

Get Involved

There are several ways which you can help.

- * Once our initiative is in place, you can buy products that are Fair Workplace.org Certified. A complete list will be posted on our website and we will work with major retailers to make it easy to find products with the Fair Workplace.org certification.
- * Get involved with other anti-sweatshop organizations.

This article gives a listing and brief descriptions for organizations that are involved in anti-sweatshop activities world-wide.



In the United States:

Sweatfree Communities:

<http://www.sweatfree.org/>

140 Pine Street, Suite 10

Florence, MA 01062

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SweatFree Communities assists sweatshop workers globally in their effort to improve working conditions and to form strong, independent unions. SweatFree Communities has built a national sweatfree movement which has coordinated and supported dozens of local sweatfree purchasing campaigns in an effort to stop tax dollars from subsidizing sweatshops and abusive child labor.

Sweatfree Communities is helping to organize a consortium of states, counties, cities, and school districts. One of the visions is to consolidate purchasing power as means to promote procurement from factories where workers earn a living wage and freedom of association is respected.

SweatFree Communities has created a structure to facilitate the sharing of resources and information in order to help foster the creation of local sweatfree purchasing campaigns in your community. You will find ample resources and excellent tools on their website to get started. Fair Workplace Council fully supports the excellent work of Sweatfree Communities and encourages you to visit their website for more information.

Worker's Rights Consortium (WRC):

<http://www.workersrights.org/>

Fair Workplace Council is a California based nonprofit organization dedicated to living wages and safe working conditions in the manufacture of consumer electronics.

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The Worker Rights Consortium (WRC) is an independent and highly credible labor rights monitoring organization that conducts in-depth independent investigations of working conditions in clothing and apparel factories around the globe. The WRC's primary focus is to aid workers and end labor abuses in factories that make apparel and other goods bearing university logos. The WRC currently has the support of over 150 colleges and universities.

Sweatshop Watch:

<http://www.sweatshopwatch.org/>

S. Los Angeles St. #212,
Los Angeles, CA 90015

Sweatshop Watch is a coalition of over thirty organizations dedicated to the elimination of inhumane conditions in the workplace. While their primary focus is the California garment industry, they are involved in grassroots actions and public policy initiatives on a national and international level. On the international level, Sweatshop Watch, along with some of their member organizations, has successfully brought suit and won a landmark settlement against the garment industry for massive sweatshop abuses on the US commonwealth Island of Siapan on behalf of the workers. In the national and local levels, they support their member organizations in a wide range of activities including worker education, large scale campaigns and street actions.

Silicon Valley Toxics Coalition:

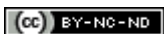
<http://svtc.etoxics.org/>

760 North First St.
San Jose, CA 95112
408.287.6707

Silicon Valley Toxics Coalition is a strong and effective voice against environmental degradation caused by the hi-tech industry. They promote a healthy environment and work toward holding the electronics industry accountable for their actions through grassroots organizing, advocacy, and research. Silicon Valley Toxics Coalition was instrumental in moving the EPA to identify 29 superfund sites in the Santa Clara area. They promote sustainable technology through several initiatives in areas that include electronics recycling and responsible purchasing. Their website is a clearing house of information on toxics chemicals and hazards caused by the electronics industry.

United Students Against Sweatshops (USAS):

<http://www.studentsagainstsweatshops.org/>



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In Europe:

Good Electronics:

www.goodelectronics.org

Good Electronics is an international effort to help coordinate an international network of organizations interested in helping to improve working conditions in the electronics industry. Good Electronics is hosted by SOMO, a Netherlands based NGO.



In Asia:

Students and Scholars Against Corporate Misbehavior:

<http://www.sacom.org.hk/>

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Sacom is a Hong Kong based organization non-profit organization devoted to improving labor conditions in South China. SACOM brings together consumers, academics, and labor activists, and consumers to monitor corporate misbehavior and advocate for worker's rights. SACOM works with labor NGOs to provide in-factory training to workers and supports the formation of workplace committees formed through democratic elections.

