

Our member organizations:

Ecumenical Movement for Justice and Peace (EMJP) • Samahan ng mga Ex-Detainee Laban sa Detensyon at Para sa Amnestiya (SELDA) • DESAPARECIDOS • Cordillera Human Rights Alliance (CHRA) • Ilocos Human Rights Alliance (IHRA) • KARAPATAN-Cagayan Valley • KARAPATAN-Central Luzon • KARAPATAN-Southern Tagalog • KARAPATAN-Bicol • KATUNGOD-Sinirangang Bisayas • KARAPATAN-Central Visayas • KARAPATAN-Negros • KARAPATAN-Panay • KARAPATAN-Northern Mindanao • KARAPATAN-CARAGA • KARAPATAN-Western Mindanao • KARAPATAN-Southern Mindanao • KARAPATAN-Soccsargen • Cordillera Indigenous People's Law Center (DINTEG) • Public Interest Law Center (PILC) • Health Action for Human Rights (HAHR) • Center for Trade Union and Human Rights (CTUHR) • MIGRANTE • Kilusang Enero 22 (K-E 22) • GABRIELA Commission for Women's Political Rights • Alyansa ng Mamamayan para sa Makataong Karapatan-Bulacan (ALMMA) • Tontongan ti Umili • Cordillera People's Alliance • Promotion of Church People's Response • Justice and Peace Advocacy Group-Aurora (JPAG) • Children's Rehabilitation Center • Tunay na Alyansa ng Bayan Alay sa Katutubo (TABAK) • Moro Christian People's Alliance • JAGA • KAWAGIB • Health Alliance for Democracy (HEAD)

You can do your share by:

Supporting the demand for:

- ✚ Stop Extrajudicial killings
- ✚ Surface victims of enforced disappearances
- ✚ Freedom for all political prisoners
- ✚ Justice for all victims of human rights violations
- ✚ A stop to the militarization of the country-side and the forcible displacement of peoples and communities
- ✚ A stop to the demolition of urban poor houses and communities as well as the violent dispersal of workers' picketlines
- ✚ An end to attacks on civil liberties and people's rights

Strengthening linkages on sector-to-sector, program-to-program, organization-to-organization, alliance-to-alliance basis through:

- ✚ Undertaking parallel activities
- ✚ Organizing joint conferences and exchanges
- ✚ Conducting campaigns and protest actions on human rights cases, issues and concerns
- ✚ Establishing a network on common concerns and issues and conducting joint campaigns

Mobilizing people and resources to support the programs and activities of KARAPATAN and its member organization.



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KARAPATAN

Alliance for the
Advancement of
People's Rights

These images reveal Philippine realities...

Of a people enmeshed in poverty and battered by state violence
A paradox for freedom and democracy, development and prosperity
An anathema of foreign domination and class exploitation

Of the struggles of oppressed peoples and classes, sectors and groups
Actions for justice and human rights, genuine peace and development
A society being transformed by the humanity of the oppressed
Fighting for national liberation and social emancipation



The violations continue....

KARAPATAN

Is an alliance of human rights organizations and programs, human rights desks and committees of people's organizations, and individual advocates committed to the defense of people's rights and civil liberties through:

Education and Training

Aims to raise the people's awareness of their rights; help develop their capacity to fight for and defend their rights; and to enjoin them to participate in human rights campaign and advocacy activities.

The program involves the development and propagation of education modules and seminars.

Campaign and Advocacy

Seeks to develop a strong public opinion and support for human rights issues and concerns. It involves campaign and information dissemination activities. It also includes lobbying efforts for the defense and promotion of human rights.

Services Program

Mobilizes various resources for the welfare and legal needs of political prisoners, torture victims, relatives of the disappeared and victims of extra-judicial killings, displacement, and others. The formation of Quick Reaction Teams, which respond immediately to cases of human rights violations such as arrests, abductions, displacements, demolitions, picketline violence and others as well as the holding of Fact-Finding Missions to investigate and gather data on various human rights violations is an integral part of the program.

Documentation and Research

Gathers information on particular cases of human rights violations and on the general human rights situation in the country. Keeps a databank of all cases of human rights violations; has a library of files of these cases, including court documents and other evidences for filing to the various government agencies, the joint monitoring committee and international human rights bodies. It sends urgent action alerts, and is vital in the coming out of the bi-annual analysis of the human rights situation and other related issues in the country.

Network Building and Alliance Work

Aims to motivate organizations, groups and individuals to get involved in human rights issues and in the activities and programs of KARAPATAN. It also establishes partnerships with genuine multi-sectoral alliances and people's organizations. As an alliance, KARAPATAN works closely with its member organizations and brings together the programs of the various human rights organizations under it.

KARAPATAN firmly believes that...

- ✓ Human rights should be respected in all its dimensions – civil and political, economic, social and cultural.
- ✓ Basic rights to life, humane treatment, and due process should be preserved at all times.
- ✓ The people has the right to be free from all forms of oppression and exploitation.
- ✓ A repressive state which serves the interests of a few oppressors and exploiters is the worse violator of human rights.
- ✓ The struggle of the Filipino people for national liberation and social emancipation provides the framework for human rights advocacy.
- ✓ Human rights advocacy must be biased for the interest of the oppressed classes, sectors, and groups.
- ✓ Human rights advocacy is integral to the struggle of the peasants for land, the workers for national industrialization and decent living and working conditions, the women against exploitation and discrimination, the indigenous peoples for self-determination, the poor for basic social services, and the youth for access to education and other venues for growth and development.