



Imagining Another World Is Possible

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Imagining a World without Discrimination and Oppression

Formally incorporated in 2005, **Mano en Mano-Hand in Hand** is the “go-to” agency in Downeast Maine for Latino/Latina, immigrant, and farmworker issues. As a 2010 Neighbors in Need grant recipient, Mano en Mano provides a wide variety of direct services in English and Spanish. Here is how they describe their three general program areas:

Educational Services and Scholarships comprise the bulk of our programming and the heart of our mission. From free English classes, to college scholarships, to one-on-one tutoring and after school support, Mano en Mano believes that education is a tool that can make dreams possible and realize social justice.

Outreach & Community Events ensure that Mano en Mano can effectively reach and serve their constituency while building bridges among various and diverse communities.

Affordable Housing provides farmworkers who want to settle in Milbridge, ME, with an opportunity to live somewhere that is safe, decent, and designed with their needs in mind.

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2011 Neighbors In Need

Justice and Witness Ministries



Program Director Bethany Woods says, "When we first started adult English classes several years ago, the goals were based on language acquisition. But the project has evolved into much more, providing social resources that are not often readily available to new immigrants.

"Our adult students attend every week after long days working, exhibiting a high level of dedication to their own progress. The social activity and community development that have grown from these English classes is just as significant. Even more importantly, our students have become resources for one another, offering a supportive environment to encourage each other's learning and look out for their peers."

In service to their clientele, Mano en Mano-Hand in Hand believes in removing barriers within their community. This philosophy is similar to the core values of the United Church of Christ: **changing lives, continuing testament and extravagant welcomes.** To learn more about Mano en Mano visit www.manomaine.org/.



Remember to be a part of the **Mission 1** campaign launching 11/1/11: One united church on a shared mission for 11 powerful days to feed the hungry and confront food-related injustice.

