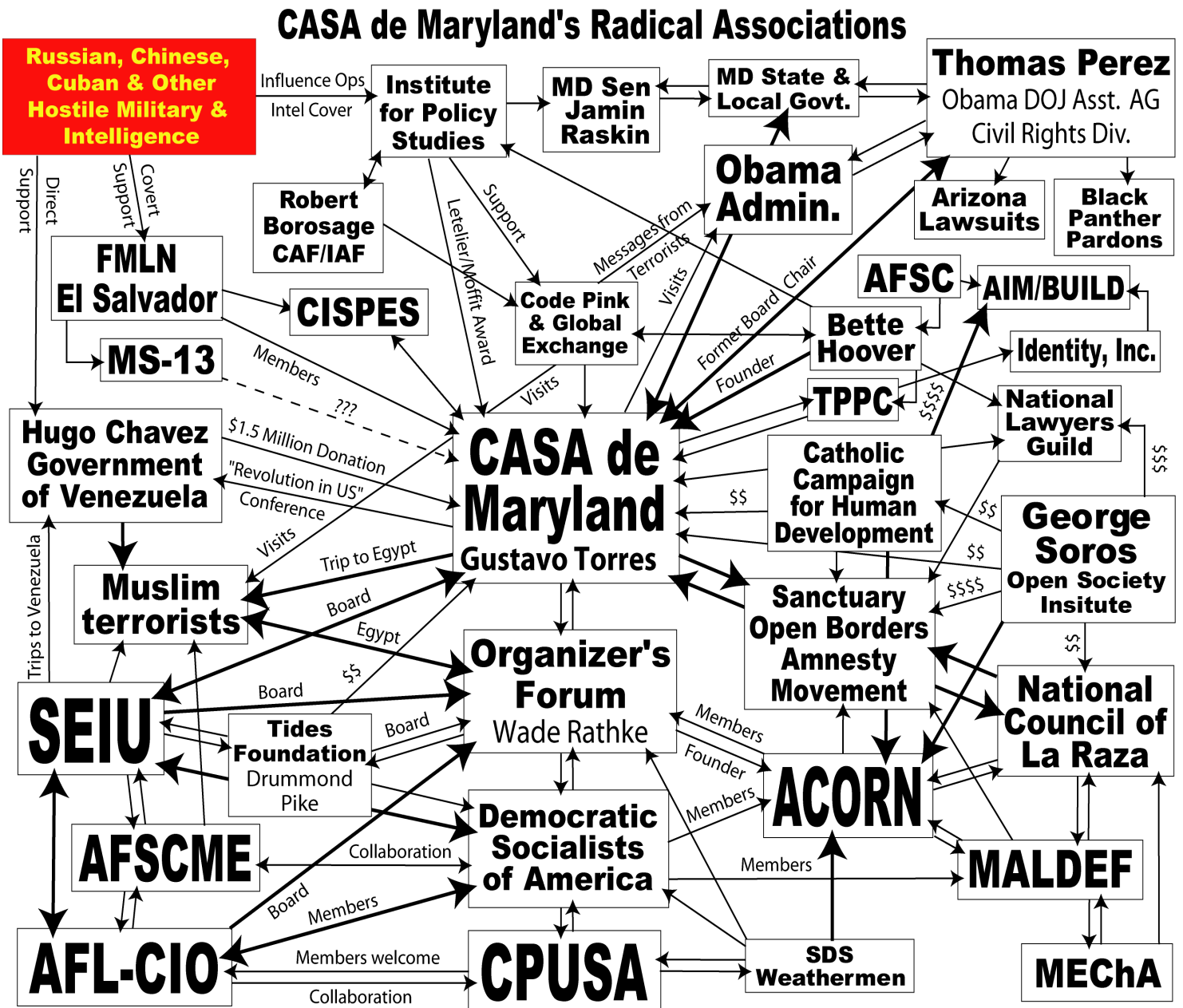


Radical Associations

One cannot automatically assume guilt by association, but a man is known by the company he keeps, and the company associated with Gustavo Torres and CASA de Maryland comprises a who's who of the radical left. Understanding CASA and Torres' affiliations and support networks is critical to obtaining a full picture of the organization's radical pedigree and designs.

This section explains the connections between CASA de Maryland and other organizations and individuals on the chart below. It is incomplete. There is not enough room to fit all of them, so we chose only those we felt most important. Suffice it to say CASA de Maryland is of a piece with all other American organizations of the far, far Left.



KEY

The list below is hot-linked to each entry describing the individuals/organizations and their relation to CASA de Maryland. (CTRL + Click for each entry):

[American Friends Service Committee \(AFSC\)](#)
[Association of Community Organizations for Reform Now \(ACORN\)](#)
[Action in Montgomery/Baltimoreans United in Leadership Development \(AIM/BUILD\)](#)
[Bette Rainbow Hoover](#)
[Robert Borosage](#)
[Catholic Campaign for Human Development \(CCHD\)](#)
[Chavez, Hugo](#)
[Code Pink/Global Exchange](#)
[Committee in Solidarity with the People of El Salvador \(CISPES\)](#)
[Communist Party of the USA \(CPUSA\)](#)
[Democratic Socialists of America \(DSA\)](#)
[Drummond Pike & Tides Center/Foundation](#)
[Farabundo Marti National Liberation Front \(FMLN\)](#)
[Identity, Inc](#)
[Institute for Policy Studies \(IPS\)](#)
[Jamin Raskin](#)
[Mara Salvatrucha \(MS-13\)](#)
[Maryland Governments](#)
[Mexican American Legal Defense and Education Fund \(MALDEF\)](#)
[Movimiento Estudiantil Chican@ de Aztlán \(MEChA\)](#)
[Muslim Brotherhood](#)
[National Council of La Raza \(NCLR\)](#)
[National Lawyers Guild \(NLG\)](#)
[Obama Administration](#)
[Organizer's Forum](#)
[Sanctuary, Open Borders, Amnesty Movements](#)
[Soros, George & Open Society Institute](#)
[Students for a Democratic Society \(SDS\)](#)
[Thomas Perez](#)
[Tacoma Park Presbyterian Church \(TPPC\)](#)
[Unions](#)

[American Friends Service Committee \(AFSC\)](#)

- Quaker organization heavily influenced by communists since 1920s
- Called Cambodian Killing Fields an “American disinformation campaign”
- Agitated for unilateral disarmament of the US
- Allied with radical Chicano separatist group, [MEChA](#)
- Assisted in the founding of CASA
- Participated with CASA in anti-Lou Dobbs campaign – [Basta Dobbs](#)
- Opposes all enforcement efforts against illegals

- Receives funding from Soros' Open Society Institute

[Association of Community Organizations for Reform Now \(ACORN\)](#)

- Aggressive participant in open borders/amnesty movement
- Engaged in nationwide vote registration fraud
- ACORN CEO, Bertha Lewis, publicly [advocates for socialism](#).¹
- Baltimore/other offices caught in underage illegal immigrant prostitution ring sting
- Baltimore office works regularly with CASA
- Founder Wade Rathke, CASA's Gustavo Torres, Maryland ACORN, CASA and many Maryland legislators, all Facebook "friends"
- Torres serves on Board of Rathke's "Organizer's Forum"
- ACORN follows [Cloward-Piven Crisis Strategy](#) pioneered by Rathke mentors Richard Cloward and Frances Fox Piven.

