

A GUIDE TO CHANGE: DURHAM'S COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS



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SOUTHERN COALITION FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE
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Durham, NC 27701
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www.southerncoalition.org

PROGRAM AREAS

- LABOR, JOBS, AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
- HEALTH, HEALTHCARE, AND HEALTH POLICY
- HOUSING AND FORECLOSURES
- ENVIRONMENT, SMART GROWTH, AND PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION
- DEMOCRACY, VOTING RIGHTS, AND CIVIC PARTICIPATION
- CRIMINAL JUSTICE, RACIAL PROFILING, AND THE DEATH PENALTY
- POLICY, LEGISLATIVE WATCH GROUPS, & 501C4 ORGANIZATIONS
- GUANTANAMO, TORTURE, AND RENDITION FLIGHTS
- YOUTH, EDUCATION, AND COLLEGE ACCESS

ORGANIZATIONAL CATEGORIES

 RED = COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS (MEMBERSHIP OR VOLUNTEER-SUPPORTED)

 GREEN = RESOURCES AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICE PROVIDERS

 BLUE = POLICY-FOCUSED ORGANIZATIONS

 ORANGE = VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES



Labor, Jobs, and Economic Development

 ACORN - ASSOCIATION OF COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS FOR REFORM NOW
WWW.ACORN.ORG

ACORN organizes low-to-moderate income people -- their members take on issues of relevance to their communities. ACORN believes that low- to moderate-income people are the best advocates for their communities.

Program Work - Paid Sick Days Campaign

Contact: Avery Book; averybook@gmail.com; 919-682-4273



ACORN can use volunteers around the office during regular business hours - or volunteers to help door-knock during neighborhood canvassing.



HOPE COALITION - HEAR OUR PUBLIC EMPLOYEES

WWW.NCHOPE.ORG

The HOPE Coalition is committed to the repeal of North Carolina General Statute 95-98, which currently prohibits the right of public sector workers to collectively bargain for better work conditions.

Program Work - Workers Rights, Labor Justice

Contact: Chelsea Earles; chelsea__rae@gmail.com



GOOD WORK

WWW.GOODWORK.ORG

Good Work envisions people living in just and sustainable communities with the opportunity and resources to create the lives they want. Good Work trains, guides, and supports everyday people, entrepreneurs, and organizations to help them advance their financial, economic, and business literacy.

Program Work - Small Business Development, Job Training

Contact: John Parker; johnp@goodwork.org



NORTH CAROLINA AFL-CIO

WWW.AFLCIONC.ORG

The NC AFL-CIO works to improve the lives of working families—to bring economic justice to the workplace and social justice to our nation.

Program Areas: Union Organizing, Worker Rights, Labor Justice

Contact: Jeremy Sprinkle; Jeremy@aflcionc.org



SELF HELP CREDIT UNION

WWW.SELF-HELP.ORG

Self-Help is a community development lender and real estate developer that works with qualified individuals, organizations and communities traditionally underserved by conventional markets.

Program Areas: Small Business Lending, Fair Lending

Contact: info@self-help.org



NC JUSTICE CENTER

WWW.NCJUSTICE.ORG

The NC Justice Center works to reduce and eliminate poverty by helping to ensure that every North Carolina household gains access to the resources, services and fair treatment that it needs in order to enjoy economic security.

Program Areas: Immigrant Rights, Workers' Rights

Contact: Debrah Tyler-Horton; debra@ncjustice.org

Health, Healthcare, and Health Policy



NC FAIR SHARE
WWW.NCFAIRSHARE.ORG

NC Fair Share promotes communication, education, coalition building, and collaboration with like-minded organizations and individuals to continue to expand leadership development for low-income North Carolinians”

Program Areas: Healthcare Access
Contact: Lynice Williams; 919.786.7474



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Program Areas: Healthcare and Healthcare Access
Contact: Adam Searing; adam@ncjustice.org



HEALTHCARE FOR ALL NORTH CAROLINA
WWW.HEALTHCAREFORALLNC.ORG

Health Care for All North Carolina works to educate about and advocate for the Right to Health Care, so that access to health care on a regular basis is assured for all North Carolinians regardless of age, sex, race/ethnicity, marital or employment status, pre-existing medical condition or geography.

