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Housing and Dignity Village Statement about the Violent Surprise Eviction

By Needa Bee, Program Director MCLI

Oakland, CA - On December 6, without warning, Mayor Libby Schaaf and her administration violently evicted the 13 residents of the *Housing and Dignity Village (HDV)*, a service hub at S Elmhurst Avenue and Edes Avenue in Deep East Oakland. Over 20 Oakland Police officers were present to lead residents away in handcuffs, as Public Works employees worked overtime to destroy everything on site. On Thursday, Shady Schaaf and her administration showed the people of Oakland that they are liars, that you cannot trust a word they say, that they have absolutely no problem sanctioning violence against unhoused Black and Brown families, and that they truly do not have any respect or care at all for the people of Oakland.

Thursday's violent eviction of *HDV* followed a blocked eviction on December 5. For four hours, residents refused to move because in truth there was no adequate housing available. Folks from all over Oakland stood between us and the police. The people of Oakland made it clear that they did not support this eviction, and their presence prevented police and members of the Department of Public Works from entering.

Candice Elder of the East Oakland Collective and Margaretta Lin of the Dellums Institute for Social Justice negotiated an alternative to eviction. After four hours in the rain, in front of a crowd of dozens, City representatives, member of Councilmember Larry Reid's office, and the Department of Human Services

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Reflections on Working with Ann Fagan Ginger

By Steven DeCaprio, Interim Exec. Director MCLI



Ann Fagan Ginger in the MCLI Office

Berkeley, CA - Recently, MCLI founder and Executive Director Emeritus Ann Fagan Ginger has been focusing on writing her book, *Our 100 Human Rights: Handbook on How You Can Get Them Enforced* which is why she hasn't been writing articles for the newsletter. While we await the completion of Ann's book, I will share with you some reflections on my time with Ann.

In 2017 I received the Haywood Burns Memorial Fellowship from the National Lawyers Guild (NLG). I was asked to attend the annual convention of the NLG to promote the Fellowship. Although I did not formally meet Ann at the convention, I remember her asking me to point her in the direction of the plenary as she made her way through the halls using a stick to guide her way due to her blindness.

During the plenary a mutual friend informed me that Ann was looking for people to assist her writing her book. After completing the Fellowship with the NLG, I had no work lined up. I had passed the California Bar

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Title IX: Not Just for Sports but Still Facing Curveballs

By Rachel Saxer, Program Coordinator MCLI



On October 21st of 2018, the Internet exploded in reaction to a *New York Times* article entitled, “Transgender could be defined out of existence under Trump Administration”. The article explained that the Trump Administration is considering defining “sex” as either biologically male or female which would result in the erasure of approximately 1.4 million people identifying as transgender. The consequences could go so far as requiring genetic testing to prove one’s “sex” and operates under the assumption that the world is entirely made up of two kinds of people, XX and XY, which is untrue.

In fact, there are many genetal and chromosomal variations (for example, XXY or XYY) that occur in nature resulting in infants born with ambiguous genitalia and intersex. These people would fall outside Trump’s Binary even before their gender assignment or before their parents could even begin considering infant genitoplasty, a surgery to “correct” an infant’s genitalia and one that is heavily campaigned against by human rights organizations due to the amount of physiological trauma it would cause a newborn. From an article published by The Atlantic entitled “Against the Registry of Genitals”, James Hamblin writes, “Scientific implausibility aside, this is a federal agency proposing

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Bay Area Poor People's Campaign Steering Committee Meeting

By Bay Area Poor People’s Campaign

January 13, 2019 at 3 PM – 5 PM

Citizen Engagement Laboratory

1330 Broadway Ste 310, Oakland, California 94612

The Poor People's Campaign, A National Call for Moral Revival (PPC) focuses on fighting the four pillars of evil: poverty, systemic racism, the war economy, and environmental devastation, and on shifting the moral narrative. PPC supporters in the Bay Area have come together to form the Bay Area PPC Steering Committee and hope you can join this effort and share this information with others who may be interested.

