

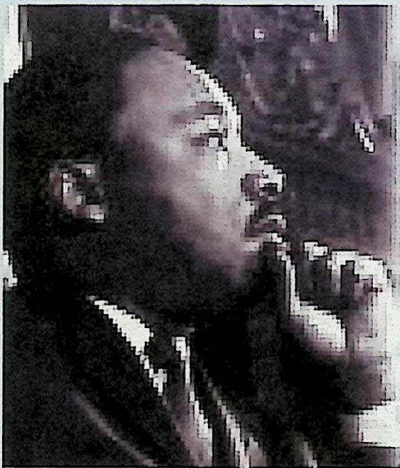
# Social Justice

## Summer School Austin, Texas

Dorothy Day



Cesar Chavez



Rev. Martin Luther King, Jr.



Saul Alinsky

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# Introduction

Before **Rosa Parks** refused to move to the back of the bus in December of 1955, she spent time at the **Highlander Folk School in Mount Eagle, Tennessee** learning about the history of social protest. Before **Cesar Chavez** began organizing farm workers in **California** and undertaking the table grape boycott in the 1960s, he spent time at **Saul Alinsky's Industrial Areas Foundation in Chicago** learning how poor people can build power in their communities. Even **Dorothy Day**, the founder of the **Catholic Worker Movement**, went back to "school" to learn about the gospel of social change.

This summer, **Austin Voices for Education and Youth, Austin Community College, Austin Community College's Center for Public Policy and Political Studies** and the **Latino/Latin American Studies Center** have joined together to sponsor the second annual **Social Justice Summer School**. This 5 week program at the Eastview Campus of **Austin Community College (3401 Webberville Road)** will provide members of the **Stand Up Clubs** and other students with advanced training in the social change process and how to organize and improve their schools and neighborhoods.

Students will also have numerous opportunities to hear guest speakers, watch documentary films, and participate in class discussions, debates and skits. Students who attend the **2007 Social Justice Summer School** will take short courses in:

1. The history of social protest
2. Economics and the Origins of Poverty
3. Agenda setting in communities of color
4. The ins and outs of Texas prisons and jails
5. How students have changed the public schools

## Dates and Times

**Start:** June 19th, 2007

**End:** July 26th, 2007

**Days:** Tuesday, Wednesdays and Thursdays

**Times:** 11:00am to 2:00pm.

**Austin Voices for Education and Youth**

3710 Cedar Street Suite 229 Box 21 Austin, Texas 78705 (512) 450-1880

## Highlights from 2006 Social Justice Summer School

Last year's program was met with great interest and many people came by to visit and speak with the students. A number of university professors and community activists delivered guest lectures on a variety of topics. Lunch was provided free of charge daily and students found themselves in a collegiate atmosphere where various ideas were entertained and discussed.

Towards the end of the program, the **Austin American Statesman** ran a front page story on the school along with photographs. Shortly thereafter, **National Public Radio** did a story on the **Social Justice Summer School** that was heard all over the United States. (Visit our website to see these stories [www.austinvoices.org](http://www.austinvoices.org)) As a wrap up project students made a 20 foot banner and took it to the State Capitol where they got to practice the art of public protest and discuss immigration issues with people who stopped to talk with them.

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## Facilitators for 2007

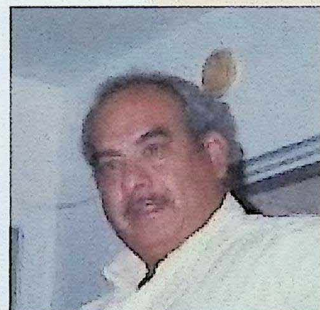
**Amy Averett** is the founding Executive Director of **Austin Voices for Education and Youth**. (AVEY) Prior to starting Austin Voices, Amy worked at the **Southwest Educational Development Laboratory (SEDL)**, where she provided training and technical assistance to schools throughout the southwest United States. She also developed and co-authored a number of research-based publications and toolkits on school-community connections. Amy is an alumnus of the **Teach for America (TFA)** program, where she served as a second grade teacher in rural **North Carolina**. Amy currently serves as a community representative on the **Austin ISD District Advisory Council** and as a tri-chair of the Superintendent's Taskforce reviewing **Austin ISD's** progress implementing their strategic plan She received her bachelors degree from **Rice University** and masters degrees from the **University of Pittsburgh**.



**Tim Eubanks** is the lead organizer for **Austin Voices for Education and Youth**. Tim coordinates and develops the community organizing, advocacy and critical thinking skills of high school students through the **Youth Action for Educational Change** and High School Redesign initiatives at **Garza, Reagan and Johnston High Schools**. He instructs students in ways to apply the lessons of social justice movements of the past and present to today's struggle for educational justice. Currently, he is coordinating efforts with the **Ready By 21 Coalition** to establish a Youth Council to improve social service delivery and leadership opportunities for young people in the Austin area. Tim was recently awarded the **Barbara Jordan Public Service** award from the **LBJ School of Public Affairs** and the "Si Se Puede" **Cesar Chavez** award from **PODER**. He is a graduate of **Antioch College**.



**Alfredo Rodriguez Santos c/s** is a community organizer with **Austin Voices for Education and Youth**. His job duties include leading the High School Redesign Initiative and coordinating the Austin Voices' public information campaigns. Santos also represents Austin Voices on the **AISD Parent Involvement Advisory Council**. He holds a Master's degree from **Sul Ross State University**, and a bachelors degree from **University of California Berkeley**. He brings a multitude of skills and talents to Austin Voices including being a: locksmith, actor, labor organizer, farm worker, school teacher, journalist and college instructor. In the 1970s he worked for **Cesar Chavez's United Farm Workers of America** as a labor organizer and field office director in **Watsonville, California**.

