Dear Friends,

There is much to be excited about in the global movement for nonviolent social change. In the enclosed letter, you can see the results of your generous contributions to the Muste Institute.

Thanks to your support, we have exceeded our fundraising expectations. But the grassroots peace and justice movement keeps expanding, and our resources aren’t enough to meet the needs. We received 100 applications for the June cycle of our Social Justice Fund!

People of all ages and backgrounds are out there organizing, mobilizing, and educating to build a better future. With your help, this movement can continue to make real gains.

Please give generously. And please help us spread the word about the Muste Institute by passing this newsletter on to your friends, colleagues, and family members, or posting it at your local library.

Sincerely,

Jane Guskin Jeanne Strole
Co-Director Co-Director

P.S. We are deeply grateful to Melissa Jameson for her thoughtful, dedicated service to the Muste Institute since 2003. Melissa stepped down from the Board in June; she had been on leave since late 2008.
Organizaciones Binacionales, a binational group of indigenous Mexicans, many of whom are originally from Oaxaca; and a presentation at the University of Washington Law School. Gustavo then flew to Minneapolis, where CASA board member Rachel Wallis took over interpretation and coordination. Gustavo and Rachel traveled through Minnesota, Wisconsin, Illinois, Michigan and Ohio, speaking to university audiences, immigrant groups and community organizations about grassroots organizing in Oaxaca. Highlights included meetings in Madison, Wisconsin with members of the Mexican-American student group MEChA (Movimiento Estudiantil Chicano de Aztlán); presentations with the parents of New York activist journalist Brad Will, who was murdered in 2006 while covering the Oaxaca rebellion; and a photography workshop with an immigrant women’s domestic violence support group.

While the Midwest leg of the tour was wrapping up, an East Coast tour was beginning with Sylvia Hernandez, a former political prisoner and Oaxacan activist, and former CASA Coordinator Chris Thomas. The two traveled from Vermont to Virginia, speaking to community bookstores, immigrant organizations, student groups and more. Highlights included a meeting with the Olneyville Neighborhood Association in Providence, Rhode Island (a Muste Institute grantee), and events with People United, an immigrant organizing project in Harrisburg, Virginia.

This tour was organized on a shoestring budget. We made use of the hospitality of our hosts, our friends and our families, and borrowed cars whenever possible to save on travel expenses. Thanks to the support of the Muste Institute, we were able to devote at least half of the tour dates to community and grassroots organizations who couldn’t afford to pay an honorarium or travel expenses. During tour events, we also raised more than $900 to support the families of political prisoners in Oaxaca. We have continued to build on the relationships begun with the speaking tour, most recently mobilizing in response to the assassination of two human rights activists in rural Oaxaca in April 2010.

You can get more information about CASA’s work at www.casacollective.org. Photos, videos and blog entries about the tour can be found at teachingrebellion.wordpress.com.

Howard Zinn: 1922-2010

“The do believe [...] change can occur but it will not happen ‘one day’ or in one cataclysmic moment. It will happen over time as people, little by little, take over the institutions of society—the economy, the universities, the neighborhoods—and run them democratically. [...] I don’t reject the idea of revolution, but I reject the idea of armed struggle, or a military action to achieve it. The revolution must be democratic in means as well as in ends, and this requires building mass support for change by long, persistent struggle.”—Howard Zinn (interview by Paul Glavin and Chuck Morse published in Perspectives on Anarchist Theory, Spring 2003.)

Howard Zinn—activist, teacher, historian and longtime Muste Institute supporter—died on January 27, 2010 at age 87. Roslyn Zinn, his wife, died in May 2008. In this photo, Howard is arrested at a May 1971 protest in Boston against the Vietnam war. The image was used in Howard Zinn: You Can’t Be Neutral on a Moving Train, a documentary by Deb Ellis and Denis Mueller which the Muste Institute supported with a grant in December 2002.
Social Justice Fund Grants, June 2010

The Social Justice Fund makes grants for grassroots activist projects in the U.S. and around the world. The next deadline is September 24, 2010. Guidelines are at ajmuste.org/guidelin.htm. If supporting social justice activism is important to you, please donate now to help us expand this important grantmaking program.

