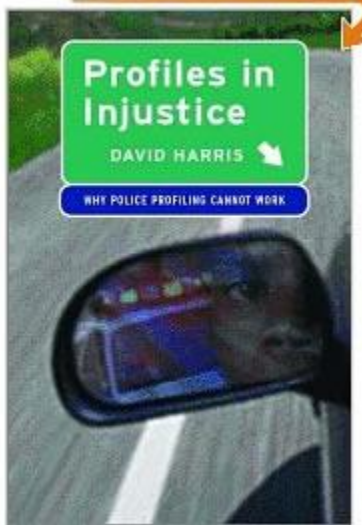


Older Postings on Webstie
New as of April 18, 2011

**[Missouri Immigrant & Refugee Advocates \(MIRA\)
Annual Lobby Day - Wednesday, February 23, 2011](#)**



Nationally Recognized
Racial Profiling Expert
David Harris Returns to
Missouri
**[Springfield, Nov. 10 \(link
here for details\)](#)**
**[Kansas City, Nov. 11
\(link here for details\)](#)**

**[Oct. 28 Task Force Meeting
AGENDAS & MINUTES](#)**

[MIRA Immigrant Rights Digest #7](#)
[October 19, 2010](#)

The Human Rights Task Force is looking for passionate members statewide to create change through activism and community education. The Task Force meets on the fourth Thursday of the month at 1:15 PM, 606 East Capitol Ave., Jefferson City, MO. For more information, please contact [Don Love](#).

Older Postings on Website
New as of November 8, 2010

REGISTER ONLINE - 110th Annual Conference
Thursday, Nov. 4 & Friday, Nov. 5, 2010
Resort at Port Arrowhead, Lake Ozark, MO

MASW Priorities for 2010

Note: MASW Members will adopt Priorities for 2011 at our 110th Annual Conference, Nov. 4 & 5

Quality Healthcare. All people in Missouri should have access to affordable, quality health care, including mental health services, through fully funded state implementation of national healthcare reform. Programs affecting the health of Missourians, such as Medicaid, CHIP, Food Stamps and other nutrition services, should be expanded to the fullest extent possible.

Decent Housing. All people in Missouri should have access to affordable, decent housing, as well as access to services such as temporary and emergency shelter. Revenue for the Missouri Housing Trust Fund must be increased. Priorities should include ending predatory lending, promoting fair housing, enhancing housing opportunities for those receiving mental health services and those re-entering from the corrections system, and providing access to good schools for children who are homeless.

Fair Treatment. All people in Missouri should be treated with dignity and fairness. It is a fundamental element of the common good to extend a helping hand to those who are too often made to feel unwelcome – those subjected to discrimination, those re-entering society from the corrections system, and those who were born in other nations. The state should protect all people from exploitation and injustice, and teach children in our schools how to value others and resolve differences through non-violent means.

Shared Prosperity. All people in Missouri should share in the prosperity of our society and pay their fair share of the cost of maintaining and enhancing the physical and human infrastructure that makes prosperity possible. Public policy should enable people, including those living in poverty, to acquire a quality education, to accumulate assets, and to earn their way to greater prosperity.

Adopted at Annual Meeting - November 6, 2009

[Missourians for Alternatives to the Death Penalth
Annual Meeting - June 26
Kansas City - Link Here for Details](#)

EJTF

[Click Here for June Task Force Agenda](#)

[Americans for Responsible Taxes
Issues Agenda for Federal Action
MASW Among Supporting Groups
Link Here for Details
07/13/2010](#)

**KOMU-TV Report on Special Legislative Session
Includes Reactions From MASW
[See the report on KOMU Website](#)**



**[Important Update from FERAf
MASW is one of FERAf's original members
June 4, 2010](#)**

EPTF

[REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS](#)

**[Creating Balance in an Unjust World
Conference on Math Education and Social Justice
October 22-24, 2010
Long Island University, Brooklyn, NY](#)**

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[Medicaid Changes for Missouri
Protection from pre-existing conditions exclusion
No more lifetime limit on benefits
Enhanced right of appeal of insurance company decisions](#)

[Protection of your right to choose your doctor](#)
[Improved benefits for emergency care](#)
[Protection from insurance company dropping you](#)

AHHTF

[Senate to Vote on National Housing Trust Fund](#)
[National Low Income Housing Coalition Urges Calls](#)
[06/07/2010](#)

Energize Missouri Housing Initiative

[DNR issues RFP](#)
[Funds for Low-Income Households](#)
[Help with Energy Efficiency, Utilities](#)

[Housing and Mortgagees for People with Disabilities](#) is a guide is for persons living with a disability and in need of useful information and assistance in buying a home. The guide also turns to you who have a family-member, friend or other relation with a disability and want to learn more about homeownership.

