

NETWORK Annual Report 2019

NETWORK educates, organizes, and lobbies for social and economic transformation. We are rooted in Catholic Social Justice and open to all who share our passion. We value women's leadership, welcome secular and religious backgrounds, affirm LGBTQ+ identities, and engage in ongoing racial justice work.



Dear NETWORK Supporters,

Who we elect matters. This was demonstrated in 2019 in the strongest possible way. While *all* of our Mend the Gap issues were taken up in some significant manner in the House of Representatives, the Senate did not have a floor vote on *any* of our issues.

But all is not lost. We still have this second session of the 116th Congress to make progress — and we have the 2020 election. Here at NETWORK we say that voting is the sacramental moment of democracy. It is this sacred privilege that can make a difference for our nation.



Off the Hill, we made commenting on proposed regulations a critical component of our efforts to protect immigrants and those at the economic margins. We also signed on to briefs that were filed in federal court to represent your concerns about vulnerable people in our nation and the abuse of power by this administration.

Finally, we got ready for the work of 2020 and beyond by holding 17 roundtables in rural communities in 16 different states. It has been an education and helped us understand the need to “mend the gaps” not just in economics but also in how we understand different communities in our nation.

All of this is thanks to you! You are the community that nourishes our commitment and makes our advocacy possible. Thank you for your support, passion, and engagement. Together we can form a “more perfect union.” You give us hope and energy for the long haul.

Thank you!

S. Simone Campbell 555



Over the past year, NETWORK held 17 rural roundtables in 16 states, meeting and listening to a diverse group of 250 people living in rural parts of the U.S.

Download the report, *Raising Rural Voices*: networklobby.org/raisingruralvoices

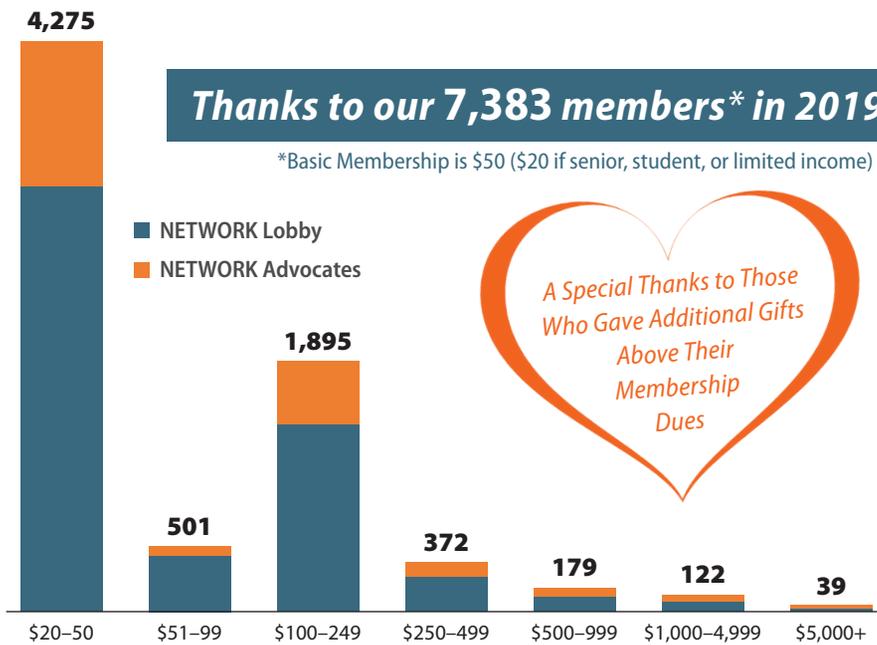
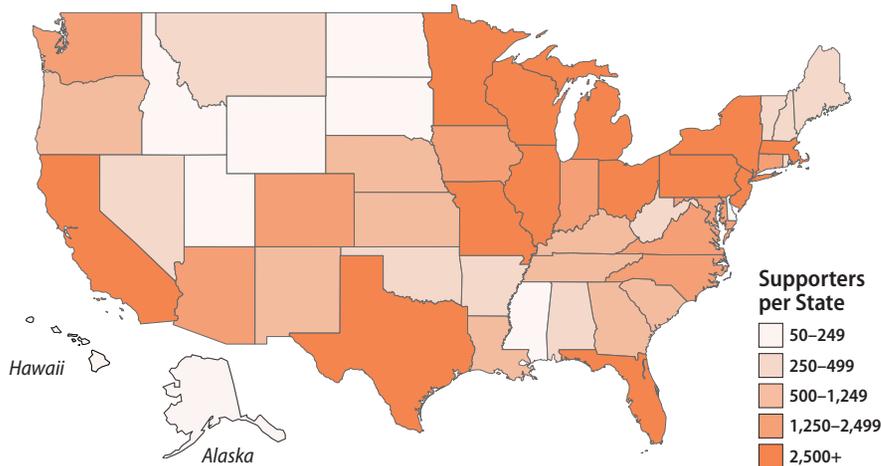


