New Grants, July-October 1997

IMMIGRANT WORKERS RESOURCE CENTER
Boston, MA: $1,225.

Since 1987 the IWRC has been helping immigrant workers build power and participation in the decisions that affect their jobs and their lives. Our grant goes for the Women's Leadership Program, to train and certify ten Latina women in a 10-month "Health and Safety on the Job Training" course.

INTERNATIONAL PEACE BUREAU
Geneva, Switzerland: $1,500.

Founded in 1892 and winner of the Nobel Peace Prize in 1910, IPB is the world's oldest international peace federation, bringing together some 170 organizations in more than 45 countries. Our grant goes for efforts to organize and involve young people in the Hague Appeal for Peace '99, a global campaign to move peace and disarmament issues forward in public debate and consciousness as the end of the century approaches.

The A.J. Muste Memorial Institute makes small grants to groups doing nonviolent organizing for social change. If you know of such a group, please encourage them to apply to us for funding. Write the A.J. Muste Memorial Institute, 339 Lafayette St., New York, NY 10012 or call us at (212) 533-4335 to receive a copy of our grant guidelines and our latest roster of grants. Our next deadline for proposals will be January 20, 1998. Our guidelines and grant rosters are also available on our web site, located at http://www.nonviolence.org /ajmuste

PEACE THROUGH INTERAMERICAN COMMUNITY ACTION (PICA)
Bangor, ME: $1,400.

For ten years PICA has been actively organizing the Bangor community around issues of social justice, beginning with opposition to intervention in Central America. Our grant goes for the Bangor Clean Clothes Campaign, an effort to empower local residents to take action against corporate abuses; support national anti-sweatshop organizing; and build solidarity across borders.

PIONEERS FOR PEACE AND JUSTICE
Wichita, KS: $650.

Formed by a Mennonite former teacher who coordinates the peer mediation program at Wichita West High School, this group seeks to confront increasing violence and intolerance among students by actively promoting peace and justice. Our grant goes to pay for four large bulletin boards at the school which will provide information on peace and justice issues, and to bring a speaker to address the student body during "Increase the Peace" week.

RHODE ISLAND WOMEN'S INSTITUTE FOR LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT
Cranston, RI: $1,500.

For a scholarship fund to help low-income women from labor and grassroots organizations to attend the first annual Rhode Island WILD Weekend Institute in Fall 1997. Modeled on the successful WILD program in Massachusetts, RI WILD brings together women who are active in labor unions and grassroots community organizations to increase the numbers and effectiveness of women leaders in these organizations; increase democratic participation in the labor movement, especially among women of color; and build a multicultural women's network in Rhode Island.

WOMEN'S INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE FOR PEACE AND FREEDOM-NY METRO
New York, NY: $1,225.

This grant goes for a New York City education and information project to publicize current disarmament issues, with a focus on the plutonium-carrying Cassini Space Probe and other dangerous space programs, as part of a new international WILPF campaign called "Women Insist on Nuclear Disarmament" (WIND). The project involves mailings, a newsletter, talks at college campuses, tabling at public events and radio interviews. WILPF has been actively working for peace worldwide since its founding in 1915; its New York metro office has been a tenant of the Muste Institute's "Peace Pentagon" for ten years (see centerfold spread).

If you are making up your will, we hope you will consider leaving a bequest to the Muste Institute to ensure the continuation of our work in the future. A suggested simple wording to use in making bequests is: "I bequeath_____ dollars ($_____) or_____ percent of my estate to the A.J. Muste Memorial Institute, Inc., a charitable, not-for-profit organization located at 339 Lafayette Street, New York, New York, 10012, to be used for its general purposes." To discuss other types of bequests, such as those directed toward a specific purpose, write or call Murray Rosenblith, the Institute's Executive Director.

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