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Latest Hunger Data Sheets

- [St. Louis Area](#)
- [Kansas City Area](#)
- [Central Missouri](#)
- [Southeast Missouri](#)
- [Southwest Missouri](#)
- [St. Joseph Area](#)

2010 Advocacy Efforts

Opting out of the Lifetime Ban on Food Stamps for those Convicted of a Drug Felony

- [Senate Bill 613 \(official legislative information\)](#)
- [Fact Sheet on SB 613](#)
- [Number Analysis on SB 613](#)

[Action Needed on Food Stamp Eligibility](#)

Food Research and Action Center released the [2008 State of the States](#) Report
Missouri numbers show:

- 12.9% of the population is food insecure
13.0% Poverty Rate
17.7% Child Poverty Rate

[Presentation on the 2008 Farm Bill and Missouri Food Stamp Program](#)

Learn how the 2008 Farm Bill has changed the Missouri Food Stamp Program and how those changes will affect your clients.

If you are interested in hosting one of these presentations please contact [Christine Woody](#) or 573-690-7662

Paper on the [Changes Made to the Federal Food Stamp Program because of the Passage of the 2008 Farm Bill](#)

[2008 Farm Bill Nutrition Title Fact Sheet](#), prepared by the House Committee on Agriculture

[Hunger Task Force Newsletter](#) , May 2008

[Missouri Hunger Atlas](#) - 2008 report highlighting county by county hunger statistics in Missouri

More information

For more information on hunger in Missouri and across the United States please visit these websites:

[Bread for the World](#)

[Food Research and Action Center](#)

[Share our Strength](#)

[MAZON, a Jewish Response to Hunger](#)

[United States Department of Agriculture](#)

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MIRA Immigrant Rights Digest #6
September 21, 2010

Immigration Policy Update
08/12/2010

President Obama Calls for
Comprehensive Reform of
U.S. Immigration Laws
(07/01/2010)


Arizona Law - National Debate
Link to MIRA 2010 Digests
Report on National Reform UPDATED 06/16/2010

DREAM Act (SB 783)

Xenophobia's Newest Incarnation:
English-Only Drivers' License Test

[Read MIRA's Testimony Against HB 1231](#)

[Read MASW's Testimony Against HB 1231](#)

The Missouri Association for Social Welfare Human Rights Task force works closely with the Missouri Immigrant and Refugee Advocates (MIRA), a statewide coalition working for the rights of Immigrants and Refugees. [Read](#)  MIRA's analysis on legislation related to education for immigrants.

[Recap of Co-Sponsored Event](#)
["The One Good Indian" Film Presentation](#)

[Special Series of Public Events](#)
["Racial Profiling & Preventive Policing"](#)
[Featuring Leading Expert, David Harris](#)
[July 21 & 22 -- Link for Details](#)

[Links to additional information on Harris events](#)

SEMO Student Chapter old postings...

The Chapter meets every other Wednesday. Recent activities have included registering new voters and working to bring public transportation to Cape Girardeau.

Visit the SEMO Student Chapter's [campus website](#) for more information.

View [Forum Highlights](#)

CHAPTER OFFICERS

- Co-Chair: Lauren Abney
- Co-Chair: Stephanie Harris
- Treasurer: Erin Christopher
- Secretary: Kristi McNeely
- Advisor: Robert Polack, Jr.

[Link Here for More Information](#)

Older versions of 110th Annual Conference Information

[May 21, 2009](#)

[2008 Annual Report \(link here to read\)](#)

Public Forum on Affordable Care Act
Monday Evening, July 26, in Jefferson City

[Link Here for Details](#)

[High Risk Pool Fact Sheet](#)
[Missouri Health Advocacy Alliance](#)
[May 4, 2010](#)

[5-Page Summary of New Federal Health Law](#)
[3-Page Explanation of Immediate Impact](#)
April 22, 2010

["Enroll America"](#)
[And Other Updates](#)
[April 6, 2010](#)

[Small Non-Profit Agencies Can Benefit](#)
[Immediately If Providing Employee Health Insurance](#)
[April 2, 2010](#)

[What New National Health Insurance Law Means for Missouri Families & Communities](#)
[March 26, 2010](#)

[Health Reform Bill Passed](#)
[Awaits President's Signature](#)
[March 22, 2010](#)

[U.S. House Likely to Vote Sunday \(3/21\)](#)
[Read the Latest \(Link Here\)](#)
[Contact Your Member of Congress \(Link Here\)](#)
March 19, 2010 [Kansas City Star](#)
[Tells One Man's Health Insurance](#)
[Horror Story](#)
[March 16, 2010](#)

