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## Champions of Social Justice

### American History

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There are a variety of definitions for "Social justice," but they all include the core values of equal rights, equal opportunity and equal treatment. It has often referred to the process of ensuring that individuals fulfill their societal roles and receive what was their due from society. These are brief organizational descriptions of social justice.

- Social justice may be broadly understood as the fair and compassionate distribution of the fruits of economic growth. ([United Nations](#))
- Social justice is the view that everyone deserves equal economic, political and social rights and opportunities. Social workers aim to open the doors of access and opportunity for everyone, particularly those in greatest need. ([National Association of Social Workers](#))
- Social justice encompasses economic justice. Social justice is the virtue which guides us in creating those organized human interactions we call institutions. In turn, social institutions, when justly organized, provide us with access to what is good for the person, both individually and in our associations with others. Social justice also imposes on each of us a personal responsibility to work with others to design and continually perfect our institutions as tools for personal and social development. ([Center for Economic and Social Justice](#))

• Social justice is fairness as it manifests in society. That includes fairness in healthcare, employment, housing, and more. Discrimination and social justice are not compatible. ([Human Rights Careers](#))

• Social justice is a political and philosophical theory which asserts that there are dimensions to the concept of justice beyond those embodied in the principles of civil or criminal law, economic supply and demand, or traditional moral frameworks. Social justice tends to focus more on just relations between groups within society as opposed to the justice of individual conduct or justice for individuals. ([Investopedia](#))

Collectively, these individuals, who are or were from different walks of life, have devoted much of their lives confronting and addressing specific areas of injustice. These injustices include, but are not limited to anti-Semitism, bigotry, civil rights, classism, discrimination, heterosexism, homophobia, lynching, racism, segregation, sexism, white supremacy and voting rights.

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#### Summary of Americans All: Tools to Build a More Perfect Union (c.1986 - ?)

Today, Americans All remains true to its mission to honor the contributions that all immigrants, both forced and voluntary, have made—and continue to make—to our nation. A second goal is to help schools and small businesses prosper. Our 35-year-old nonprofit foundation's education resources have been used in more than 2,000 schools and libraries nationwide, helping to highlight the values that unite, rather than divide, the American people. [Read more](#)

**Brief Biographies of Champions of Social Justice, Part 1 (? - ?)** Susan B. Anthony, Ida B. Wells Barnett, Cesar Chavez, Frederick Douglass, Ruth B. Ginsburg, Martin Luther King, Lewis, Marshall, Rosa Parks, Chief Plenty Coups, Jack Robinson, Eleanor Roosevelt, Bayard Rustin, Harry Truman, Helen Zia

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**Jane Addams** Illinois (*September 6, 1860 - May 21, 1935*) Social Worker, Settlement House Founder, Author

Jane Addams received national recognition as a feminist, a social worker and the founder of the settlement house movement. She was born in Cedarville, Illinois, the eighth of nine children. Her father was a successful miller as well as a state senator and an officer in the Civil War. [Read more](#)

**Susan B. Anthony** Massachusetts (*c. 1820 - March 13, 1906*) Anti-Slavery, Author, Editor, ICW, Lobbyist, NAWSA, Nineteenth Amendment, Organizer, Property Rights, Quaker, Revolution-Newspaper, Rochester, Seneca Falls, Speaker, Suffragist, Teacher, Temperance, Women's Suffrage, Voting, Voting Rights

Susan B. Anthony is perhaps the most widely known suffragist of her generation and has become an icon of the woman's suffrage movement. She traveled the country to give speeches, circulate petitions, and organize local women's rights organizations. Her experience with the teacher's union, temperance, and antislavery reforms, and her Quaker upbringing, laid fertile ground for a career in women's rights reform to grow. The career would begin with an introduction to Elizabeth Cady Stanton. [Read more](#)

**Edgar S. Cahn Ph.D.** District of Columbia (*March 23, 1935 - ?*) Community Health, Co-Production, Educator, Jewish, Juvenile Justice, Hunger, Law School, Legal Education, Native Americans, Scholar, Self-Help, Social Justice, Social Welfare, Speech Writer, TimeBanks, Time Dollars

Dr. Edgar S. Cahn is the originator of Time Dollars and the founder TimeBanks USA, as well as the co-founder of the National Legal Services Program and the Antioch School of Law (now the David A. Clarke School of Law). A compelling speaker, Dr. Cahn possesses the eloquence, passion, and sense of humor to inspire in his audiences a sense not only that social justice matters, but that it calls for immediate action. [Read more](#)

**Frederick Douglass** Maryland (*February 1818 - February 20, 1895*) Abolitionist, African Americans, Author, Black, Civil Rights, Civil Servant, Civil War, Diplomat, North Star, Orator, Slavery, Social Reformer, Statesman, Underground Railroad, Women's Suffrage, Frederick Douglass was an American social reformer, abolitionist, orator, writer, and statesman. After escaping from slavery in Maryland, he became a national leader of the abolitionist movement in Massachusetts and New York, becoming famous for his oratory and incisive antislavery writings. His brilliant words and brave actions continue to shape the ways that we think about race, democracy, and the meaning of freedom. [Read more](#)

**Jovita Idár** Texas (*September 7, 1885 - June 15, 1946*) Methodist, Hispanic, Teacher, Journalist, Political Activist, Idár