[Action in Montgomery/Baltimoreans United in Leadership Development \(AIM/BUILD\)](#)

- Local chapters of Saul Alinsky's [Industrial Areas Foundation](#)
- Member organizations include Identity, Inc. and Takoma Park Presbyterian Church
- Uses liberal churches and congregations to promote radical causes
- IAF receives "[the largest percentage of](#)" CCHD grants

[Bette Rainbow Hoover](#)

- Founder of CASA de Maryland
- Worked through Takoma Park Presbyterian Church
- Former Director American Friends Service Committee
- Board of Directors, [Washington Peace Center](#)
- Works with Code Pink/IPS through Washington Peace Center
- Washington Peace Center has [worked with CASA and SDS](#)

[Robert Borosage](#)

- Lifelong member of radical left, former director, Institute for Policy Studies
- Founded Campaign for America's Future (CAF)/Institute for America's Future (IAF)
- Dedicated to electing a "progressive" majority
- Participated with CASA affiliate National Council of La Raza, and other open borders/amnesty advocates in "Take Back America" conference
- Conference [now titled](#) "Take Back the American Dream" with co-sponsor Van Jones, former Obama Green Jobs Czar and self-described communist²
- Socialist CAF member & SEIU VP [Eliseo Medina](#) hopes to see illegals become voters in order to "...create a governing coalition for the long term..."

¹ Don Irvine, *ACORN CEO Lewis Mocks Tea Party Pushes Socialism*, *Accuracy in Media*, April 22, 2010, (<http://www.aim.org/don-irvine-blog/acorn-ceo-lewis-mocks-tea-party-pushes-socialism/>).

² Campaign for America's Future, *Take Back the American Dream Conference*, October 3-5, 2011, (<http://www.ourfuture.org/conference>).

In 2008, CAF joined with ACORN, National Council of La Raza, AFL-CIO and other organizations, to create the “most expensive [voter] mobilization in history.”

At CAF’s Take Back America conference, a key speaker was [Eliseo Medina](#), International Vice President of the Service Employees International Union (SEIU), and [honorary Chair](#) of Democratic Socialists of America.³ He openly explained Democrats’ obsession with amnesty:

...If we reform the immigration laws, it puts 12 million people on the path to citizenship and eventually voters. Can you imagine if we have ...even two out of three, if we get 8 million new voters... we will create a governing coalition for the long term, not just for an election cycle.

[Catholic Campaign for Human Development \(CCHD\)](#)

- Funding arm of the US Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB)
- Prominent member of open borders/amnesty movement
- Radical leftist funding vehicle since its inception in 1969
- Formed with Saul Alinsky specifically [to fund his Industrial Areas Foundation](#) (IAF)⁴
- IAF receives [the largest percentage of CCHD grants](#) of any CCHD grantee⁵
- [USCCB pledged](#) to promote Democrats’ amnesty bill⁶
- Operates government funded illegal alien/refugee assistance programs nationwide
- Provides funding for CASA de Maryland
- Given millions to ACORN, the radical training school, [Midwest Academy](#), and others

CCHD promotes Marxist liberation theology, an idea borne in Central and South America.⁷ This explains much of the Church’s involvement with communist revolutionaries there. A good source for information about how the Left has infiltrated our churches can be found at [Exposing Marxism in the Church](#) (www.religiousleftexposed.com) created by veteran investigative journalist and longtime AIM contributor, Cliff Kincaid.

[Chavez, Hugo](#)

- Communist President of Venezuela - South America’s latter day Fidel Castro
- [Hosts terrorist training camp](#) run by Iranian Revolutionary Guards⁸
- [Aids Columbia’s communist FARC](#) guerillas and assisting in drug trafficking.⁹
- [Nationalized CITGO](#) in 2005¹⁰

³ *Eliseo Medina Named Honorary Chair of Democratic Socialists of America*, [Democratic Socialists of America](#), August 4, 2004, (<http://www.dsausa.org/LatestNews/2004/medina.html>).

⁴ Matthew Vadum, *Left-Wing Radicalism in the Church: CCHD and ACORN*, [Human Events](#), October 26, 2009, (<http://www.humanevents.com/article.php?id=34070>).

⁵ *A commentary on the Industrial Areas Foundation*, [CatholicCulture.org](#), (<http://www.catholicculture.org/culture/library/view.cfm?id=2885>).

⁶ Christopher Neefus, *Catholic Bishops Launch New Push for Immigration Reform, Pathway to Citizenship*, [CNSNEWS.com](#), January 8, 2010, (<http://www.cnsnews.com/news/article/59466>).

⁷ Gustavo Gutierrez, Wikipedia, (http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Gustavo_Guti%C3%A9rrez).

⁸ Kuwaitis Among Trainees in “Guards’ Latin Camp, Arab Times, April 28, 2011, (<http://www.arabtimesonline.com/NewsDetails/tabid/96/smld/414/ArticleID/168534/refTab/36/Default.aspx>).

⁹ Fausta Wertz, *Venezuela Wants FARC to Act as Hitmen*, Real Clear World, May 10, 2011, (http://www.realclearworld.com/blog/2011/05/new_iiss_book_venezuela_used_farc_hit_squad.html).

