# Organizations, Websites, Journals

# **American Friends Service Committee** (AFSC), San Diego

www.afsc.org/pacificsw/sandiego.htm P.O. Box 126147, San Diego, CA 92112 tel: 619-233-4114 • fax: 619-233-6247

The American Friends Service Committee sponsors a U.S.-Mexico border program. This program focuses on the defense of migrant human and civil rights as well as farm labor rights, and monitors Immigration and Naturalization Service, U.S. Border Patrol, and local law enforcement policies and practices. Activists in the San Diego office have a wealth of knowledge about the effects of Operation Gatekeeper, the U.S. Border Patrol's seal-the-border initiative in the San Diego sector.

#### **BorderLinks**

www.borderlinks.org 620 S. Sixth Avenue, Tucson AZ 85701 tel: 520-628-8263 • fax: 520-740-0242

BorderLinks offers opportunities to learn about economic and social issues along the U.S.-Mexico border. It has an experiential education program for North Americans, with short-term and semester-long immersion programs. Its programs explore economic issues - NAFTA, international debt, microcredit programs, community banking, maquiladoras, labor conditions — as well as women's rights, immigration policy, the U.S. Border Patrol, crime, health and environmental concerns, and human rights.

### Campaign for Labor Rights

www.campaignforlaborrights.org 1247 E Street SE, Washington, DC 20003

tel: 202-544-9355

Campaign for Labor Rights offers an invaluable email listsery of alerts on sweatshop and solidarity issues. Its website includes past updates, links, resources, and leaflets.

# CIEPAC, A.C. (Centro de Investigaciones Económicas y Políticas de Acción Comunitaria)

www.ciepac.org

Calle de la Primavera No. 6, Barrio de la Merced 29240 San Cristóbal, Chiapas, Mexico tel: (in Mexico) 01 967 674 5168; tel: (outside Mexico) +52 967 674 5168

CIEPAC is an important research center providing information and analysis to social justice organizing efforts. At its website, click on Boletines from the index and CIEPAC bulletins are listed by year, also indicating which articles are translated into English. An especially helpful bulletin is "In the Crossfire: MesoAmerican Migrants Journey North" (2005). I've relied on CIEPAC's valuable resources for a number of lessons in this book.

### Coalition for Justice in the Maquiladoras

www.coalitionforjustice.net 4207 Willow Brook, San Antonio, TX 78228 tel: 210-732-8957 • fax: 210-732-8324

A tri-national coalition of religious, environmental, labor, Latino, and women's organizations working to pressure U.S.-based transnational corporations to adopt socially responsible practices. Publishes a newsletter and various reports and alerts on maquiladora struggles.

#### **Environmental Health Coalition**

www.environmentalhealth.org 401 Mile of Cars Way, Suite 310, National City, CA 91950 tel: 619-474-0220 • fax: 619-474-1210

Environmental Health Coalition is a multi-issue coalition working in the San Diego-Tijuana area. In addition to its activist work, it has published a number of valuable reports on NAFTA, globalization and health, that are available at its website. The Colectivo Chilpancingo ProJusticia Ambiental, mentioned throughout the book, is an affiliate of EHC.

### **Global Exchange**

www.globalexchange.org 2017 Mission St., #303, San Francisco, CA 94110 tel: 415-255-7296 • fax 415-255-7498

Founded in 1988, Global Exchange is dedicated to promoting environmental, political, and social justice around the world. Global Exchange sponsors excellent "reality tours" to the U.S.-Mexico border and to sites in southern Mexico — and with Rethinking Schools co-sponsored the "From the World to Our Classrooms" trips described throughout this book. Global Exchange's online store provides valuable teaching resources and also fair-trade goods from around the world.

#### **Institute for Policy Studies**

www.ips-dc.org

1112 16th St. NW, Suite 600, Washington, DC 20036

tel: 202-234-9382 • fax: 202-387-7915

An important think tank on global issues from a social justice perspective. The IPS program on the global economy includes resources on NAFTA and globalization in the Americas.

# **International Relations Center/Americas Program**

http://americas.irc-online.org P.O. Box 2178, Silver City, NM 88062-2178 tel: 505-388-0208

International Relations Center is a policy studies institute based in Silver City, NM, committed to promoting global justice. It provides excellent analysis and policy proposals on immigration, trade, transnational corporations, the environment, and other vital issues. Articles

are in Spanish and English.