[President Calls for "Up or Down" Vote](#)
[in Congress on Health Proposal](#)
[March 3, 2010](#)

[President Obama's New Proposal](#)
[February 22, 2010](#)

[Previous Updates and](#)
[Suggested Reading on](#)
[Healthcare Policy](#)

[MASW, Other Organizations Rally
Against State Cuts in Mental Health Budget](#)

[State Mental Health Cuts Update
Mid-March, 2010](#)

[Latest Information:
Need to Reform Payday Loan Industry
May 26, 2010](#)

[Kuttner: More Government Investment, Not Less
Key to Solving Persistent High Unemployment
May 11, 2010](#)

[*No End in Sight:
The Agony of Prolonged Unemployment*
New Report - May, 2010](#)

[Failure to Act on Tax Justice
Leading Cause of 2011 Budget Disaster
New Editorial in St. Louis *Post-Dispatch*](#)

[Fair & Just Tax System
Superior Alternative to Budget Cuts
April 22, 2010 Letter to the Editor](#)

[See How Advocates in Illinois
Are Raising Same Issue](#)

[America's Biggest Sales Tax Increase
Proposed for Missouri
\(Updated 02/11/2010 -- Learn More\)](#)

[What Percent of Your Income Goes to State Taxes?
Low-Income Missourians Pay 9.6%
Missouri Millionaires Pay 6.6%
Read the Report from ITEP \(Link Here\)](#)

[See ITEP's Numbers for Missouri \(Link Here\)](#)

[Deep Recession = "Worse" Kind of Unemployment](#)

[Link for September 2009 Report from Public Policy Institute at Rutgers](#)

Fiscal Year 2010

More of the same, but worse!

State does not collect adequate revenue to pay for vital services

[Read Missouri Budget Project Report -- We rank 47th](#)

"Fair Tax" Proposal: Not Fair!

[Institute on Taxation and Economic Policy \(ITEP\) response to HJR 36](#)

[ITEP Analysis of HJR 36 "Fair Tax" proposal](#)

Progressive Income Tax

[Testimony in favor of HB 554.](#)

[Slides explaining HB 554.](#)

The Institute on Taxation and Economic Policy (ITEP) recently released a policy brief entitled: [The Progressive Income Tax: An Essential Element of Fair and Sustainable State Tax Systems.](#)

In August, 2008 the Economic Justice Task Force adopted a [set of principles](#) by which the work of the task force shall be guided.

[View](#) the list of 2008 legislation MASW followed on Economic Justice

[EITC 101](#)

**[*Criminal Justice Task Force Advocacy Day
Wednesday, March 17, State Capitol
Link Here for Details*](#)**

**Death Penalty Moratorium Rally & Advocacy Day
Wednesday, March 17, State Capitol
[Link Here for Details](#)**

Death Penalty Moratorium Rally & Advocacy Day Wednesday, March 17, State Capitol

- [General Information](#)
- [Coming from Kansas City](#)
- [Coming from St. Louis](#)
- [Coming from Central Missouri](#)
- [Coming from Springfield](#)

[CJTF Advocacy Day First Doc](#)

[More on 613](#)

[October 2009 Issue of *Horizon*](#)

[The Dept. of Corrections Newsletter](#)

[Congress Voting on National Housing Trust Fund National Low Income Housing Coalition Urges Calls 05/28/2010](#)

September 18th - [Healthcare: New Opportunity - A Series on Healthcare Reform](#)

View [Forum Highlights](#)

[2008 St. Louis Chapter Annual Dinner](#)

[Payday Loan Reform Bill
Special Public Hearing in Springfield
Thursday, March 18 - 6:30 p.m.
Link Here for Details](#)

[Missouri Immigrant & Refugee Advocates
MIRA Advocacy Day - Tuesday, Feb. 23](#)

[The Human Face of Climate Change: *Bridging Jefferson City to the World*](#)

[A documentary screening and panel discussion
Presented by Oxfam America
MASW Central Chapter one of several co-hosts](#)

[Bill McCalpin 1921 - 2009](#)

[In Memoriam](#)

[President of the United States Tells Nation](#)

["We Are All in This Together](#)

[Gov. Jay Nixon Appoints Longtime MASW Leader Rory Ellinger -- \(Learn More\)](#)

[**109th Annual Conference: A Success!**](#)

[**Link Here to View Snapshots**](#)

To see highlights from last year's conference (2008), [link here](#).

[Jared Bernstein,](#)

[Featured at MASW's 2006 Conference,](#)

[Now a Top White House Economic Advisor](#)