



CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT



Centro de Trabajadores Unidos en Lucha (CTUL) is a long-time grantee of the Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD), most recently obtaining a grant in the latest [grants list \(FY 2020-2021\)](#) for \$30,000. Since 2010, CTUL has received \$345,000 from the CCHD.

CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT 2020-2021 GRANTEES			
Diocese	Grantee	Issue Area	Grant
Archdiocese of Saint Paul and Minneapolis	Centro de Trabajadores Unidos en la Lucha (CTUL)	Workers' Rights	60,000.00

CTUL is an organization that was profiled by the Reform CCHD Now coalition back in 2012. At issue was the fact that CTUL was a member of Take Action Minnesota – an organization promoting same-sex “marriage” and birth control - and even had representation on TakeAction MN's Board of Directors. It was also discovered that CTUL was a member of the Marxist-run Interfaith Worker Justice. That previous [report can be read here](#).

This report will show that CTUL is still active with TakeAction MN (even providing it with funds), that it is directly promoting transgender and homosexual ideologies, that it participated in a socialist candidate's campaign, and that its leadership is deeply socialist, pro-abortion, and pro-LGBT.

In direct violation of the CCHD's grant guidelines on membership in coalitions, CTUL is [still a member](#) of the Marxist-run Interfaith Worker Justice. The [CCHD has an FAQ page](#) addressing what CCHD will and will not fund, stating unequivocally that CCHD will not fund organizations

that are members of coalitions that act in direct contravention with Catholic moral and social teaching. It says:

What about participation in coalitions for a good purpose, like better wages or housing, that include groups acting against Catholic values on other issues?

CCHD encourages groups to work across geographical, racial, ethnic, economic, and ideological lines to overcome poverty and advance the common good. However, CCHD will not fund groups that are knowingly members of coalitions that have as part of their organizational purpose or coalition agenda, positions or actions that contradict fundamental Catholic moral and social teaching (e.g. promotion or support of abortion, same-sex marriage, euthanasia, racism, as well as the use of the death penalty punitive measures toward immigrants, etc.). Prohibited activities include participation in or endorsing actions that promote legislation, and ballot initiatives (including voter guides and other written materials) that contradict Catholic moral or social teaching.

For proof that Interfaith Worker Justice is an organization acting directly against Catholic social teaching, please view [our report, here](#).

While CTUL hasn't been listed as a member of TakeAction MN since the initial report came out, its Co-Director, Veronica Mendez Moore, was listed as a board member of TakeAction until as recently as 2020. According to [TakeAction MN's tax form 990 for the year 2019](#) (submitted in March of 2020), Veronica Mendez Moore is listed on the board of directors.

Form 990 Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service	Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code (except private foundation). Do not enter social security numbers on this form as it may be made public. ▶ Go to www.irs.gov/Form990 for instructions and the latest information.		OMB No. 1545-0047 2019 Open to Public Inspection							
	A For the 2019 calendar year, or tax year beginning 07-01-2019 , and ending 06-30-2020									
B Check if applicable: <input type="checkbox"/> Address change <input type="checkbox"/> Name change		C Name of organization <u>TAKEACTION MINNESOTA</u>		D Employer identification number 20-3338691						
(1) ELIANNE FARHAT EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR	40.00		X					96,502	0	5,560
(2) FRANCISCO SEGOVIA DIRECTOR	2.00	X						17,140	80,970	0
(3) MAI CHONG XIONG CHAIR	2.00	X	X					0	0	0
(4) FRANK BROWN TREASURER	2.00	X	X					0	0	0
(5) KATE JACOBSON DIRECTOR	2.00	X						0	0	0
(6) CHRISTINA BOWSTRING DIRECTOR	2.00	X						0	0	0
(7) LEANN LITTLEWOLF DIRECTOR	2.00	X						0	0	0
(8) NICK FABER DIRECTOR	2.00	X						0	0	0
(9) ANNIE HARALA DIRECTOR	2.00	X						0	0	0
(10) MONICA HURTADO DIRECTOR	2.00	X						0	0	0
(11) <u>VERONICA MENDEZ MOORE</u> DIRECTOR	2.00	X						0	0	0
(12) MIKE MCMAHON DIRECTOR	2.00	X						0	0	0

In December of 2021, TakeAction MN held an online fundraising event celebrating its 15th year as an organization. The event was called "The People's Celebration 2021." [The website for the event](#) provided a summary of what took place, along with a few brief video clips, and identified its sponsors at the bottom. Listed as a "Grassroots Sponsor" is CTUL.



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CELEBRATING 15 YEARS AT THE PEOPLE'S CELEBRATION

[December 14, 2021](#)

On Saturday, December 11, TakeAction Minnesota hosted the 2021 People's Celebration, our annual gathering of progressive champions, activists, and community leaders from across Minnesota. We celebrated our 15th birthday in style, with dozens of VIPs, hot-ticket musical performances, and powerful remarks from our honorees. Thank you to everyone who attended and our members who power this work.