Rural Roundtables were held in: Albuquerque, NM; Wabasha, MN; Yolo County, CA; Adrian, MI; Tutwiler, MS; Poetry, TX; Amsterdam, NY; Clinton, IA; Springfield, IL; Columbia, MO; Tiffin, OH; Richmond, IN; Brownsville, TX; Oil City, PA; Union Hill, VA; Wantage, NJ, and Whitesburg, KY.

NETWORK is two organizations with one mission: NETWORK Advocates is a 501(c)(3) tax-deductible organization and NETWORK Lobby is a 501(c)(4) organization. The two sister organizations work closely together to further our movement for justice and peace.

OUR NETWORK Community

We were honored to have more than **85,000** supporters across the country in 2019



2,054 first-time donors

A Sister-Spirit welcome to our newest members!

553 GEMs

People who participated in the *Giving Every Month* program

2,251 Loyalty Society

People who have given consecutively for five years or more

Our Work by the Numbers

3.15 million emails sent to NETWORK supporters in **162** email blasts

364,412 visits to the NETWORK websites by **112,979** visitors

189,338 NETWORK text messages sent to advocates

32,089 *Connection* issues mailed to NETWORK members

10,890 calls to Members of Congress by NETWORK activists

9,896 NETWORK activists took action on various engagements

3,181 new followers to NETWORK, Nuns on the Bus, and Sister Simone social media platforms

1,438 press hits highlighting NETWORK's work/positions

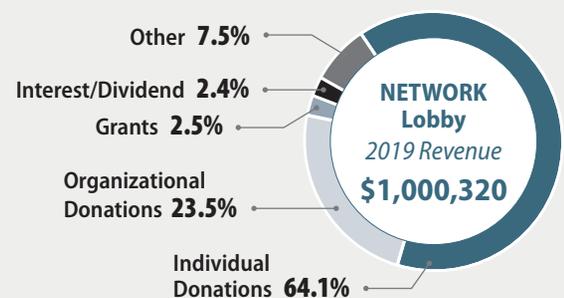
529 meetings with Congressional policymakers (**43** in-district by NETWORK activists)

400 high school and college students trained to lobby

105 blogs published on NETWORK's website

67 workshops, presentations, and webinars given by NETWORK staff

Where Our Financial



In 2019, NETWORK Lobby investments had \$103,489 in unrealized gain, not included in this chart

Bread & Roses

~ SOCIETY ~

Members of NETWORK's Bread and Roses Society play a vital role in building the justice movement for many years to come. By remembering NETWORK in their will or estate plans, members make a substantial, enduring commitment to our community's long-term work. For more information on how to make a planned gift to NETWORK, please contact us at development@networklobby.org.

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| Alice and Robert Beezat | Dr. Norma LaSalle | Jean Sammon |
| Kim [†] and Stephen Benoit | Anne Laurance | Fr. Tony Schumacher |
| Margaret Betz | Sarah Marin | Imelda Smith |
| James Biechler | Rita Middendorf | Rev. Charles Topper |
| Carol Ann [†] and Lee J. Breyer | Elizabeth Morancy | Bernadette Tourtual |
| Susan Doherty | Rosemarie Pace | Carol Watchler |
| Albert Eisch | Suzanne Polen | Francine Wickes |
| Jean Hamann | Bernadette Powell | Amy and Stephen Zeder |
| Jane Houtman | Noraleen Renauer | Dr. Jerome Zurek |
| Mary and Calbert Hubbard | Linda Rich | |
| Alice Kitchen | Barbara and Brian Roos | |

[†] deceased

IN MEMORIAM

We honor the memory of those whose estates supported NETWORK in 2019.

We also recognize those who were remembered in 2019 through gifts from relatives and friends.

We are honored to be entrusted with their legacies, which sustain our work for many years to come.

