

Want to work for issues  
that matter to our community,  
that matter to you?

Join the  
Coalition for Democracy  
of Central New York

We seek to provide a strong unified grassroots voice in  
upstate New York for issues that concern us all –

HEALTH CARE  
OUR ENVIRONMENT  
SOCIAL SECURITY  
CIVIL RIGHTS, CIVIL LIBERTIES  
WAR AND PEACE  
and more (see reverse)

We engage in political and social activism, such as holding public information forums,  
lobbying legislators, and presenting information on candidates for office.

CfD is not affiliated with any political party or church. Business meetings are held once a month.

We meet at 7 p.m., the third Thursday of the month, at the First United Methodist Church in Oneonta.

For more information, contact 607-263-5425, [cfd\\_cny@yahoo.com](mailto:cfd_cny@yahoo.com), or visit [www.democracycoalition.org](http://www.democracycoalition.org).

I want to  
become  
involved:

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Send to: Coalition for Democracy, P.O. Box 526, Morris, NY 13808	

**The Coalition for Democracy** seeks to provide a strong, unified **grassroots** voice in upstate New York to promote societal and environmental agendas that "promote the general welfare," as referred to in the U.S. Constitution. The **values** guiding the Coalition are Integrity, Justice, Freedom and Compassion.

**I n t e g r i t y**  
demands of us, our public officials and our institutions responsibility, transparency, openness and accountability.

**J u s t i c e**  
requires fairness, tolerance and respect for each other and for other peoples, cultures and religions as well as for the environment.

**F r e e d o m**  
requires an educated and informed electorate; responsible, independent and diverse media; and protection of individual rights and civil liberties.

**Compassion,**  
as encapsulated in the Golden Rule, impels us toward a special concern for the health, education and welfare of the most vulnerable segments of society.



## CfD acts through its Work Groups, including the following:

1. **HEALTHCARE:** works on healthcare related issues, e.g., Medicare/Medicaid, national healthcare coverage for all, etc.
2. **ENVIRONMENT:** works on environment-related issues, e.g., Peak Oil, alternative fuels, land development, etc.
3. **VOTING MACHINES:** works on issues relating to voting and verifiable ballots
4. **CLEAN MONEY/CLEAN ELECTIONS:** works on issues relating to election campaigns and campaign finance reform
5. **THE MEDIA:** works for an accurate independent media that tells the truth; works to oppose media consolidation
6. **SOCIAL SECURITY:** works to defeat privatization and, in the longer term, to encourage appropriate measures to improve the financial security of the system
7. **FOREIGN RELATIONS/WAR & PEACE:** works to ensure that our government acts responsibly and consistently with real American values in dealing with other nations
8. **EDUCATION:** works on improving our education system including by avoiding/eliminating counterproductive mandatory testing requirements
9. **CIVIL RIGHTS/CIVIL LIBERTIES:** works to ensure that civil rights are respected for Americans and others; an immediate focus of attention is the renewal of the Patriot Act
10. **NY LEGISLATURE:** works to reform our NY State legislature to make it more effective and responsive to constituents
11. **CANDIDATES:** educates the public about our political system, including procedures for running for office, provides forums for candidates to present themselves, evaluates candidates, and encourages participation in the political process.
12. **ORGANIZATIONAL:**  
**NETWORKING:** recruits new members; liaises with other activist organizations – locally, statewide, and nationally  
**PUBLIC INFORMATION/PUBLIC RELATIONS:** provides information to the public, and press releases, advertising, etc. for CfD