# Maquiladora Health & Safety Support Network

www.igc.org/mhssn P.O. Box 124, Berkeley, CA 94701-0124 tel: 510-558-1014 • fax: 510-525-8951

A volunteer network of occupational health and safety professionals providing information, technical assistance and on-site instruction regarding workplace hazards in the hundreds of maquiladoras along the U.S.-Mexico border. Its website includes excellent resources and links on maquiladora health and safety issues.

#### **Maquila Solidarity Network**

www.maquilasolidarity.org 606 Shaw Street, Toronto, Ontario M6G 3L6, Canada tel: 416-532-8584 • fax: 416-532-7688

The Maquila Solidarity Network is a Canadian network promoting solidarity with groups in Mexico, Central America, and Asia organizing in maquiladora factories and export processing zones to improve conditions and win a living wage. Its website includes hard-to-find resources on maquilas by country or company, and many articles on sweatshop issues. Valuable links to other Canadian and international organizations concerned with workers' rights issues.

# NACLA (North American Congress on Latin America)

www.nacla.org

38 Greene St., 4th Floor, New York, NY 10013 tel: 646-613-1440 • fax: 646-613-1443

NACLA publishes a bimonthly magazine *Report on the Americas*, the most widely read English language publication on Latin America. It features excellent, hard-to-find analyses and over the years has published many articles on the themes in this book.

# National Network for Immigrant and Refugee Rights

www.nnirr.org 310 8th St., Suite 303, Oakland, CA 94607 tel: 510-465-1984 • fax: 510-465-1885

The National Network for Immigrant and Refugee Rights (NNIRR) is an organization composed of local coalitions and immigrant, refugee, community, religious, civil rights, and labor organizations and activists. It serves as a forum to share information and analysis, to educate communities and the general public, and to develop and coordinate plans of action on important immigrant and refugee issues. The NNIRR also publishes valuable reports and curricula.

#### **Resource Center of the Americas**

www.americas.org

3019 Minnehaha Ave., Minneapolis, MN 55406-1931

tel.: 612-276-0788 • fax: 612-276-0898

The Resource Center provides information and develops programs that demonstrate connections between people of Latin America, the Caribbean, and the United States. Over the years it has published a great deal of curriculum in this area. Its website includes an online catalog of these and other classroom materials available from their excellent Bookstore of the Americas, along with resources on critical issues about the Americas.

#### **Rethinking Schools**

www.rethinkingschools.org

1001 E. Keefe Ave., Milwaukee, WI 53212

subscriptions: 800-669-4192 • fax: 414-964-7220

Rethinking Schools is a quarterly magazine produced largely by classroom teachers with a focus on social



justice and equity, as well as a publisher of books on social justice teaching issues, including *Rethinking Our Classrooms*, *Vols. 1 and 2*, *Rethinking Globalization*, and *The Line Between Us.* The magazine regularly publishes articles on teaching global issues — including those featured in this book. The website contains this entire resource list with all addresses hot-linked.

#### Schools for Chiapas

www.schoolsforchiapas.org or www.mexicopeace.org 1717 Kettner Blvd., Suite 110, San Diego, CA 92101 tel: 619-232-2841 • fax: 617-232-0500

An organization that works in solidarity with the struggles in Chiapas, Mexico. It mobilizes people and resources to build schools in Chiapas, and sponsors trips there to study Spanish and Mayan language and culture. The website features news articles, historical information, and other resources.

#### **Teaching for Change**

www.teachingforchange.org P.O. Box 73038, Washington, D.C. 20056-3038 tel: 800-763-9193 • fax: 202-238-0109

The Teaching for Change catalog is the best source for curriculum materials from a social justice perspective. The organization began in the early 1980s as a network of teachers concerned about issues in Central America, and continues to have a strong interest in Latin America, including Mexico.

#### **United Farm Workers**

www.ufw.org

UFW National Headquarters, P.O. Box 62, Keene, CA 93531

Affiliated with the AFL-CIO, the UFW is the oldest and most prominent farmworker union in the United States. The union's website includes links, current news articles about farmworker struggles, updates, and background white papers, such as "Fields of Poison: California Farm Workers and Pesticides."

#### **U.S. Border Patrol**

www.cbp.gov (follow Border Security links to the U.S. Border Patrol)

This is the website of the U.S. Customs and Border Protection. It includes recent articles about the Border Patrol and sections on Border Patrol history and strategy.

## **Zapatistas**

www.ezln.org.mx

The Zapatistas, based in the southernmost Mexican state of Chiapas, have drawn worldwide attention to the plight of indigenous people in the global economy. Their website is mostly in Spanish, although it does have some English translations. It's a fascinating site and the links will put students in touch with indigenous movements around the world.