Grassroots Sponsor: Commissioner Angela Conley; Commissioner Marion Greene; RISE; Sen. Mary Kunesch; CTUL; People's Action Institute; COPAL; Black Visions; Ann Tobin & David Booth; Rep. Liz Olson; Caring Across Generations; Mai Chong for County Commissioner; Mayor Melvin Carter; Sen. Lindsey Port; Sen. Erin Murphy; Sierra Club; Cummins & Cummins; Jewish Community Action; Awood Center & Asian American Organizing Project; Triangle Park Creative; St. Paul School Board Members Halla Henderson & Uriah Ward; SPFE Local 28

While the chart of sponsorship fees for this particular celebration is no longer available, a similar event was held in 2019. The [payment chart for that event](#) indicated the same types of sponsorship levels, and according to it, the "Grassroots Sponsor" fee was \$500. Given this, it is reasonable to conclude that CTUL provided a \$500 contribution to TakeAction MN, an organization that of which it was once a member, had long-time representation on the board, and has maintained a close working relationship.



2019

People's Celebration

Grassroots Sponsor—\$500

Includes 5 tickets • Recognition on event slide show (name) • Sponsor name on table • Sponsor recognition on your nametag

Saturday, December 14, 2019
St. Paul River Centre
St. Paul, MN

Hosted by TakeAction Minnesota

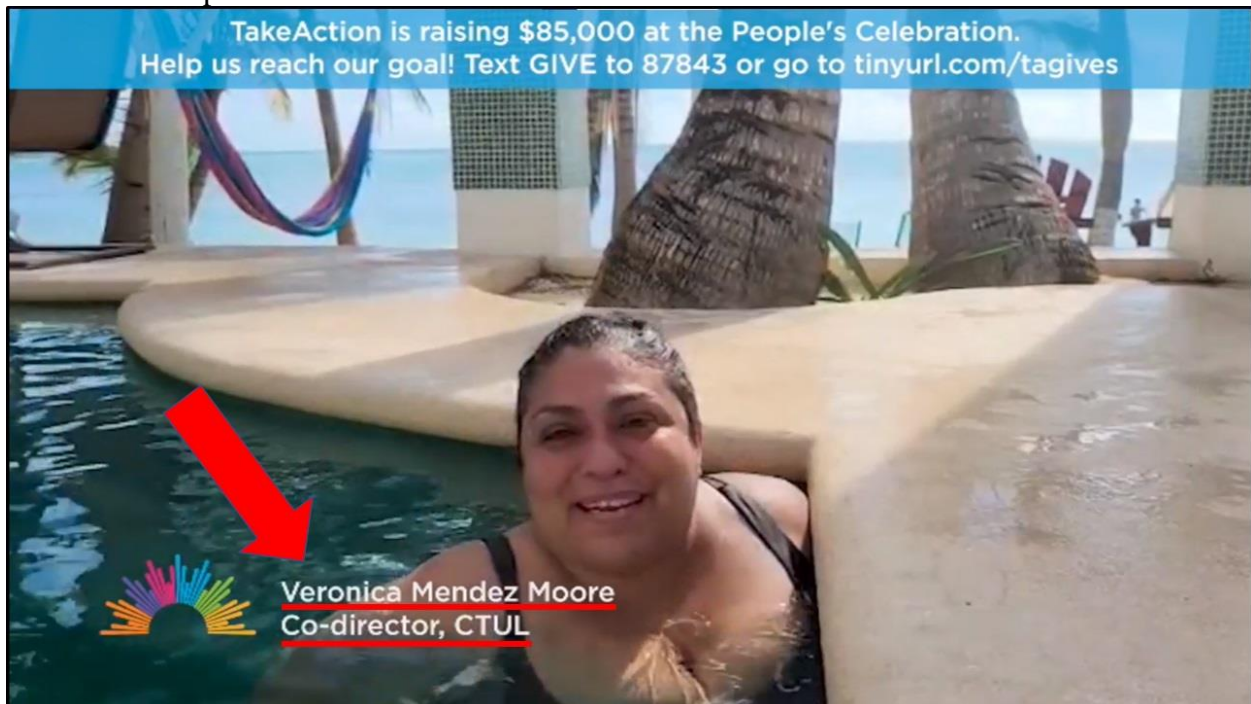
Sponsorship Opportunities

TakeAction [livestreamed the People's Celebration event on facebook](#), and at several points in the video are proofs that not only did CTUL financially support TakeAction MN, but TakeAction MN displayed its pro-abortion activities during the "celebration."

At the 00:01:30 mark of the video, CTUL is identified as a "Grassroots Sponsor."



At the 00:13:45 mark of the video, CTUL's co-Director, Veronica Mendez Moore showed up to thank TakeAction MN for all their years of work, "and for getting [her] involved in and caring about electoral politics."



