

# Groups —Deglobalization—



## Grassroots Economic Organizing

[www.geonewsletter.org](http://www.geonewsletter.org)

GEO is a valuable resource on grassroots

organizing to build and finance worker- and community-owned, democratically run, solidarity-based, ecologically sustainable enterprises and organizations.

## E. F. Schumacher Society [www.smallisbeautiful.org](http://www.smallisbeautiful.org)

Founded by Robert Swann, the E. F. Schumacher Society in Great Barrington, MA has been central to the land-trust movement to take land out of the speculative market and to the success of BerkShares, the local currency in Western Massachusetts. Its advocacy of building sustainable local economies includes seminars and an extensive library



## Transition United States [www.transitionus.org](http://www.transitionus.org)

Transition Initiative provides community trainings aimed at engaging people in strengthening their communities and reducing carbon emis-

sions, resulting in a life that is more abundant, fulfilling, equitable and socially connected

## Time Banks [www.timebanks.org](http://www.timebanks.org)

Under the motto, "Time Banks Weave Community One Hour at a Time," the organization is a resource for learning about time banks and for any community wanting to establish a time-bank system. They are sponsoring a national conference June 25-27 in Madison, Wisconsin.



## USSEN [www.populareconomics.org/ussen](http://www.populareconomics.org/ussen)

The US Solidarity Economy Network was formed at the 2007 US Social Forum in order to help build the movement for transformative social and economic justice with particular focus on sustainability, cooperation and social and economic democracy. It is currently sponsored by the Center for Popular Economics in Amherst MA

## The United States Federation of Worker Cooperatives [www.usworker.coop/](http://www.usworker.coop/)

FWC was founded in 2004 after a series of regional meetings and now serves as a national grassroots membership organization of and for worker cooperatives, democratic workplaces, and organizations that support the growth and development of worker cooperatives.



## Cooperative Development Institute [/www.cdi.coop/index.php](http://www.cdi.coop/index.php)

CDI is the Northeast's center for cooperative business education, training and technical assistance and is committed to building sustainable rural and urban communities where people work together to meet their needs, have access to quality jobs, affordable products and services, and share ownership of essential resources.

## Network of Spiritual Progressives [www.spiritualprogressives.org](http://www.spiritualprogressives.org)

In a Washington Post full-page ad, the Network for Spiritual Progressives call on President Obama for a new economic order that "embodies our highest values" instead of "fostering selfishness, materialism, and environmental destruction." They call for single payer health care and rewriting all corporate charters every ten years for corporations with an annual income of over \$50 million. Proof of a "satisfactory history of social responsibility (including ecological responsibility and caring for the well-being of workers)" would have to be presented to a "jury of ordinary citizens."



## Solutions: A New Publication for a Sustainable and Desirable Future

A magazine, launching in 2009, to provide a forum devoted to whole-system solutions and the design of an integrated human and natural world. It will address the world's most pressing problems such as climate disruption, loss of biodiversity, poverty, energy descent, overfishing, air, water, and soil pollution, and human population growth. The journal will be edited by Robert Constanza, Director of the Gund Institute for Ecological Economics at the University of Vermont. For subscription information, go to [www.thesolutionsjournal.com](http://www.thesolutionsjournal.com)