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. Christine produced Fashion Resistance to Militarism while program director at the Women of Color Resource Center. She was inducted into the OMB Watch Public Interest Hall of Fame and recognized as Rising Peacemaker by the Agape Foundation. She served on the board of the National Committee for Responsive Philanthropy for six years.

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Angelo Falcón is a political scientist known for starting the Institute for Puerto Rican Policy (IPR) in New York City in the early 1980s, a nonprofit and nonpartisan policy center that focuses on Latino issues in the United States. The organization is now known as the National Institute for Latino Policy and Falcón serves as its current President. He was also recently an Adjunct Assistant Professor at the Columbia University School of Public and International Affairs (S.I.P.A.).

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Lois Gibbs is founder and executive director of the Center for Health, Environment and Justice. She speaks with communities nationwide and internationally about toxic chemicals and children's unique vulnerability to environmental exposures. As the author of *Love Canal: The Story Continues*, published in 1998, Lois brings the Love Canal story up to date and discusses the issues society faces today with chemical exposures. Ms. Gibbs has been recognized extensively for her critical role in the grassroots environmental justice movement. She has spoken at numerous conferences and has been featured in hundreds of newspaper articles, magazine, and textbooks. Ms. Gibbs has appeared on many television and radio shows including 60 Minutes, 20/20, Oprah Winfrey, Good Morning America, The Morning Show and the Today Show. CBS produced a 2 hour prime-time movie about Lois's life entitled "Lois Gibbs: The Love Canal Story" starring Marsha Mason.

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Jessica Gordon Nembhard is Associate Professor of Community Justice and Social Economic Development in the Department of African American Studies at John Jay College, of the City University of New York (CUNY) in New York City, USA. She recently completed a year as a visiting scholar in the Economics Department's Center on Race and Wealth at Howard University, and was Master Teacher (July 2007 and 2009) at the Center's Summer Institute for Research on Race and Wealth. She has also been a visiting scholar at the Centre for the Study of Cooperatives at the University of Saskatchewan in Canada (academic year 2008-09), and is a research affiliate for that Centre's "Linking, Leverage, Learning: Social Enterprises, Knowledgeable Economies and Sustainable Communities" project.

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