

# S.O.U.L.S. Community Partner

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## ALLIANCE FOR JUSTICE

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Primary Category: Activism

Other Category: Environmental, Health and Wellness, Womens Issues

Description:

*The Alliance for Justice* is a national association of environmental, civil rights, mental health, women's, children's and consumer advocacy organizations. Since its inception in 1979, the Alliance has worked to advance the cause of justice for all Americans, strengthen the public interest community's ability to influence public policy, and foster the next generation of advocates.

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Primary Category: **Activism**

Other Category:

Description:

*The ACLU's* Mission is to ensure that The Bill of Rights are preserved for each new generation. The ACLU is our nation's guardian of liberty, working daily in courts, legislatures and communities to defend and preserve the individual rights and liberties guaranteed to all people in the country by the Constitution and laws of the United States. To understand the ACLU's mission, it is important to first distinguish between the Constitution and the Bill of Rights. The Constitution authorizes the government to act and The Bill of Rights limits that authority to protect an individual's rights. The Bill of Rights are the first 19 amendments to the US Constitution that guard against unwarranted governmental control.

Furthermore, the American system of government is built on two counterbalancing principles:

1. That the majority of the people, through democratically elected representatives, governs the country; and
2. That the power of the government must be limited to ensure the individual rights of all.

Balancing both of these principles is essential to a healthy, democratic society. Yet, in every era of American history, the government has tried to expand its authority at the expense of individual rights.

The American Civil Liberties Union exists to make sure that doesn't happen, and to fight back when it does.

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## ANIMAL RESCUE LEAGUE OF BOSTON

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Primary Category: Activism

Other Category:

Description:

*The Animal Rescue League* of Boston is committed to the continuation of the purpose for which the League was constituted, namely, the establishment of one or more refuges for and the rescue and relief of suffering of homeless animals and other charitable or benevolent acts for the welfare of animals.

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## CROSSROADS FAMILY SHELTER

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Primary Category: **Activism**

Other Category:

Description:

In September of 1999, a small group of dedicated volunteers with years of experience caring for animals came together for the sole purpose of building a spacious, new shelter to help homeless and abandoned animals from the Wright County area.

We set an ambitious goal to raise \$20,000 in our first year and at the end of that year, realized more than three times that amount. At the end of our second year, having been gifted a parcel of land for our new facility, we moved forward with plans to break ground.

In January of 2001 we opened the doors of our new shelter to the public with space for more than 30 cats and kittens and 20 dogs and puppies. From our birth to the opening of the new facility, we helped more than 950 animals through a network of about 40 foster homes. As of September of 2003, we have helped more than 2100 animals with a placement rate of 91%. We owe our success to many good-hearted people. Those who have provided temporary homes for needy animals, those who have helped us financially, and those who volunteer their time and talents so that we may continue to make a difference for so many animals.

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## FOOD NOT BOMBS

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Primary Category: **Activism**

Other Category: **Hunger and Homelessness**

Description:

Each group recovers food that would otherwise be thrown out and makes fresh hot vegetarian meals that are served in city parks to anyone without restriction. The groups also serve free vegetarian meals at protests and other events. The San Francisco Chapter has been arrested over 1,000 times in an effort to silence its protest against the Mayor's anti-homeless policies. Amnesty International states it may adopt those Food Not Bombs volunteers that are imprisoned as "Prisoners of Conscience" and will work for their unconditional release.

Food Not Bombs works in coalition with groups like Earth First!, The Leonard Peltier Defense Committee, Anarchist Black Cross, the IWW, Homes Not Jails, Anti Racist Action, In Defense of Animals, the Free Radio Movement and other organizations on the cutting edge of positive social change and resistance to the new global austerity program. One collective publishes a movement wide newsletter called A Food Not Bombs Menu. Another hosts FNB News where you can learn more about the Food Not Bombs community. Food Not Bombs Publishing in Takoma Park, Maryland publishes books like On Conflict and Consensus which has been an important guide for group democracy. We hope you will join us in taking direct action towards creating a world free from domination, coercion and violence. Food is a right, not a privilege.