AT THE UPCOMING MEETING WE WILL DISCUSS:

- Plans for the March 2019 PPC Bay Area Hearing (dates, times, locations, format)
- Potential themes for the hearing (Suggestions so far are: Poverty of Women and Children; Homelessness; Criminalization of Survival)
- Outreach to local organizations and venues
- Defining our geographic region
- And hear reports from Sacramento and LA's Public Hearings

In the PPC, people directly impacted by the 4 pillars of evil are central in our work. We look forward to your participation as we move forward to build the PPC campaign here in the Bay Area and help grow this exciting new movement.

Let us break bread together! Bring a snack to share if you can! Please let us know if you will need childcare by January 13th.



New Books Out Now!

Out of the Fog: PTSD, CPTSD, Acute Stress Disorder, Depression, Codependency, a Radical Guide

by Jenn Autry

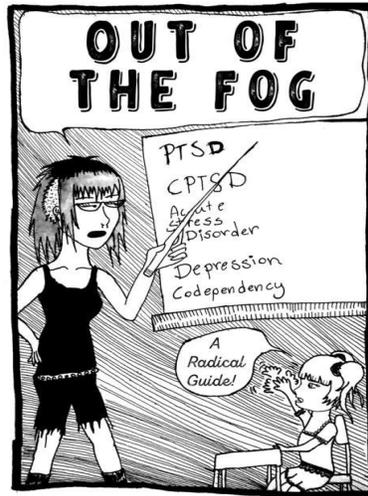
Our lovely Project Coordinator here at MCLI has recently released a guide to radical mental health through Microcosm Publishing. Copies of her writings are available for purchase by following the link below <https://microcosmpublishing.com/catalog/zines/10280>

Human Rights and Wrongs

by Adrienne Aron

True and timely accounts of a psychologist's work with refugee asylum seekers and others with traumatic histories. Aron's experienced and compassionate voice rings out in the national debate on immigration reform and the refugee crisis.

<https://www.adriannearon.com/human-rights-and-wrongs.html>



Jenn Autry

New Books Out Soon!

OUR 100 HUMAN RIGHTS: HANDBOOK ON HOW YOU CAN GET THEM ENFORCED

This is the first book, according to author Ann Fagan Ginger, to list every step someone can take to enforce all of their human rights in the U.S. Constitution and statutes, and in:

- Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination
- Convention against Torture
- International Covenant on Civil & Political Rights
- Organization of American States: Declaration on the Rights and Duties of Man
- Convention on Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women
- Convention on the Rights of the Child
- International Covenant on Economic, Social & Cultural Rights
- And more!

Contact: Annfginger@gmail.com

KNOW YOUR RIGHTS HANDBOOK FOR CURBSIDE COMMUNITIES

This handbook and accompanied trainings are designed to educate homeless folks to have knowledge of local, state, federal laws and court decisions at their

fingertips to assert their civil and human rights. coming soon!

HOUSING IS A HUMAN RIGHT: A GUIDE FOR DECRIMINALIZING HOMELESSNESS

The handbook is being created with policy makers and housed residents in mind to better inform readers of policies, laws, practices, and attitudes so that those with power and privilege can stop approaching homelessness as a criminal problem and start understanding it as a human rights crisis.

Order MCLI Books!

“Nuclear Weapons Are Illegal” by Ann Fagan Ginger

In July 1996 the International Court of Justice made history by declaring nuclear weapons illegal. Here is the complete decision and much more.....\$30.00

“Alexander Meiklejohn: Teacher of Freedom” by Cynthia Stokes Brown

Anthology and biographical study of the great First Amendment advocate.....20.00

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Templates to Defend Homeless Encampments

By the Meiklejohn Civil Liberties Institute

Evictions of Homeless Encampments in Oakland have escalated during the holidays. If you or someone you know is in a homeless encampment threatened with eviction then here are blank documents that can be filled out and filed with the courts.

