Labor Rights clinics.	
Youth Art and Self-Empowerment Project Philadelphia, PA	\$4,000
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<i>Youth Organizing Campaign</i>	
For a youth-led campaign to end the practice of trying and incarcerating young people as adults in Pennsylvania.	

of Grants Made: 59

Grants Made Total:	\$292,000
<i>Challenge Grants Made Total:</i>	<i>\$39,500</i>
Grand Total:	\$331,500