At the 00:23:05 mark of the video, TakeAction MN indicates that its goal is to create a "multi-racial feminist democracy and economy where all of us can live in joy."



At the 00:23:43 mark of the video, the narrator says, "We knew to change everything, we would need everyone. We worked together to build leaders and strong partnerships." And while that is being stated, CTUL's logo appeared on the spread of TakeAction MN's closest collaborators and members.



At 00:23:57, TakeAction's video shows its own initiatives promoting "reproductive freedom" (upper left) and LGBT activism with a sign saying, "Queer has many faces" (lover left).



At 00:24:10, the TakeAction video says, "These are troubling and uncertain times," while displaying a headline

The world is not adapting fast enough to the climate crisis, UN reports

U.S.
U.S. Covid-19 Deaths in 2021 Surpass 2020's
Pandemic continues to exact huge toll despite vaccines as Delta variant spreads

Day of Rage: How Trump Supporters Took the U.S. Capitol

Supreme Court hears abortion case challenging Roe v. Wade



And just to head off any deliberate misinterpretation of this statement from the video, TakeAction MN is stridently and unapologetically pro-abortion, as [this recent post of theirs](#) indicates.

 **TakeAction Minnesota**
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This election could determine reproductive rights in Minnesota – and across the country. Now more than ever, it is crucial that we elect leaders who will protect abortion rights and keep clowns like Scott Jensen out of office >> <https://bit.ly/3RIQKPq>



Scott Jensen has said multiple times that he wants to ban abortion in Minnesota.

bit.ly/3BaDehV



Scott Jensen supports his running mate's comments about people needing abortions playing the "rape card."

bit.ly/3RueFSe


As it stands, this evidence shows that CTUL was originally a member with board representation


of TakeAction MN, and despite having had its name removed from the membership roster after the Reform CCHD Now coalition busted it in 2012, it has maintained board membership at least to 2020. The evidence also proves that CTUL provided financial contributions to TakeAction MN, and this while TakeAction has continued to push a hard-left agenda in favor of abortion and LGBTQ ideologies.

But this pales in comparison to CTUL's own advancement of grave immorality.


On [April 28, 2018](#), CTUL announced an event it was hosting called "Muxeres Magicxs// Magic Womxn." The description for the event indicated that it would be promoting "womxn's rights, womxns movements" and "LGBTQ movements."


Details

 482 people responded

 [Event by CTUL](#) and [United Renters for Justice - InquilinXs UnidXs por Justicia](#)

 [CTUL](#)

 Duration: 3 hr

 Public · Anyone on or off Facebook

MUXERES MAGICXS// MAGIC WOMXN

(español abajo)

ATTENTION ALL ARTISTS: CALL FOR SUBMISSIONS

The Twin Cities-based workers' center [CTUL \(Centro de Trabajadores Unidos en Lucha\)](#) is back with another [Art Gallery in 2018](#) alongside with the Minneapolis-based renters rights group [InquilinXs UnidXs por Justicia \(Renters United for Justice\)](#). This year we will center our artwork around womxn and their labor. How is the world, your country, your community, your home impacted by the labor of womxn? We are calling on artists to wrestle with this question. This is a chance to appreciate the Muxeres Magicxs/Magic Womxn that shape our lives and existence.

We will be asking for an optional, sliding-scale donation of \$5-\$10 at the entrance. No one will be turned away due to lack of funds. All donations will go towards [InquilinXs UnidXs por Justicia](#) and CTUL to support our organizing efforts and to be able to continue working with local artists and promoting art for social change

Possible Themes:

- The historical and current labor of womxn you admire, love, and celebrate
- How all types of labor affect womxn, from work to the home to emotional and sexual labor.
- [Art related to womxn's rights, womxns movements](#), or womxn leaders in our community and across the world
- Intersectionality, racial justice, feminism, disability rights, indigenous rights, immigrant rights, environmentalism, [LGBTQ movements](#)...
- Current movements: [#Metoo](#) [#Timesup](#) [#Niunamenos](#) etc.

On [June 25, 2020](#), CTUL celebrated "Pride," saying, "Pride was an uprising against the police, started by queer and trans Black and Brown people ... 51 years later, we still have not seen justice. Let's not lose sight of the the roots of Pride and how much work there still is to be done." The article posted by CTUL in the post reported that "Pride is, and always was about rebellion."



CTUL

June 25, 2020 · 🌐



Pride was an uprising against the police, started by queer and trans Black and Brown people, including Marsha P. Johnson and Stormé DeLarverie. The Stonewall Rebellion was a 6 day uprising directly in response to racist, transmisogynist policing in New York City.

51 years later, we still have not seen justice. Let's not lose sight of the the roots of Pride and how much work there still is to be done.



