



The CEOs of major financial institutions such as Citigroup, Bank of America, Goldman Sachs, AIG, and others ran our country into the ground, taking our jobs, our homes and our pensions down with them. They gave themselves multimillion dollar bonuses with our tax dollars. Now they are gaming the political system so they can profit even more off the crisis they caused. They must be stopped.

A New Way Forward is a national movement of citizens who are angry about how powerful special interests have hijacked the response to the financial crisis, exposing us all to more financial risk, higher unemployment, and greater instability. ANWF is an independent national organization unaffiliated with any political party or group. It is made up entirely of volunteers, with no funding or paid staff.

ANWF demands a fundamental restructuring of our financial system that responds to the root causes of the financial crisis. The planks of our platform are simple:

- (1) RECEIVERSHIP:** Experts agree on the means -- Insolvent banks that are too big to fail must be put under a temporary FDIC receivership — no more blank-check taxpayer handouts.
- (2) REORGANIZE:** Current CEOs and board members must be removed and bonuses wiped out. The financial elite must share in the cost of what they have caused.
- (3) DECENTRALIZE & RE-REGULATE:** Banks must be broken up and sold back to the private market with strong, new regulatory and antitrust rules in place — new banks, managed by new people. Any bank that's “too big to fail” means that it's too big for a free market to function.

Financial industry refusal to see anything beyond short-term profit for themselves has torn this country apart and jeopardized our future. But the blame doesn't lie only with the banks; it also lies with the U.S. government that failed to protect its citizens through regulation and oversight. Through their blind faith in the financial markets, both banks and government have made us all into victims of greed gone out of control.

If our government is to take decisive action to rebuild the economy in ways that protect the public, it will require Americans to fight back against this corruption. We must organize ourselves around serious ideas to demand a new way forward or things simply will not change. In the same way that the special interests have manipulated politicians to act in their favor, citizens must fight for economic policies that are good for all.

You can make the difference
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“This country, with its institutions, belongs to the people who inhabit it.”—Abraham Lincoln