



2015

William O. Douglas Award Dinner

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William O. Douglas Award - Civil Rights Legend, Dolores Huerta



Dolores Huerta is the President of the Dolores Huerta Foundation. Her lifelong journey has been working as a community organizer and social justice activist for over 50 years. Dolores spent most of her childhood and early adult life in Stockton, California. It was there that she found her calling as an organizer while serving in the leadership of the Stockton Community Service Organization (CSO). During this time she founded the Agricultural Workers Association, set up voter registration drives and pressed local governments for barrio improvements. In 1955, through CSO founder Fred Ross, Sr., she met a likeminded colleague, CSO Executive Director César E. Chávez. The two soon discovered that they shared a common vision of organizing farm workers. In the spring of 1962 César and Dolores resigned from the CSO, and launched the National Farm Workers Association, which later became the United Farm Workers (UFW). Dolores' organizing skills were essential to the growth of this budding organization.

Dolores went on to play a major role in the American civil rights movement. As one of the most famous and celebrated Latinas in the US, Huerta has been an advocate for social justice, women's rights, and reproductive freedom and LGBT civil rights. She continues working to develop community leaders to advocate for the working poor, immigrants, women and youth through her work with the Dolores Huerta Foundation. She speaks at universities and conference forums on issues of public policy, social justice, and advocacy influencing thousands of young people to serve their communities.

Dolores is a two time United States Presidential Award Recipient; she received the Medal of Freedom Award from President Obama in 2012, the highest civilian award in the United States, and the Eleanor D. Roosevelt Human Rights Award from President Clinton in 1998.

She is a founding board member of the Feminist Majority Foundation and also serves on the board of Ms. Magazine. Her numerous awards include the Ohtli award from the Mexican Government, the James Smithson Award from the Smithsonian Institution, and the Icons of the American Civil Rights Movement Award, bestowed to her in 2011 by the National Civil Rights Museum. She also was named one of Ms. Magazine's three most important women of 1997, and the Ladies Home Journal's 100 most important woman of the 20th Century, among many other accolades. She is a former UC Regent and has earned nine honorary doctorates from universities throughout the United States. Her most recent recognitions include her induction to the U. S. Department of Labor Hall of Honor. Dolores was also the first Latina inducted into the National Women's Hall of Fame.

At the age of 85, Dolores has not slowed down at all. She continues to work tirelessly, traveling across the country engaging in campaigns and influencing legislation that supports equality and defends civil rights.

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