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NEA Shares the Wealth to the Tune of \$11.7 Million. An Education Intelligence Agency analysis of NEA's financial disclosure report for the 2007-08 fiscal year reveals the national union contributed \$11.7 million to a wide variety of advocacy groups, charities, and advisors. The total is about the same as it was in the previous fiscal year, but does not include spending from the final two months of the 2008 election campaign. The expenditures fall into broad categories of community outreach grants, charitable contributions, and payments for services rendered. In this list, EIA has deliberately omitted spending such as media buys, or payments to pollsters or consultants that have no obvious ideological component. Nor does it include any direct payments to NEA affiliates. The grants range from more than \$1.2 million to fight a Florida property tax initiative down to smaller amounts to groups such as ACORN, FairTest, Planned Parenthood, and People for the American Way.

Here is an alphabetic list of the recipients of NEA's largesse, with relevant web links:

*ACORN - \$178,000

*AFL-CIO - \$190,588

AIDS Walk - \$5,000

Alliance for a Better Minnesota - \$33,333

American Institutes for Research - \$26,466

American Library Association - \$10,000

Asian American Justice Center - \$5,000

Asian American Legal Defense and Education Fund - \$6,000

Asian Pacific American Institute for Congressional Studies - \$5,000

Asian Pacific American Labor Alliance - \$5,000

Baptist Center for Ethics - \$10,000

Campaign for America's Future - \$45,000

Casa de Angeles Foundation - \$7,500

Center for Civic Action - \$25,000

Center for Community Change - \$25,000

Center for Economic Organizing - \$12,000

Center for Law and Education - \$50,000

Center for Policy Alternatives - \$5,000

Center for Teaching Quality - \$250,697

Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association - \$81,500

Children's Defense Fund - \$5,000

Coalition for Our Communities - \$750,000

Coalition of Black Trade Unionists - \$5,000

Coalition on Human Needs - \$6,000

Committee for Education Funding - \$13,570

Committee on States - \$25,000

Communities for Quality Education - \$700,000

Community Teachers Institute - \$10,000

Congressional Black Caucus Foundation, Inc. - \$31,700

Council of Chief State School Officers - \$171,248

Council of State Governments - \$14,000

Democracy Alliance - \$110,000

Democratic GAIN - \$10,000

<u>Democratic Leadership Council</u> - \$45,000

Denver 2008 Convention Planning Committee - \$1,000,000

Economic Policy Institute - \$325,000

Education Commission of the States - \$69,031

Education Development Center - \$5,000

Education Law Center - \$10,000

Everybody Wins DC - \$7,100

Fair Elections Legal Network - \$15,000

FairTest - \$35,000

Ford's Theatre - \$10,000

Fuse Washington - \$15,000

*Gay Lesbian and Straight Education Network - \$157,500

GOP Convention Strategies - \$89,000

Great Lakes Center for Education Research and Practice - \$250,000

Harvard Labor and Worklife Program - \$5,000

Health Care for America Now! - \$500,000

Healthy Schools Network - \$5,000

*Human Rights Campaign - \$15,000

Indianapolis Voting Rights Coalition - \$5,000

Institute for Collaborative Leadership - \$15,000

Iowa Politics.com - \$7,500

Japanese American Citizens League - \$5,000

Jobs for America's Graduates - \$5,000

Jobs with Justice - \$20,500

Joint Center for Political and Economic Studies - \$10,000

Leadership Conference on Civil Rights - \$17,000

League of United Latin American Citizens - \$10,000

Learning First Alliance - \$55,875

Learning Project - \$11,494

Mexican American Legal Defense and Educational Fund - \$10,000

National Action Network - \$15,000

NASA Pre-Service Teacher Program - \$10,000

National Association for Asian and Pacific American Education - \$5,750

National Association for Bilingual Education - \$5,000

National Association for the Education and Advancement of Cambodian, Laotian, and

<u>Vietnamese Americans</u> - \$5,500

National Association of Hispanic Journalists - \$5,000

National Association of Legislative and Political Specialists for Education - \$13,019

