

State: _____ Zip: _____

Occupation/Title:

E-Mail:

Phone # Work:

Phone # Home:

May we cite your name in our publications as
an MASW member? ___Yes___No

My choice of local chapter affiliation is:

- Central Area Kansas City
- St. Louis Springfield
- Joplin

**I prefer receiving notices and information
via e-mail**

**I am interested in participating in the
following Task Force(s)**

- Hunger
- Economic Justice
- Criminal Justice
- Housing/Homelessness
- Health
- Mental Health
- Human Rights
- Child Abuse Prevention
- Community Economic Development

*Participating in a task force includes receiving
notification of meetings, attendance at meetings
when possible.*

MISSOURI ASSOCIATION FOR SOCIAL WELFARE

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION



It has been a long road in Missouri away from racial violence, child labor, dangerous factories, tuberculosis, death at childbirth, malnutrition, and extreme poverty. We have made progress on the journey but are still far from social justice.

The Missouri Association for Social Welfare (MASW) has been on that road the whole way giving human needs and human rights names and faces, uniting Missourians of good will to speak the words of social and economic justice in the halls of power in Jefferson City. We are far from home, but every year of this past century MASW has left a forward mark on Missouri's social history. *This new century is no different.*

Most recently the State of Missouri has chosen to eliminate General Relief (funds for the poor and disabled), reduce the numbers of those eligible for Medicaid, over rode vetoes to now allow persons to carry concealed firearms, and reduce funding for education, children and the elderly. If you do not agree with these actions, now is the time to join.

MASW MISSION STATEMENT: To provide the leadership, research, education and advocacy to improve public policies and programs impacting the health and welfare of all people in Missouri

MASW has provided leadership for change in Missouri for over 103 years achieving:

- Widow's Pension program in 1911, forerunner of the AFDC program
- Commission on Human Rights
- Public Defender program
- Housing Trust Fund
- Hunger Relief Act
- Missouri Foundation for Health

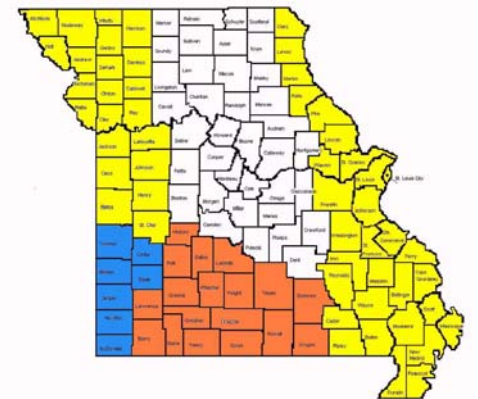
How MASW works:

- Research on social problems
- Conferences and public forums
- Coalition building
- Volunteer coordination
- Advocacy with public officials and the media

How MASW is organized:

- Local chapters
- Statewide member task forces on community and economic development, criminal justice, health, housing and homelessness, human rights, hunger, child abuse prevention and economic justice
- Statewide Board of Directors
- Central office in Jefferson City

Regional Map of Active Chapters – Kansas City, Joplin, Springfield, Central Area and St. Louis



Five generations of people with good will just like you with passion and commitment have been members and leaders of MASW. This new century calls a new generation of MASW leaders to continue the journey toward a more just state.

Does one have to be a professional to join MASW? NO! Our most influential leaders have been from all walks of life. Their one common trait is respect for human rights, concern for people with great needs and a longing for a more just state.

“Your organization typifies both the spirit and the practicality of our democratic way of life. With membership representative of all interests in the state, it serves no special interests, but is devoted to improvement of health, housing, and security for everyone throughout the state. Your past record is evidence of the great things that can be accomplished through combined effort in the interest of better living for all.”

-President Harry S Truman, 1949

**Mail your membership application and check to:
Missouri Association for Social Welfare
606 E. Capitol
Jefferson City, MO 65101**

JOIN US AS WE TACKLE SOCIAL POLICY ISSUES IN THIS NEW CENTURY!

WHAT DO MEMBERS RECEIVE?

- A bi-monthly newsletter on pressing social issues
- New member advocacy packet
- Newsletters and e-mail alerts on Legislative issues during the Missouri Legislative Session
- Weekly e-mail notifications of funding grant opportunities through GrantStation
- Invitations to public forums, conferences and events
- Opportunities to participate on issue committees and chapters
- Connections to a statewide network of members and advocates concerned about social justice
- Chances to impact legislation and policy
- Your voice joined with kindred voices on behalf of a humane mission

MEMBERSHIP CATEGORIES

- Individual Member (individual not organization or business)
- Student or Low Income Member (self determined, no verification necessary)
- Organizational Member (membership in organization name with two individuals named to receive publications and notifications and one member receiving voting rights)
- Special Category Member (Provides additional support for organization, member receives special recognition in publications and reports)

REGULAR MEMBERSHIP

- ___\$35 Individual member
- ___\$10 Student or low income member
- ___\$60 Organization member – please list second contact in space provided

SPECIAL CATEGORY MEMBERSHIP

- ___\$60 Supporting Member
- ___\$120 Sustaining Member
- ___\$240 Patron
- ___\$1000 Ambassador

ENCLOSED IS A MEMBERSHIP CHECK FOR \$ _____

I would like to make an additional contribution to MASW

Enclosed is a check for \$ _____ to:

___Help low-income people participate in MASW

___Underwrite advocacy

___Provide donation to the Endowment Fund

NAME:
MASW MEMBER OR CHAPTER RECOMMENDING APPLICATION (NOT REQUIRED)

Name: _____

Agency/Company: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

County: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____

Occupation/Title: _____

E-Mail: _____

Phone # Work: _____

Phone # Home: _____

ORGANIZATIONAL MEMBER 2nd Contact:

Name: _____

Agency/Company: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

County: _____

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