- CASA Director Torres [panelist](#)¹¹ at 2007 conference on Marxist revolution in the U.S.
- [Provided \\$1.5 million](#) to CASA through CITGO in 2008 following Torres visit¹²
- [Ordered nationalization](#) of *all* Venezuela-based oil company assets in 2009, including Exxon/Mobil, Chevron, BP, ConocoPhillips and others.¹³
- [Many friends](#) in the American Left.¹⁴
- Advised by Chesa Boudin, Weathermen Ayers and Dohrn's adopted son

[Code Pink/Global Exchange](#)

- Prominent radical leftists – supporters of open borders
- [Co-sponsored forum](#) on illegal immigration with CASA, International Socialist Organization, CISPES and others¹⁵
- [Participated](#) with CASA in “Bring the War Dollars Home” conference¹⁶
- [Posted ad](#) on Muslim Brotherhood website: “Join us in cleansing our country”¹⁷
- Called for the kidnapping of former President Bush, his wife and others¹⁸
- [Member](#), International Solidarity Movement sponsoring Gaza Flotilla
- Founder [Jodie Evans](#) top bundler for Obama campaign¹⁹
- [Provided \\$600,000 to terrorists](#) fighting American Marines in Fallujah, Iraq²⁰
- Met with Iran's Ahmadinejad, Hamas, the Taliban and others.
- [Delivered messages](#) from these groups to President Obama.²¹
- Participated in a “[Fly-in Action](#)” at Ben Gurion Airport to propagandize for the Palestinians and announce their intention to defy the blockade.

[Committee in Solidarity with the People of El Salvador \(CISPES\)](#)

¹⁰ Formerly a joint venture between CITGO and the Venezuelan government. See: Mac Johnson, *Chavez's Citgo Is No Friend of America*, [Human Events](#), September 26, 2006, (<http://www.humanevents.com/article.php?id=17216>).

¹¹ Olympia Newton, *Venezuela forum debates prospects for revolutionary change in the U.S.*, [The Militant](#), December 3, 2007, (<http://www.themilitant.com/2007/7145/714503.html>).

¹² Sarah Raymond, *CASA de Maryland set to accept \$1.5M from Venezuela-Owned Citgo Petroleum*, [Washington Examiner](#), August 4, 2008, (<http://washingtonexaminer.com/local/casa-de-maryland-set-accept-15m-venezuela-owned-citgo-petroleum>).

¹³ Associated Press, *Venezuela to Seize Foreign Oil Projects*, [CBSNews](#), February 11, 2009, (<http://www.cbsnews.com/stories/2007/02/26/world/main2519183.shtml>).

¹⁴ Ana Maria Ortiz, Matthew Vadum, *The American Friends of Hugo Chavez: Dial 1-800-4-TYRANT*, [Organization Trends](#), Capital Research Center, March 2008, (<http://www.capitalresearch.org/pubs/pdf/v1204310378.pdf>).

¹⁵ *From Arizona to DC: Immigrant Rights are Civil Rights*, Community Forum on the Fight for Reform and Legalization, May 20, 2010, [DC Jobs with Justice](#), (<http://www.dcjwj.org/node/612>).

¹⁶ Alan Brody, *Anti-war group seeks to draw down defense spending*, [Gazette.net](#), March 8, 2011, (http://ww2.gazette.net/stories/03082011/polinew172008_32554.php).

¹⁷ Kristinn Taylor and Andrea Shea King, *Obama Ally Code Pink Invites Muslim Brotherhood 'Join Us in Cleansing Our Country*, [Biggovernment.com](#), January 11, 2010, (<http://biggovernment.com/taylorking/2010/01/11/obama-ally-code-pink-invites-muslim-brotherhood-join-us-in-cleansing-our-country/>).

¹⁸ *Ibid.*

¹⁹ Jodie Evans, [Discover the Networks](#), (<http://www.discoverthenetworks.org/individualProfile.asp?indid=1628>).

²⁰ Roger Aronoff, *Take AIM: Lt. Col. Robert “Buzz” Patterson*, [Accuracy in Media](#), October 18, 2010, (<http://www.aim.org/podcast/take-aim-lt-col-robert-buzz-patterson/>).

²¹ Taylor and King, *Hamas Terrorists Guaranteed Code Pink's Safety in Gaza*, [Biggovernment.com](#), January 12, 2010, (<http://biggovernment.com/taylorking/2010/01/12/hamas-terrorists-guaranteed-code-pinks-safety-in-gaza/>).

- Created by leaders of El Salvador's communist party (ESCP) in collusion with American Left²²
- Falsely portrayed as home-grown protest group but disseminated ESCP propaganda against America's involvement in El Salvador's civil war
- Participated with CASA in mass demonstration to oppose illegal immigration legislation
- Participated with CASA, CPUSA, FMLN-DC & other radical groups in "Day of Action for Immigrant Rights"
- [Quoted Gustavo Torres](#): "if they don't pay attention to us now, the next step is civil disobedience"²³

[Communist Party of the USA \(CPUSA\)](#)

- Official communist party of the U.S.
- Promotes open borders, illegal immigration, minimal voting requirements
- Participated with CASA in May Day 2008 "Day of Action for Immigrant Rights"
- Covert arm of Soviet foreign policy during Cold War
- [Opposes](#) all legislative efforts to curtail illegal immigration.²⁴

[Democratic Socialists of America \(DSA\)](#)

- Largest socialist organization in the US
- American affiliate of the Socialist International
- Part of the open borders coalition
- Promote amnesty to increase Democrat voter rolls
- Authored [amnesty petition](#) demanding unconditional amnesty for "all undocumented workers"
- Founded largely by SDS members
- Cloward and Piven prominent members

[Drummond Pike & Tides Center/Foundation](#)

- Drummond Pike, long time associate of Wade Rathke and ACORN
- Pike created Tides to facilitate anonymous donations to [radical causes](#)
- ACORN's Rathke holds/has held many leadership positions at Tides
- Tides receives funding from George Soros' Open Society Institute
- Tides supports CASA through its advocacy fund

²² "CISPES was founded by Farid Handal, brother of then-General Secretary of the El Salvadorian Communist Party, Schafik Handal, with the assistance of American Leftists. When the FMLN initiated open warfare in 1980, the Communist Party of El Salvador abandoned the electoral-avenue to power and embraced the Bolshevik (violent) approach, joining and playing a pivotal role within the FMLN." Conversation with Rene Guerra, former member, El Salvador's National Revolutionary Movement, partner organization with the Democratic Revolutionary Front, the political/diplomatic arm of the FMLN, March 27, 2011.

²³ *Tens of thousands protest anti-immigration legislation in Washington, DC*, [CISPES](#), March 8, 2006, (http://www.cispes.org/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=28&Itemid=28).

²⁴ *Club Educational Study Guide: Immigrant Rights*, [CPUSA Website](#), April 28, 2006, (<http://www.cpusa.org/club-educational-study-guide-immigrant-rights/>).



