

APPENDIX

Peace Development Fund 2004 Community Organizing Docket (an asterisk denotes a first-time grantee)

***Boarding School Healing Project**

Ann Arbor, MI

The Boarding School Healing Project, a project of the Seventh Generation Fund, was a coalition of several organizations around the country that sought to document Native boarding school abuses so that Native communities can begin healing from boarding school abuses and demand justice. In 2004, this issue was barely talked about. Today, it has risen to the popular consciousness in Canada and the U.S. (see this National Public Radio blog in 2014 on “The Ugly, Fascinating History Of The Word 'Racism'” <http://n.pr/KxzQSf>). The group established the National Native American Boarding School Healing Coalition in 2012 as a separate non-profit organization.

Communities Against Rape and Abuse

Seattle, WA

CARA promoted a broad agenda for liberation and social justice while prioritizing anti-rape work as the center of their organizing. The organization went out of existence in 2010.

***DURO, (Democracy, Unity, Respect for Worker’s Organization)**

Rio Bravo, Tamaulipas, Mexico

This organization, which was fighting the effects of NAFTA, never provided a final report and we can find no information on them.

***Great Plains Restoration Council**

Ft. Worth, TX; Denver, CO; Wounded Knee, SD

Great Plains Restoration Council (GPRC) works to restore and protect our shattered prairies and plains through developing youth leaders in Ecological Health. Protecting wild nature is a matter of public health, and participating in its hands-on recovery offers therapeutic modalities for many social and physical ills. (See interview in “Putting PDF in Perspective.”)

***Greater Works Freedom Council**

Blakely, GA

The Greater Works Freedom Council became the Freedom Council. The book they co-authored with PDF’s grant, Rule of Law: Citizens’ Rights in a Georgia Court of Law is still in existence and used today. Torre Mills, who was the Executive Director, is now a City Councilman in Blakely.

Homies Unidos

Los Angeles, CA

Homies Unidos works to provide the inherent right of youth, families and their communities to pursue their dreams and achieve their full potential in a just, safe and healthy society. (See interview in “Putting PDF in Perspective.”)

North Carolina Lambda Youth Network

Durham, NC

This group seems no longer to be in existence.

O-N-E One Nation Enlightened

Denver, CO

O-N-E received one grant from PDF in 2004, but never submitted a final report, and seem not to be in existence anymore.

Padres Unidos

Denver, CO

Now Padres & Jóvenes Unidos, they are a multi-issue organization led by people of color who work for educational excellence, racial justice for youth, immigrant rights and quality healthcare for all. Jóvenes Unidos, the youth initiative of Padres Unidos, emerged as young people became active in reforming their schools, ending the school to jail track and organizing for immigrant student rights. Both Padres and Jóvenes Unidos build power to challenge the root cause of discrimination, racism and inequity by exposing the economic, social and institutional basis for injustice as well as developing effective strategies to realize meaningful change. (See interview in “Putting PDF in Perspective.”)

***Peasants’ Association of Fondwa**

Delmas, Haiti

This national NGO has focused on grassroots development and empowerment in rural communities. For the past 25 years they have worked in the village of Fondwa and surrounding communities to develop clean drinking water, a road connecting hard to reach villages, a primary and secondary school, health clinic, radio station, credit union, and guest house. Most of the infrastructure built since 2004 was destroyed on January 12, 2010. Since then, they have had to remobilize and restore what had been lost.

People Organizing to Demand Environmental Rights and Economic Rights (PODER)

San Francisco, CA

PODER is a grassroots, environmental justice organization based in San Francisco’s Mission District. PODER’s mission is to organize with Mission residents to work on local solutions to issues facing low income communities and communities of color. PODER believes that the solutions to community problems depend on the active participation of all people in decision-making processes. Improvements to the neighborhood must be made through collective social action to bring about social, economic and environmental justice. In the face of the current “Googlization” and “Facebookization” gentrifying the Mission District, PODER is organizing with neighborhood residents to reclaim public lands for community use based on community planning efforts that bring together the knowledge and experience of neighborhood residents.

Picture the Homeless

Bronx, NY

PTH was started by two homeless men in the fall of 1999, Anthony Williams and Lewis Haggins, JR. Today, they conduct campaigns in the areas of civil rights and housing and have a membership of over 1,000. In 2004, they were dealing with a relatively new post 9/11 world

with expanded policing power and other security institutions that were selectively enforcing the law against homeless people. PTH launched an organizer trainee program to train homeless folks in community organizing. This successful program has an 80% track record of graduates who are employed and/or serving on the board of community based organizations such as People's Production House, Take Back the Land, and the Highbridge Community Life Center as well as here at Picture the Homeless. PTH has earned a seat at the table in numerous progressive alliances, including Right to the City - NYC, the Campaign to Restore National Housing Rights, the Coalition to Save Harlem and the East Harlem Anti-Displacement Task Force, ensuring that the voices of homeless people are a part of the conversation. PTH designed, executed and published ground breaking participatory research projects and subsequent reports, including Homeless People Count, on vacant properties in Manhattan, Abuse and Neglect: How NYC Violates the Human and Civil Rights of Families inside the Emergency Assistance Unit, and Times Up! The Failures of Mayor Bloomberg's Five Year Plan to End Homelessness. A recent victory, thanks to their organizing, was the cancellation of a homeless sweep in the subway system by the New York Police Department.

***Polaris Project**

Washington, DC

This organization works on all forms of human trafficking and serves victims of slavery and human trafficking. (See interview in "Putting PDF in Perspective.")

Prison Activist Resource Center

Oakland, CA

Starting out in Berkeley, this group is now located in Oakland. PARC is a prison abolitionist group committed to exposing and challenging all forms of institutionalized racism, sexism, ableism, heterosexism, and classism, specifically within the Prison Industrial Complex. In 2003, they recalled a "crisis in funding and energy." PDF's 2004 grant kept the organization going. Today they produce a directory that is free to prisoners upon request. PARC also works with teachers and activists on many prison issues. This work includes building action networks and materials that expose the continuing neglect and outright torture of more than 2 million people imprisoned within the USA; as well as the 5+ million who are under some form of surveillance and control.

Western Prison Project

Portland, OR

Advocates for a criminal justice system that is not only just, but more effectively creates the types of safe communities we all want to live in. In order to achieve our goals, they bring together the people most directly affected by crime, violence, and the criminal justice system to work for needed policy change. Since 2004, they have shifted from regionally-based to state-wide in Oregon. Their safety and sentencing program, and crime survivors for community safety are still central to the organization, and they have added youth justice and legislative work to their organizing.

***Women of Color Alliance**

Meridian, ID

The Alliance received funds from PDF to hire a part-time Community Organizer to implement outreach and training plan and general support for new home/office. They were active until 2013 on issues of deportation, immigration reform, and economic justice, holding conferences at Idaho's state universities and receiving awards for their work. WOCA's Leadership was profiled and recognized by Boise State University, "Women Making History" and their former Executive Director was awarded the "Legacy of Leadership Award" from Spelman College. Nancy Egan, former WOCA President (2003-2006) became the first elected Chairwoman of Duck Valley Reservation, making history.