El Mes de orgullo fue un la rebelion contra la policía, iniciado por personas Negras y personas de color LGBTQ, incluyendo Marsha P. Johnson y Stormé DeLarverie. La rebelión de Stonewall fue un levantamiento de 6 días directamente en respuesta a la policía racista y transmisoginista en la ciudad de Nueva York.

51 años después, todavía no hemos visto justicia. No perdamos de vista las raíces del Orgullo y la cantidad de trabajo que queda por hacer.

[#BlackLivesMatter](#) [#LaLuchaContinua](#) [#LasVidasNegrasTransImportan](#)

See Translation



THEM.US

Pride Is and Always Was About Rebellion, This Year More Than Ever

This year, Pride is different. It's not a corporate parade or a party. It's an uprising,...

On [June 15, 2020](#), CTUL celebrated the Supreme Court's ruling that strikes down religious freedom protections by forcing employers to hire openly LGBTQ+ workers.

 **CTUL**
June 15, 2020 · 🌐

Victory for LGBTQ+ workers in the workplace! 🏳️‍🌈🇺🇸❤️🍪

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¡Victoria para los trabajadores LGBTQ + en el lugar de trabajo!

"The Supreme Court ruled Monday that a landmark civil rights law protects gay and transgender workers from workplace discrimination, handing the movement for L.G.B.T. equality a stunning victory."



NYTIMES.COM 

Civil Rights Law Protects Gay and Transgender Workers, Supreme Court Rules

On [June 30, 2020](#), CTUL tweeted a call to "honor trans and gender nonconforming individuals."



CTUL
@CTUL_TC



In honor of the last day of pride month, take a few minutes out of your day to honor trans and gender nonconforming individuals who have lost their lives to transphobic violence this year. Say their names. Honor their legacy and fight for the living.

#BlackTransLivesMatter 🌈👊

individuals who have lost their lives to transphobic violence this year. Say their names. Honor their legacy and fight for the living.

Tómese unos minutos de su día para honrar a las personas trans y de género no conforme que han perdido su vida por la violencia debido a la transfobia. Di sus nombres Honra su legado y lucha

Enya Pérez Sánchez

Penélope Díaz Ramírez

Nina Pop

Helle Jae O'Regan

Dominique "Rem'mie" Fells

Serena Angelique Velázquez Ramos

Riah Milton

Jayne Thompson

Dustin Parker

Yampi Méndez Arocho

Neulisa Luciano Ruiz

Monika Diamond

Lexi

Johanna Metzger

Tony McDade

Selena Reyes-Hernandez

Black Trans Protesters Fund

Transgender Law Center

Black Trans Travel Fund

Sylvia Rivera Law Project

Miss Major Healing Fundraiser

For the Gworls Medical Cost Fundraiser

Black LGBTQIA+ Migrant Project

Audre Lorde Project

Monika Diamond Institute

3:51 PM · Jun 30, 2020 · Twitter for iPhone

In the [same series of tweets](#), CTUL actually called upon people to donate to transgender activist organizations.



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@CTUL_TC



Where to donate:

1. The Okra Project paypal.me/theokraproject

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2. Black Trans Protesters Fund

artsbusinesscollaborative.org/asp-products/b...

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3. Transgender Law Center

transgenderlawcenter.org/donate

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8. Black LGBTQIA+ Migrant Project

transgenderlawcenter.org/programs/blmp

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On [March 31, 2019](#), CTUL claimed that "trans rights are human rights."



In 2020, [CTUL held a pancake fundraiser](#), calling upon donors to match their donation to CTUL by giving to other organizations, including a Trans-activist group.

The image is a screenshot of a flyer titled "CTUL's Pancake Brunch Fundraiser!". Below the title, it says "A nonprofit fundraiser supporting Centro de Trabajadores Unidos en la Lucha (CTUL)". The main text of the flyer reads: "2. In addition, we ask you to match your donation to CTUL by giving to one of many mutual aid relief funds supporting low-wage workers as an act of holding each other tight, from afar. Some of those funds include:". This is followed by a bulleted list of eight mutual aid funds: MN Immigrant Family Fund, MN Restaurant Workers Solidarity Relief Fund, Restaurant Opportunities Center Disaster Relief Fund, Black, Trans, Indigenous, Two Spirit Artists Mutual Aid Fund, Springboard for the Arts Relief Fund, Service Workers Mutual Aid Fund, MN Freedom Fund + Never Again Action Bail Fund, and Working Partnerships Emergency Relief Fund.

On November 6, 2020, the Transgender Equity Council Training Subcommittee held a meeting and [posted their minutes online](#). On page 3 of the meeting minutes, it indicates that CTUL is

training "staff and base/members around trans equity."

