Section 1: Executive Summary –
The Jesuit Social Research Institute works to transform the Gulf South through action research, analysis, education, and advocacy on the core issues of poverty, race, and migration. The Institute is a collaboration of Loyola University New Orleans and the U.S. Central and Southern Province of the Society of Jesus, rooted in the faith that does justice.

JSRI is in its third year of its Strategic Plan. The plan includes six strategic directions, 19 goals, and a number of specific strategies and action steps for each. Progress is reviewed periodically at staff meetings and Advisory Board meetings, deadlines and planned actions adjusted when necessary, and new actions are added where appropriate.

Section 2: Unit Profile Summary –
Year Founded: The Jesuit Social Research Institute (JSRI) of Loyola University was formally established as a collaborative undertaking of the New Orleans Province of the Society of Jesus and Loyola University New Orleans through a Memorandum of Understanding signed on November 28, 2007. The JSRI office and staff began functioning in August, 2007 at the start of the AY08 academic year. On July 31, 2014, the New Orleans Province was merged with the Missouri Province to form the U.S. Central and Southern Province of the Society of Jesus.

List/describe programs: JSRI “programs” are organized in three categories: action-research; education; and advocacy.

ACTION-RESEARCH AREAS BY HEADING:

Poverty: research continues in the areas of Gulf South poverty, tax justice, minimum wage, Medicaid expansion, Affordable Care Act, Unemployment, and U.S. budget.

Racism: voting rights, death penalty, payday loans, white racism, electoral politics, and criminal justice reform.


The “output” of this research is reflected in the education activities of JSRI and its advocacy activities, as spelled out below in Section 3.

EDUCATION:
Education in JSRI is broadly focused on the campus community, the civic community, the Church community, Jesuits and Jesuit institutions, and the broader public.

Institute staff and collaborators disseminate this research and analysis and education on Institute core issues and Catholic Social Teaching through a variety of means:
Publications such as our JustSouth Quarterly and JustSouth Monthly e-newsletter, web pages, monographs, pamphlets, articles in popular and academic journals, op-ed pieces, newsletters, testimonies before civil authorities, presentations at conferences, etc.;

Workshops, classes and seminars offered through Loyola University, as well as regional, national and international conferences and symposia;

Presentations for high school and university faculty and students as well as Catholic and other faith-based workers, leaders, clergy, religious, and community organizers focusing on developing skills for social analysis and theological reflection, using the research and analysis of the institute as models;

Facilitation and networking services aimed at building the capacity of church and community based organizations for social analysis, theological reflection, advocacy, and effective planning on issues that they are working to address in their own communities and regions; and

Opportunities for social analysis and theological reflection for faculty, staff, and students participating in immersion experiences from a variety of educational institutions that provide opportunities to learn about issues associated with poverty, racism, and migration in the South and Southwest. JSRI staff also provide social analysis and theological reflection resources for those coming to this region to assist in post-Katrina re-building efforts.

ADVOCACY

Institute staff, collaborators, and stakeholders engage in advocacy on social and economic issues through providing testimony to legislative bodies, meeting with legislators and staff members of the region, and conducting public events such as hearings and press conferences. JSRI offers assistance to other advocates by providing background research for testimony and undertaking campaigns promoting values such as the common good and the preferential option for the poor, and by integrating public ethics into the fostering of public policy.

- Staff work with local Catholic groups, state Catholic Conferences, interfaith organizations, civic organizations, and other advocates on national, state, and local legislative and administrative issues; and

- The JustSouth Quarterly and JustSouth Monthly e-newsletter, as well as the JSRI website and facebook and twitter posts include a focus on current legislative and administrative issues and initiatives dealing with poverty, race, and migration in the region, the nation, and in sending countries.

- Specific ongoing advocacy projects include:
  - Payday lending
  - Death Penalty
  - Comprehensive Immigration Reform
  - Opposing anti-immigrant legislation
  - Medicaid expansion
  - Human Rights in private prisons and detention centers

Section 2.1: Staff and Human Resources

Staff: 4 permanent FTE: Director, Fellow, Fellow/Migration Specialist, and Administrative Assistant. The Director and two Fellows have faculty rank. A new Economic Policy Specialist, with faculty rank, funded for two years, beginning July 1, 2014, by a foundation grant.