Program Areas: Legislative Work and Advocacy for Healthcare Access
Contact: volunteer@healthcareforallnc.org; 919-338-2535



**DURHAM NAMI -
NATIONAL ALLIANCE FOR THE MENTALLY ILL**
WWW.NAMINC.ORG

The mission of NAMI North Carolina is to promote recovery and optimize the quality of life for those living with mental illness.

Program Areas: Group support, Helpline, Education and Advocacy
Contact: mail@naminc.org; 919-788-0801



Durham Nami's Mutual Support Meetings are 7 pm on the first and third Tuesdays of each month at the Watts Street Baptist Church.

DCRC needs volunteer
- Hospital Responders
(call 919-403-9425 x224)
- Crisis Line Advocates
(call 919-403-9425 x230)

Other volunteer needs:
Court Advocate, Fund Raising/Special Events Volunteer, One-Day Project Volunteer, Shelter Care Provider, Support Group Child Care, Thrift Store Volunteer



DURHAM CRISIS RESPONSE CENTER
WWW.DURHAMCRISISRESPONSE.ORG

Durham Crisis Response Center works with the community to end domestic and sexual violence through advocacy, education, support and prevention.




Program Areas: 24-Hour Crisis Line, Legal Advocacy; Survivors' Groups, Emergency Shelter, Community Education
Contact: Deanna Manley; 919-403-9425x230



PROJECT ACCESS
WWW.PROJECTACCESSDURHAM.ORG

Project Access links eligible low-income, uninsured patients to needed specialty medical care, diagnostic services, ancillary services, hospital care, pharmacy services and prescription medications, and disease management and care coordination services.

Program Areas: Community Healthcare Services
Contact: Sally Wilson; 919-470-7262

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Housing and Foreclosures

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Program Work - Tenants Rights, Housing Justice, Stop Forclosures
Contact: Avery Book; averybook@gmail.com



ACORN is seeking volunteers to help with foreclosure outreach - call Lillie at 919-682-4273

● CENTER FOR RESPONSIBLE LENDING
WWW.RESPONSIBLELENDING.ORG

The Center for Responsible Lending (CRL) is a nonprofit, nonpartisan research and policy organization dedicated to protecting homeownership and family wealth by working to eliminate abusive financial practices.

Program Areas: Foreclosures, Predatory Lending
Contact: 919-313-8500

● DURHAM COMMUNITY LAND TRUSTEES
WWW.DCLT.ORG

Durham Community Land Trustees is a community based organization committed to providing permanently affordable housing for low to moderate income people and promoting community revitalization in the neighborhoods in which it operates.

Program Areas: Affordable Housing, Neighborhood Revitalization
Contact: info@dclt.org; 919-490-0063



● ● BLACK FAMILY LAND TRUST
WWW.BFLT.ORG
The mission of the Black Family Land Trust is to provide educational, technical and financial services to ensure, protect, and preserve African American land ownership.

Program Areas: Black Land Loss, Asset Building
Contact: Dannette Sharpley; dannettesharpley@bflt.org; 919-682-5969

● SELF HELP CREDIT UNION
WWW.SELF-HELP.ORG

Self-Help is a community development lender and real estate developer that works with qualified individuals, organizations and communities traditionally underserved by conventional markets.

Program Areas: Affordable Housing, Home Ownership
Contact: info@self-help.org

● ● HABITAT FOR HUMANITY
WWW.DURHAMHABITAT.ORG

Habitat of Durham transforms lives and communities by making homeownership possible in partnership with people who care.

Program Areas: Affordable Housing
Contact: Patt Hatcher; 919-682-0516 ext.101



Home construction:
Shift times are 8:15am - 12pm and 12:45 - 4pm
Hospitality help needed for construction volunteers
7:30am to 9am, Wed-Sat.
12:45pm to 2pm (on Saturday)
4-5pm (on Saturday)



Environment, Smart Growth, and Public Transportation



NC WARN
WWW.NCWARN.ORG

NC Warn tackles the accelerating crisis posed by climate change – by working for a swift North Carolina transition to energy efficiency and clean power.