Transgender Equity Council Training Subcommittee Minutes

Special Meeting

November 6, 2020 - 02:30 PM

Online Meeting

1. CTUL (Centro de Trabajadores Unidos en la Lucha/Center for Workers United in Struggle) connection – they're trying to train their staff and base/members around trans equity, and would also be willing to bring a conversation on wage theft and their work to the TEC – *REPORT BACK TO TEC NEXT WEEK*

CTUL and Political Campaigning

In 2013, while CTUL was receiving CCHD grants (CTUL received consecutive grants from 2010-2015), CTUL and its executive director Veronica Mendez Moore were involved in campaigning for a Socialist candidate for public office. Ty Moore was a candidate for City Council in 2013, and his [official website](#) indicated that he was running as a "Socialist Alternative Candidate."

In December of 2013, after Moore lost the election, PopularResistance.org published an article titled, "[How Socialists Became a Viable Alternative](#)." Under the heading "Hard Core Campaigners," the article indicated that members of CTUL were not only socialists, but campaigners for Socialist candidates. It said:

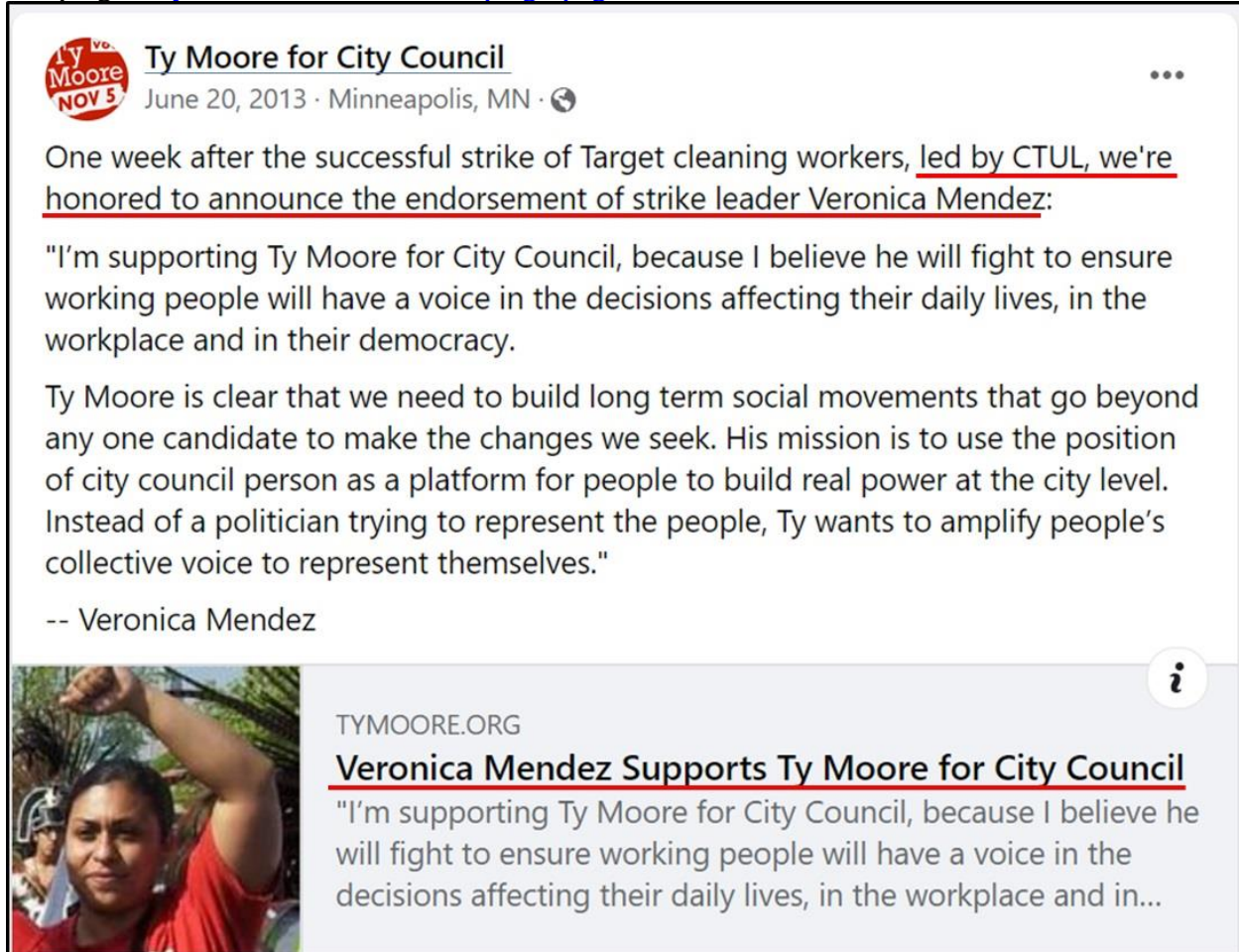
"At the core of both campaigns were members of our own socialist organization and a few other people who were already close to SA. As the campaigns developed, we drew in more and more people from the community. Many were activists who had already been involved in organized struggles – such as in Minneapolis, Occupy Homes' fight against foreclosures **and that of CTUL (Centro de Trabajadores Unidos en Lucha)** for immigrant workers' rights; and in Seattle, SAFE (Seattle Against Foreclosure and Eviction) and the Transit Riders."

