



EDWARD W. HAZEN FOUNDATION

The Edward W. Hazen Foundation appropriated approximately \$800 thousand in grants in the year 2012 and \$800 thousand in grants in the year 2013

TRUSTEES GRANTS

Albany Park Neighborhood Council

Chicago, IL

Jenny Arwade, Executive Director

Website: www.apncorganizing.org

In 2010, **Albany Park Neighborhood Council (APNC)** and allied groups were successful in having the Illinois DREAM Act enacted into state law. APNC also worked to gain support from key state level officials for campaign priorities to address racial disparities in school discipline. As part of the LIFE coalition, APNC successfully organized to secure youth employment programs and a commitment from the Governor's office to allow undocumented students who receive their work permits through Deferred Action to apply for state-funded jobs. APNC has also worked in collaboration with other groups through the Illinois Coalition for Immigrant and Refugee Rights to successfully push for a statewide policy change that would allow undocumented immigrants in Illinois to obtain a Drivers' License. **One year \$30,000 renewal grants in 2012 and in 2013** will help APNC to continue its organizing work to end out-of-school suspensions for minor offenses and arrests for misdemeanors, ensure the implementation of the Illinois DREAM Act and DREAM Fund, increase state funding toward youth employment, limit CPS use of high-stakes testing and counter CPS school-closings strategies, preserve affordable housing for low-income families of color and push for comprehensive immigration reform at the federal level.

Arkansas Public Policy Panel

Little Rock, AK

Bill Kopsky, Executive Director

Website: www.arpanel.org

Arkansas Public Policy Panel is working at the local and state levels to build power and identify an agenda rooted in grassroots communities' interests and priorities. A PPP's work centers on nine counties in south Arkansas and the Delta region where high poverty rural black communities are situated; they are also working in northwest Arkansas to build a constituency in Latino communities. **A one year \$30,000 grant in 2012 and in 2013** will enable the Arkansas Public Policy Panel to pursue local organizing in rural predominantly African American communities in Arkansas while also building a state wide coalition for educational equity.

Community Partners for

Community Asset Development Re-Defining Education (CADRE)

Los Angeles, California

Maisie Chin, Director

Website: www.cadre-la.org

CADRE, a multi-racial parent led organization in South Los Angeles, was founded in 2001. Led by African American and Latino parents and caregivers whose children attend neighborhood schools in the Los Angeles United School District (LAUSD), CADRE merges a community organizing strategy with a human rights framework to empower families to advocate effectively for their children over a range of issues. Under the previous strategic plan, CADRE was a core education grantee in Los Angeles. CADRE is in the process of completing a five-year strategic plan. **Hazen's \$30,000 renewal grants in 2012 and 2013** will enable it to continue to implement its organizing agenda and to pilot new components called for in the new strategic plan.

Southern Echo, Inc. for

Citizens For A Better Greenville, INC.

Greenville, Mississippi

Joyce-Hall Parker, Director

Citizens For A Better Greenville (GBG), founded in 2001, is an instrumental organization in creating pathways for effective information exchange, advocacy and change within the Greenville public schools. Renewal grants of \$30,000 in 2012 and 2013 will allow CCBG youth- and parent-led education organizing work in the Delta to improve special education, reduce student drop-outs, reform student discipline policies and to increase funding and community involvement in Greenville public schools. CCBG will also continue to play a lead role in a number of regional and national collaboratives including the Mississippi Catalyst Roundtable, the Greenville Juvenile Detention Alternative Initiative, the Choice Alliance for students with disabilities and the national Equal Voice for America's Families, CPER, School to Prison Pipeline Council and Dignity in Schools Campaign initiatives.

Community Partners for
InnerCity Struggle
Los Angeles, California
Maria Brenes Executive Director
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Renewal grants of \$30,000 in 2012 and 2013 will support **InnerCity Struggle's** ongoing organizing efforts in six critical areas – college access, student dropouts/pushouts, discipline policies, family engagement, food justice, school funding/school redesign – that will move towards high quality, equitable education for students and help to transform the social and economic conditions for the majority Latino residents of East Los Angeles who are disproportionately impacted by lack of resources and quality learning. At the Esteban Torres High school, ICS has secured a space for a wellness center with 9 healthcare professionals and won a commitment toward restorative justice practices at Roosevelt and Mendez High Schools. InnerCity struggle has also collected petitions and increased awareness in support of California Assembly Bill AB420 which would restrict the use of “willful defiance” as an offense eligible for out of school suspension. ICS will continue to focus on full implementation of A-G Life Prep Resolution in Eastside schools, positioning Esteban Torres High School as a model community school, ending the punitive disciplinary procedures in Eastside high schools, achieving a 100% graduation rate at Mendez Learning Center and educating and mobilizing Eastside voters. InnerCity Struggle continues to have strong partnerships with UCLA's Institute for Democracy, Education and Access, Cal State Los Angeles' Social Work Program and California Calls for its electoral organizing work.