MCLI has been working with homeless encampments to fight evictions in the San Francisco Bay Area and has developed this packet for unhoused people to seek Temporary Restraining Orders (TRO) when an encampment is threatened with eviction. In both of the cases of *Sullivan v. City of Berkeley* and *Miralle v. City of Oakland* the unhoused residents were able to obtain a TRO using forms similar to the ones below with the assistance of attorneys.

Below are links to blank templates that can be used to fight an eviction of a homeless encampment in the City of Oakland in federal court:

1. [Civil Rights Complaint](#)
2. [Motion for Preliminary Injunction](#)
3. [Motion for Temporary Restraining Order](#)
4. [Fee Waiver Form](#)
5. [Motion for E-Filing](#)
6. [Blank Declaration](#)
7. [Summons and Proof of Service](#)

This information is also available at:

<http://www.mclihumanrights.org/2018/12/23/template-s-to-defend-homeless-encampments/>

For more information on how people can represent themselves in court, go to the website for the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of California here: <https://www.cand.uscourts.gov/pro-se>

If you are homeless and are being threatened with eviction from an encampment, vehicle, or other area where you are sheltering yourself on public land in Northern California, then feel free to contact the Meiklejohn Civil Liberties Institute at mcli1965@gmail.com. We cannot provide legal representation, but we can help you find attorneys and connect you with other homeless people and allies organizing community self-defense.

Houseless Communities Join Forces for Their Human Rights

By the Bay Area Landless People's Alliance

On December 20, 2018, San Francisco Bay Area houseless communities declared their partnership to form the Bay Area Landless People's Alliance (BALPA), comprised of homeless and formerly homeless organizers mobilizing to end attacks and sweeps on poor people. We demand justice from unfair evictions and for wrongful confiscation of our possessions.

Poor and homeless people are facing evictions during a nationwide housing crisis, further jeopardizing our livelihood, stability, and future. People on the streets are denied basic access to public space, bathroom facilities or shelter. We live in survival mode, constantly searching for these resources that should be considered a basic human necessity. The [most recent UN report](#) describes the Bay Area's treatment of the homeless population as "cruel and inhuman."

Libby Schaaf, Jesse Arreguin, and London Breed should cease all evictions, compensate people for stolen property, and provide housing. California has more than enough wealth to share with everyone.

We are coming out together to make a call to our fellow homeless and non-homeless brothers and sisters to stand together. **United, we are stronger.**

BALPA's goals include:

First: All criminalization of homelessness must end.

Second: To live in dignity landless people in "safe havens" will be allowed to self-govern.

Third: An end to all evictions of informal settlements of poor people.

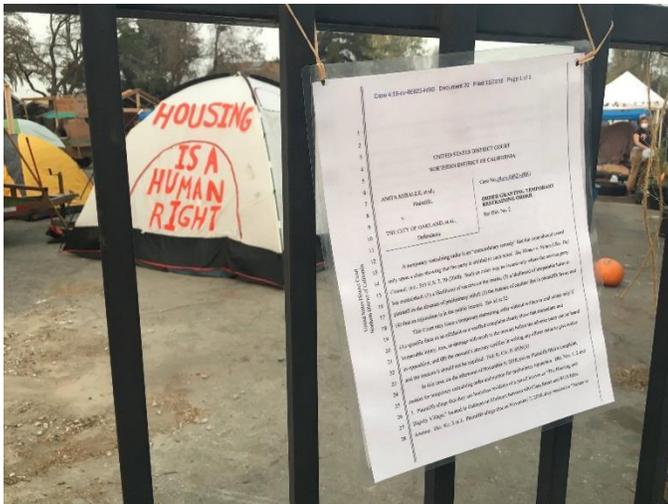
Fourth: All confiscation of landless people's property will end; all property must be returned, and the people need to be compensated.

Fifth: Resolve that all landless people have the human right to assert self-defense against prosecution for activities necessary for survival.

Sixth: All new housing shall prioritize housing for homeless and poor people.