Jovita Idár, teacher, journalist, and political activist was born in Laredo in 1885, one of eight children of Jovita and Nicasio Idár. She attended the Holding Institute (a Methodist school) in Laredo, from which she earned a teaching certificate in 1903. She then taught at a small school in Ojuelos. Inadequate equipment and poor conditions, as well as her inability to improve them, frustrated her, so she resigned and joined . . . [Read more](#)

**Mary Harris "Mother" Jones** Colorado (*c. 1837 - November 30, 1930*) Irish, Ireland, Labor Organizer, Orator, Children's Crusade

Few would argue with this feisty little Irish lady for, although she was known as the Miner's Angel, she was also known as the Mother of All Agitators. Born in Cork City, Ireland, her family fled the Great Hunger to Toronto, Canada, when she was a child. She trained as a teacher and worked briefly as a teacher and as a dressmaker. In 1861, Mary married George Jones, an iron molder and union organizer in Memphis, Tennessee. [Read more](#)

**Honorable John Fitzgerald "Jack" Kennedy** Massachusetts (*May 29, 1917 - November 22, 1963*) Irish, Catholic, Ireland, Politician, Author, War Hero, President of the U.S.

John Fitzgerald Kennedy was named in honor of his mother Rose's father, John Francis Fitzgerald, the Boston Mayor popularly known as Honey Fitz. Before long, family and friends called this small blue-eyed baby, Jack. He was not a very healthy baby, and Rose recorded on his notecard [which she kept for each child] the childhood diseases from which he suffered, such as: "whooping cough, measles, chicken pox." [Read more](#)

**Honorable Robert Francis "Bobby" Kennedy** Massachusetts (*November 20, 1925 - June 6, 1968*) Irish, Catholic, Ireland, Politician, U.S. Attorney General and U.S. Senator

Robert Francis Kennedy was born on November 20, 1925, in [Brookline](#), Massachusetts, the seventh child in the closely knit and competitive family of [Rose](#) and [Joseph P. Kennedy](#). "I was the seventh of nine children," he later recalled, "and when you come from that far down you have to struggle to survive." [Read more](#)

**Honorable Edward Moore "Teddy" Kennedy** Massachusetts (*February 22, 1932 - August 25, 2009*) Irish, Catholic. Ireland, Politician, U.S. Senator

Edward M. Kennedy, born February 22, 1932, to Joseph Patrick and Rose (Fitzgerald) Kennedy in Boston, MA., was, at his death, the third longest-serving member of the U.S. Senate in American history, having been elected to the Senate nine times. He called health care "the cause of my life," and succeeded in bringing quality and affordable health care for countless Americans, including children, seniors and Americans with disabilities. [Read more](#)

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**Sarah Winnemucca** Nevada (*c. 1884 - c. 1891*) Native-American, Author, Activist, Paiute

Sarah Winnemucca was the daughter of Chief Winnemucca of the Northern Paiute People and granddaughter of Chief Truckee who guided John C. Fremont during his 1843 to 1845 expedition across the Great Basin to California. [Read more](#)





## Howard County Historical Society

### Education Organization

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Founded in 1958, the Howard County Historical Society is primary private repository of historical records and artifacts related to Howard County's rich history, the Howard County Historical Society provides access to materials that aid in historical exploration, research and discovery for all ages and cultural groups.

Throughout the year, the Howard County Historical Society presents a wide variety of engaging public programs, concerts, lectures, and other activities. The Society also welcomes school groups, scouts, home schoolers, adult groups, and the public to participate through field trips and outreach programs.

The Museum of Howard County (8328 Court Avenue) is housed in the former First Presbyterian Church which was generously donated to the Society in 1959 by Mrs. Alda Hopkins Clark in memory of her late husband, Judge James Clark, Sr. The Clark Family was instrumental in founding the Historical Society.

Located next to the Court House in Ellicott City, the original church was a modest building constructed in 1837 that collapsed during renovations in 1894. Rebuilt later that same year, the current Gothic-style structure with its soaring 100-foot bell tower, steeply pitched roof and stained and leaded glass windows was designed by George

Archer and constructed by Frederick A. Wayland. Along with an extensive collection of fascinating artifacts, textiles, furniture and memorabilia, the Museum is home to a refurbished 1855 organ built by the A.B. Fegemacher Organ Company of Erie, PA.

The Howard County Historical Society Archives and Research Library were originally kept in the Museum and then moved to the Ellicott's Mills Quaker School, now known as the Weir Building, in 1988. In the fall of 2011, the Society moved its treasure trove of historical maps, deeds and property records, marriage licenses, voter records, slave manumission records and oral histories as well as over 4,000 historical photographs, local 4-H documents, business receipts, and many rare and one-of-a-kind private documents to the Charles E. Miller Branch Library and Historical Center on Frederick Road in Ellicott City.

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**Allan S. Kullen** Maryland (February 20, 1942 - ?) Author, Businessman, Golfer, Inventor, Jewish, Marketing, Mergers-Acquisitions, Poland, Printer, Social Entrepreneur, Traveler

"Her name is Ester Baumgartner. Do you know her? She's a pretty Swiss girl who sings beautifully, and I think she lives near here." Allan had posed the question in a broken mixture of Hebrew and English to whoever would listen and could understand him. Allan had met Ester while on an archaeological dig at Masada in the Negev, Israel. All he knew by the time they parted ways was her name and that she was staying in Tel Aviv. [Read more](#)