2 Associates, not paid by JSRI, working for other agencies: 1 Jesuit liaison, 1 Alabama Associate. Usually one work-study student per semester.

Advisory Board members:

- Lydia Voigt, Ph.D., Fr. Joseph H. Fichter, SJ, Distinguished Professor, Loyola University New Orleans, chairperson
Section 3: Goals for Current Academic Year –

3.1 Goals by year 2013-14

Beginning in September of 2010, JSRI recruited a task force made up of Loyola and community representatives, in addition to staff and board members, to construct a three year strategic plan. JSRI then underwent an intensive strategic planning process, including SWOT analysis, workgroups, board input, and a revision of JSRI’s mission, vision, and values. The final plan was approved by JSRI’s advisory board in March 2012. The steps in the planning process and the persons involved are laid out in detail on pages 14-15 in the plan at http://www.loyno.edu/jsri/sites/loyno.edu.jsri/files/PLAN-FINAL-06-28-12-plan.pdf

EDUCATION

It was important this year to connect education activities to the ongoing debate on immigration reform, the persistent battles in Congress over the federal budget and deficit, the fiftieth anniversary of the opening of the Second Vatican Council, and our particular advocacy projects.

JUSTSOUTH QUARTERLY

Four editions of the JustSouth Quarterly were distributed to approximately 1600 persons across the Gulf South and around the world: Jesuits (individuals, communities, and institutions), bishops, social justice activists, Catholic Charities leaders, theologians, high school teachers, university professors, and many others. The four editions in 2013-14 included the following articles:

Fall 2013
- The Relentless Assault on America's Hungry--Kammer
- Catholic Social Thought and Hunger--Kammer
- One Family Under God: Witnessing for Immigration Reform--Weishar
- Marching for Racial Justice in Contemplation and Protest—Mikulich

Winter 2013
- Honduran Agony: The Spiral of Violence and Corruption--Weishar & Baudouin
- Catholic Social Thought and Health Care-- Kammer
- The Affordable Care Act: Who, Why, and What? --Kammer
- White Complicity as a Way Toward Racial Solidarity-- Mikulich

Spring 2014
- Six Myths of Payday Lending-- Mikulich
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- Catholic Social Thought and Conversion -- Kammer
- Of Tears and Terror: Families Torn Apart By Community Raids in the New Orleans Area -- Weishar
- Inside Jesuit Justice: A Forty-Year Journey into the Public Square -- Kammer

Summer 2014
- The KIDS COUNT Gulf South: Children in the region continue not to count much! -- Kammer
- Catholic Social Thought and Wages -- Kammer
- Kids in Crisis: The surge of unaccompanied immigrant children to the border -- Weishar
- The Monstrous Elegance of White Supremacy -- Mikulich

JUSTSOUTH MONTHLY
Prior to this year, we published five-seven issues of the JustSouth E-News. After analysis of the “openings” of the E-News and the readers’ interest in various articles and links to studies by others, after consultation with Loyola Information Technology staff, we simplified the format of the e-news and began to publish it monthly in October, 2013, as the JustSouth Monthly. Readership analysis for the month of March, 2014, for example, indicated that the issue was opened by 13.57% of students (605 of 4458); 30.34% of faculty and staff (277 of 916); and 33.73% of our JSRI list (537 of 1,609 persons). These rates, while higher than previous months, were typical of the varying rates among groups of recipients and are reviewed for each issue. The ten editions for 2013-14 included the following articles:

July 2014--A Last Will and Testament: The Freedom Riders’ enduring legacy
- Dr. Alex Mikulich reflects upon the work of the Freedom Riders fifty years ago.

June 2014--"We Belong To Each Other": Forgetting Our Oneness at a Town Hall Meeting
- Dr. Sue Weishar remembers the unwelcoming nature of a town hall meeting last summer.

May 2014--The Audacity of Hope: What sustains us in the face of injustice?
- Fr. Fred Kammer, S.J. encourages advocates for the "least among us," to hope.

