# ABELARD FOUNDATION - EAST 2016 GRANTS

#### ACTION INSTITUTE NC \$10,000

Charlotte. North Carolina

To support its organizing in lower-income communities to challenge the excessive use of power by public authorities, particularly police misconduct, and to promote electoral participation, despite new voting restrictions in the state.

#### ADELANTE ALABAMA WORKER CENTER \$10,000

Birmingham, Alabama

To support its organizing of day laborers, domestic workers and other low-wage and immigrant workers to defend their rights, promote their dignity, and pursue justice.

#### AFRICAN COMMUNITIES TOGETHER \$10,000

New York, New York

To support its organizing among more recent immigrants from Africa, empowering them to integrate socially, get ahead economically, and engage civically.

### **BRAZILIAN WORKER CENTER** \$10,000

Allston, Massachusetts

To support its organizing that seeks to address the root causes of abuse and discrimination against immigrant workers and to defend and advance labor and human rights for immigrant communities.

## **LAUNDRY WORKERS CENTER UNITED \$10,000**

New York. New York

To support its organizing of low-wage workers. While initially focusing on the laundry sector, it has expanded its focus to include workers in food services and warehouses.

#### MAKE THE ROAD PENNSYLVANIA \$10.000

Reading, Pennsylvania

To support its pursuit of justice through organizing and building community leadership around issues including immigration reform, workers' rights, fair public education funding, women's equity, and LGBT equality.

### **New Florida Majority Education Fund** \$10,000

Miami, Florida

To support its Black Civic Engagement Project and advance its goal to increase the voting and political power and influence of marginalized and excluded constituencies toward an inclusive, equitable and just Florida.

## **NEW LABOR** \$10.000

New Brunswick. New Jersev

To support its organizing among temp workers to challenge unscrupulous practices of employers, particularly wage theft, and to promote public policies and practices that protect workers, especially in issues related to health and safety.

# VOCES DE LA FRONTERA \$10,000

Milwaukee. Wisconsin

To support its Voter Engagement Project and integrate it into its organizing to protect immigrant workers' rights and to promote institutional changes that extend the rights of workers and their families.

# WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA WORKERS CENTER \$10,000

Marion, North Carolina

To support its organizing in a rural part of the state of poultry workers to challenge their working conditions, particularly around health and safety issues, and to affirm their rights as immigrant.

## **WISDOM** \$10,000

Milwaukee, Wisconsin

To support its organizing to build public awareness about the state of mass incarceration in Wisconsin and to build support for public investment in evidence-based alternatives to incarceration.

# WORKERS CENTER OF CENTRAL NEW YORK \$10,000

Syracuse, New York

To support its organizing among dairy workers in a state which has been gaining ground to become "the yogurt capital of the world."