

## **ANNA WILSON**

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### EMPLOYMENT

- 1997 to Present      **Housing Authority of City of Milwaukee**  
Manager, Hillside Family Resource Center  
Work with resident leadership and the development manager to identify and respond to service needs and partnership opportunities. Act as liaison among building occupants, resolving problems, affecting service delivery. Coordinate and plan special events to link Hillside with outside community. Work with businesses and stockholders to insure they view Hillside as all other areas of the city.
- 1991 to 1997      **National Jobs With Peace Campaign, Boston, MA**  
Executive Director  
Jobs with Peace was a multi-racial, multi-class organization with local chapters in nine cities and numerous affiliates around the country. The national office coordinated the chapters and affiliates, organized national action campaigns and events, and provided educational materials. Local chapters organized in hard-hit communities to shift federal priorities away from the military budget and towards pressing human and environmental needs.
- 1986-1991      **Jobs With Peace, Milwaukee, WI**  
Community Organizer  
Jobs With Peace was one of the largest membership organizations in Milwaukee. I concentrated on building a base in public housing, which resulted in the formation of the nation's first citywide public housing tenants' council, independent of the public housing authority. My duties included running organizing drives and voter registration campaigns, recruiting and training volunteers and public presentations, including television and radio.
- 1983-1985      **Hillside Summer Youth Program, Milwaukee, WI**  
Supervisor  
Supervised 45 youth in work training programs.
- 1984      **MILWAUKEE VOTER REGISTRATION COALITION**  
Coordinator  
Coordinated a local coalition that registered 13,000 new voters.
- 1979-82      **Kleen Test Products, Milwaukee, WI**  
Ran material machine for hospital supply company.

### OTHER PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

#### **Board of Directors, Milwaukee Area Technical College**

I have been on the MATC Board for the past six years and presently serve as chair I have also served on the Education, Services, and Institutional Relations Committee (ESIR), Finance, Personnel, and Operations Committee (FPO) committee and Chaired the Public Television Committee (PTV) and was elected Vice Chair of the Board in 2010.

I have been reelected to the Diversity Committee of the Association of Community College Trustee (ACCT) where our role is to ensure leadership for the involvement of diverse populations within the governance activities of ACCT and in our colleges at home. I have been reappointed to the Association of Public Television Stations (APTS) Leadership Council for Public Broadcasting Advancing Public Service Media in America. Past member of Horizon House Board of Directors and Boys and Girls Club Board of Trustees, the YWCA Board of Directors. I presently serve on the Aging and Disability

Resource Center (ADRC) Governing Board of Milwaukee County.

- 1993-  
1994           **Co-Chair, Campaign for a Better Milwaukee**  
                  Coordinated voter participation drives.
- 1991-  
1993           **National Association of Housing and Redevelopment Officials**  
                  Member of the Board of Governors.
- 1988-  
1997           **City of Milwaukee Housing Authority**  
                  Chairperson of the Board of Commissioners  
                  I was appointed by Mayor John O Norquist as a public housing resident representative to the Housing Authority Board resulted from the voter registration work I coordinated in public housing through Jobs with Peace. I was elected Chairperson of the Commission for eleven years until I left and went to work for the Authority.
- 1988-  
1994           **National Jobs With Peace Campaign, Boston, MA**  
                  Chairperson of the Board
- 1977-  
Present       **Canaan Baptist Church**  
                  Past Youth Supervisor, Past Sunday School Teacher. Presently President at Large of the Missionary Ministry and Youth Division Advisor.

## AWARDS AND RECOGNITION

- 2009           \* Holy Redeemer Church of God and Christ, Woman of Honor
- 2007           \*Volunteer Advocacy Award for HACM Advisory Board
- 2007           \* Women who Shape Our Lives Award from Black Women's Political Network
- 2003           \* "Unsung Hero" Award from the Common Council City of Milwaukee
- 1998           \* Mary Lou Massignani Community Activist Award Pro-Bono Public Service Legal Action NW Wisconsin
- 1992           \* Black Excellence Award for Community Leadership from the *Milwaukee Times* and Channel Six
- 1991           \* Gleitsman Foundation Award for Community Activism
- 1990           \* Milwaukee Magazine: featured as one of 25 most influential people of the 1980's.
- 1990           \* A-Choice, United Way - Advocate of the Year Award
- 1989           \* Cover story in *Wisconsin Magazine of the Milwaukee Journal*, October 1, 1989 issue on public housing
- 1988           \* Peace Service Award- World Federalists of Milwaukee
- 1987           \* Community Service Award - Wisconsin Community Fund
- 1987           \* Leadership Award - Milwaukee Public Housing Resident Housing Security Council

## EDUCATION

- 1986           **Intensive Organizer Training Institute**  
                  Los Angeles Jobs with Peace  
                  Three-month learn-by-doing organizing drive held by the Los Angeles Jobs with Peace Campaign. Based on the Fred Ross method originally used to organize the United Farm Workers Union.
- 1984-5       **Alverno College, Milwaukee, WI**  
                  Professional Communications/Business Management
- 1983           **New Concept, Inc., Milwaukee, WI**  
                  Word Processing/Clerical