

WORKING ASSETS DONATIONS BALLOT

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Your Vote Can Make a World of Difference



Dear Friend of Working Assets,

It's time to cast your vote!

During the past year, the amount of money in the Working Assets donations pool has grown tremendously — thanks to you and other Working Assets members. Now it's time to decide how these funds will be allocated. And we need your help.

Please take a few minutes to read the ballot, then vote for the individual organization or causes most important to you. Remember, the distribution of funds is determined solely by how many votes each group receives. (If you choose not to vote, you're letting everyone else decide for you.) Even if you want the money to be divided equally, you still need to vote. Consider your choices carefully, then return your ballot by December 31, 1998.

This year, for the first time in our 12 years of funding, we've added a new category to the ballot: Education & Freedom of Expression. This category reflects our desire to strengthen and reform public education, and to see a diverse, independent media break up the monopoly of a few large companies.

Once we've received and tabulated all the ballots, we'll distribute the funds. Look for a complete Donations Report with voting results in the spring. Thanks for participating and for your ongoing commitment to building a better world.

LAURA SCHER, CEO

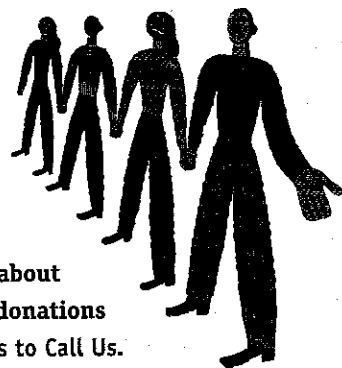
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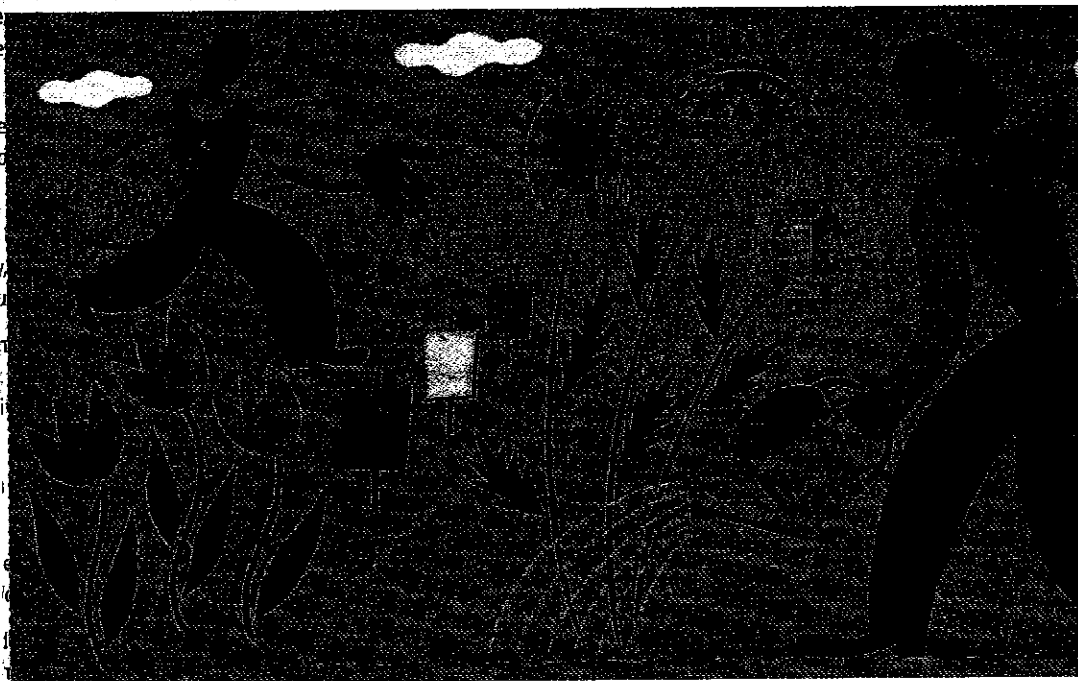
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One Member at a Time

Word of mouth is the most effective tool to help us show others how easy it is to generate funds for progressive causes. And every person who becomes a member, helps us further Working Assets' mission: to build a better world. So help us clean up polluted rivers. Ban deadly land mines. And fight global hunger. All you need to do is tell just one friend, co-worker, family member, business or nonprofit about our long distance service or credit card product, and our donations will grow automatically once they sign up. Tell Your Friends to Call Us.