BALPA meets Fridays at 6:00 PM at the Omni Commons located at 4799 Shattuck Ave, Oakland, CA 94609.

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told HDV residents, advocates, lawyers and Brookfield neighbors that **HDV** residents would not be evicted until all the residents, advocates and legal team could sit down to a roundtable discussion with the city about a viable solution.

The City of Oakland’s statement to the press, released shortly after officials left **HDV** on Wednesday, is full of lies. It claims that officials never agreed to pause evictions; that they did not agree to a roundtable meeting; that 15 residents were offered housing, and all residents accepted; and that the City would not throw away belongings. In reality, only 13 people lived at **HDV**, and the City’s incorrect number reflects the level of effort they put in to actually do what they told the federal judge they would do. In truth, seven residents were not offered adequate housing. The remaining six were offered housing only after City officials and staff scrambled during that 4 hour negotiation period to “override” the shelter system and remove other unsheltered brothers and sister from waiting lists and shelter beds to accommodate HDV residents. This was told to our legal team and our advocates.

24 hours after agreeing to sit at a roundtable with us, city employees swarmed **HDV** in a surprise raid. The agreed-upon meeting never happened. None of us were offered shelter, our belongings were tossed and broken.

At the time of the eviction, most residents were off-site at work or handling business; the children were at school. During the eviction our children were in limbo uncertain of what was going to happen and where they

would go that night or the next. As for the four residents on site who were ambushed: One resident was working on a visual arts piece for the City of Berkeley Arts Commission; one resident was getting dressed to go to work; one resident was fixing the village generator station; one resident was resting. We were not allowed to pack. We were not given time to pack. Coverage by independent journalists, corporate media and social media streams shows residents’ [belongings](#) being [trashed](#).

To this day none of us have received phone calls from the administration, Larry Reid’s office or human services to see our status. They do not know where we are, and they have no indication of the consequences of their lies and violent eviction on our safety and stability. We and all other unsheltered Oaklanders are not their concern - as long as we are out of sight they are happy. As long as we are not doing this for ourselves and the neighborhoods they neglect they are happy.

Yesterday one of us called a shelter and were told they would provide us with housing. When the mama identified herself as a member of the **HDV**, she was informed that the shelter worker is not allowed to talk about anything related to **HDV** and hung up on her. She and her children, as do all of us, remain on the streets.

We have asked several times why are we being evicted. Why does Joe Devries insist we are criminals and our attempts to assert our need and right for sanctuary is illegal? We are clean and sober; we are highly organized; we are the only encampment explicitly serving women and their families. We are the only encampment providing services and resources to our housed and unhoused neighbors.

Why us? Our questions were met with silence. The other encampments on public land are left alone at best; at worse they are neglected, even when they are in deep crisis, even when they are riddled with criminal behavior and violence. So why us?

We are certain it is because when we speak we are not only speaking for ourselves but for the at least 9,000 other unsheltered brothers and sisters in Oakland.

We were evicted in an attempt to silence us. We are also certain we were evicted as confirmed from community members, Joe has spoken to “punish” us for

attempting to provide ourselves with sanctuary. How dare we seek shelter and safety from the streets. Who the fuck do we think we are to think we deserve basic human needs and rights? We are human beings, some of Oakland's most vulnerable, but also most resilient.

Apparently Nate Miley from Alameda County Board of Supervisors understands this and came to HDV to see what we were doing and offer his support. Alameda County District Attorney Nancy O'Malley understands, supports us, and has agreed to not prosecute any of us if we are ever arrested. Assemblyman Rob Bonta understands this and also came to visit the HDV and offer his support. Senator Nancy Skinner supports us. Senator Barbara Lee supports us too. All these elected officials called Shifty Schafft to tell her to not evict. She would not listen, but rather continued the logic to criminalize us and lie about us. Why did not a single one of you come to visit the housing and dignity village?

We know Libby is a bully and a liar who has not a care for Oakland's Black and Brown families, despite her diversity media stunts and lip service. We hope that you, Oakland City Council, take the higher moral ground and make decisions based on justice, integrity, equity, compassion and truth.