ALTERNATIVES TO INCARCERATION COUNCIL (ATIC)
Lauderhill, FL: $1,250

Formed in July 2008, ATIC addresses the reality that half of Florida’s more than 100,000 incarcerated residents are jailed for nonviolent, victimless third degree felonies. Our grant goes for the Community Organizing and Awareness Project, building public support for reassessing nonviolent crimes, limiting mandatory sentencing and encouraging alternatives such as diversion programs.

AUSTIN IMMIGRANT RIGHTS COALITION
Austin, TX: $1,250

The Austin Immigrant Rights Coalition is a membership-based coalition of immigrants, allies and organizations promoting human rights, dignity and social and economic justice for immigrants. The Coalition formed in the spring of 2006 as immigrants were mobilizing across the U.S. in response to repressive national legislation. This grant goes for the Human Rights Promoter Project, training immigrant leaders to organize in defense of their rights under the U.S. Constitution and the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, and to educate others through the creation of human rights committees.

CONNECTICUT NETWORK TO ABOLISH THE DEATH PENALTY
Hartford, CT: $1,000

Since 1986, this network has been mobilizing grassroots community-based activists to educate and organize the Connecticut public in opposition to capital punishment. This grant goes for the “Voices of Experience Tour,” in which family members affected by violent crime speak out about their opposition to the death penalty in public events and through the media.

MULTICULTURAL ALLIANCE FOR A SAFE ENVIRONMENT (MASE)
Albuquerque, NM: $1,250

MASE is a coalition of community-based organizations from communities adversely impacted by uranium mining. In a region that produced almost half of the uranium used by the U.S. from 1948 to 1988, many former mine workers are still sick, and communities are devastated by contaminated air, water and soil. This grant goes for the Mount Taylor Sacred Sites Prayer Run, an action to unite and reinvigorate people who have been working to stop new uranium mining in the region, and let the mining companies know that these communities will not allow uranium mining to resume.

THINK OUTSIDE THE BOMB
Albuquerque, NM: $1,250

Think Outside the Bomb started in 2005 as a project of the Nuclear Age Peace Foundation Youth Empowerment program, and became an autonomous youth collective in 2009. This grant goes for the Disarmament Summer project: a cross-cultural alliance of youth working in partnership with indigenous communities in New Mexico to build a grassroots, consensus-based, nonviolent direct action movement. Their goals: stop the expansion of the nuclear weapons industry and achieve healthcare and environmental justice for communities directly affected by the nuclear industry.

Adalys Travel Grants

March 8, 2010: Members of the World March of Women (Marcha Mundial de las Mujeres) from Peru’s northern region celebrate women’s day with a batukada drum procession through the streets of Lambayeque. The Adalys Vázquez Solidarity Travel Fund granted $1,000 to send two representatives of this women’s group to the World People’s Conference on Climate Change and the Rights of Mother Earth, held in April in Cochabamba, Bolivia. You can read about all the Adalys Fund grants made in February and April in the online version of Muste Notes.

Counter Recruitment Grants, April 2010

The Muste Institute’s Counter Recruitment Fund makes small grants for grassroots efforts to inform young people about the realities of military service, help them protect their privacy from recruiters and refer them to non-military education and employment options. Our next deadline for proposals is October 11, 2010. Guidelines are on our website at www.ajmuste.org/counter-recruit.htm.

Iraq Veterans Against the War
(National Office), New York, NY: $1,500 for regional counter-recruitment networking in Chicago and Albuquerque; and “truth in recruiting” efforts, especially with Native American and low-income youth.

High Rocks Educational Corporation,
Hillsboro, WV: $750 for a vocational and leadership development project targeting 60 female and at-risk students.

Northwest Suburban Peace & Education Project, Chicago, IL: $1,000 for an “alternatives to military enlistment” career fair.
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