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Pam Fendt is research director for the Great Lakes Region Organizing Committee of the Laborers' International Union of North America (LIUNA) in Wisconsin. She conducts research to advance organizing and union density in the construction industry.

Prior to joining the Laborers' Union in 2010, Pam worked for the Good Jobs & Livable Neighborhoods Coalition, a labor, community, faith coalition created in 2003 to organize for responsible economic development policies (including Prevailing Wage and Local Hiring) on projects that get substantial public support. GJLN members staged two successful policy/organizing campaigns: the Park East Redevelopment Compact (PERC) with Milwaukee County and the Milwaukee Opportunities for Restoring Employment (MORE) ordinance with the City of Milwaukee.

Pam was a policy analyst at the UW Milwaukee Center for Economic Development from 1996 through 2006 where she studied low-wage labor market issues, community economic development, and welfare reform.

Pam has a BA in English (1986) and a MS in Urban Studies (1996) from UW Milwaukee. Pam has received a number of awards for her work in the community, including: the UW Milwaukee Scott Greer Award for Postgraduate Contribution to Urban Affairs, the UW Regents Academic Staff Award for Excellence, the MATC Apprenticeship Program Distinguished Service Award, and the Milwaukee Building & Construction Trades Council Organizer of the Year Award. In early 2017 Pam was elected President of the Milwaukee Area Labor Council where she has been a delegate since 2010. The Council has nearly 100 local union affiliates representing more than 25,000 workers.