(L) Wade Rathke, (M) unidentified (R) Drummond Pike in Peru, with photo of Castro and Che Guevara on wall

[Farabundo Marti National Liberation Front \(FMLN\)](#)

- Founded in Cuba 1980 to unite El Salvadorian communist factions for war
- Named after Farabundo Marti, Soviet Comintern agent who founded El Salvadorian Communist Party in the 1930s.
- Initiated civil war that lead to at least 75,000 deaths
- Celebrated 9-11 four days after attack with street demonstration and US flag burning
- Subsidiary organizations exist in the U.S.
- FMLN-backed candidate elected President of El Salvador's in 2009
- FMLN guerillas fleeing El Salvador got help from fledgling CASA in 1980s
- CASA Facebook friends with FMLN Maryland
- Current CASA employee acknowledges fighting with FMLN
- Former FMLN members trained early MS-13 gangs in violent tactics



[Identity, Inc.](#) – CASA's Mini Me

- National Council of La Raza Affiliate
- Uses bullying street tactics against opponents
- Member organization – Industrial Areas Foundation

- Works with CASA on immigration “advocacy efforts” according to [its website](#).²⁵
- Receives 94% of revenues from government grants – \$7,121,818 in past 3 years.²⁶
- State provided bond revenues for renovated headquarters in Montgomery County.²⁷
- Helps Latino families “connect to all pertinent social service systems”

During petition drive to [repeal Maryland’s DREAM act](#), Identity employees reportedly attempted to block citizens from signing petition, stood between them and petitioners and screamed obscenities and racist epithets at petitioners. One citizen trying to sign the petition told them, “Stop harassing me!”²⁸ This same tactic was used by CASA that weekend at a different location²⁹. Like CASA, Identity [attempts to disrupt](#) law enforcement efforts against illegals.³⁰

One activist expressed her frustration thusly:³¹

...why should taxpayer funding be used to teach illegal immigrants (certainly many of their clients are here illegally) how to get taxpayer-funded services and then to use their taxpayer-funded staff to lobby and to agitate for more taxpayer-funded stuff—like the in-state tuition for illegal aliens bill?

Those of us who are working hard as volunteers to get our views known are not funded by anyone but small private donations while we (at the same time) pay the other side to work against us with our tax dollars!

Identity’s cast of supporters includes many of the usual suspects that have driven so much money and influence to CASA. Here are the supporters of the recent bond issue:

- Delegate Jim Gilchrist, District 17
- Delegate Saqib Ali, District 39
- Delegate Charles Barkley, District 39
- Delegate Kumar P. Barve, District 17
- Delegate Ana Sol Gutierrez, District 18
- Delegate Tom Hucker, District 20
- Delegate Anne R. Kaiser, District 14
- Delegate Susan C. Lee, District 16
- Delegate Kirill Reznik, District 39
- Delegate Craig L. Rice, District 15
- Delegate Luiz R. S. Simmons, District 17

²⁵ *Partnerships*, Identity website, (<http://www.identity-youth.org/partnerships.html>).

²⁶ Identity Inc., IRS Form 990, [2008](#), [2009](#) & [2010](#).

²⁷ State of Maryland 2010 Bond Bill Fact Sheet, (http://mlis.state.md.us/2010rs/fnotes/bil_0002/sb0822B.pdf)

²⁸ Ann Corcoran, *Identity, Inc. is a Mini-ACORN for Hispanic Immigrants*, [Potomac Tea Party Report](#), May 30, 2011, (<http://potomacteapartyreport.wordpress.com/2011/05/30/identity-inc-is-a-mini-acorn-for-hispanic-immigrants/>).

²⁹ Ann Corcoran, *CASA de Maryland Tried to Block Signatures Too!* [Potomac Tea Party Report](#), May 30, 2011, (<http://potomacteapartyreport.wordpress.com/2011/05/30/casa-de-maryland-employee-tried-to-block-signatures-too/>).

³⁰ Alan Suderman, *Montgomery Backs Immigration Policy Over Police Concerns*, [Washington Examiner](#), December 15, 2009, (<http://washingtone Examiner.com/local/montgomery-backs-immigration-policy-over-police-concerns>).

³¹ Corcoran, *Identity, Inc. is a Mini-ACORN for Hispanic Immigrants*.

Institute for Policy Studies (IPS)

- Notorious radical left Washington-based think tank
- Covert cover for Soviet and Cuban influence and intelligence operations
- Prominent open borders advocate
- CASA de Maryland [received IPS's Letelier Moffitt Award](#) in 2003³²
- CASA advocate MD Senator Jamin Raskin is son of co-founder Marcus Raskin

According to [Discover the Networks](#):

Brian Crozier, the director of the London-based Institute for the Study of Conflict, [said in 1978](#): "The IPS is the perfect intellectual front for Soviet activities which would be resisted if they were to originate openly from the KGB." Throughout its existence, the IPS has supported a number of [Communist and even terrorist organizations](#), including the Palestine Liberation Organization and the [Puerto Rican] Armed Forces of National Liberation (FALN).

[Letelier Moffitt Award](#) – Former Chilean diplomat and covert Cuban intelligence agent Orlando Letelier worked as an IPS fellow and director of IPS's [Transnational Institute](#) before being assassinated in 1976 by car bomb. His young assistant Ronni Moffitt was also killed in the blast. IPS created the Letelier/Moffitt Award in honor of their memory.

Jamin Raskin

- Son of IPS co-founder Marcus Raskin
- Longtime friend of CASA
- Enabled passage of Takoma Park, MD ordinance allowing illegals to vote

IPS was co-founded in 1963 by Maryland State Senator Jamin Raskin's radical leftist [father, Marcus](#),³³ with a grant from the [Samuel Rubin Foundation](#).³⁴ Significantly, Rubin, wealthy founder of Faberge perfumes, was a lifelong communist and Soviet agent. IPS still receives funding from the Rubin Foundation through its current President [Cora Weiss](#), Rubin's daughter.

Marcus Raskin's radical, anti-American outlook and communist connections is aptly reflected in [the article](#) "Did the KGB help plan America's Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act?"³⁵ Marcus served on the IPS Board of Directors alongside CIA traitor and [confirmed Cuban DGI agent](#)³⁶ Phillip Agee. Marcus remains on the [IPS Board of Directors](#).³⁷

³² *Hispanic/Latino Labor issues: Gustavo Torres, Executive Director of CASA de Maryland*, [Washington Post](#), October 14, 2003, (http://discuss.washingtonpost.com/wp-srv/zforum/03/s_jobslive_101403.htm).