We hope your fear of Libby damaging your political careers will not deafen you to the moral outrage our violent eviction and destruction of our home has sparked across the Bay Area. The Bay is pissed. Who do you stand with? A lying bully selling the town off the town or the people of Oakland and beyond who are demanding you tap into your humanity?

We demand Libby, City officials, and staff that broke their promise to us be held accountable for lying to us and the public.

We demand Libby and the City cease all evictions and instead upgrade encampments. We believe California has more than enough wealth; much of it stolen from the Black, Indigenous, and Brown ancestors of people currently experiencing homelessness - to improve the quality of life of unhoused residents until permanent housing is available. We demand that special attention is paid to [the UN Special Rapporteur on Adequate Housing report and recommendations](#).

We demand a new parcel of land for Housing & Dignity Village to rebuild our home. The trauma Libby

and her administration have caused our children is undeniable and unforgivable. The disruption caused in our lives for no good reason is unconscionable. The use of workers to destroy our belongings and violate our human right to assert our right to housing when you, the city, have failed to do so is criminal.

We demand that you not harm the residents of East 12th and 23rd who have already been repeatedly traumatized by the administration and OPD in an attempt to set the village up for failure.

Do not engage in the mayor and the administration's petty attempt to "punish" the village for the HDV. Do not revoke your original vote on the Miller Ave. property.

The Trump administration is lying to the public, criminalizes the marginalized, destroys sanctuary, refuses to acknowledge the United Nations human rights reports. It's horrific that in Oakland, California - the Home of progressive thinking and radical movements; the practices of the newly re-elected Mayor, who claims to be a #Resistance leader, mirror the fascism of Trump.

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Exam in 2014 but had been denied a law license. The California Committee of Bar Examiners had denied my application to practice law stating that my history of homelessness and housing rights advocacy constituted "moral turpitude". Because of this I found myself unemployed and unemployable. I mentioned to a friend that Ann Fagan Ginger was looking for an assistant with her book, and my friend emphatically encouraged me to take the job stating that Ann was a "civil rights icon".

At the time I began working with Ann she was in the process of making extensive revisions to *Our 100 Human Rights* in the wake of Trump's election. We formed a team that organized the chapters, table of contents, and footnotes. We also helped with research and typed portions of the book from dictation or handwritten notes. Due to Ann's blindness she could not use the computer but could review the documents we created. We spent many hours passing back revisions based upon handwritten notes.

While assisting Ann with the book I learned a great deal. I realized that most grievances of social justice movements could be correlated with a violation of Human Rights Law. After 17 years as a homeless rights organizer I realized that the statement “housing is a human right” was not just a slogan but also a legal fact upheld by Universal Declaration of Human Rights and International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights which have both been signed by the United States.

Throughout the book Ann connects grassroots movements with relevant Human Rights Law while also providing things “to do” to use Human Rights Law as a tool in community organizing. I was inspired by Ann’s vision of a world where human rights is upheld as well as the use of Human Rights Law as a political and organizing tool and framework for analysis. Eventually, most of the book was completed.

One day Ann received a call from Walter Riley, Board Chair of the Meiklejohn Civil Liberties Institute. I had known Walter because he represented a co-defendant when a group of us called the “Land Action 4” had been charged with conspiracy for organizing housing occupations by homeless people. Walter wanted to meet with Ann to discuss the future of MCLI. Ann had stepped down as Executive Director, and the position was vacant. Walter and Ann invited me to the meeting. At the meeting it was decided that I would start working for MCLI.

After becoming Interim Executive Director of MCLI, I worked closely with Ann. I cherished her many insights as I worked to bring in new leadership into MCLI while preserving MCLI’s original vision centering human rights education and advocacy. Ann taught me about the potential for submitting Shadow Reports to international human rights monitoring bodies. She has been adamant that MCLI continue robust outreach to prospective interns and that we are vigilant about publishing and distributing *Human Rights Now!* Ann is always challenging us to think more broadly about human rights and aspire for higher goals both within MCLI and social movements generally.