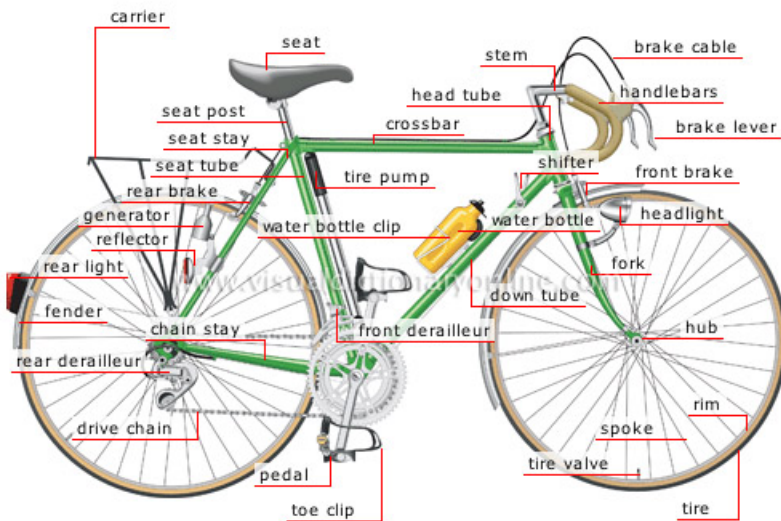
Program Areas: Climate Change, Green Jobs, Waste Reduction
Contact: ncwarn@ncwarn.org; 919-416-5077



NC PIRG-PUBLIC INTEREST RESEARCH GROUP
WWW.NCPIRG.ORG

North Carolina Public Interest Research Group takes on powerful interests on behalf of North Carolina's citizens, working to win concrete results for our health and our well-being.

Program Areas: Public Transportation
Contact: Ashley Chase; 919-833-2070



DURHAM BIKE COOP
WWW.DURHAMBIKECOOP.ORG

The Durham Bike Co-op is a direct-service program designed to encourage the use of bicycling as a mode of transportation and recreation in Durham.

Program Areas: Alternative Transportation, Sustainability, Earn-A-Bike, Mobile Repair Clinics
Contact: durhambikecoop@gmail.com



*Durham Bike Coop
Earn a Bike Program*

*Sundays 1-6 at 723 N. Mangum St.
3rd Saturdays, 2-5 are womens
workshop days*

*Skills clinic for women starting in
March*

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Democracy, Voting Rights, and Civic Participation



DEMOCRACY NC
WWW.DEMOCRACY-NC.ORG

Democracy North Carolina is a nonpartisan organization working statewide to fulfill the promise of "one person, one vote," the bedrock principle of equal rights and self-determination. We believe the people of North Carolina deserve a government that is truly by the people and for the people

Program Work - Voter Education, Public Finance, Voting Rights
Contact: Jenn Frye; JennFrye@democracy-nc.org



Democracy NC needs volunteers at the office in the mornings or afternoons, possibly some evenings

Duties can include data entry, internet research, and administrative tasks

Call 919-286-6000



FAIRVOTE NC
WWW.FAIRVOTENC.ORG

FairVote NC acts to transform our elections to achieve secure and universal access to participation, a full spectrum of meaningful choices and majority rule with fair representation and a voice for all.

Program Areas: National Popular Vote, Rank Choice Voting, Universal Registration
Contact: Torrey Dixon; tdixon@fairvote.org



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Program Areas: Voter Registration and Democracy
Contact: Ashley Chase; 919-833-2070



NC CENTER FOR VOTER EDUCATION
WWW.NCVOTERED.COM

The NC Center for Voter Education is a non-profit, non-partisan organization dedicated to empowering you with the facts you need to make the most of your vote.

Program Areas: Voting Rights, Voter Education
Contact: Damon Circosta; circosta@nccve.org



COMMON CAUSE NORTH CAROLINA
WWW.COMMONCAUSE.ORG/NC

Common Cause North Carolina is a non-partisan citizens' lobby organization. Working together, members work to strengthen public participation and to ensure that the political process serve the public interest, rather than the special interests.

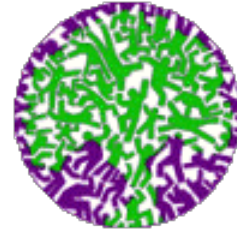
Program Areas: Public Financing, Redistricting, Lobby Reform
Contact: Bob Phillips; ncccef@bellsouth.net; 919-836-0027

Criminal Justice, Racial Profiling, and the Death Penalty

 **MURDER VICTIMS FAMILIES FOR RECONCILIATION**
WWW.MVFR.ORG

MVFR members help their friends, co-workers, media and policymakers understand the negative impact that capital punishment has on the families of murder victims and the executed.