³³ Gerard Jackson, *Did the KGB help plan America's Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act?* [BrookesNews.com](#), February 20, 2006, as quoted in Discoverthenetworks.org, (<http://www.discoverthenetworks.org/Articles/Did%20the%20KGB%20Help%20Plan.html>).

³⁴ *Samuel Rubin Foundation*, Discoverthenetworks.org (<http://discoverthenetworks.org/funderprofile.asp?fndid=5348&category=79>).

³⁵ Ibid.

³⁶ *Cliff Kincaid analyzes Phillip Agee FBI File, America's Survival*, (<http://www.usasurvival.org/docs/Kincaid.Analyses.Agee.pdf>).

³⁷ Trevor Loudon, *Marcus Raskin*, [Keywiki.org](#), (http://keywiki.org/index.php/Marcus_Raskin)

The sins of the father do not necessarily impute to the son, however in Raskin's case, the apple didn't fall far from the tree. Senator Raskin is a far left member even for the Maryland legislature. He helped push a town ordinance in Takoma Park that allows illegals to vote and it survived a court challenge.

[Mara Salvatrucha \(MS-13\)](#)

- The most violent street gang in the US
- Former FMLN guerillas and El Salvadorian soldiers were early members³⁸
- Estimated 10,000 membership stable despite deportations, now in 42 states
- Offered \$50,000 reward to Maryland members who killed ICE agents³⁹
- Heavily concentrated in Langley Park, home of CASA de Maryland
- Responsible for assaults, murder, rape, extortion, prostitution rings and theft
- Gang chatter claims help requested and received from CASA

Unedited MS-13 gang Quotes from forum site:⁴⁰

...I got away from langley park cause the hoods tried to make me rob gas stations of money and kill the cashers and the street mexicans tried to steal cars and kidnap little girls and old ladies from malcolm king and lakeside apartments and I need protection from the thugs ...

Here is a response. Note reference to CASA (emphasis added):

*...I have a personal beef with the news stations and I want you all to do some work for me and my MS-13 gang family and friends here in Langley Park, Maryland. We plan to state a protest and riot to boycott the news stations for mentioning negatives things about us MS-13 gang members here in Langley Park and we plan to go into the courthouses at night to attack and rob the maintenance ladies in the ladies bathrooms to make our point because we are treated badly. **We tried to get Casa De Maryland to make them respect us but they treated them badly so we plan to commit crimes on the streets and attack the law enforcement too.** We would like you to come to america to help us riot and to commit crimes on the streets and get away with them because we are angry with the american news stations and the american law enforcement and want revenge. We plan to make trouble and we will need the help of Al-Quaida to attack and rob these crappy americans too. Will you help us? We would appreciate it. Thank you!
[Sic.]*

CASA's obvious political influence within the corrupt Maryland legislature and the access it enjoys to the White House through Assistant Attorney General Thomas Perez, along with Maryland's sanctuary policies, encourages a flood of illegal immigrants to settle here. With the growth of the Salvadorian community has come the inevitable presence of MS-13.

Furthermore, because of CASA's overt assistance to Hispanics who run afoul of the law, CASA may well be inadvertently assisting gang members in evading prosecution and or capture. While the above quote is only an anecdote from one anonymous gang member, it seems likely they are familiar with

³⁸ Celinda Franco, *The MS-13 and 18th Street Gangs: Emerging Transnational Gang Threats?*, Congressional Research Service Report for Congress, Updated January 30, 2008, (<http://www.fas.org/sgp/crs/row/RL34233.pdf>).

³⁹ ICE Waits Months to Warn Agents of Gang Hit Plots, Judicial Watch, May 16, 2011, (<http://www.judicialwatch.org/blog/2011/may/ice-waits-months-warn-agents-gang-hit-plots>).

⁴⁰ *Left MS-13 or the Mexican Gang to Help Us Police & Detectives*, Topix Forum, El Salvador, June 2009, (<http://www.topix.com/forum/world/el-salvador/T7O2M9M6GILQG4ME6>).

CASA's efforts to shield illegals from the law. Whatever the actual case, MS-13 has been able to firmly entrench itself within the illegal Latino immigrant community in Montgomery County, right on CASA's doorstep.

It is ironic CASA should find that, because of its own activities, those it claims to help are directly threatened by the presence of the most violent street gang in the U.S.

Maryland State and Local Government

- Torres co-chaired Maryland Governor Martin O'Malley's transition team, 2006
- Torres serves on O'Malley's Council for New Americans,
- Torres' wife on O'Malley's Commission on Hispanic Affairs
- Torres' wife directs the Montgomery Country Latino Health Initiative
- Torres and other illegal advocates conduct secret meetings with O'Malley
- State violates law so illegals can collect social services benefits
- State fired veteran social worker for questioning policy

Mexican American Legal Defense and Education Fund (MALDEF)

- Influential Hispanic advocacy group
- Funded through Ford Foundation, Soros and a host of others⁴¹
- Promotes open borders, amnesty, voting rights for criminals
- Advocates for lowered educational standards, driver's licenses for illegals
- Advocated/sued for in-state tuition for illegals (DREAM Act) since the 1980s
- National Council of La Raza affiliate
- MEChA affiliate

Movimiento Estudiantil Chican@ de Aztlán (MEChA)

- Racist Mexican/Latino separatist group affiliate of National Council of La Raza
- Name means "Chicano Student's Movement"
- Affiliated with Bette Hoover's American Friends Service Committee
- Founded in California in 1969
- Acronym means "fuse" in Spanish
- Claims portions of American Southwest to be part of mythical land of Aztlan.
- Champions "Reconquista," the repatriation of the Southwest to "Aztlan."
- Los Angeles Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa and Former California Lt. Gov. Cruz Bustamante have been MEChA members

Translated, the Discover the Networks quotes a MEChA chapter:

Chicano is our identity; it defines who we are as people. It rejects the notion that we...should assimilate into the Anglo-American melting pot...Aztlan was the legendary homeland of the Aztecas ... It became synonymous with the vast territories of the Southwest, brutally stolen

⁴¹ 2009 IRS Form 990, (<http://www.guidestar.org/FinDocuments/2010/741/563/2010-741563270-07018b2e-9.pdf>).

from a Mexican people marginalized and betrayed by the hostile custodians of the Manifest Destiny. (Statement on University of Oregon MEChA Website, Jan. 3, 2006)

Racism is endemic within this group:

We are a bronze people with a bronze culture. Before the world, before all of North America, before all our brothers in the bronze continent, we are a nation, we are a union of free pueblos, we are Aztlan. For La Raza todo. Fuera de La Raza nada. (For the Race, everything, outside the Race, nothing).