April 2014--Dealing for the Devil
- Dr. Alex Mikulich discusses how legislatures protect a business that preys on the poor.

March 2014--When Italians Were "Others"
- Dr. Sue Weishar educates readers about the 1891 lynching of eleven Italian immigrants in New Orleans.

February 2014--Raise the Minimum Wage! It's a Matter of Justice
- Fr. Fred Kammer, S.J. shares why the minimum wage needs to be raised to $10.10.

January 2014--Martin Luther King, Jr.: Becoming maladjusted for the beloved community
- Dr. Alex Mikulich reminds us of Dr. King's call to oppose structural and systemic injustice.

December 2013--Advent 2013: Called to live the joy of Gospel solidarity
- Dr. Alex Mikulich reminds us of the exhortation of Pope Francis to rejoice in the Good News of the Gospel in this Christmas season and throughout the year.

November 2013--Keep "Thanks" in Thanksgiving
- Dr. Sue Weishar calls for gratitude for immigrant workers and their contributions to our society as we discuss comprehensive immigration reform.

October 2013--JustSouth Monthly begins
- The Globalization of Indifference: Pope Francis asks, "Who is responsible?" -- Kammer

OTHER EDUCATIONAL SESSIONS AND PUBLICATIONS:

Staff were involved in a variety of forms of education during the year-talks, classes, conferences, and publications—reflected in the following list:

August 7
Fr. Kammer spoke on spirituality, discernment, and justice to sixty-plus Jesuit Volunteers at their orientation north of Houston.

**September 2**
Fr. Kammer’s article “Labor Day justice: What’s the real cost of your cheap, fast food?” was published on the website of the Washington Post.

**September 17**
Fr. Arroyo is featured in the new book Love has no Borders which tells how faith leaders fought Alabama's harsh immigration reform law in 2011.

**September 17-18**
Dr. Mikulich with his co-authors presented The Scandal of White Complicity in U.S. Hyper-Incarceration at Center for Social Concerns of Notre Dame Univ.

**September 26**

**September 30**
Fr. Kammer gave the keynote on Church in the public square and workshops on immigration and Catholic social thought at St. Cloud diocesan conference.

**October 4**
Dr. Weishar co-planned Biloxi Bible Study and Prayer Service for Immigration Reform with JSRI Board Member Bishop Roger Morin.

**October 4-5**
Dr. Mikulich co-facilitated anti-racism workshop for Pax Christi in Oklahoma City.

**October 6-7**
Fr. Kammer preached at the Red Mass in St. Louis and talked at St. Louis University Law School.

**October 13**
Fr. Kammer gave talks on health care policy and advocacy to Chicago Catholic Health forum.

**October 14-15**
Dr. Mikulich co-planned and presented to six-state Faith Roundtable in New Orleans on payday loans.

**October 26**
Dr. Weishar co-planned New Orleans Rally for Immigration Reform with JSRI Board Member Dr. Oscar Barbarin speaking on African American support.

**October 26**
Dr. Weishar helped organize a Rally for Immigration Reform outside the office of LA Congressman Scalise.

**October 28-29**
Dr. Weishar participated in "Americans for Reform Immigration Fly-In" to Washington, DC, and meetings with two LA Congressmen.

**November 4-7**
Dr. Weishar and Ms. Baudouin presented workshops on immigration detention at detention conference of the Global Ignatian Advocacy Network in Alcala, Spain.

**November 8-9**
Dr. Mikulich arranged for Jesus on Trial to held at the College of Law and at St. George Parish in Baton Rouge [press review].

**November 14**
Dr. Mikulich offered two presentations at University of San Diego on post-Katrina New Orleans and U.S. hyper-incarceration.

**November 17**
Fr. Kammer presented three workshops on justice at the Ignatian Family Teach-In in Crystal City, VA.

**November 23**
Dr. Weishar co-organized the rally of *Nuns and Friends for Immigration Reform* on the Loyola campus and their call to end intense immigration raids.

**November 25**
The *Lafayette Advertiser* quoted Dr. Mikulich for an [editorial](#) against predatory payday lending.

**December 1**
Dr. Mikulich is a contributor to *Unshakeable Belief: Advent 2013: Reflections on the Daily Lectionary Readings* available from [Pax Christi USA](#).

