

# Collaborating to Grow the Next System



WE CAN MEET OUR NEEDS

WITHOUT BEING EXPLOITED

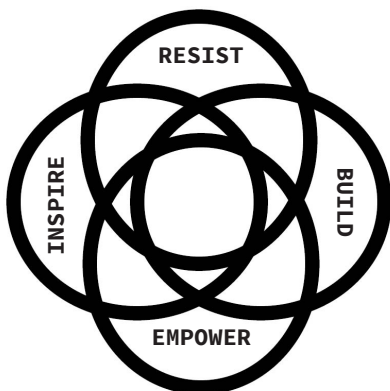
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WITHOUT EXPLOITING THE ENVIRONMENT



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## Our Theory of Change



- **RESIST** all forms of exploitation and oppression.
- **BUILD** new systems that meet our needs.
- **EMPOWER** ourselves by learning the skills to succeed.
- **INSPIRE** others to join us in creating a new society.

“Solidarity economy is all about a world that works for people and planet, as opposed to private profits and blind growth.”

- Emily Kawano

## Our Program Areas

We are researching and developing the following program areas:

- **Food Production/Distribution**
- Education/Childcare
- **Energy/Infrastructure/Worker Co-ops**
- Housing
- **Healthcare**
- Arts/Culture
- **Democratizing Finance**



## Our Commitment to Education

In order to help develop a shared analysis of what is currently happening, and how we can best work together, we facilitate 8-session biweekly study group cohorts to explore a variety of important readings on solidarity economy subjects.

**To join an upcoming cohort, please email us at [cooperationhumboldt@gmail.com](mailto:cooperationhumboldt@gmail.com).**

## You Can Help!

### Volunteer and/or Donate

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Enclosed is my contribution: \_\_\_\_\_

#### I'll volunteer in the following way(s):

- Tabling (at events and/or public spaces)
- Data entry / general office
- Fundraising
- Social media
- Event planning
- Helping staff events
- Join a study group
- Work at tool library
- Provide a skill share
- Donate tool(s)

#### I am interested in the following program areas:

- Food Production/Distribution
- Education/Childcare
- Energy/Infrastructure/Worker Co-ops
- Housing
- Healthcare
- Tool Library
- Arts/Culture
- Democratizing Finance

Other notes \_\_\_\_\_

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or mail to 840 E Street, Unit 16, Eureka, CA 95501

## What We Believe

- We believe that our current institutions are racist, sexist, and class oppressive.
- **We believe our current economic system is based upon exploitation and oppression, and that it will destroy the planet if we do not shift to a cooperative and sustainable model.**
- We believe it is possible to create new institutions that incentivize cooperation, love, compassion and kindness.
- **We believe in lifting up and supporting groups that are doing grassroots organizing with working class people and people of color, creating new models for a joyous and collaborative new future.**
- We believe we can work with you (or your organization) even if you do not believe these things.

**“Anticapitalism isn’t simply a moral stance against injustice — it’s about building an alternative.”**

**- Erik Olin Wright**





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## About Cooperation Humboldt

Cooperation Humboldt exists to build a solidarity economy across the North Coast. We identify/support existing cooperative economic efforts and create new ones where needed.

## What is a Solidarity Economy?

### EXTRACTIVE ECONOMY

- Power over
- **Domination**
- Competitive
- **Commodity based**

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### SOLIDARITY ECONOMY

- Power with
- **Cooperation**
- Collaborative
- **Needs based**

## Join Us!

- Please visit our website for more information and resources - **[cooperationhumboldt.org](https://cooperationhumboldt.org)**
- Find us on Instagram and Facebook; subscribe to hear about upcoming events.