ISAIAH
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Doran Schrantz, Executive Director
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The Hazen Foundation made **renewal grants of \$30,000 in 2012 and 2013** to support this multi-racial faith-based organizing group to build out its racial justice and education reform work to close the racial achievement gap and to hold the Minnesota Department of Education accountable to pursuing racial equity outcomes. Through its local and state organizing work, **ISAIAH** seeks to further systemic change by calling for state-level leadership from the Governor and Minnesota Department of Education to demand racial justice. Over the next year, ISAIAH will continue to push for statewide coordination, regional vision, shared learning and mutual accountability by calling for state-level reforms in programs and school funding toward school desegregation and racial equity in educational outcomes. ISAIAH has also helped create an affordable housing subgroup within the regional EEOC organizing coalition to push for pro-integrative housing policy and connect the dots between housing and education.

New Settlement Apartments

Bronx, New York

Jack Doyle, Executive Director

Website: http://www.settlementhousingfund.org/new_settlement.html

Renewal grants in 2012 and 2013 of \$30,000 each will enable **New Settlement Apartments** to maintain its local education organizing and continue to play a leadership role in city and statewide organizing. New Settlement Apartments is a housing and community-building organization with a demonstrated track record of 21 years in community youth development, community service and community organizing toward education reform in public schools. **The Parent Action Committee (PAC)** is a parent and community organizing project of NSA made up of over 1,000 members strong, the PAC is led by 10-25 parents and a professional staff who guide campaigns in five underperforming schools in Community School District 9 (PS 64, MS 22, PS/MS 4, PS/MS 218 and PS 88). During the coming year the PAC's D9 Schools Committee will fight for a District Improvement Plan that is impactful and can be effectively implemented. New Settlement Apartments will fight for accountability and enforcement of the plan, from the NYC DOE, NYSED and U.S. Department of Education. The Parent Action Committee will also continue to implement positive discipline practices in two low-performing metal detector middle schools and fight for the removal of metal detectors.

Nollie Jenkins Family Center (NJFC)

Lexington, Mississippi

Ellen Reddy, Executive Director

Website: <http://www.citizensforqualityeducation.net/>

One-year renewal grants of \$30,000 in 2012 and 2013 will support **Nollie Jenkins Family Center's** organizational development and its parent- and youth-led education organizing work to develop a multi-district quality schools model, reform zero tolerance student discipline policies and to increase parent/student engagement in education reform throughout Mississippi. Over the next year, Nollie's campaign work will focus on the local and regional Prevention of Schoolhouse 2 Jailhouse programs, local school curriculum reform and to increase the organization's adult and youth organizing capacity.

Californians For Justice (CFJ)

Oakland, California

Jeremy Lahoud, Executive Director

Website: www.caljustice.org

One year **renewal grants of \$30,000 in 2013 and 2013** will enable **Californians For Justice** to promote adequate and equitable school funding for all students in California to ensure that high school graduates are 100% prepared for college and career and all high school students attend green and healthy schools. Last year CFJ had 229 members in 13 schools across the state. As a statewide organization with chapters in multiple sites, CFJ develops local campaigns that connect to state level policy work. CFJ continues to play important roles in the statewide CQE alliance, the national Alliance for Educational Justice (AEJ) and other regional collaboratives.