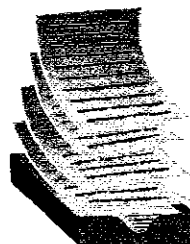


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Understanding the Donations Process

◆ At Working Assets, we respect the diversity of our customers' views and encourage them to participate in the donations process. ◆ Customers can nominate groups by sending us a copy of the most recent annual report of the organization, proof of its nonprofit status and current financial statements. ◆ To be eligible for funding, a group must work in one of our five issue areas (Peace & International Freedom, Civil Rights, Economic & Social Justice, Environment, and Education & Freedom of



Expression), be in existence for at least one year and be national or international in scope. ◆ After an independent foundation evaluates the effectiveness of the hundreds of nominees, Working Assets employees and board of directors select the groups for our annual donations ballot. ◆ Customers vote on how to distribute the donations among the finalists. ◆ Working Assets pays all administrative costs, so every dollar in the donations pool goes directly to the groups.

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Intolerance, discrimination and hate are on the rise. Groups in this category are working on the front lines to promote fairness and opportunity for all, to reduce stereotypes and defend reproductive choice.

CIVIL RIGHTS

Center for Democratic Renewal Monitors hate groups and combats bigotry and violence.

Gay & Lesbian Alliance Against Defamation Fights for fair, accurate and inclusive portrayals of lesbians and gay men in the media.

Handgun Control, Inc. Works to enact laws that keep guns out of the hands of criminals and children.

Indian Law Resource Center Provides legal assistance to Indian and Alaskan Native nations, working to protect their land, resources, human rights and cultural integrity.

Ms. Foundation for Women Supports the efforts of women and girls to govern their own lives and influence the world around them.

National Immigration Forum Upholds America's tradition as a nation of immigrants by uniting families, rescuing refugees, extending civil rights and battling prejudice.

National Youth Advocacy Coalition Advocates, educates and provides resources at local and national levels to improve the lives of gay and lesbian youth.

Planned Parenthood Promotes family planning and protects reproductive rights in the U.S. and developing countries, helping all individuals make responsible choices.

Religious Coalition for Reproductive Choice Counters the Religious Right and mobilizes the pro-faith, pro-choice majority to advocate for full reproductive choice.

Twenty-First Century Foundation Promotes Black community change through funding and assistance of Black youth leadership and grassroots organizing.



The post-Cold War has not yet led to a peace dividend or the release of political prisoners. Groups in this category are seeking to dismantle the military-industrial complex, help individuals subject to human rights abuses and promote sustainable economic development.

PEACE & INTERNATIONAL FREEDOM

American Friends Service Committee Helps individuals around the world achieve a fair income, food, shelter and education.

Amnesty International Works for release of political prisoners; puts an end to torture and execution worldwide; secures fair trials.

Ashoka-Innovators for the Public Helps social entrepreneurs overseas fight poverty, illiteracy, environmental and human rights abuses.

Authentic Labor Front Promotes independent labor organizing in Mexico and joint action with U.S. unions to challenge anti-labor activities of multinational corporations.

Equality Now Works to stop human rights violations against women.

Grassroots International Strengthens democratic social change movements in Third World crisis areas.

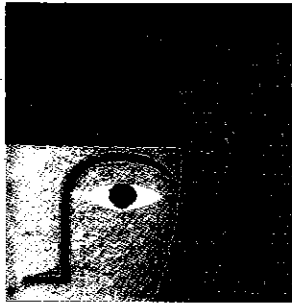
New Israel Fund Works to restore democracy, social justice, religious freedom and Jewish-Arab equality in Israel.

Ploughshares Fund Provides financial resources to stop the spread of nuclear weapons.

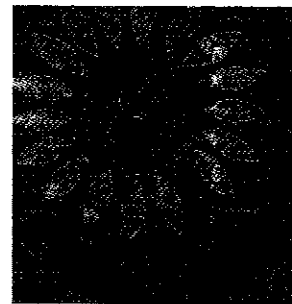
Women for Women Gives educational, economic and interpersonal support to women who are survivors of war and genocide.

Women's Center for Legal Aid and Counseling Promotes civil rights and democracy for Palestinian women and provides legal counseling service to victims of abuse and discrimination.

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A well-educated and informed citizenry is essential to democracy. Public education is under siege from many directions, while the media is controlled by a few large corporations. Groups in this category are helping to fund and reform public education, and ensure the free flow of news and ideas.