Serves: Monday meal: 6-8pm across from 57 South St., Jamaica Plain. Tuesday we cook at 330 at spontaneous celebrations. (45 danforth st.) near the stony brook t stop and serve from 6-8 at the south street mall park across from the harvest co-op Copley Square; Wednesday meal. 5-7pm in Central Square.; Friday 12-4pm Boston Common; Saturday meal. 12:30-2:30 Boston Common; Sunday meal 5-7:30 St. James (1991 Mass Ave., Cambridge)

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## GRASSROOTS INTERNATIONAL

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Other Category:

Description:

*Grassroots International* promotes global justice through partnerships with social change organizations. We work to advance political, economic and social rights and support development alternatives through grantmaking, education and advocacy. We provide cash grants and material aid to our partners in Africa, the Middle East, Latin America and the Caribbean. These partnerships recognize that social change is only successful when people in their own communities address the root causes of their problems. In addition to direct grantmaking, we do advocacy and public education on behalf of our partners.

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## IDEALIST.ORG

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Primary Category: Activism

Other Category:

Description:

*Action Without Borders* connects people, organizations and resources to help build a world where all people can live free and dignified lives.

Action Without Borders is independent of any government, political ideology or religious creed. Our work is guided by the common desire of our members and supporters to find practical solutions to social and environmental problems, in a spirit of generosity and mutual respect.

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## INSTITUTE FOR INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION AND DEVELOPMENT

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Primary Category: **Activism**

Other Category:

Description:

*IICD - Institute for International Cooperation and Development* - is a private non-profit organization. Since 1987, IICD has offered volunteer programs to people of all ages and walks of life. People, with a desire to travel the world and do good at the same time. To date, around 1000 people have participated in the 85 programs that have been implemented. The volunteers have prepared themselves in IICD's buildings outside of Williamstown in Massachusetts. They have been working at development projects in Zambia, Botswana, Angola, Mozambique, Zimbabwe and Nicaragua to name a few. They have been traveling in Central and South America, the Caribbean, North Africa and Europe.

Volunteers have returned and made use of their unique experiences by producing books, poems, films, speeches, presentations, newsletters, and much more. They have created friends for life and made a difference in their own life as well as the life of the people they have been working with. As individuals and together they have changed themselves and the world.

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## MASSACHUSETTS PROMISE

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Other Category:

Description:

*Massachusetts Promise* actively engages citizens, corporations, organizations, and communities to improve the lives of children by guaranteeing access to the five fundamental resources necessary to become a productive and healthy adult - a relationship with a caring adult, a safe place to spend out-of-school hours, a healthy start, marketable skills, and an opportunity to give back to the community.

To achieve these goals, oversight agencies for the 'fundamental five' mobilize community activity, facilitating partnerships to expand basic resources for youth; educate the public on the value of citizen service and volunteerism on behalf of youth; and garner the necessary resources to accomplish the state's goals. Through these activities, Massachusetts Promise forges new partnerships, builds upon existing infrastructure, brings a renewed energy to community mobilization, and ensures that the young people of Massachusetts have access to the fundamental resources necessary to become healthy, successful, and productive adults.

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## POPULATION CONNECTION

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Other Category: **Activism**

Description:

*Population Connection* recognizes that broad social, economic and political changes may be necessary to slow population growth. We endorse and actively support methods which are voluntary and which are positive enhancements of human rights and conditions. Population Connection condemns any use of force or violence. Population Connection condemns racism in all of its forms. We will not support or tolerate being knowingly associated with organizations which support or promote the use of force or violence or which espouse racism or racist beliefs.

Population Connection strives to be believable on a complex topic, creative in thinking about the future, concerned for the welfare of all human beings, and forceful but not strident in the presentation of its views.

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## RESIST, INC.

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Other Category:

Description: *Resist* began in 1967 with a "call to resist illegitimate authority," in support of draft resistance and in opposition to the Vietnam War. That history sustains us as our movement evolves and as our concerns broaden and deepen. We remember what it is like to move forward and beat the odds. Resist funds activist organizing and education work within movements for social change.

As a foundation, Resist is unique because we are part of the movements we fund. We do the work individual donors don't have time to do: reaching out to activist organizations and researching their campaigns and projects. We operate on a national scale and know the big picture, and we challenge grantees to connect their own issues with the concerns of other activists. Our frequent funding cycle means we can respond to time-sensitive organizing campaigns. Resist is more than a foundation. We're also a resource center, providing grassroots organizations with technical assistance and information about other funding sources. *Finding Funding: A Beginner's Guide to Foundation Research* gives progressive activists a quick entry-point for grant-writing. Resist also publishes a highly respected Newsletter.

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