**December 4**
Fr. Kammer introduced Washington DC Loyola alumni to the mission and work of JSRI at their Christmas gathering.

**December 19**
Dr. Mikulich, Dr. Weishar, and Fr. Kammer addressed visiting students from Santa Clara University on the social realities of post-Katrina New Orleans.

**January 14**
Dr. Weishar participated in a panel on prison reform at the Langeloth Foundation in NYC.

**January 15-18**
Fr. Kammer led a social justice retreat for Jesuit volunteers of the southern region in Texas.

**January 25**
Fr. Kammer gave the keynote on social justice for a conference sponsored by Sacred Heart Parish in Hattiesburg, MS.

**February 1**
Dr. Weishar and Dr. Mikulich led Symposium entitled, "Jail for Sale: The Rise of For-Profit Prisons and the Catholic Response" at the national Catholic Social Ministry Gathering in Washington, D.C.

**February 7-8**
25 Loyola faculty, staff, and students participated in JSRI's introductory Anti-Racism Workshop.

**February 9**
Dr. Weishar provided seven Loyola student volunteers an orientation to Cafe con Ingles, an ESL and community outreach program Dr. Weishar co-directs at St. Anthony of Padua Church.

**February 19**
Fr. Kammer addressed Catholic Day at the Capitol participants in Jackson, MS on criminal justice.

**March 7**
LA for Responsible Lending, of which JSRI is a founding member, was featured in a [Times-Picayune op-ed](#).

**March 11**
Dr. Alex Mikulich met with State Senator Jean-Paul Morrell to discuss death penalty legislation.

**March 12**
Fr. Kammer and Ms. Baudouin met with staff of U.S. Senator Mary Landrieu about increasing the minimum wage.

**March 13**
Fr. Kammer discussed the first year of Pope Francis on MSNBC's NewsNation with Tamron Hall.

**March 14**
Fr. Kammer discussed "Jesuit Justice" with the Loyola Ignatian Faculty Fellows.

**March 15**
Dr. Weishar organized the Fast4Families New Orleans event for immigration reform at which Fr. Kammer spoke.

**March 18**
Fr. Kammer discussed "Jesuit Justice" with the Loyola Ignatian Staff Fellows.

**March 18**
Fr. Kammer addressed a community forum on payday loan reform in Baton Rouge.
March 26
JSRI staff discussed post-Katrina New Orleans with students visiting from Santa Clara University.

March 28
Dr. Mikulich chaired an anti-racism convening on Loyola campus.

April 1
Dr. Mikulich testified on payday loan reform at the legislature in Baton Rouge.

April 2
Dr. Weishar and Mary Baudouin organized the fifth local Catholic Dialogue on Immigration at St. Dominic Church, New Orleans.

April 5
Dr. Weishar joined Loyola Students for Immigration Reform in the Not1More Detention March.

April 7
Dr. Mikulich testified on payday loan reform at the legislature in Baton Rouge.

April 14-22
Dr. Mikulich's op-ed "Louisiana Legislature Protects Business that Preys on the Poor" was published in the Shreveport Times, the Lafayette Advertiser, the Baton Rouge Morning Advocate, the New Orleans Advocate, and the Louisiana Weekly.

April 29
Dr. Weishar spoke on the issues impacting immigration reform to a group of eight journalists from Central and South Asia visiting the U.S. as part of a State Department tour.

May 2-3
Fr. Kammer coordinated a two-day social justice orientation for Jesuit novices. Dr. Weishar and Ms. Price contributed.

May 13
Dr. Mikulich presented at a faculty symposium that concluded his year of work as an Ignatian Faculty Fellows.

June 10
Dr. Weishar addressed the migration committee of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops, meeting in New Orleans, on alternatives to immigrant detention.

June 10-12
Fr. Kammer preached and directed the Ignatian Volunteers retreat in St. Louis.

June 12
Dr. Mikulich participated in a field hearing and community roundtable in New Orleans conducted by Director Richard Cordray of the U.S. Consumer Financial Protection Bureau.

