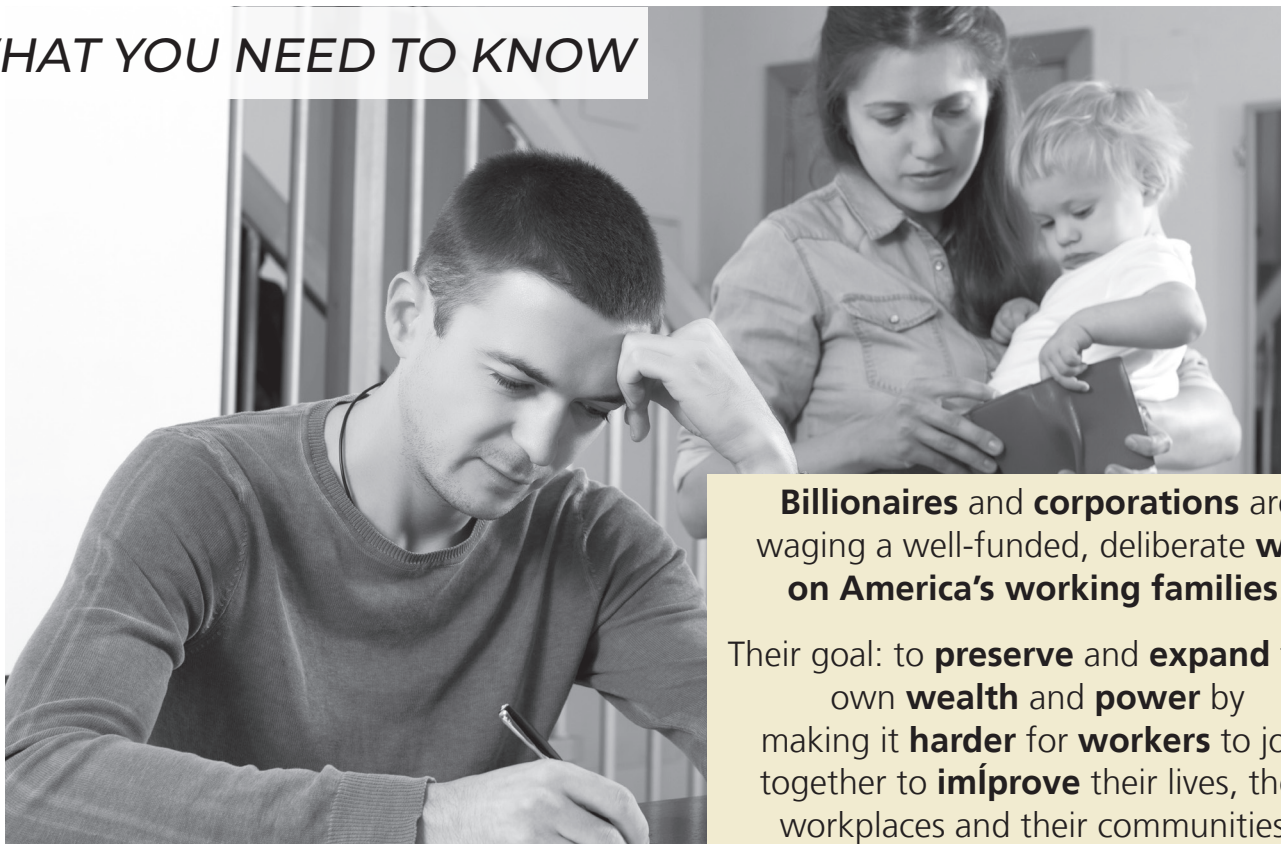


WHO'S FUNDING THE WAR ON WORKING FAMILIES?

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW



Billionaires and **corporations** are waging a well-funded, deliberate **war on America's working families**.

Their goal: to **preserve** and **expand** their own **wealth** and **power** by making it **harder** for **workers** to join together to **improve** their lives, their workplaces and their communities.

Through multimillion-dollar donations to ultra-conservative think tanks and right-wing policy advocacy groups, they undermine our public schools, limit access to affordable healthcare for families, and take away the rights of working people to advance and have a voice through their unions. A small band of billionaire family foundations provides the dark money behind this assault on working families, using state legislatures and court cases such as *Janus v. AFSCME* to achieve their goals.

● **Richard and Helen DeVos Foundation**

- Established by billionaire Richard DeVos Sr., the founder of multilevel marketing company Amway and father-in-law of **U.S. Education Secretary Betsy DeVos**.
- Spends millions of dollars on policies that hurt workers, including AFT members.
- Supports efforts to defund public schools and to use public dollars for private religious schools.
- Works to end collective bargaining rights for educators.
- Opposes LGBTQ rights, like marriage equality.

● **Lynde and Harry Bradley Foundation**

- Has given more than \$500 million since 2000 to the anti-union, far-right policy agenda.
- Funds the **Empire Center for Public Policy**, a conservative New York-based think tank that attacks collective bargaining, bashes public-sector unions and undermines public employee pensions and retirement security.
- Funds the **Freedom Foundation**, a right-wing group in the Pacific Northwest that runs aggressive anti-union opt-out campaigns through door-to-door canvassing and media ads.
- Supports right-to-work bills, including Wisconsin Act 10, which ended collective bargaining for Wisconsin public employees in 2015 and led to a 40 percent loss of union membership.

● **Koch Brothers** (the Koch family foundations and related charities)

- Has donated more than \$100 million to some 34 right-wing political and policy advocacy groups.
- Opposes the Affordable Care Act, Medicaid expansion and raising the federal minimum wage.
- Works to limit collective bargaining rights and other workers' rights.
- Fueled the tea party movement and the rise of far-right extremism in the Republican Party.



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