Ann and Steven in the MCLI Driveway

Recently, I told Ann “you’re a wonderful person”. With a mischievous grin she replied, “Oh well, I don’t know about that.” I laughed and told her that we both get so obsessed with our advocacy that we sometimes forget to take the time to appreciate each other. “I love you Ann,” I told her before getting back to work.

The handbook is being created with policy makers and housed residents in mind to better inform policies, laws, practices and attitudes so that those with power and privilege can stop approaching homelessness as a criminal problem and start understanding it as a human rights crisis.

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widespread genetic testing and keeping records of citizens’ genitals. This is a proposal by the government imposing an expectation that everyone look and act in one of two ways, and that everything in between is somehow not right—an aberration, an anomaly, a flaw, a problem, a disease—rather than a marvel of the natural world, a way that humans survive and thrive not despite but because of our complexity as a species.” And yet, these are all considerations made purely in the realm of the scientific community that barely begin to touch on the nuances of trans identities.

Currently, there is a movement emerging that condemns “bioessentialism” and transantagonistic language. Biological essentialism or Bio-essentialism, is defined as, “The belief that ‘human nature’, an individual’s personality, or some specific quality (such as intelligence, creativity, homosexuality, masculinity, femininity, or a male propensity to aggression) is an innate and natural ‘essence’ (rather than a product of circumstances, upbringing, and culture).” However, Trump’s proposed legislation is an act of bio-essentialist extremism and is completely misaligned with the ways in which trans people (and their medical professionals) have come to understand their existence. The new definition would not only erase their identity but also create chaos for every aspect of their lives.

Title IX of the Education Amendments Act of 1972 is a federal law that states that no person shall be discriminated against on the basis of sex for any program or activity that is federally funded. It's famous for opening up athletic departments to include women but its importance is far reaching as it affects public policy for the "Big Four" agencies that enforce some part of Title IX which are the Departments of Education, Justice, Health and Human Services, and Labor. The Obama administration loosened the definition of gender to be inclusive of transgender people and afforded them protections under Title IX. However, the Trump administration is quick to remove those protections by replacing "gender" with "sex" which makes it easier for discrimination to occur in academic spaces with trans students. Title IX has been used to win discrimination cases often in circumstances where a student is denied access to the bathroom associated with their gender identity. In many instances where students are denied access, they also experience disciplinary actions taken against them from their schools. Trans students in states that do not have gender identity protection laws in place could previously file complaints with the US Department of Education. The new definition would not only exclude trans people from educational protections it could potentially rid them of public health services and their labor rights, to which are already tenuous liberties as most trans people report experiencing discrimination in their day-to-day lives even with Obama's guidelines.

But the attack on Title IX doesn't end there. Secretary of Education, Betsy DeVos, has proposed changes that would narrow the definition of sexual harassment, relieve academic institutions of their responsibilities to investigate sexual violence especially if it occurs off-campus, and make it more difficult for victims to report instances of violence. Among other dangerous rollbacks, there are plans to essentially turn college boardrooms into courtrooms and require cross-examinations where representatives of the defendant

would question the victim in real time. "If this proposed rule goes into effect, every single campus Title IX process is going to replicate what happened in the Senate Judiciary Committee against Dr. Christine Blasey Ford," said Jess Davidson, the interim executive director of End Rape on Campus. Additionally, it would make it more difficult for students to identify if their school is exempt from Title IX for religious reasons.

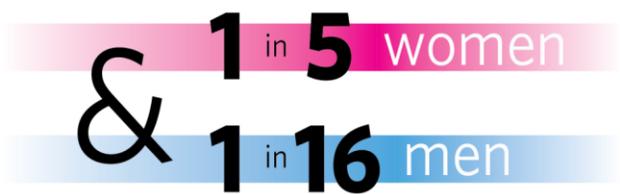
Critics of the proposal attest that it limits protections so much that rape would be completely swept under the rug and survivors shamed into silence. It goes so far as to undermine Title IX's original intention, which is to end discrimination by making it harder for some of those most discriminated against on the basis of 'sex' to advocate for themselves.