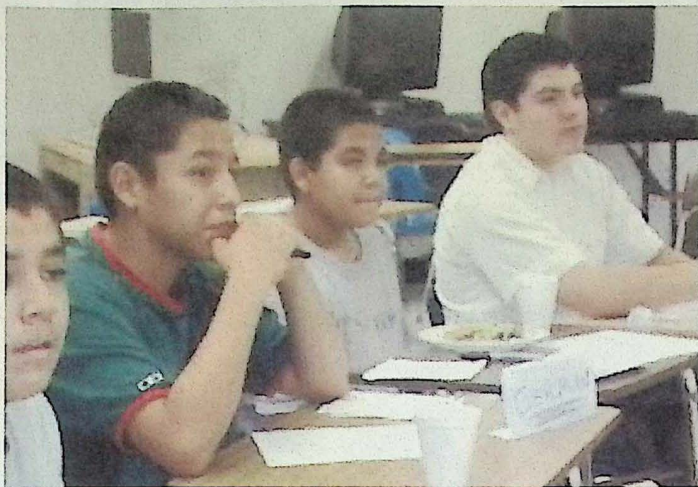


**Daniel Garza** is a parent leader with **Austin Voices for Education and Youth**. He is the father of five and an aspiring/accomplished hip hop artist. He is currently attending **Austin Community College**.



## Los Estudiantes

## The Students



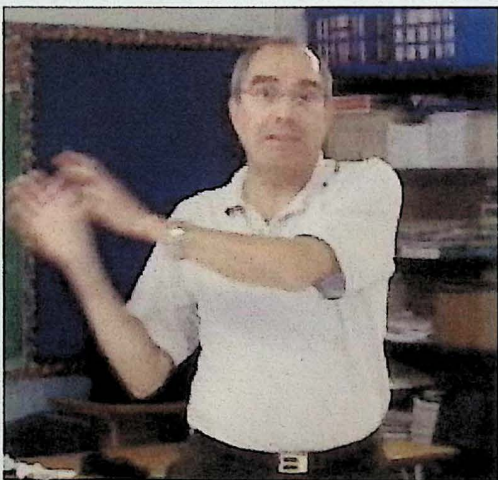
**LEFT:** Students pay close attention to each guest speaker during the sessions at Lanier Hig School.



**ABOVE:** Donna Jackson spoke to the SJSS students about how the city works.



**LEFT:** Luis Orozco being interviewed for an NPR story



**ABOVE :** Last summer Dr. Federico Subervi was explaining how images are shaped by the media.

**BELOW:** Social Justice Summer School students contemplate a questions posed by Julian Padilla.



## Los Maestros

## The Teachers

# Enrollment Form for Social Justice Summer School

Please print your responses.



NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ AGE: \_\_\_\_\_  
Last First

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_  
Street City State Zip Code

TELEPHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

ALTERNATE PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

LAST SCHOOL ATTENDED: \_\_\_\_\_

HOW WILL YOU GET TO THE SOCIAL JUSTICE SCHOOL?  
\_\_\_\_\_

HOW DID YOU HEAR ABOUT THIS SOCIAL JUSTICE SCHOOL?  
\_\_\_\_\_

PARENT OR GUARDIAN and TELEPHONE:  
\_\_\_\_\_

This Social Justice Summer School is designed to provide participants with information and insight into the struggles of people to who have fought for social change in the United States over the years. Participation in this Social Justice Summer School is voluntary and students must make their own transportation arrangements to get to and from the sessions. Lunch will be provided. Last, but not least, while every effort will be made to insure the safety of all students at all times, the participants and their parents agree to hold harmless the sponsoring organizations of this Social Justice Summer School. Alfredo Santos c/s, will be the coordinator for the Social Justice Summer School and can be reached at (512) 450-1880 (work), or at (512) 944-4123 (cell). For general information about Austin Voices for Education and Youth, please go to [www.austinvoices.org](http://www.austinvoices.org).

I hereby grant my permission for my son/daughter to participate in this summer school, and to have his/her photo to be used in perpetuity in connection with the school's activities.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent or legal guardian

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

Please return both pages to:



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## *Social Justice Saturday School*

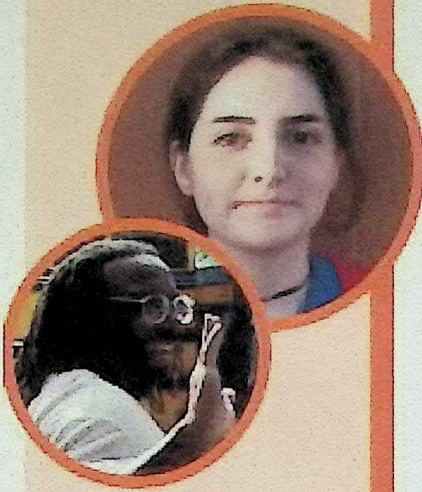
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### **ANSWER ONE OF THE TWO QUESTIONS BELOW**

Please print your responses to these questions.

- 1. Please describe why you would like to participate in the Social Justice Summer School.**

- 2. Describe someone you know, or have read about, who has worked to bring about positive change things in the United States.**



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Please return these pages with your enrollment form. Thank you.