Program Areas: Death Penalty, Policy, Reconciliation
Contact: John Comer; jcomer@mvfr.org



 **SOUTHERN COALITION FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE**
WWW.SOUTHERNCOALITION.ORG

The Southern Coalition for Social Justice responds to community-determined priorities. We view local social justice struggles from a global international human rights perspective. We believe it takes a holistic, collective and interdisciplinary approach to address issues at their core in order to bring sustained structural change and to alter power relations.

Program Areas: Racial Profiling, Police Brutality & Misconduct
Contact: 919-323-3380; general@southerncoalition.org

 **ACLU OF NORTH CAROLINA**
WWW.ACLUOFNORTHCAROLINA.ORG

The ACLU of North Carolina is committed to preserving and defendin the guarantees of individual liberty found in the North Carolina Constitution and the US Constitution, with particular emphasis on freedom of speech, freedom of association, freedom of religion, equal protection under law for all people, the right to privacy, the right to due process of law, and the right to be free from unreasonable search and seizure.

Program Areas: Racial Profiling, Racial Justice, Death Penalty
Contact: aclunc@nc.rr.com; 919-834-3390

 **NC COALITION FOR A MORATORIUM**
WWW.NCMORATORIUM.ORG

The North Carolina Coalition for a Moratorium office is based in Durham. The campaign is non-partisan and encompasses all North Carolinians committed to reforming the death penalty in our state.




Program Areas: Death Penalty
Contact: Jeremy Collins; jcollins@ncmoratorium.org

Policy, Legislative Watch Groups, and 501(c)4 Organizations

 **NC POLICY WATCH**
WWW.NCPOLICYWATCH.ORG

NC Policy Watch is a public policy organization committed to changing the way our elected officials debate the important issues facing North Carolina and, ultimately, to improve the quality of life in the state by convincing state leaders to make the kinds of investments in people and institutions that allow us to address our most pressing problems.

Contact: Chris Fitzsimon; 919-861-2066; chris@ncpolicywatch.com

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Durham People's Alliance is a grassroots organization of Durham citizen-volunteers that works to improve life in our community. DPA is committed to a community where all basic needs are met and each individual has the opportunity for a life of accomplishment, dignity and pride.

Program Areas: local democracy, stewardship, diversity
Contact: 919-682-7777; durhampa@mindspring.com

Volunteer are needed in the following areas:

- * City & County Budget Watchers
- * Coordinating Committee
- * Durham's Patch (Environmental Activist Group)
- * Housing & Planning
- * Education
- * Political Action Committee

DURHAM COMMITTEE ON THE AFFAIRS OF BLACK PEOPLE



This organization, established in 1935, is continued in order to serve as a representative of, and as a leadership body for, the Black citizenry of the city of Durham and the county of Durham in promoting the welfare of the citizenry in political, educational, economic, civic, and cultural affairs.



Meetings are the 1st and 3rd Thursdays at the White Rock Baptist Church
Contact: Dr. Lavonia Allison; 919-530.-100; drela@aol.com

Guantanamo, Torture, and Rendition Flights



North Carolina Stop Torture Now is a grassroots coalition of individuals representing themselves and a diversity of faith, human rights, peace, veteran, and student groups. STN aims to stop torture everywhere, and have worked since 2005 to expose and end North Carolina's central role in the acceleration and escalation of U.S. torture programs.

Program Areas: Human Rights, Torture, Rendition
Contact: 919-834-4478 ; contact@ncstoptorturennow.net

NC Stop Torture Now Meetings are:

The 4th Sunday of every month from 2:00pm-4:00pm at the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Raleigh (UUF)

3313 Wade Avenue

Youth, Education, and College Access



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Program Areas: Education Access, Quality Education
Contact: Angella Dunston; angella@ncjustice.org



TRACTION
WWW.GETTRACTION.ORG

A social network of left-leaning 20- and 30-somethings who are spicing up progressive activism. We throw fun, issue-based events that inform, inspire and connect us with other savvy Gen X & Yers.

Program Areas: Multi-Issue; health, family, democracy, environment...
Contact: Lanya Shapiro; traction@gettraction.org



ADELANTE EDUCATION COALITION OF NC
WWW.ADELANTENC.ORG

Adelante focuses on education issues affecting Latino and migrant students and their families in North Carolina.

Program Areas: K-12, Immigrants, Education Access
Contact: Raúl Granados; rfg5@duke.edu

OTHER RESOURCES

TRIANGLE GIVES BACK
WWW.TRIANGLEGIVESBACK.ORG

An online resource from the Triangle Community Foundation to match volunteers to community-based organizations around the Triangle.

