

Change never comes easy, but by identifying how to apply pressure in the right places, your group can have a great impact both locally and nationally.

The most important part of your Change is Coming house meeting today is to lay the groundwork for your group’s activity in the coming weeks. Get to know one another. Find out what issues are top priorities for your group, and what relationships you already have with political or social organizations in your community.

Fill out the following questionnaire to help your group plan for what you can do next to work for change.

1. What issues are most important to our group? For each issues consider if it is local, national, or both.

ISSUE	LOCAL	NATIONAL	NOTES

2. Who are our local representatives? Do we have any connections to them? How can we build relationships with our representatives and keep in touch with them about the issues that are important to us?

US Representative: _____

US Senator: _____

State Representative: _____

State Senator: _____

Governor: _____

3. What are our local media outlets? What is their contact information? Do we have any relationships within the local media? How can we publicize our actions and amplify our voices?

Local Television: _____

Local Newspaper(s): _____

Local Radio Stations: _____

4. What are local social and civic organizations we can work with? How can we reach out to these organizations to work together? Are there schools or local churches we'd like to become partners with?

Social and Civic Organizations: _____

Schools: _____

Churches: _____

5. What can we do even before Barack Obama is President? What service event will we commit to as a group before Inauguration? What local representatives will we invite to our service event?

Date of Service Event: _____

Representatives to Invite: _____

Description of Service Event: _____

When you have completed the survey make copies so multiple group members can keep track of this information. Then please send a copy to Obama for America, Att: New Media, 233 N. Michigan Ave, Suite 1100, Chicago, IL 60601. You can also enter it online at <http://my.barackobama.com/planchange>