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Ai-jen Poo Joins CBPP Board

Ai-jen Poo, President of the National Domestic Workers Alliance and Executive Director of Caring Across Generations, has joined the Center on Budget and Policy Priorities' (CBPP) Board of Directors, CBPP announced today. A next-generation labor leader, award-winning organizer and author, and a leading voice in the women's movement, Poo is a nationally recognized expert on the care economy, the future of work, narrative change, and grassroots organizing.

"I am delighted to welcome Ai-jen to our Board of Directors," said Kenneth Apfel, CBPP Board Chairman and former Social Security Commissioner. "She brings to our Board an array of skills and experience, from her deep roots in organizing and her policy expertise in numerous issues the Center works on to her extraordinary leadership advancing workers' rights and protections in states across the country."

CBPP President Sharon Parrott stated, "The Center is incredibly fortunate to have Ai-jen join our Board. She's a dynamic leader, a fierce advocate for workers, especially those who face discrimination and marginalization based on race or gender, and she has a deep commitment to ensuring that their voices are heard in the public debate. She will be an invaluable asset to CBPP's Board as the organization continues to work toward a nation where everyone has the resources they need to thrive and share in the nation's prosperity."

Poo said, "The Center has unparalleled policy expertise and a decades-long record of securing policies that move our country toward economic, health and racial justice. It is also a committed partner to numerous membership and organizing groups, including the National Domestic Workers Alliance, using rigorous research and analysis, along with strategic communications and advocacy expertise, to support the important work of groups across the country towards this shared mission. I'm honored to join the Center's board and help the organization continue to deepen its partnerships and expand its positive impact in the years to come."

Ai-jen Poo Biography

Ai-jen Poo is a next-generation labor leader, award-winning organizer, author, and a leading voice in the women's movement. She is the President of the National Domestic Workers Alliance, Director of Caring Across Generations, Co-Founder of SuperMajority, and Trustee of the Ford Foundation. Poo is a nationally recognized expert on the care economy, the future of work, gender equality, immigration, narrative change, and grassroots organizing. She is the author of the celebrated book, *The Age of Dignity: Preparing for the Elder Boom in a Changing America*. Together with Alicia Garza, Ai-jen co-hosts the podcast, Sunstorm.

Poo has been recognized among Fortune's 50 World's Greatest Leaders and TIME's 100 Most Influential People in the World, and she has been the recipient of countless awards, including a 2014 MacArthur "Genius" Award. She has been a featured speaker at TEDWomen, Aspen Ideas Festival, Cannes Lions Festival of Creativity, Skoll World Forum, and the Obama Foundation Inaugural Summit. She has made TV appearances on Nightline, MSNBC, and Morning Joe, and her writing has been featured in The New York Times, The Washington Post, TIME, Marie Claire, Glamour, Cosmopolitan, and CNN.com among others.

In 12 short years, with the help of more than 70 local affiliate organizations and chapters and over 200,000 members, the National Domestic Workers Alliance has passed Domestic Worker Bills of Rights in ten states, the cities of Seattle and Philadelphia, and brought over 2 million home care workers under minimum wage protections. In 2011, Poo launched Caring Across Generations to unite American families in a campaign to achieve bold solutions to the nation's crumbling care infrastructure. The campaign has catalyzed groundbreaking policy change in states, including the nation's first family caregiver benefit in Hawai'i, and the first long-term care social insurance fund in Washington State.

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