



2013 FIRST QUARTER SUMMARY AND REPORT



JANUARY-MARCH 2013

The first quarter of 2013 has been productive for Virginia Organizing. Here are a few things we have accomplished from January to March 2013:

- The Alliance for Citizenship asked Virginia Organizing to be the lead organization in Virginia for national immigration reform efforts.
- We had **12 direct actions**-one a week!
- Chapters from all across Virginia sent members to visit the General Assembly and meet with legislators in Richmond and made phone calls, wrote letters to the editor and held actions in the legislators' home districts. This resulted in **82 legislator/constituent meetings**.

- **408 new people** were recruited to Virginia Organizing.

- **66 leadership development trainings, workshops and forums** were conducted. **820 people participated** in leadership development trainings, workshops and forums.

- Virginia Organizing was mentioned in the news **43 times**.

- Leaders across Virginia wrote **82 letters to the editor, 25 of which were published**.

In addition to these accomplishments, Virginia Organizing added **four new staff** people this quarter: two organizers, one phone banker and a Director of Philanthropy. We are growing!

The primary issues we focused on in the first quarter were **Medicaid expansion, immigration reform, Social Security, budget and tax issues, and voting rights**.