

Concerns of this Community

Before you view ***A Community Concern***, we ask that you listen to our concerns:

Their literature says “***A Community Concern*** is a documentary that shows the powerful changes that happen when organizers, parents and youth work with educators to improve urban public schools.”

The “model” schools they seek to follow are in the poor areas of Chicago, New York, Philadelphia, Los Angeles, Oakland, and others. Very little has been accomplished for the academics in these schools. Until there is a proven success in raising normative, academic test scores, increasing graduation rates, or significantly improving student achievement in some other way, we do not see a reason to copy what these schools are doing.

A Community Concern is sponsored by the Oklahoma Sponsoring Committee (OSC), part of the Industrial Areas Foundation (IAF) that was founded by the first community organizer, Saul Alinsky, in the 1930's in Chicago. He dedicated one of his books, ***Rules for Radicals***, to Lucifer. This book is still on the recommended reading list for IAF trainees.

The IAF is connected with “**Progressive**” community organizers, advocacy groups, philanthropic funding groups, and even some anarchist groups. If you go to the website that promotes ***A Community Concern*** (<http://www.communitiesforpubliceducationreform.org/resources-and-reports/links>), you can link to the following groups:

Alliance for Justice
Center for Community Change's Education Organizing Newsletter
Industrial Areas Foundation (IAF)
Justice Matters Institute
Pennsylvania School Funding Campaign
Public Education Network
UCLA's Institute for Democracy, Education and Access (IDEA)

By going to these links, and clicking on their links, you will get to many other groups. Please see the other side of this paper for more of their links.

We, as concerned citizens and parents, feel these groups are NOT what we in Oklahoma want to partner with or help fund. We want to help all children of Oklahoma to have the best possible education. A local group called ***Restore Oklahoma Public Education*** (ROPE) is actively working to help our schools in a peaceful and professional manner. Please visit their website and become involved with a group that is doing good things in a good way.

www.restoreokpubliceducation.com

There are so many groups that are out to profit from your kindness and generosity. Many of the people who have joined the Oklahoma Sponsoring Committee are good, well intentioned people, including pastors, who have been lead astray. I do not want your money. I only want to shed light on the truth, and want you to see the truth and decide for yourself.

Please research and carefully discern any group that you join or give money to. If you want to see more reasons why I am opposed to community organizing, please see my website:

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FREE Mumia Abu-Jamal
ACORN
Queers for Peace & Justice
Fanmi Lavalas
Committee to Support the Iraqi
People
Jersey City Peace Movement
No War Westchester
Action Center for Justice
Al-Awda Palestine Right to
Return Coalition NY-NJ
All Peoples Congress
American-Iranian Friendship
Committee
Arab American Civic
Organization
Asia Pacific Action
Association of Mexican
American Workers
Central New Jersey Coalition
for Peace and Justice
Citizens for Peace, Cobb
County
FIST – Fight Imperialism,
Stand Together
Haiti Support Network
International Concerned
Family and Friends of Mumia
Abu Jamal
High County Peace & Justice
Louisiana Activist Network
Louisville Peace Action
Community
MLK Bolivarian Circle
Metro Justice, Rochester
Michigan Emergency
Committee Against War and
Injustice
Minneapolis Anti-War
Committee
Movement in Motion Arts
Collective
New College Alliance for
Peace
New England Human Rights
Organization for Haiti
New School Human Rights
Group
NISPOP– Network in
Solidarity with the People of
the Philippines
No Draft No Way Network
Northeast Ohio Antiwar
Coalition
NY Committee to Free the
Five
Olean Area Coalition for

Peace & Justice
People Judge Bush
Peoples Video Network
Progressive Action for the
Common Good
Alternative Press Review
Alternet
The Anarchist Library
Anarchist News
Anarchists Against the Wall
Anarcho-Syndicalist Review
Anarchy Magazine
Anarchy Radio
Anarkismo
Angry News from Around the
World
The Anvil (reviews)
Asheville Global Report
Autonomy & Solidarity
Axis of Logic
Bash Back! News
Black Agenda Report
Black Commentator
Break the Chains
BrownWatch
Buzzflash
Censored News
Center for a Stateless Society
Common Dreams
Counter Punch
Davey D's Hip Hop Corner
Democracy Now
Disinfo.com
Earth First! Journal
Earth First! Newswire
Electronic Intifada
Electronic Iraq
FAIR
Fifth Estate
Fires Never Extinguished
From the Wilderness
Guerrilla News
In These Times
Indymedia
infoAnarchy
Information Clearing House
InterActivist
Intercontinental Cry
Jew School
Labor Notes
Latuff
Left Turn
Libcom
MediaChannel.org
Media Matters
Media Monitors Network
The Memory Hole

Mikey'zine
Monthly Review Zine
Mostly Water - Canada news
Narco News Bulletin
National Security Archive
NYC Independent
Occupied London
Oread Daily
p2pnet
PR Watch
Press Action
Primitivism.com
The Progressive
Punk News
Rabble.ca
Resist.ca
SchNEWS
Slashdot
Smoking Gun
SMYGO
subMedia
Threewayfight
Utne
Venezuela News
War Times
Whispered Media
Workers Solidarity Movement
World War 4 Report
WSWS
ZNet
BlackandPink.org
FIERCE
Fierce & Fabulous
Free the New Jersey 4
Gay Shame SF
Gender Just
GenderJam
Illvox (Anarchist People Of
Color)
INCITE! Women of Color
Against Violence
LaGai
Les Pantheres Roses
(Montreal)
Midwest GenderQueer
Coalition
Negotiation is Over
Queer Zine Archive Project
(QZAP)
Queers For Economic Justice
Radical Homosexual Agenda
The Naughty North
Trans and Womyn's Action
Camp
Twin Cities: UnBash Project