June 13
Dr. Sue Weishar was interviewed by Fox News 8 about the growing crisis of unaccompanied immigrant children to the U.S. border. WATCH

June 16-21
Fr. Kammer and Ms. Baudouin led the Ministry of Management Institute held on Loyola's campus and sponsored by the New Orleans Jesuit Province.

June 19
Dr. Weishar discussed the politics of immigration reform with diplomats from India visiting the U.S. on fellowships with the Asia Foundation.

June 20
Fr. Kammer presented a session to the Loyola Alumni College on the evolution of “Jesuit Justice.”

June 30
Dr. Mikulich led a session on white complicity for Loyola's graduate "Multicultural Counseling" course.

July 18
Dr. Mikulich's essay on the Freedom Riders appeared in the National Catholic Reporter.
CATHOLIC DIALOGUES ON IMMIGRATION
JSRI is leading an effort to engage local Catholics in parish-based dialogs on immigration where participants, both Anglo and immigrant, reflect on their own experiences and values regarding immigration and are asked to listen respectively fully to others’ experiences and perspectives. The purpose of the Catholic Dialog on Immigration Project, in conjunction with Catholic Relief Services and Catholic Charities New Orleans, is to increase understanding and awareness on immigration, especially unauthorized immigration, among Catholics—with a focus on involving U.S. born Catholics with little knowledge of the Church’s teachings on migration and foreign-born Catholics willing to share their immigration experiences. A key component of the Catholic Dialog on Immigration model is a presentation of the Church’s key values on immigration (drawn from Strangers No Longer) and a discussion on participants’ reactions to those teachings.

After four local dialogs over the past several years, on April 2, 2014, Dr. Weishar and Mary Baudouin organized the fifth local Catholic Dialogue on Immigration for St. Dominic and St. Pius Churches, New Orleans.

NEW INITIATIVE: FUNDING FOR STUDENT SUMMER SOCIAL SCIENCE RESEARCH GRANTS
JSRI, assisted by Institutional Advancement, proposed to the Keller Family Foundation the funding of a project to promote student research focused on the issues of race, poverty, and/or migration in New Orleans and Louisiana. We received formal approval of the $11,000 grant for four student research projects in early May, 2013—too late to initiate the program for summer 2013 research. The grant process was deferred to the summer of 2014. Grant funding guidelines were: Upon approval by a committee of faculty/staff and JSRI fellows (and IRB approval, if required), grantees were to receive the first $1600 of the grant by June 1, 2014 to help support the student and any research expenses during the summer period. The next $400 will be disbursed within two weeks of receiving the completed research paper, which is due no later than September 15, 2014. The final $200 will be disbursed within two weeks of the student’s presentation at the fall 2014 JSRI student research forum.

Eight proposals, supervised by faculty members, were received and the faculty-staff screening committee approved the following for work in the summer of 2014:
1. A sociology undergraduate is studying Relationship between Domestic Abuse and Human Trafficking.
2. A second sociology undergraduate is studying Food, Health, and Inequality: A Community Study on Rural Louisiana.
3. A counseling graduate student is studying The Impact of Race & Socioeconomic Status on Birth Outcomes in New Orleans.
4. A law student is studying Immigration Trends into the State of Louisiana Post Hurricane Katrina Based on Employment Visas, Student Visas, and Investment Visas Granted.

Where necessary the student and faculty advisor applied for and received approval from the Loyola Institutional Review Board. Written research reports are due on September 15, 2014, after which we will conduct a formal presentation program on campus. [The date will be set when the students confirm their fall semester class schedules.] Then a final report will be submitted to the Keller Family Foundation.

ADVOCACY
At their meeting in November, 2013, the JSRI Advisory Board approved the following legislative advocacy agenda for the year:

Migration: 
Opposition to state anti-immigrant legislation: Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama
The situations in the three states are somewhat different: in LOUISIANA we would continue working with the Louisiana Conference of Catholic Bishops [LCCB] to oppose any such legislation (none was introduced the last two years); in MISSISSIPPI we will continue to support the two dioceses in their
opposition to certain re-introduction of a bill similar to that which failed two years ago; and in ALABAMA we will continue to work with groups trying to get a full or partial repeal of their 2011 law, worsened in the 2012 session.