The Department of Education opened up a 60-day public comment period on November 29, 2018. The full proposal and submission form for comments can be found online at

<https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2018/11/29/2018-25314/nondiscrimination-on-the-basis-of-sex-in-education-programs-or-activities-receiving-federal>.

Sexual assault on campuses

While in college,



face an attempted sexual assault, but only

344 in **1,000**

sexual assaults are reported to the police.



MCLI Fellowship and Internship Opportunities

By Steven DeCaprio, Executive Director MCLI

MCLI is seeking to support an applicant to the National Lawyers Guild Haywood Burns Memorial Fellowship for 2019.

This Fellowship is open to students and legal workers working on projects that find creative ways to use the law to advance justice.

The application for the fellowship can be downloaded on the NLG website at this link: [2019 Haywood Burns Memorial Fellowship Application](#)

Both MCLI Interim Executive Director Steven DeCaprio and Program Director Anita Miralle de Asis received this Fellowship. MCLI is seeking applicants interested in human rights work. MCLI is specifically interested in projects focused on eliminating the criminalization of poor people and people of color. Fellows receive \$2,000 for a 10-week Fellowship.

The deadline is very soon! Completed applications are due by Monday January 7, 2019. Please contact MCLI immediately if you are interested in this fellowship. Mcli1965@gmail.com

Additional internship opportunities are available for law students and undergraduate students as follows:

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MCLI interns will assist with the Human Rights Reporting Project, gaining valuable knowledge on how to use international treaties in U.S. courts, the work of the U.N. and O.A.S. human rights monitoring bodies, and the role of local and state governments in the human rights reporting and monitoring process.

MCLI interns will assist with the national effort to accurately document U.S. human rights abuses, and to monitor the U.S. Government's compliance with its international human rights treaty obligations, including crucial follow-up work on the U.N human rights monitoring committees.

BUILDING THE MOVEMENT – INTERNSHIPS

MCLI interns will connect with current grassroots movements to bring social justice issues within a human rights framework.

MCLI interns will work directly with grassroots leaders, coordinate campaigns, develop policy, and mobilize to directly address human rights violations on the local, state, or national level.

MCLI interns will always center the voices of the members of communities directly experiencing human rights violations and assist with building alliances among diverse groups of people and organizations.

Testimonials from Former Interns

Amanda Pacheco, 2007 Summer Law Intern states:

"As a Native Hawaiian, what I'm most proud of this summer has been the work I've done on Indigenous populations to be included in the CERD report. I was appalled at the lack of information on American Indian/Alaska Natives (AIAN), and Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islanders (NHPI) that the U.S. provided to the CERD committee...[this summer] I've created tables which include statistics on topics such as law enforcement, housing, employment and education, I've attended a Conference on the U.N. Charter and Human Rights from the Indigenous perspective."

Liz Troutman, 2008 Summer Law Intern states:

"During my summer at MCLI, I've had a broad exposure to how international law relates to domestic public policy. I plan to practice immigration law, and I can more clearly see how my exposure to human rights law at MCLI will inform the way I practice law in the future"



Former MCLI interns Nicole Fries, Daven Raj, Juliana Finley, Laura Powers, and Jackie Ngo with Daniel Buford

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The Meiklejohn Civil Liberties Institute needs funding to support our human rights advocacy and education as we work to hold the Trump administration accountable and bring in a new generation of leadership from emerging grassroots movements fighting systems of oppression. MCLI is drawing upon new leadership from within communities directly impacted by human rights violations so that our work can better reflect the needs of marginalized communities. MCLI needs your support to continue to work collaboratively with oppressed communities and social movements. Make a donation by completing the information below and mailing it to **MCLI, P.O. Box 673, Berkeley, CA 94701.**

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