In August of 2013, the International Socialist Alternative published an article titled, "[Tight Race for City Council: Socialist campaign is gaining support and momentum over Democrat's challengers](#)." In the article, Ty Moore identified himself as a socialist, saying, "It looks more and more like Ward 9 voters will surprise many by electing the first socialist to city council in decades." A few lines later, CTUL's executive director, Veronica Mendez Moore said that she had been organizing community leaders behind Ty's campaign:

"I've been organizing other community leaders behind Ty's campaign because we believe he will fight to ensure working people have a voice in City Hall," said Ward 9 resident **Veronica Mendez, Executive Director of CTUL [Centro de Trabajadores Unidos en Lucha]**, who led the strike of low-wage immigrant workers who clean Target stores in July. "Ty Moore is clear

that we need to build long term social movements that go beyond any one candidate to make the changes we seek."

Veronica Mendez, identified as the head of CTUL, gave a public endorsement for Ty Moore's campaign. [Ty Moore's facebook campaign page](#) announced Mendez' endorsement.



Ty Moore for City Council
June 20, 2013 · Minneapolis, MN · 🌐

One week after the successful strike of Target cleaning workers, led by CTUL, we're honored to announce the endorsement of strike leader Veronica Mendez:

"I'm supporting Ty Moore for City Council, because I believe he will fight to ensure working people will have a voice in the decisions affecting their daily lives, in the workplace and in their democracy.

Ty Moore is clear that we need to build long term social movements that go beyond any one candidate to make the changes we seek. His mission is to use the position of city council person as a platform for people to build real power at the city level. Instead of a politician trying to represent the people, Ty wants to amplify people's collective voice to represent themselves."

-- Veronica Mendez

TYMOORE.ORG
Veronica Mendez Supports Ty Moore for City Council
"I'm supporting Ty Moore for City Council, because I believe he will fight to ensure working people will have a voice in the decisions affecting their daily lives, in the workplace and in..."

CTUL Leadership

Veronica Mendez Moore's involvement with TakeAction MN and the socialist campaign of Ty Moore are external expressions of her leadership of CTUL itself. And a careful examination of her social media page, and the pages of other CTUL leaders, illustrates that the systemic ideologies of CTUL and its leaders is directly opposed to Catholic moral and social teaching. For instance, in addition to endorsing socialist candidate Ty Moore, [Veronica Mendez Moore also supported](#) Socialist candidate Kshama Sawant.



Veronica Mendez Moore

October 20, 2015 · 🌐



WED, OCT 21, 2015


Re-Elect Kshama Sawant! Minneapolis Fundraiser for Seattle's Socialist

Minneapolis, MN

57 people went

☆ Interested


Taylor Shevey is [CTUL's Lead Organizer](#). Among Shevey's "[likes](#)" on facebook are pro-abortion, socialist and pro-LGBT organizations.

 **Taylor EShevey**
2.1K friends


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Likes




Campana Latinoamericana por el Derecho al Aborto




Campana Nacional contra las violencias hacia las Mujeres




Campana Nacional contra las violencias hacia las Mujeres - Zona Sur




Daddy MPLS




Minnesotans for Trust, Respect, Access




Repro Health Happy Hour Twin Cities




Seward Community Co-op




Sex Workers & Allies Network - SWAN




SWOP Minneapolis



Telling Queer History



The Coven



Socialist Alternative MN

On [March 3, 2016](#), [Shevey](#) declared of the The 3rd Annual SPIRAL Abortion Doula Training "This is amazing!"

Macalester College
Turck Hall
Sounds of Blackness Lounge

The Third Annual Abortion Doula Training

A 2 day training which will provide the skills needed to become an abortion doula & serve clients in both a clinical & non clinical setting.

Tickets no longer available

Sponsored by:
Peace Coffee, Gigi's Coffee,
Chef Shack, MN Religious Coalition for
Reproductive Choice, and
Pro-Choice Resources

Lunch will be provided
Interpreters and childcare provided if needed.
Please email us by April 9 to secure these services.