Reconquista is not a new idea. In 1915, a group of socialists created the “[Plan of San Diego](#)” which called for a “‘Liberating Army of Races and Peoples,’ to be made up of Mexican Americans, African Americans, and [Japanese](#), to ‘free’ the states of Texas, New Mexico, Arizona, California, and Colorado from United States control.” This was to be a race war where all white American males over sixteen would be exterminated. A series of raids from 1915 to 1916 culminated in General Pershing (along with young George Patton) marching into Mexico. Interestingly, the entire plot seems to have been encouraged by Mexican President Venustiano Carranza for his own political purposes.⁴²

Judicial Watch published a [special report on MEChA](#).

[Muslim Brotherhood](#)

- The first Muslim terrorist organization
- Responsible for the assassination of Egyptian President Anwar Sadat
- Springboard for most Muslim terrorist groups in operation today
- Al Qaeda leader Ayman Al Zawahiri Brotherhood member
- Stands to seize power in countries affected by “Arab Spring” revolutions
- Vast network within US
- [Internal documents](#) reveal plot to destroy Western civilization from within

Organizer’s Forum has planned a trip to Egypt this coming fall to discuss “the Muslim Brotherhood and democracy issues...” But many among Wade Rathke’s friends, including Bill Ayers and Bernardine Dohrn, have been involved with Middle Eastern terrorist groups for years. This year’s “Freedom Flotilla” sailing to defy Israel’s blockade of Gaza includes [Rathke/Torres friend](#), Medea Benjamin, sailing on the boat “[Audacity of Hope](#),” named after Obama’s book. Recall that Medea’s partner, Jodie Evans was a top fundraiser for the Obama campaign.

However, now that the Obama administration has chosen to recognize the Muslim Brotherhood and add Israel to the Terrorist Watch list, all this stuff is mainstream.

[National Council of La Raza \(NCLR\)](#)

- Radical leftist Hispanic rights organization devoted to blanket amnesty
- Umbrella for many open borders groups
- Receives funding from U.S. government, George Soros

⁴² Don M. Coerver, *Plan of San Diego*, [Handbook of Texas Online](#), (<http://www.tshaonline.org/handbook/online/articles/ngp04>). Published by the Texas State Historical Association.

- Supports Latino Reconquista group MEChA
- Worked with CASA on immigration “reform”
- Recognized CASA as “Affiliate of the Year” in 2004
- Obama administration created “[ethics waiver](#)” to hire former NCLR Senior Vice President and former CASA Board member, Cecilia Muñoz.⁴³
- Muñoz supervised legislative advocacy for illegals at NCLR
- Obama administration and NCLR now offering [mortgage subsidies for illegals](#)⁴⁴

According to [USASpending.gov](#), NCLR has received \$42,530,208 from the federal government since 1999. Between 1999 and 2009 the average annual take was about \$3 million. However, since Muñoz’s appointment, funding for NCLR almost quadrupled. In 2010 alone, NCLR received over \$11 million.⁴⁵

Significantly, \$6.5 million of the 2010 grants were for President Obama’s Green Jobs initiative, an apt illustration of how this President has used Stimulus dollars to reward political supporters, in this case the illegal alien lobby.

[National Lawyers Guild \(NLG\)](#)

- One of the [oldest communist fronts](#) in the United States.⁴⁶
- Served as Soviet front during the Cold War through its affiliation with the [International Association of Democratic Lawyers](#).⁴⁷
- Plays prominent role in the open borders movement
- Supplied legal assistance to El Salvadorians and Nicaraguans fleeing civil war
- Collaborated with CASA on brochure for illegals

NLG collaborated with CASA through its “Detention Watch [National Immigration Project](#)” on [a brochure](#) explaining how illegals can protect themselves during immigration raids and arrest. This brochure is readily available at CASA locations. Text on the brochure’s cover says:

“Some people who are not United States citizens have been arrested or detained by the U.S. government. Learn how to protect yourself if this happens to you.”



Raid brochure produced by NLG CASA de Maryland

NLG lawyers also figure prominently in aiding and abetting terrorists of all stripes. In the 1980s, the NLG [provided material support](#)⁴⁸ to Weather Underground terrorists wanted for murder. NLG

⁴³ NCLR Funding Skyrockets after Obama Hires its VP, [Corruption Chronicles](#), a [Judicial Watch blog](#), June 17, 2011 (<http://www.judicialwatch.org/blog/2011/jun/nclr-funding-skyrockets-after-obama-hires-its-vp>).

⁴⁴ Jim Kouri, La Raza offering taxpayer money for mortgages, [Examiner.com](#), July 12, 2011, (<http://www.examiner.com/law-enforcement-in-national/la-raza-offering-taxpayer-money-for-mortgages>).

⁴⁵ USASpending.gov, (<http://www.usaspending.gov/search?query=&searchtype=&formFields=eyJJSZWNpcGllbnROYW1ITGNhc2UiOlsiTmF0aW9uYWwgQ291bmNpbCBPZiBMYSBSYXphI19>).

⁴⁶ Trevor Loudon, [National Lawyers Guild](#), [Keywiki.org](#) (http://keywiki.org/index.php/National_Lawyers_Guild)

⁴⁷ Trevor Loudon, [International Association of Democratic Lawyers](#), [Keywiki.org](#) (http://keywiki.org/index.php/International_Association_of_Democratic_Lawyers)

⁴⁸ Cliff Kincaid, [Oulaws of Amerika: the Weather Underground Organization](#), [America’s Survival](#), (<http://www.usasurvival.org/docs/NLGWU1.pdf>).

attorneys pushed for closing the detention center at Guantanamo Bay and the release of terrorists held there.

NLG attorney Lynn Stewart is currently serving ten years for aiding and abetting the terrorist activities of her client, [Omar Abdel Rahman](#), the “Blind Sheikh” convicted in the New York City “war of urban terrorism” bomb plot.

