



You will make an important contribution to the network's goal of advancing justice and building the common good in Illinois. Together we can bring positive change to families and communities across the state.

WE HOPE YOU WILL JOIN US!

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Protestants for the Common Good (PCG) educates and mobilizes people of faith to participate in political democracy for the sake of social justice and the beloved community.

PCG is a progressive non-partisan organization that works in a variety of social justice areas. We do most of our work in coalition with faith-related and secular organizations, and the Advocacy Network is one of the ways that we welcome others to this important work.

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**ADVOCACY
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 NETWORK**

Advocacy Network

Purpose

The Advocacy Network gives you the opportunity to put your faith into action to end injustice and build opportunity for all who live in Illinois by:

- Learning about the impact of public policy on vulnerable families and communities
- Developing skills and strategies for promoting positive legislative solutions
- Working with others to engage your church and community in faith-based advocacy

HOW THE NETWORK WORKS

Organized by Protestants for the Common Good (PCG), the Advocacy Network engages people of faith from across the state to speak and act on public policy issues that promote the well being of Illinois residents, especially those who live in poverty or face other disadvantages. PCG staff work side-by-side with network members to provide encouragement, support, and resources. When you join, you become a part of a state-wide network of advocates, committed to building the beloved community.

Your voice is vitally important! Legislators at local, state, and national levels of government listen to their constituents, and they want – and need – to hear your perspective. Your passion for mercy and justice brings an important dimension into conversations about community issues and public policy.



HOW YOU CAN BE INVOLVED

DISCUSS the role of advocacy in the church's ministry with clergy and laity

STUDY critical issues presented in PCG's bi-weekly e-news

CALL or write to your elected officials periodically

PARTICIPATE in regional trainings and conference calls

ENCOURAGE others to join your advocacy efforts

VISIT your legislators at their district offices with other advocates

ATTEND Faith-in-Action days in Springfield

SUPPORT the work of the network with an annual, tax-exempt donation



WHAT WE WILL DO

EQUIP you with an advocacy toolkit, fact sheets, talking points and other resources

UPDATE you on current legislation and policy issues

CONNECT you to network members through online communication

INFORM you about advocacy initiatives going on across the network

COACH you on writing a letter to the editor of your local newspaper

OFFER you training opportunities in local and regional settings

INVITE you to participate in Faith-in-Action days and activities