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APR 23, 2016 AT 11 AM – APR 24, 2016 AT 5 PM EDT

The 3rd Annual SPIRAL Abortion Doula Training

Turck Hall 1605 Grand Avenue, St Paul, 55105

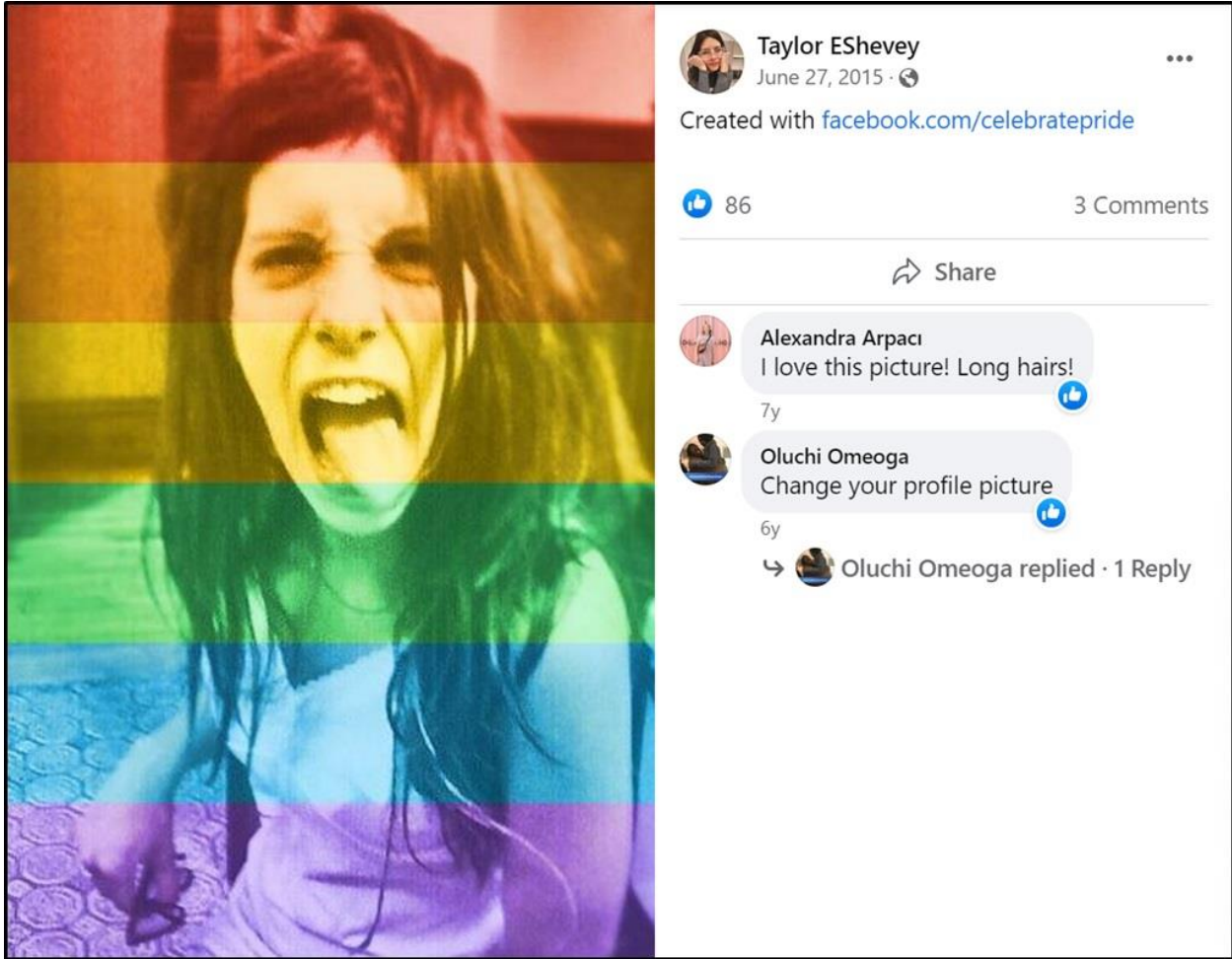
FROM NOTIFICATIONS

 Taylor EShevey
March 3, 2016 · 🌐

This is amazing


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On [June 27, 2015](#), Shevey celebrated the same-sex "marriage" decision of the Supreme Court.



In [June of 2016](#), Shevey announced a relationship with the senior national organizer for Black LGBTQ Migrant Project.


Taylor EShevey is with Oluchi Omeoga.



Oluchi Omeoga

- Senior National Organizer at Black LGBTQ Migrant Project - BLMP and Family Room Specialist at Apple
- Studied Microelectronics Engineering at Rochester Institute of Technology