Obama Administration

- [Most radical President](#) ever elected
- Relentless pursuit of amnesty as [vote buying scheme](#)⁴⁹
- Attacking/suing governments & law enforcement for enforcing immigration law
- [Back-door amnesty](#) through non-enforcement⁵⁰
- [Back-door Dream Act](#) effort through regulation⁵¹
- CASA’s Torres visited White House
- CASA access to Administration through Assistant AG Thomas Perez

Organizer’s Forum

- Organization for radical leaders
- Created by ACORN founder, Wade Rathke
- CASA’s Gustavo Torres serves on the Board
- Trip scheduled to Egypt for fall 2011 to meet with Muslim Brotherhood



Organizer’s Forum Board of Directors Page

Organizer’s Forum is the brainchild of [Wade Rathke](#), former SDS radical, SEIU Chapter President and founder of the [notoriously corrupt](#) ACORN. Rathke also edits the radical leftist journal [Social Policy](#) and has his own blog, [ChiefOrganizer.org](#). Organizer’s Forum was created to strengthen and coordinate the efforts of leftist grassroots and union organizing groups.⁵²

CASA’s Gustavo Torres serves on the Organizer’s Forum [Board of Directors](#) along with Rathke, Drummond Pike, Josh Hoyt, [John Calkins](#) and other radicals.

Hoyt directs the [Illinois Coalition for Immigrant and Refugee Rights](#). He [staged a sit-in](#) at RNC headquarters last year to demand a meeting with then-Chairman Michael Steele. Steele caved.

This fall, 2011, Torres will accompany Rathke and other Forum radicals on a trip to Egypt. [From their website:](#)

⁴⁹ Trevor Loudon, *Why Obama is Pushing “Immigration Reform” – It’s the Votes, Stupid!*, [Newzeal.com](#), July 7, 2010, (<http://trevorloudon.com/2010/07/why-obama-is-pushing-immigration-reform-its-the-votes-stupid/>).

⁵⁰ Ernest Istook, *Obama’s Backdoor Amnesty Follows A Pattern of Disrespect for Our Laws*, [The Foundry](#), August 30, 2010, (<http://blog.heritage.org/2010/08/30/obamas-backdoor-amnesty-follows-a-pattern-of-disrespect-for-our-laws/>).

⁵¹ Ben Smith, *The back door DREAM Act?*, [Politico](#), June 27, 2011, (http://www.politico.com/blogs/bensmith/0611/The_backdoor_DREAM_act.html).

⁵² Trevor Loudon, *The Organizer’s Forum*, [Keywiki.org](#) (http://keywiki.org/index.php/The_Organizers%27_Forum).

Our fall 2011 International Dialogue will be located in Egypt where we will meet with labor and community organizers and other activists in Cairo. There are exciting changes and developments that are currently taking place in Egypt with elections coming soon to determine leadership transitions in what has been an autocratic regime, ***now challenged by the Muslim Brotherhood and succession and democracy issues*** (emphasis added). The trip is still in the planning stages, and we will post updates as soon as we have them.

Significantly, this announcement was posted last fall, creating the impression that Rathke knew well in advance about the impending Middle East uprisings collectively called the “Arab Spring”.⁵³ Rathke and other radicals, like Bill Ayers, Bernardine Dohrn, Code Pink’s Medea Benjamin and Jodie Evans, traveled to Egypt a number of times in the past few years. Significantly, January’s uprisings in Egypt were called “[Days of Rage](#),”⁵⁴ the name used by the Weather Underground in their 1969 Chicago protest riots.

Torres is Facebook friends with Wade Rathke. The Forum website only identifies Torres by his title. Every other Board member has an extensive bio. Again, we know nothing about the man, yet his membership on this board marks him as a very influential member of the organized radical left.

Wade Rathke’s Facebook friends include a who’s who of the radical left:

Gustavo Torres (CASA de Maryland)
[Heather Booth](#) (Midwest Academy)
[Carl Davidson](#) (Committees of Correspondence, Movement for a Democratic Society)
Cindy Sheehan (Cindy Sheehan)
David Brock (Media Matters)
CASA de Maryland
Drummond Pike (Tides Foundation)
Jan Schakowsky (U.S. Congress)
Jody Evans (Code Pink)
Kim Propeack (CASA de Maryland)
Markos Moulitsas (Daily Kos)
Medea Benjamin (Code Pink)
[Richard Trumka](#) (AFL-CIO)
[Carl Pope](#) (Sierra Club)

[Sanctuary, Open Borders, Amnesty Movements](#)

- 1980s sanctuary movement facilitated most Central American illegal immigration
- Sanctuary promoted most by [Catholic](#), Quaker, Unitarian and Presbyterian churches
- Sanctuary movement heavily favored leftist refugees⁵⁵
- Takoma Park Presbyterian Church terminus of sanctuary’s “underground railroad”

⁵³ Trevor Loudon, *What did Wade Rathke Know About Egypt that the CIA Didn’t and What Will Obama Do Now?* <http://trevorloudon.com/2011/02/what-did-wade-rathke-know-about-egypt-that-the-cia-didn%E2%80%99t-and-what-will-obama-do-now/>.

⁵⁴ *Egypt Protesters, Police Brace for ‘Day of Rage,’* MSNBC.com, January 27, 2011, (http://www.msnbc.msn.com/id/41288680/ns/world_news-mideast_n_africa/t/egypt-protesters-police-brace-day-rage/)

⁵⁵ Hilary Cunningham, *God and Ceasar at the Rio Grande: Sanctuary and the Politics of Religion*, University of Minnesota Press, 1995.

- Takoma Park Presbyterian Church is officially a “Sanctuary Movement Church”⁵⁶
- Sanctuary movement reborn in 2007 as “[New Sanctuary Movement](#)” for illegals
- Sanctuary movement winner of IPS’s [1984 Letelier-Moffitt Award](#)⁵⁷
- Amnesty, open borders movements [hard left in inspiration and goals](#)⁵⁸

[Soros, George & Open Society Institute](#)

- Funder of the Left
- Financially supports [over 150](#) leftist organizations and causes⁵⁹
- Creator of the [Shadow Party](#)⁶⁰
- Supports all open borders & amnesty initiatives
- Provided funding to CASA
- [Prominent member](#) of Coalition for Comprehensive Immigration Reform⁶¹

Soros investment strategies have caused currency devaluations and economic collapse in countries all over the world. His hedge fund operations are shrouded in secrecy, but he has been convicted of insider trading in France, and is persona-non-grata in Indonesia and other countries whose economies have been ruined by his currency manipulation schemes.

Soros’ investment track record was likely earned with insider information. The fact that his operation has not been shut down by RICO statutes, as Michael Milliken’s junk bond operations were, speaks volumes about his malevolent grip on Washington, DC, particularly within the Democrat Party.