**Comprehensive Immigration Reform: Federal**
We would work with Catholic advocates and others to support good provisions and oppose bad provisions, as well as various local events and publications.

**Private Prisons: Shareholder Advocacy**
We would continue our work on the human rights shareholder advocacy project with the group of religious investors.

**Race:**

**Payday loans: Louisiana**
We will continue leadership, together with the LCCB, in the effort to introduce positive legislation restricting the interest rates and other provisions on payday loans.

**Death penalty: Louisiana and Alabama**
In LOUISIANA, we will continue to work with LCCB and the two state coalitions to educate Louisiana folks about and eventually introduce legislation restricting and/or eliminating the death penalty. In ALABAMA we will support any such efforts.

**Poverty:**

**Medicaid Expansion: Louisiana, Mississippi, and Alabama [Texas? Florida?]**
In Louisiana, in 2012-13, we worked with the LCCB to get the bishops to support the full Medicaid expansion made possible in the Affordable Care Act. We would expand that effort with a new statewide Catholic network and others. In MISSISSIPPI, the two dioceses chose as one of two issues for the 2013 Catholic Day at the Capitol; it will again be one of two issues at the 2014 Catholic Day at the Capitol and Fr. Kammer will be addressing the participants. We will be assisting with this effort and other work in support of the expansion. In ALABAMA, we will explore joining any efforts to expand. We will also inquire of the Catholic Conferences in FLORIDA and TEXAS what action they will be pursuing in this regard.

Subsequently, the work of the staff and associates focused primarily on the above issues, with the specific strategies and initiatives indicated below:

**Migration:**

**Opposition to state anti-immigrant legislation: Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama**
JSRI Activities: Again, no anti-immigrant bill moved in LOUISIANA. For the first time, no anti-immigrant bill moved in Mississippi and Alabama in the 2014 session. In addition, the federal courts struck down most of the punitive Alabama law from 2012.

**Comprehensive Immigration Reform [CIR]: Federal**
JSRI Activities [Dr. Weishar]: Dr. Weishar coordinated JSRI’s efforts involving comprehensive immigration reform, coordinating our advocacy efforts with the national USCCB Justice for Immigrants campaign. JSRI signed on to a number of advocacy letters to Congress and the Obama Administration. Dr. Weishar participated in the New Orleans Roundtable for Immigration Reform, and regularly sent out information and advocacy
emails on reform to New Orleans area advocates. In addition, Dr. Weishar organized a number of educational/advocacy activities during the past year, many of which also are enumerated above:

**August 19 and 21**
Dr. Weishar helped organize a contingency of advocates to speak out for immigration reform at Metairie Town Hall meetings of Congressman Steve Scalise.

**August 29**
Dr. Weishar organized the Katrina Homeowners for Immigration Reform, MC’d by Fr. Kammer, held in the Lower Ninth Ward. Seven homeowners spoke movingly of the gratitude they feel for the immigrant workers who helped them rebuild their severely damaged homes and why they support immigration reform. Media: Louisiana Radio Network.

**September 24**
The Louisiana Interchurch Conference Board of Directors adopted a resolution drafted by Dr. Weishar calling for comprehensive immigration reform at their annual meeting in Monroe, LA. Copies were sent to all LA media outlets and members of Congress

**October 2 and 4**
Dr. Weishar presented immigration issues to Loyola Religious Studies classes in which she invited an immigrant mother to describe how her family had been affected by the deportation of her husband.

**September 30**
Fr. Kammer gave a workshop on immigration and Catholic thought at St. Cloud diocesan conference.

**Fall quarterly: One Family Under God: Witnessing for Immigration Reform**—Weishar

**October 4**
Dr. Weishar co-planned Biloxi Bible Study and Prayer Service for Immigration Reform with JSRI Board Member Bishop Roger Morin.

**October 9**
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**Winter JustSouth Quarterly: Honduran Agony: The Spiral of Violence and Corruption**—Weishar & Baudouin

**March 15**
Dr. Weishar organized the Fast4Families New Orleans event for immigration reform at which Fr. Kammer spoke.

**March 2014 JustSouth Monthly--When Italians Were "Others"**
- About the 1891 lynching of eleven Italian immigrants in New Orleans—Weishar.

