



ORANGE COUNTY JUSTICE UNITED

SPRING / SUMMER 2018 UPDATE

2018 DUES PAYING MEMBER ORGANIZATIONS

Binkley Baptist Church
Chapel of the Cross
Chapel Hill Carrboro NAACP
Church of the Holy Family
Community Church of Chapel Hill Unitarian Universalist
Chapel Hill Friends
Church of Reconciliation
El Centro Hispano
EmPOWERment, Inc.
Episcopal Church of the Advocate
Habitat for Humanity of Orange County
Hillsborough Presbyterian Church
Interfaith Council for Social Service
Kehillah Synagogue
Lattisville Grove MBC
St. Paul AME Church
St. Matthews Episcopal
St. Thomas More
United Church of Chapel Hill
Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Hillsborough

Board of Education Candidates Say YES! to Increasing Teacher Diversity and Resources for Immigrant Youth



On April 10, 253 Justice United leaders called on the Orange County school system: the largest employer serving rural Orange with close to 1,000 staff, and a key institution that shapes the futures and opportunities available to over 7,400 young people.

Candidates Brenda Stephens, Sarah Smylie, Hillary MacKenzie, and Will Atherton committed to strengthen the local hiring pipeline sufficient to increase teacher diversity sufficient to match the diversity of the student body; to hire bilingual front office staff in every school; and to develop a continuing education unit to improve guidance counselors ability to help immigrant students navigate a path to higher education.

All four candidates won their race on May 8, and represent a new majority on the seven member Board. Justice United will organize a follow up meeting this fall to reaffirm their commitments to progress on this issue.

About Us

Justice United is a non-partisan vehicle for ordinary people to have a powerful voice in the decisions that affect their lives and communities, instead of leaving decision-making in the hands of a select few.

Since 2008 JU has strengthened community institutions in Orange County by developing the skills and capacity of their leaders to take action on the concrete, winnable issues that are transforming our communities every day.

JU is affiliated with the Industrial Areas Foundation (IAF), comprised of 65 locally controlled organizations across the world. The IAF provides access to mentoring and supervision of organizers and key leaders, regional and national leadership development training, and broader power to make change at the statewide and national levels.

Take Action with Justice United this Fall

Souls to the Polls for Affordable Housing

Sunday, October 21, 12:30 pm
Rally at Peace and Justice Plaza,
March to Chapel of the Cross
179 E Franklin St, Chapel Hill

Help us turn out the vote for Chapel Hill's non-partisan affordable housing bond referendum, which will deliver \$10 million in funds to build or preserve hundreds of affordable units.

(alternative for Northern Orange: rally at Board of Elections office to help increase Sunday voting numbers)

Accountability Action w/ Board of Education

Thursday, November 15, 7:00 - 9:00 pm
Lattisville Grove Missionary Baptist Church
1701 Jimmy Ed Rd, Hurdle Mills

Join over 150 Justice United leaders to meet with members of the Orange County Board of Education to evaluate hiring data from the summer, and to propose specific strategies to increase teacher diversity.

Follow Justice United events at
ocjusticeunited.org/events_calendar

Clay Grubb Commits up to 10 Units into Master Leasing Program



Clay Grubb attended Justice United's Assembly to announce his support for the master leasing program, committing up to 10 Glen Lennox housing units to be leased by a non-profit partner and sublet to qualified tenants at an affordable, subsidized rate.

This is a major step forward for our master leasing strategy to increase access to safe, decent housing units for extremely low income residents. More about master leasing here:

ocjusticeunited.org/masterleasing

Record Attendance for May Training



Twelve Justice United leaders joined over 80 colleagues from IAF affiliated Durham CAN and Wake County Sponsors for North Carolina's largest ever three day leadership development training, May 17 - 19. Leaders learned how to organize long term, relational power and practiced a radical tool for strengthening democracy - the one on one relational meeting.