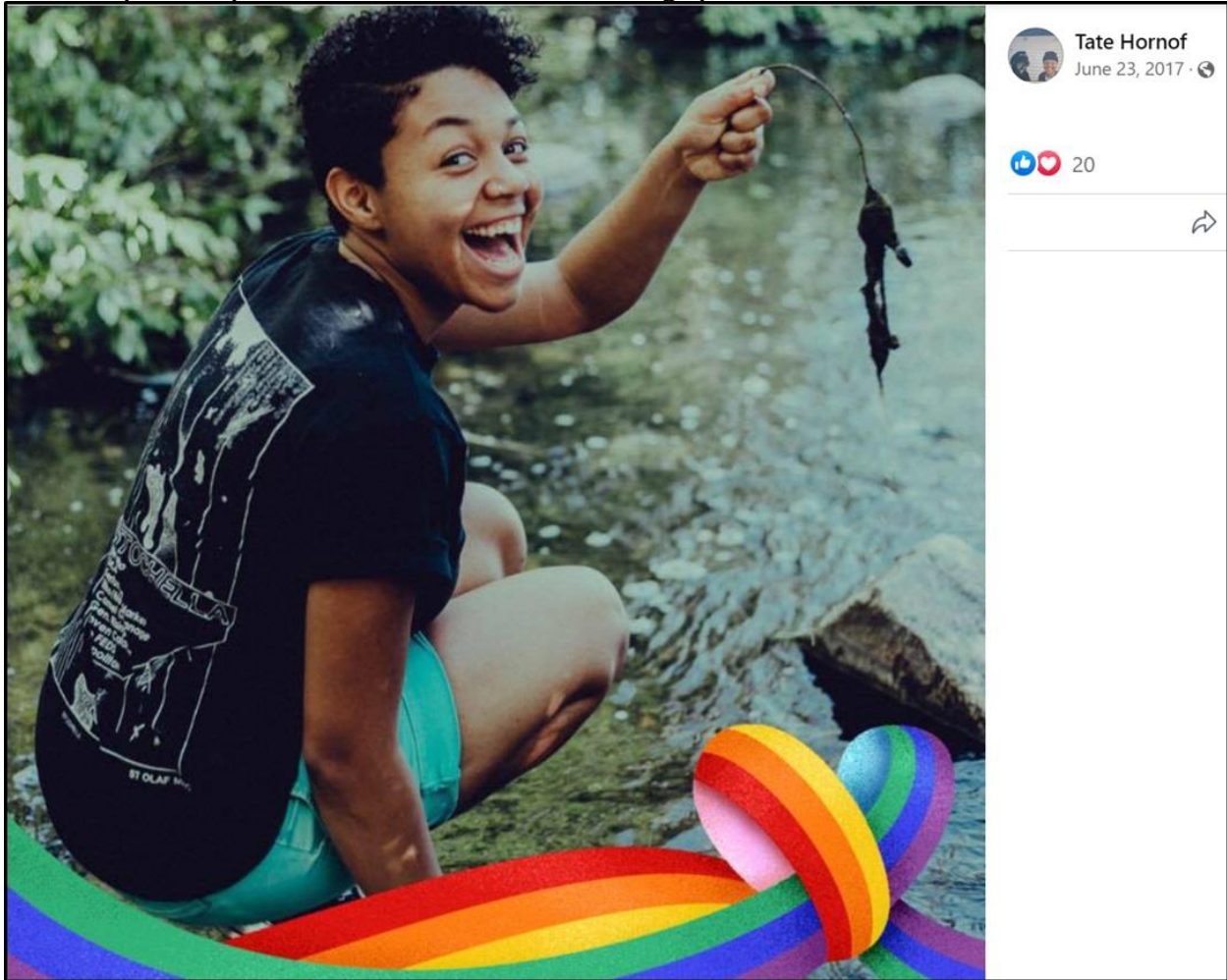
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In a Relationship with Oluchi Omeoga
June 2016

Tate Hornof is an [Organizer for CTUL](#). Tate's facebook page is littered with support for LGBTQ ideologies.

For example, this post from [June of 2017](#), celebrating "pride."



Or this post from [August of 2017](#), wherein Tate asks with a wink, "Why else would there be a rainbow flag in the background?"



Ruth Schultz is the [Organizing Director for CTUL](#), and Schultz promotes same-sex "marriage."

In [May of 2013](#), Schultz posted in support of same-sex "marriage."



And in [June of 2015](#), Schultz celebrated the Supreme Court decision, forcing legalized same-sex "marriage" on every state in the country.



Merle Payne, the [co-director](#) with Veronica Mendex Moore, is also pro-homosexual, as is indicated in [this post on his facebook page](#):



Conclusion

We have conclusively shown that CTUL is an organization that is intimately tied to the promotion of abortion, homosexuality, transgenderism, and socialism. As an organization, it is a member of the Marxist-run Interfaith Worker Justice. It is a past-member of TakeAction MN, and still has very close ties with the organization, including financial support. Take Action MN is heavily pro-abortion and pro-LGBT, and could never be morally supported under any circumstances. CTUL, as an organization has given full-throated support for homosexual and transgender ideologies, including calling for financial support for transgender organizations. CTUL's executive director was a vocal supporter and endorser of a socialist candidate for public office, indicating that she helped "organize community leaders" in support of this socialist candidate as well. And many of the other leaders of CTUL are actively pro-abortion and pro-LGBT.

This organization has no business receiving Catholic funding, and despite the fact that the CCHD was warned of this group in 2012, CTUL continues to receive CCHD funds. The CCHD clearly is either incapable of or unwilling to properly vet organizations to which it provides funding, and as such, should be closed down as an organization altogether.