# The Dolores Huerta Foundation invites you to canvass with us!

Campaign

Volunteers

Join us and receive training on how to engage community residents through canvassing, tabling, and signature gathering in specific hard-to-count areas through the **2020 Census**, the **Schools and Communities First** (SCF) Initiative, and the **End Child Poverty California** (ECPCA) campaign.



WILL YOU JOIN US? <u>Fresno</u> - Moises Hernandez (559) 233-3079 <u>Tulare</u> - Angel Ruiz (818) 209-7268 <u>Bakersfield</u> - Eliana Honeycutt (661) 322-3033 EXT. 504

#### **SCHOOLS & COMMUNITIES FIRST**

DHF is building a people powered effort to the the Schools and Communities First Initiative on the ballet because, if passed, SCF will reclaim \$12 billion per year for public services in California

#### **END CHILD POVERTY CA**

DHF is partnering with the End Child Poverty CA (ECPCA) campaign, demanding an end to child poverty for 450,000 of California's children.

#### **2020 CENSUS**

DHF's Be Down With The Count campaign will educate hard-to count communities about the financial and political benefits of being counted, census confidentiality and new options for completing the questionaire.

### **TOGETHER, WE CAN END CHILDHOOD POVERTY!**

DHF is partnering with with End Child Poverty CA (ECPCA), a statewide non-partisan campaign, demanding an end to deep child poverty for 450,000 of California's children. ECPCA aims to get Californians engaged in working toward a bright future for ALL our children. Carlo Gomez, DHF's new State Program Director to End Child Poverty in California, says, "DHF has a great opportunity to galvanize nearly 20 years organizing with communities to change and improve their [children's] conditions." California has the highest rate of children living in poverty of any state in the nation. "When we think about the amount of money it's going to take to end abject poverty... this is not an expense, it's an investment," said Dolores Huerta, "Too often, poverty spending simply adds to or reduces existing budget items. The plan is to end deep child poverty in California in just four years and reduce overall child poverty in California by 50 percent over a decade. ECPCA's plan is to end the inter-generational cycle of poverty through actions such as expanding Medi-Cal and community clinic services, offering job training programs to support sustainable upward mobility, and subsidizing rent for homeless and impoverished families. We urge Californians to join us in providing real and lasting solutions to this inhumane crisis. Be a part of the @EndChildPovCA campaign to create a better future for 2 million children.

## **YOUTH ADVOCATE FOR LCAP FUNDING**

This spring, student leaders participated in multiple Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP) trainings to learn about California's school district budgeting process which aims to improve the educational outcomes for low income, foster youth, and English language learners. The youth developed LCAP recommendations to improve their schools which included improving school facilities, increasing Advanced Placement (AP) resources, updating learning materials, hiring additional health professional and social workers, and implementing a civic engagement curriculum. They presented their recommendations at DHF sponsored town halls and 27 youth completed a signature gathering petition campaign educating and securing support from 639 of their peers. 19 of the youth leaders' LCAP recommendations were adopted in 7 school districts: Kern High, Bakersfield City, Arvin, Lamont, Sanger, Fresno, and Parlier. Their efforts successfully resulted in funding for 8 psychologists, 4 nurses, 11 academic counselors, a librarian, parent centers, and summer school enrichment activities.



### BACKGROUND

The Dolores Huerta Foundation is a 501(c)(3) organization with the mission to inspire and organize communities to build volunteer organizations empowered to pursue social justice. DHF organizes at the grassroots level developing natural leaders by establishing Vecinos Unidos (Neighbors United) chapters in Kern, Fresno, Tulare, and Los Angeles county.

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