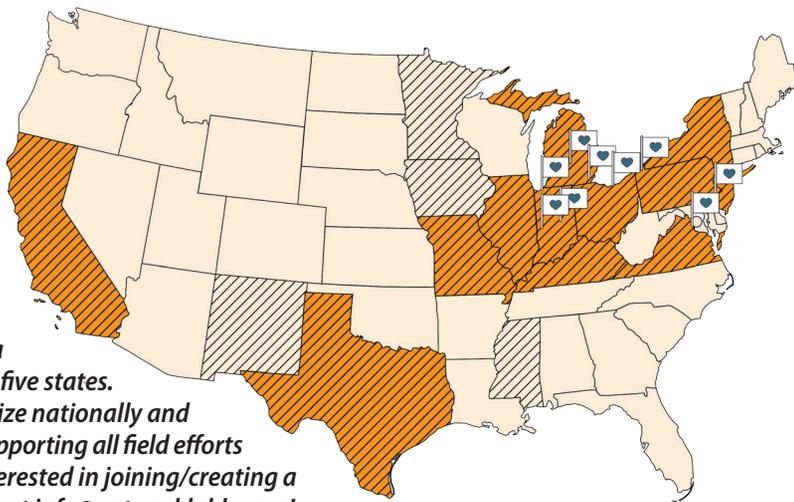
Estate Gifts

Therese Lynch
Marie Mocny

In Memory

Kim Benoit
Mary Ann DeLuca
Sr. Margaret Augustine Exworthy, OP
Mary Judge
John M. Kearney
Sr. Pat McNally, SC
Agnes McShea
Rev. Thomas McSherry
Mary Claire Meysenburg
Rev. Dr. Audrey Miller
Joan Panaro
Donald Shorter, Sr.

BUILDING OUR SPIRIT-FILLED NETWORK



Key

- Building States
- Mobilizing States
- Rural Roundtable States

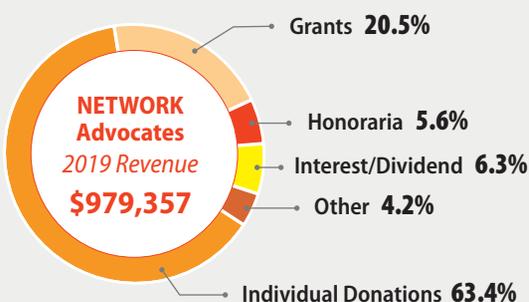


Grassroots Advocates Teams

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| Indianapolis, IN | Cleveland, OH |
| South Bend, IN | Erie, PA |
| Terre Haute, IN | Philadelphia, PA |
| Ann Arbor, MI | Northern Virginia, VA |
| East Lansing, MI | |

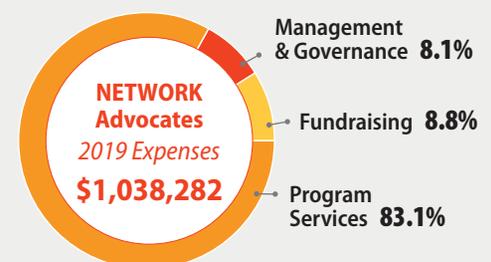
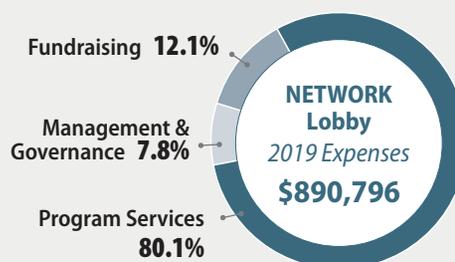
In 2019, we added six new Grassroots Advocates Teams for a total of nine teams in five states. We continue to mobilize nationally and we look forward to supporting all field efforts in 2020. If you are interested in joining/creating a team, please email us at info@networklobby.org!

Support Comes From



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How Your Financial Support Impacts Our Mission



THE YEAR IN Photos



DACA Rosary Walk



Faith for Equality Prayer Vigil



Healthy Families Act Press Conference (with Reps. Underwood and DeLauro)



Family Separation Prayer Vigil



Voting Record Certificate Delivery (with Rep. Craig)



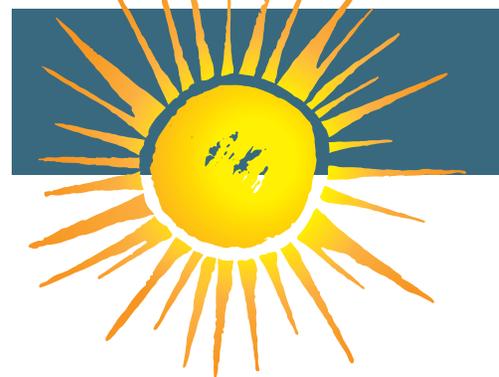
USMCA Rally (with Rep. Dingle)



DHS Funding Press Conference (with Sen. Kaine)



Immigration "Nuns Letter" Delivery



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