

Overview

Programs and issues

VICPP engages people of faith and goodwill to advocate economic, social and racial justice in Virginia's policies and practices through education, prayer, and action.



Civic Engagement

VICPP strives to ensure that every voice is heard in Virginia's decision-making process. VICPP supports congregations and chapters to offer non-partisan voter education, voter turnout, election protection, and building relationships with elected officials.



Racial Equity

VICPP upholds the value and dignity of Black, immigrant, indigenous and other people of color. Given Virginia's legacy of slavery and discrimination, all issues are considered with a racial impact lens. VICPP builds relationships and works for justice across racial divides.



Economic Justice

VICPP seeks an economy where all can thrive. VICPP has advocated legislation to increase the minimum wage, require paid sick days for all, prevent wage theft, and protect workers. VICPP also champions a living wage certification program for all employers.



Affordable Housing

VICPP supports increasing the supply and affordability of housing, along with the rights of people to remain housed. People must be housed first to be able to address all other issues. VICPP is exploring how congregations can do more to foster affordable housing.



Criminal Justice Reform

VICPP collaborates with affected individuals to build a more just criminal justice system. VICPP helped lead campaigns to end the death penalty and limit solitary confinement. VICPP seeks to reduce the criminalization of poverty, improve prison conditions, restore voting rights, and end mass incarceration.



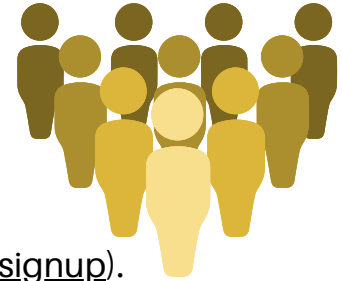
Health Equity

VICPP advocates increased access to quality, affordable health care for all. VICPP led the faith engagement to expand Medicaid and access to maternal healthcare. VICPP focuses on reducing discrimination in health care, and expanding healthcare to vulnerable populations.

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Getting involved

As an individual



- Sign up for VICPP's newsletter and alerts (tinyurl.com/vicppsignup).
- Become a congregational liaison, and connect VICPP to your own faith community.
- Join or organize a local chapter.
- Organize a voter registration or get-out-the-vote effort in your community.
- Share your experiences with VICPP issues (e.g. need for paid sick days, lack of affordable housing) with legislators.
- Encourage businesses you patron to become living wage certified (livingwagevirginia.org).
- Mark your calendar and plan to attend Day for All People
- Follow us on social media and share posts that inspire you.
- Donate to support the work.
- Visit with legislators in your community.

As a congregation



- Become a congregational partner.
- Designate a congregational liaison.
- Host a justice-based event.
- Make donating to VICPP part of your faith community's annual budget.
- Send a delegation to VICPP's Day for All People in January every year.
- Commit to be a 100% voting congregation.
- Ensure all members are registered to vote, and encourage people to participate in Virginia's annual elections.
- Check out the commitment at virginiainterfaithcenter.org/civic-engagement
- Get certified as a living wage employer.
- Make sure you pay all your employees fairly for work.
- Check out www.livingwagevirginia.org/congregations for details.