

Greetings Defenders of Freedom!

Joe Brown
President



As president of ACLU Nebraska I have enjoyed meeting many of you at educational, recreational, and fundraising events.

It is often a lonely thing being a civil libertarian in Nebraska, and I want to both thank you for your support to ACLU Nebraska and extend a special invitation to attend an event in the near future. There are a number of events coming up, including our annual dinner on March 10. Check out our calendar online (www.aclunebraska.org) or join our email

list for more information

We especially need your continuing support during this time of great cultural and economic change. Together we can ensure there is nothing radical about fairness and justice. Your support has made for a productive year for ACLU Nebraska. I will

direct you to the rest of this report for details, but I do need to make special note of the fact that our cool quotient was raised significantly when Coner Oberst and Bright Eyes hosted a benefit concert for our work on immigrant rights in Fremont. The proceeds, matched with your generosity, have already made it possible to expand our work in the area of immigration. In addition, your support is providing a paid lobbyist, well-known and respected attorney Alan Peterson, increasing our effectiveness in the

Legislature in Lincoln.

It is also a year of transition. This fall, our Executive Director, Laurel Marsh, announced her retirement after five years of dedicated service. Our Search Committee knows there are a number of highly qualified individuals who will make excellent leaders for ACLU. Many of them are not looking for a new job and may not run across our job announcement. Please encourage those you know to join us in the fight for civil liberties in Nebraska by directing them to the job announcement on our webpage. We look forward to our exciting future.

Finally, your support during this year is especially important to assist ACLU in permanently funding an Omaha office to address civil liberties issues in the largest population center of the state. So, I wish you the blessing of freedom and the protection of our Constitution. Hope to see you soon.

Thank you for 45 years of Liberty!

Laurel Marsh
Executive Director



Fast and furious is the best way to describe the 2010-2011 year. ACLU Nebraska celebrated its 45th anniversary as our national ACLU turned 90! Nebraska action centered on immigration, reproductive freedom, and proselytizing in public schools.

When the City of Fremont passed an intimidating and unconstitutional ordinance that attempts to drive out undocumented immigrants and their families by punishing those who employ them or rent to them, ACLU Nebraska filed suit. This suit, *Martinez v. Fremont*, drew national attention. Rock musician

Conor Oberst threw a benefit concert in Omaha and generously gave us \$50,000 to fund this effort. The suit is still in progress.

Few decisions are more personal than the decision whether or not to bear a child. Several Supreme Court cases guarantee to a woman's reproductive rights. A woman may elect an abortion prior to the viability of the fetus if this is the decision that she and her doctor decide is necessary for her. In spite of this, Nebraska's Legislature passed two restrictive bills, LB 594 and LB 1103. LB 594, the so-called *Women's Health Protection Act*, was found to be unconstitutional and was permanently enjoined. LB 1103, which bans abortions after 20 weeks and ignores the viability standard, is still in force. Nebraska's women face further unconstitutional restrictions of their reproductive freedoms if those of moderate opinion fail to let

state senators know.

At the beginning of the last school year, ACLU Nebraska sent a letter to all public school superintendents in Nebraska reminding them that speakers at required school convocations could not deliver religious messages to captive audiences of children. The First Amendment does not allow the school, as a public institution, to endorse one religious viewpoint over others. To make a better point of our First Amendment freedoms, ACLU Nebraska held its second PSA contest. A team of students from Johnson-Brock High School won first place.

ACLU Nebraska works to preserve the civil liberties guaranteed to us all by the US and Nebraska constitutions through programs of education, litigation and legislation. The work we did last year, described in this annual report, puts us in a position to do our current work, described in the Fall *Defender's Debrief*. Thank you for being card-carrying members of ACLU and for your support!

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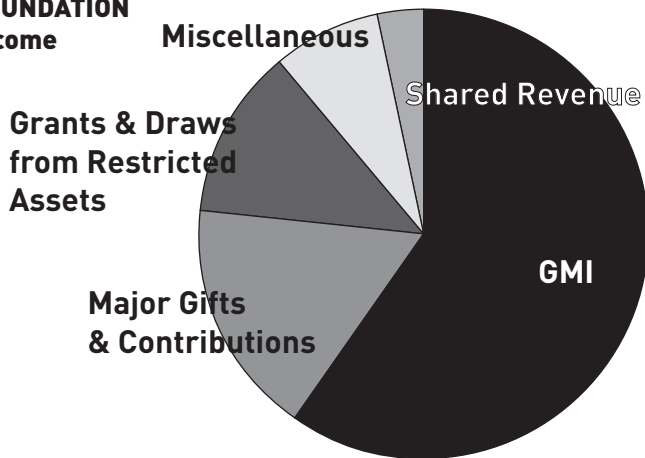
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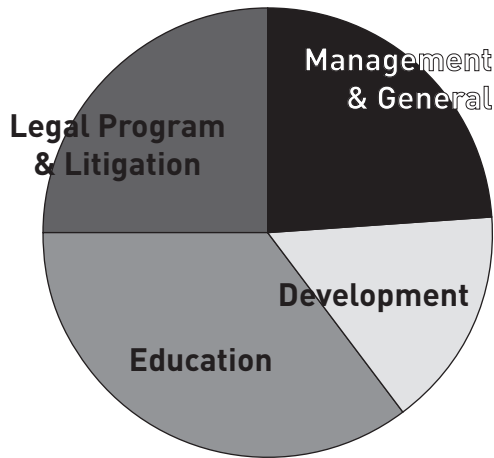
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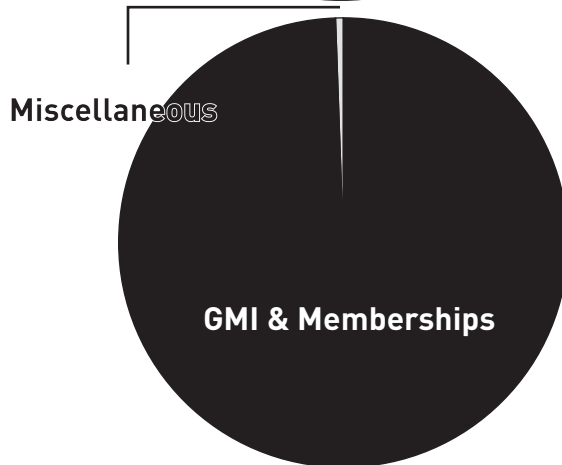
Income

ACLU Shared Revenue*	\$ 28,171
ACLU Guaranteed Minimum Income†	\$ 217,104
Major Gifts Campaign & Contributions*	\$ 61,647
Grants & Draws from Restricted Assets	\$ 44,161
Miscellaneous	\$ 11,819
Total Income	\$ 362,902

Expenses

Management & General	\$ 75,545
Legal Program & Litigation	\$ 77,948
Education	\$ 111,638
Development	\$ 49,767
Total Expenses	\$ 314,898

UNION Income



ACLU NEBRASKA

ACLU Nebraska conducts membership outreach and legislative advocacy. As a 501 (c) 4 organization, contributions are not tax-deductible.

Income

ACLU Guaranteed Minimum Income & Memberships†	\$ 33,579
Miscellaneous	\$ 98
Total Income	\$ 33,677

Expenses

Legislation & Advocacy	\$ 24,482
Management & General	\$ 8,085
Total Expenses	\$ 32,567

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Thanks to you civil liberties will be defended.

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