



Spotlight on Human Rights - April 2018

US Human Rights Network <https://www.ushrnetwork.org>

The US Human Rights Network (USHRN) is a national advocacy organization composed of wide range of groups <https://www.ushrnetwork.org>. As part of its mission, USHRN aims to connect local struggles and groups with UN human rights work.

USHRN coordinated national initiatives to provide citizen input regarding US compliance with the International Convention to Eliminate All Forms of Discrimination. Another national effort focused on getting grassroots input to the UN's first Universal Periodic Review of our nation's compliance with Universal Declaration of Human Rights in 2010. Juntos, <http://vamosjuntos.org> a major immigrant/youth advocacy group in Philadelphia, is a as member of USHRN. The National Human Rights Cities Alliance <https://www.ushrnetwork.org/our-work/project/national-human-rights-cities-alliance> was created by USHRN. The Alliance aims to link city-based organizers, scholars and grassroots groups around rights-based advocacy. The Human Rights Cities Alliance of Pittsburgh is an active member. A national meeting of the Human Rights Cities Alliance will be held in Jackson, Mississippi this June. The Cities Alliance has begun compiling resources such as Strategies for Improving Local Implementation of Human Rights <http://pgh-humanrightscity.wikispaces.com/Strategies+for+Improving+Local+Implementation+of+Human+Rights>.