The earth's ability to sustain a diversity of life forms is being seriously threatened. Groups in this category are working to protect endangered species and ecosystems, prevent further damage from toxic chemicals and help make the shift to a more sustainable way of life.

EDUCATION & FREEDOM OF EXPRESSION

Center for Campus Organizing Supports the creation and expansion of alternative newspapers and builds campus social justice organizations.

Center for Investigative Reporting, Inc. Holds government, corporations and institutions publicly accountable by working with local and national media to expose abuses of power.

Libraries for the Future Promotes equal access to information and public library services through education, research and advocacy.

Mainstream Media Project Introduces progressive perspectives into the mainstream by placing leading innovators on radio stations nationwide to address social, environmental, peace and economic issues.

National Center for Family Literacy Creates and supports systems which enable families to become self-sufficient through educational programs for parents and children together.

National Coalition of Education Activists Works for quality and equity in our public schools by supporting the efforts of parents, school staff and community activists.

New Majority Education Fund Supports coalition-building efforts to counter the Religious Right on school boards.

Paul Robeson Fund for Independent Media Funds independent, cutting-edge radio, video and film projects used as tools for progressive social change.

People for the American Way Foundation Promotes values and institutions under attack by the Religious Right, including freedom of expression and religion, civil rights and public education.

Public Education Network Works to increase funding for public education in many of our nation's poorest school districts.

ENVIRONMENT

Alliance for Nuclear Accountability Coordinates grassroots groups working for cleanup of radioactive waste and working against production of dangerous new nuclear weapons.

Earthjustice Legal Defense Fund Provides organizations with free legal services to help enforce environmental laws.

Greenpeace Defends the global environment through peaceful and creative activism.

Heartwood Protects our hardwood forests by educating the public, holding government agencies and corporations accountable, and supporting grassroots organizations.

League of Conservation Voters Safeguards the environment by teaching citizens and community groups how to lobby, organize and turn their members into active voters.

Orangutan Foundation International Supports the study, understanding and conservation of orangutans in their native habitat, the rainforests of Indonesia.

Organic Farming Research Foundation Advocates for strong organic standards and sponsors research which fosters the improvement and widespread adoption of organic farming practices.

Project Underground Supports communities threatened by the mining and oil industries by exposing human rights and environmental abuses.

River Network Protects rivers and watersheds by providing strategic assistance to grassroots groups; acquires threatened riverlands for conservation.

Southwest Network for Environmental and Economic Justice Defends communities fighting toxic issues, pollution and environmental racism.



Wealth is skyrocketing for a few while many are left behind. Groups in this category are fighting to defend citizens through organizing efforts, litigation and the testing of innovative solutions to some of our most pressing social problems.

ECONOMIC & SOCIAL JUSTICE

Applied Research Center Challenges racial inequality through investigative research and groundbreaking social initiatives.

Center for the Child Care Workforce Improves child care quality by upgrading the compensation, working conditions and training of child care teachers and family child care providers.

Center on Budget and Policy Priorities Reorders budget priorities and tax policies to reduce poverty, hunger and the growing gap between rich and poor.

Children's Defense Fund Provides a strong, effective voice for all children of America who cannot vote, lobby or speak out for themselves.

Institute for Agriculture and Trade Policy Advocates for safe food, fair trade, and economically sustainable family farms and rural communities.

National Labor Committee Education Fund Leads campaigns against major corporations to end child labor and sweatshop abuses.

National Low Income Housing Coalition Educates, organizes and advocates to ensure safe, decent and affordable housing for everyone.

Older Women's League Supports social and economic justice for mid-life and older women of all races, income levels and lifestyles.

Second Harvest Helps feed millions of hungry Americans by soliciting and distributing each year more than one billion pounds of food.

United for a Fair Economy Raises awareness of growing inequality and presses for action to make the wealthy pay their fair share.

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Dear Friends,

I wish to nominate the Center for World Indigenous Studies (CWIS) to receive Working Assets annual donations. CWIS is a non-profit (501 (c) (3), Indian controlled research and education organization that advocates the rights and interests of indigenous peoples in the United States, throughout the hemisphere and the world. It is an organization that deals with peace, human rights, economic and environmental issues affecting the survival of the world's native peoples.

Please find enclosed a copy of the Center's 1995 Annual Report and a copy of its IRS letter indicating its Internal Revenue Code status.

I think people who use Working Assets products will find this organization more than worth their support and encouragement.

Sincerely,

Leslie Korn, Ph.D., M.P.H.