Coleman Advocates for Children, Youth and Families

San Francisco, California

Neva Walker, Executive Director

Website: www.colemanadvocates.org

One year \$30,000 renewal grants in 2012 and 2013 will support **Coleman Advocate's** youth-led intergenerational drive for equity, with particular focus on education in San Francisco through the Campaign for College and Career for All. Coleman Advocates plays a lead role in the citywide San Francisco Rising Alliance of low-income and working class communities of color that have identified public education, employment, housing, healthcare, sanctuary and civic engagement as key components of an integrated social change strategy for a just and liveable city. Coleman's youth organizing work will help increase academic opportunities and support for African American, Latino and Asian & Pacific Islander students, so that all SFUSD students are fully prepared for college, union training or living wage work. Over the last grant period, SFUSD Board of Supervisors, responding to pressure by Coleman and allies, passed a \$2.3 million supplemental appropriation for the school district to support the 1,800 students at serious risk of not graduating next year. Coleman also played an important role in the Assembly Education Committee passing of California Assembly Bill AB420 which will restrict the use of "willful defiance" as an offense eligible for out of school suspension. Over the next year Coleman Advocates will continue to organize for the allocation of additional resources for low performing schools, improved academic support, implementation of restorative justice practices, to promote the National Student Bill of Rights, the creation of affordable housing and to contribute to the development of local, regional and national movements for education, economic and racial justice, with low-income youth of color in leadership.

FIERCE

New York, New York

Krystal Portalatin, Co-Director

Website: www.fierceny.org

FIERCE seeks to address issues that affect LGBTQ youth of color between the ages of 13-24, primarily African American/Black, Caribbean American, and Latino youth who make up the majority of LGBTQ youth who hang out at the west Manhattan piers and experience discrimination from white residents and racial profiling by the police and park enforcement agents. LGBTQ youth of color are often overlooked as decision-makers and are often denied or provided very limited resources. They face multiple oppressions that contribute to the isolation, discrimination and violence they face. **\$30,000 renewal grants in 2012 and 2013** will enable FIERCE to continue its West Village NYC and national campaigns to create safe and welcoming spaces for LGBTQ youth, research and documentation of LGBTQ issues and to develop the leadership and organizing skills of LGBTQ youth. enable FIERCE to continue its campaign to ensure that the West Village is a safe and welcoming space for LGBTQ youth, to develop a new, shorter-term campaign, and to maintain its organizational strength.

Kenwood Oakland Community Organization

Chicago, IL

Jhatayn Travis, Executive Director

Website: www.kocoonline.org

\$30,000 renewal grants in 2012 and 2013 will enable **Kenwood Oakland Community Organization** (KOCO) to organize youth and adults in low-income predominantly Black residents in the Mid-South neighborhoods of Chicago to improve the quality of neighborhood schools and increase high school graduation rates. KOCO parent and youth leaders organize for the creation of an elected school board, stronger local school councils, and community driven school transformation processes. As a lead member of Communities Organized for Democracy in Education (CODE), KOCO helped introduce state legislation to create an elected school board and to put a moratorium on Chicago school closings. As the school district maneuvered to close 25 Mid-South schools, KOCO engaged the school leadership to help them organize themselves to resist the district's efforts to close their schools, reducing the closure list to 5 schools. Over the next two years, KOCO will continue to actively working with parent, youth, and community leaders in the neighborhood and in coalition with other organizations around Chicago to impact public policy in relation to quality education for all students. KOCO is a member of the Chicago Teachers Union community board, an active member of the Grow Your Own Illinois (GYO), Voices of Youth in Chicago Education (VOYCE) and the LIFE campaign, a coalition with 12 community based organizations to advocate for affordable housing, youth investment, anti-hunger and public safety issues

Make the Road New York

Jackson Heights, NY

Javier Valdes, Co-Director

Website: www.maketheroad.org

Renewal grants of \$30,000 in 2012 and 2013 will support **Make the Road New York's** (MRNY) adult and youth organizing for education equity, youth organizing for immigration policy reform and for fair and just policing in New York City. Over the last three years, parents from MRNY's Education Justice Project have participated in an extensive issue identification and campaign development process with allies in two adult collaboratives, the Annenberg Institute Community Involvement Program's NYC Coalition for Educational Justice (CEJ) and the New York Immigration Coalition's (NYIC) Education Task Force, which is a coalition of education organizing groups who focus on issues impacting immigrant students. MRNY's Youth Power Project is also a member of the Annenberg Community Involvement Program's citywide Urban Youth Collaborative (UYC).