[Students for a Democratic Society \(SDS\)](#)

- Communist diaper babies, radical group formed in 1960s, now defunct
- Prominent former members: Wade Rathke, Bill Ayers Bernardine Dohrn, [Tom Hayden](#), [Carl Davidson](#), [Mark Rudd](#), [Jeff Jones](#), [Mike Klonsky](#)
- Former members now populate colleges, foundations, NGOs and government
- Original SDS members created new [Movement for a Democratic Society](#) (MDS)
- [New SDS](#) formed of younger up and coming Radicals
- [All support](#) open borders movement
- New [SDS linked to](#) Bette Hoover’s Washington Peace Center

⁵⁶ Conversation with Reverend Mark Greiner, Pastor, Takoma Park Presbyterian Church, July 11, 2011.

⁵⁷ *Letelier-Moffitt Human Rights Award – Award Recipients*, Wikipedia, (http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Letelier-Moffitt_Human_Rights_Award).

⁵⁸ See: William Hawkins & Erin Anderson, *The Open Borders Lobby & US Security after 9/11*, Discover the Networks, p. 28, (<http://www.discoverthenetworks.org/guides/Open%20Borders%20Lobby.pdf>), or read, for example, Freedom Road Socialist Organization’s immigration positions. Translation required, (<http://www.frso.org/espanol/docs/2009/2009-inmigrantes-folleto.htm>).

⁵⁹ ‘Evil emperor’ behind attacks on America, ‘Most dangerous man in the world’ exposed in stunning report, WorldNetDaily.com, December 1, 2010, (<http://www.wnd.com/index.php?fa=PAGE.view&pageId=234801>).

⁶⁰ Bill Steigerwald, *Illuminating the Shadow Party*, Pittsburgh Tribune-Review, July 30, 2006, (http://www.pittsburghlive.com/x/pittsburghtrib/opinion/apageofbooks/s_463846.html).

⁶¹ James Simpson, *What We Face*, American Thinker, July 7, 2007, (http://www.americanthinker.com/2007/07/what_we_face.html).

Thomas Perez

- Assistant Attorney General, Civil Rights Division, U.S. Department of Justice.
- Spearheaded many of Attorney General Eric Holder's most notorious actions:
 - Dropping the Black Panthers voter intimidation case
 - Instituting a racial litmus test for all Civil Rights prosecutions⁶²
 - Lawsuit against Arizona for new illegal alien law that mirrors federal law
 - [Relentless pursuit](#) of AZ Sheriff Joe Arpaio
- At DOJ Civil Rights Division under Clinton, volunteered to work at CASA
- CASA Board member and Chairman, 1995-2002
- Served on Montgomery County, MD, Council 2002-2006, President, 2005
- Served as Director of Maryland's Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation
- Lives in Takoma Park, spiritual home of CASA

Tacoma Park Presbyterian Church (TPPC)

- Initial home of CASA de Maryland
- Current home of CASA in Action
- Member of Industrial Areas Foundation's [Action in Montgomery](#)
- Member congregation of [More Light Presbyterians](#)
- Official Sanctuary location

Unions

- Service Employees International Union (SEIU), American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees (AFSCME), and the AFL-CIO, radicalized
- All deeply involved in open borders movement/various other radical causes
- [CASA board member](#), Maria Robalino, VP, SEIU Local 32B
- [AFSCME joined CASA](#) in Immigrant Workers Freedom Ride
- [CASA joined AFL-CIO](#), SEIU and others in forum for communist Chinese union reps⁶³
- CASA Director Torres, former union organizer in Columbia
- Many [Organizer's Forum Directors](#) are also SEIU, AFL-CIO officials
- Socialist [Eliseo Medina](#), SEIU VP, revealed Democrats' amnesty motives, to "...create a governing coalition for the long term..."
- SEIU VP [visited Venezuela](#) to see Hugo Chavez's "peaceful revolutionary process"⁶⁴

Wade Rathke has run an SEIU chapter along side his ACORN activities for decades. Andy Stern, the most recent past SEIU president said that Karl Marx's phrase "Workers of the World Unite" is "not just a slogan anymore." Stern has visited the White House more than anyone else.

⁶² Megyn Kelly, *Fox News Exclusive: Former DOJ Attorney Discusses New Black Panther Party Voter Intimidation Case*, America Live, June 30, 2010, (<http://www.foxnews.com/story/0,2933,595683,00.html>).

⁶³ *Report on Chinese Labor Scholars Collective Bargaining Study Tour to US*, [LaborNet.org](#), February 25, 2009, (<http://www.labornet.org/cgi-bin/intbd/cgi-bin/intbd.cgi?action=read&id=292>).

⁶⁴ Danny Glover, *African-American Personalities Visit Venezuela to get Better Vision of Country*, [Venezuelanalysis.com](#), January 8, 2003, (<http://venezuelanalysis.com/news/304?page=2>).

SEIU employees are at the heart of an FBI investigation into the Freedom Road Socialist Organization's possibly illegal support for Middle Eastern (HAMAS) and Columbian (FARC) terrorist organizations. These individuals are from Local 73, which helped elect Obama. Two of these members were [also active](#) in Obama's New Party in 1998.⁶⁵

SEIU Local 73 leaders, the NLG and others are advocating they not cooperate with authorities. Local 73 helped Obama get elected in 2008. These groups are tied in with [Code Pink's Gaza Flotilla](#) and the radical, anti-Israel [International Solidarity Movement](#).

The [Freedom Road Socialist Organization](#)'s self-description is sobering:

Freedom Road Socialist Organization (FRSO) is a revolutionary socialist and Marxist-Leninist organization in the United States. The members of Freedom Road are very active in movements fighting for justice, particularly in labor, oppressed nationality, anti-war and anti-imperialist, and student movements. Freedom Road is characterized by our understanding of [national oppression in the United States](#). Freedom Road was founded in 1985 with the merger of 3 groups that were born in the New Communist Movement of the 1970s. Since then other groups and many new activists have joined our ranks.⁶⁶

Freedom Road [supports all open borders agendas](#).

⁶⁵ Trevor Loudon, *Terror Suspects were Active in Obama's Socialist "New Party,"* [Newzeal.com](#), September 28, 2010, (<http://trevorloudon.com/2010/09/terror-suspects-were-active-in-obamas-socialist-new-party/>).

⁶⁶ *What is Freedom Road?* [Freedom Road Socialist Organization](#) www.frso.org, (<http://www.frso.org/about/index.htm>).