National Baptist Voice - \$5,950

National Black Caucus of State Legislators Labor Roundtable - \$10,500

National Board for Professional Teaching Standards - \$7,500

National Coalition of ESEA Title I Parents - \$5,000

National Coalition on Health Care - \$25,000

National Conference of Democratic Mayors - \$7,500

National Conference of State Legislatures - \$54,775

National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education - \$279,230

National Council on Black Civic Participation - \$5,000

National Council of Nonprofits - \$10,000

National Indian Education Association - \$15,400

National Pan-Hellenic Council Foundation - \$10,640

National Partnership for Women and Families - \$5,000

National Parent Teachers Association - \$22,247

National Staff Development Council - \$25,000

National State Teachers of the Year - \$5,000

National Urban League - \$22,980

National Women's Law Center - \$10,000

Nebraskans United - \$25,000

New Democratic Network - \$25,000

New Teacher Center - \$150,000

No on 10 - \$350,000

North Carolina New Schools Project - \$100,000

One Wisconsin Now - \$25,000

Organization of Chinese Americans - \$10,000

Parent Teacher Home Visit Project - \$25,000

Partnership for 21st Century Skills - \$52,500

*People for the American Way - \$125,000

People for Our Public Schools - \$450,000

*Planned Parenthood - \$5,000

Princeton Organizational Advisors - \$187,950

Progress Michigan - \$25,000

Progress Ohio - \$20,000

Progressive Future Action Center - \$315,000

Project New West - \$281,125

Protect Colorado's Future - \$177,000

Public Agenda Foundation - \$17,500

Public Education Defense Fund - \$1,224,000

Rainbow/PUSH Coalition - \$10,000

Rebuild America's Schools - \$20,000

Republican Main Street Partnership - \$50,000

Ripon Society - \$15,000

SEIU - \$5,000

Sons of the Revolution - \$5.000

Southeast Asia Resource Action Center - \$5,000

State Legislative Leaders Foundation - \$5,000

State Net - \$46,675

*Task Force Foundation - \$10,000

Teachers Count - \$50,000

Teaching for Change - \$14,922

The Foundation - \$10,000

This Is America with Dennis Wholey - \$150,000

University of Iowa Center for Evaluation and Assessment - \$40,325

U.S. Action - \$220,000

U.S. Fund for UNICEF - \$7,500

U.S. Hispanic Leadership Institute - \$25,000

Utahns for Public Schools - \$231,944

Vote No: Protect Our Constitution - \$25,000

WAND Education Fund - \$12,500

Washington, DC Martin Luther King, Jr. National Memorial Project Foundation - \$142.927

Washington Internship Institute - \$5,000

Will Steger Foundation - \$9,370

*Women's Campaign Forum - \$20,000

Working America - \$800,000

Youth Development Research Fund - \$5,000

Most of NEA's income comes from members' dues, with a small percentage derived from advertising and other miscellaneous revenues. However, in 2007-08 NEA was also the recipient of sponsorship funds from major corporations: \$25,000 from Verizon, \$67,000 from Target, and \$71,000 from Hyundai.

EIA will have further revelations from NEA's disclosure report in the weeks to come.

- 2) Last Week's Intercepts. EIA's blog, <u>Intercepts</u>, covered these topics from January 12-20:
- * <u>Fifteen Teachers Sign Union Cards</u>, <u>World Loses Mind</u>. Fifteen KIPP teachers want a union, 600 don't. Press releases won't change that math.
- * The Working Poor. NEA lobbyists make sure the homeless have a warm place to stay at 4 a.m. And no, I don't make this stuff up.
- * Caption Contest. So far the best one is "The Village People Come to Washington!"
- * You Can Have My Soda When You Pry It From My Cold, Dead Fingers. The San Francisco Board of Education sets its priorities.
- 3) Quote of the Week. "What worries me at the moment are the unintended effects of this 'choice' agenda. The Government is keen to give parents choice over which school their children attend. So lots of people are no longer sending their children to local schools. That has led to more and more children going by car instead of walking and we know that lower levels of physical activity can lead to obesity." Roger Mackett, University College, London. (January 16 London Daily Telegraph)
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