Northwest Bronx Community & Clergy Coalition

Bronx, NY

Aleciah Anthony & Laura Vazquez, Co-Executive Director

Website: www.northwestbronx.org

One-year **\$30,000 renewal grants in 2012 and 2013** will support the **Northwest Bronx Community & Clergy Coalition's** youth-led and intergenerational education organizing work to end the criminalization of students of color and help put a stop to the school-to-prison pipeline, improve high school graduation rates and college readiness and to ensure environmentally healthy learning environments in NYC public schools and timely public access to information regarding environmental health of schools. The Sistas and Brothas United (SBU) Youth Leadership Program of the Northwest Bronx Community and Clergy Coalition, is a nine-year old grassroots, youth-led organization of low-income middle and high schools students in eight schools in the Northwest Bronx. SBU is also part of four different educational justice coalitions, the Alliance for Educational Justice (nationwide), the Dignity in Schools Campaign (nationwide), Urban Youth Collaborative (citywide) and Communities United for Police Reform (citywide).

Padres Unidos, Inc.

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Denver, Colorado 80211

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Padres y Jóvenes Unidos (PJU) is a leader in the fight for the rights of immigrants, regardless of immigration status, and has made sure that educational equity is a central element of this struggle. **Renewal grants of \$30,000 in 2013 and 2013** will enable Jóvenes Unidos to continue to build youth leadership and power toward ending the School to Jail Track in Colorado, including intensive reform in Denver, increasing Denver Public School (DPS) accountability around disciplinary policy, continuing the College Prep for All initiative and continue their support for a range of state and national initiatives to increase immigrant student access to higher education, including campaigning for and winning in-state tuition at the state level and supporting the Dream Act and comprehensive immigration reform at the federal level. Over the last grant period Padres & Jovenes won a MOU between DPS and the Denver Police Department that limits police involvement in minor school offenses, passage of a bill (SB 46) that will significantly reduce referrals and arrests by law enforcement in schools and reduce suspensions, expulsions, and referrals and won the passage of CO Asset Bill to provide in-state tuition for undocumented students. Padres y Jóvenes Unidos continues to be active in a number of regional and national coalitions including: Colorado Juvenile Defenders Coalition, Colorado Progressive Coalition, Colorado Juvenile Defenders Coalition, the Colorado Criminal Justice Reform Coalition, University of Colorado at Boulder National Education Policy Center, Colorado chapters of the NAACP, National Center on Time and Learning, Generations Schools, Colorado Legacy Foundation, OneColorado, the Alliance for Educational Justice and the Right to the City Alliance.

Philadelphia Student Union

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Hiram Rivera, Executive Director

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Hazen's **\$30,000 renewal grants in 2012 and 2013** will enable **Philadelphia Student Union (PSU)** to develop youth leadership to work on campaigns focused on teacher quality and equity, school funding and alternatives to privatization for low-performing schools and small community centered schools. PSU currently operates in five comprehensive neighborhood high schools and two magnet schools and its constituency is primarily low-income students from schools in west and south Philadelphia. PSU's school reform programs can be divided into four parts: Leadership Development and Organizing Training, School-based Campaigns, City-wide Campaigns, and High School Survival Programs. In addition to school-based organizing, the Student Union runs citywide campaigns that bring together students from all their chapters. During the next year PSU will continue to expand its base and develop its leadership, build relationships with youth groups across the city, state and country and continue to take leadership roles on local and national coalitions.

Providence Youth Student Movement (PrYSM)

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Chanravy Proeung, Executive Director

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One-year renewal grants of **\$30,000 in 2012 and 2013** will support **Providence Youth Student Movement's** youth organizing efforts and increase the leadership capacity of Southeast Asian (SEA) youth to mobilize around LGBTQ justice and improved police-community relations through the SOUL and seaQuel organizing programs. During the coming year PrYSM will continue its work to improve the demographic record-keeping on Southeast Asians in Rhode Island through their visibility campaign, dismantle the systems and practices of criminalization of Southeast Asian youth through police racial profiling and organizing to address LGBTQ Southeast Asian youth issues locally and nationally.

Vietnamese American Community in Louisiana for
Vietnamese American Young Leaders Association

New Orleans, LA

Minh Nguyen, Executive Director

Website: vayla-no.org

One year **\$30,000 renewal grants in 2012 and 2013** will enable **Vietnamese American Young Leaders Association of New Orleans (VAYLA)** to organize to address educational inequities and environmental degradation in the multi-racial communities of New Orleans East. VAYLA's Raise Your Hand campaigns are developed by young people and initiated to promote policies that increase access to excellent public education and a healthy environment for young people who are racially, geographically and/or linguistically marginalized. The Raise Your Hand program also provides leadership development and political education programming that complements organizing campaigns and strengthens VAYLA leaders' organizing skills. Over the next year, VAYLA will continue to provide leadership development and political education programming that compliments and strengthens the skills and values of the youth leaders and will continue to organize young people to build effective issue campaigns that drive equitable school policies.

