

WIEBOLDT FOUNDATION CAPACITY BUILDING COHORT

2021-2023



THROUGH THE PROGRAM, WE BUILD...

INFRASTRUCTURE



MOISES MORENO, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, PILSEN ALLIANCE

"Our organizing and advocacy work in our community has been more impactful and successful due in large part to the capacity building cohort with the Wieboldt Foundation. As a grantee partner for the last two years, we have used new organizing tools and strategies that we are applying in our day-to-day organization. **From leadership development, base building, grassroots fundraising and organizing for power; our organization is able to better serve our community and fight for social justice.**"

KEVIN JOHNSON, LEAD ORGANIZER, WORKING FAMILY SOLIDARITY

"I'm a young African American man from Englewood. I was hired as a community organizer at Working Family Solidarity 12 months ago.

The Wieboldt process, especially the training sessions on organizing, helped me become much more strategic in my work. **A few months ago I was promoted to Lead Organizer. I truly don't think this would have happened without being part of the Wieboldt Capacity Building Initiative.**"

LEADERSHIP



COLLABORATION



MARC KAPLAN, NORTHSIDE ACTION FOR JUSTICE

“The Wieboldt’s Capacity building grant allowed us to build up our staffing and media capacity. **It is unique in my experience because it allows organizations to participate in a collaborative structure. This structure has allowed some of our grassroots leaders to really gain some skills and grow and develop in their ability to lead the organization. It has also allowed NA4J to develop with and form relationships with other organizations on a real level and to get to know each other on a deeper level that is really important to be able to work together collaboratively.** The trainings around how to develop and think about campaigns, fundraising and foundations have been invaluable to our participants. In addition, the pairing with a coach who we meet with on a weekly basis to discuss and meet some specific needs that we have has an organization really is unique in my experience; and so helpful because it allows us to focus very specifically and targeted towards our organizational needs.”



MARTIN COFFER, WESTSIDE RISING

“I believe the interactive classes at Wieboldt help bring organizers together. The strategy chart really helped me gain focus and stick to my goals. The classes have also helped grow my contact list and learn from other organizers,”

COMMUNITY MEMBER, PASO

“It has helped me learn the process of campaigning. Beforehand, we learned as we went, but it was helpful being able to learn about the process from an outside perspective. I also enjoyed learning strategies other organizations use.”

DISCIPLINE



COHORT PARTICIPANTS

2022 AND 2023

2022

- Alliance of Filipinos for Immigrant Rights and Empowerment (AFIRE)
- Black Oaks Center for Sustainable Renewable Living
- Not Me We
- People for Community Recovery (PCR)
- People Matter
- Pilsen Alliance
- Working Family Solidarity

2023

- Alliance of Filipinos for Immigrant Rights and Empowerment (AFIRE)
- Good Kids Mad City (GKMC)
- Northside Action for Justice
- Not Me We
- Organized Communities Against Deportation (OCAD)
- Pilsen Alliance
- Working Family Solidarity