Voces De La Frontera

Milwaukee, Wisconsin

Christine Neumann Ortiz, Executive Director

Website: www.vdlf.org

Voces de la Frontera opened in 2001 with a mission to organize low wage and immigrant workers and students and to advocate for policy changes that will benefit them and their community. **Renewal grants of \$30,000 in 2012 and 2013** will enable Voces de la Frontera's Youth Empowered in the Struggle (YES) to continue to organize as an inter-ethnic youth organizing effort to Increase black-brown unity and advance racial justice, increase immigrant-rights and supports for undocumented students, to fight for implementation of the YES authored Student Bill of Rights at the school, district and community levels and to train and educate YES leaders on social justice issues across the state. As part of its civic engagement program YES trained 60 young people for GOTV canvassing for the recent gubernatorial recall and presidential elections. YES also organized a summit of over 125 students to create a Milwaukee public school board bill addressing school budget cuts and learning environment. The YES program will continue to leverage its good relationships with civil-rights groups, faith-based coalitions, teacher organizations and national partners such as the United We Dream network and the NAACP, to build even stronger multi-racial social justice organizing campaigns for youth.

Youth United For Change

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Andi Perez, Executive Director

Website: youthunitedforchange.org

Hazen's **\$30,000 renewal grants in 2012 and 2013** will enable **Youth United for Change** to build a broad based, youth-led democratic organization with the power to hold school officials and government accountable for providing all Philadelphia youth with a high quality education that will enable them to have a variety of options upon graduation, whether that is attending college, further training, pursuing a fulfilling career, or obtaining a stable job. YUC has grown to 2300 youth members, based primarily in five North Philadelphia high schools plus a Citywide Chapter and a Push Out Chapter that is organizing out-of-school and alternative school youth. During the coming year, YUC will focus on three campaigns – push out prevention and ending zero tolerance, school climate and safety; developing high quality career and technical education options; and the development of small schools that tailor curriculum and teaching to student needs and feature a high level of community involvement.

Tides Center for

Youth United For Community Action

East Palo Alto, California

Annie Loya, Director

Website: www.youthunited.net

Renewal **grants of \$30,000 in 2012 and 2013** will assist **YUCA** in providing a safe space to develop and support a core of young people in East Palo Alto to organize on environmental, economic justice and immigrant rights issues in East Palo Alto, CA. Over the next year, YUCA will organize to include community input around issues of housing, employment and environmental justice in current City planning and make community input a formal process in the development of the City's General plan. YUCA is also organizing young people to stop the unfair practice of ICE holds on juveniles in nearby San Mateo County, creating economic opportunities for undocumented youth, and supporting the larger national, statewide, and regional efforts for immigrant rights. Last year, YUCA won the approval of the Environmental Impact Report to increase housing and community space, rent control for the largely low-income westside, won a commitment from Menlo Park to identify more affordable housing sites and won the formation of an East Palo Alto Board of Supervisors subcommittee to review ICE Holds policy. YUCA is an active participant in the Empower, Transform and Build EPA Coalition (ETB-EPA), the San Mateo County Coalition for Immigrant Rights, and the California Table. In addition, YUCA helped convene a group of youth-serving organizations in East Palo Alto who are committed to leadership development to explore how the groups can support each other's work.

Youth Justice Coalition .

Inglewood, CA

Maritza Galvez, Co- Chairperson

Website: www.youth4justice.org

Youth Justice Coalition (YJC) is working to build a youth-led movement to 1) challenge race, gender, and class inequality in the Los Angeles County juvenile injustice system, 2) work to tear down a system that has ensured the massive lock-up of people of color, widespread police brutality and corruption, vast disregard for youth and communities' Constitutional and human rights and 3) oppose the build-up of the world's largest prison system. Hazen has been supporting Youth Justice Coalition's work to drive change in the juvenile justice system in California during the past Strategic Plan. **Hazen's \$30,000 core grants in 2010 and 2011** will support their continued effort to engage the young people most affected by the system to define and move reform.

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