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- Dr. Sue Weishar remembers the unwelcoming nature of a town hall meeting last summer.
- Summer quarterly: Kids in Crisis: The surge of unaccompanied immigrant children to the border -- Weishar

OTHER IMMIGRATION ADVOCACY:
Café con Inglés is a project of Dr. Weishar’s on Sunday mornings at St. Anthony Parish which engages Loyola students and others in dialogue with undocumented immigrants to teach English as a Second Language and to share life experiences. Out of this engagement of Loyola students have come two helpful developments: volunteers from among the students to assist with the Catholic Dialogues on Immigration and a student advocacy group Loyola Students for Immigration Reform.

Race:
Payday loans: Louisiana
JSRI Activity [Dr. Mikulich]: In the fall of 2012, LA for Fair Lending secured assistance from the Center from Responsible Lending in producing draft legislation on payday. LA for Fair Lending initiated a relationship with Together Louisiana, the statewide organization of the industrial Areas Foundation. As Director of LA for Fair Lending, Dr. Mikulich collaborated with leaders of community organizations sponsored by the IAF in Baton Rouge, Lafayette, Alexandria, and Shreveport to plan and “train the trainers.” Approximately 80 community organizers attended the training on March 23, 2013. The training served two primary goals: 1) to prepare LA citizens to support our 2014 legislative goal of capping the Annual Percentage Rate (APR) at 36%; and 2) to recruit payday borrowers who will testify during the 2014 legislative session. In addition to this collaborative organizing project, LA for Fair Lending has developed a media strategy and formalized (more) its steering committee, consensus decision-making process, and membership development.

As the legislation limiting payday lending was introduced into the 2014 Louisiana legislature, Dr. Mikulich continued his role as co-organizer and facilitator of organizational development of Louisiana for Responsible Lending Coalition that includes LA Budget Project, LA Conference Catholic Bishops, Better Choices for LA, LA Community Reinvestment Coalition, Bridge Lafayette, and Together Baton Rouge. He helped Louisiana for Responsible Lending develop legislative strategy for 2014 session and participated in following activities:

October 14-15
Dr. Mikulich co-planned and presented to six-state Faith Roundtable in New Orleans on payday loans.

November 25
The Lafayette Advertiser quoted Dr. Mikulich for an editorial against predatory payday lending.

March 7
LA for Responsible Lending, of which JSRI is a founding member, was featured in a Times-Picayune op-ed.

**March 18**
Fr. Kammer addressed a community forum, including legislators, organized by Together Louisiana on payday loan reform in Baton Rouge.

**Spring JustSouth Quarterly: Six Myths of Payday Lending--Mikulich**

**April 1**
Dr. Mikulich testified on payday loan reform at the legislature in Baton Rouge.

**April 2014 JustSouth Monthly--Dealing for the Devil**

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**April 14-22**
Dr. Mikulich's op-ed "Louisiana Legislature Protects Business that Preys on the Poor" was published in the Shreveport Times, the Lafayette Advertiser, the Baton Rouge Morning Advocate, the New Orleans Advocate, and the Louisiana Weekly.

**June 12**
Dr. Mikulich participated in a field hearing and community roundtable on predatory lending in New Orleans conducted by Director Richard Cordray of the U.S. Consumer Financial Protection Bureau. Sadly, despite these and many other efforts, reform legislation failed in both the Louisiana House (by a very close committee vote) and Senate. Staff of the Louisiana Conference of Catholic Bishops commended Dr. Mikulich for his leadership in this effort at reform. Efforts will continue in the legislature in 2015 and in the appropriate federal agencies.

**Death penalty: Louisiana**

*JSRI Activity—Louisiana: The Louisiana Catholics Committed to Repeal of the Death Penalty (LCCRDP)* began meeting in January, 2010 with the support of New Orleans Archbishop Gregory M. Aymond and all of the Catholic bishops of Louisiana. Besides Dr. Mikulich of JSRI, Leadership of the LCCRDP consists of representatives of the Office of Justice and Peace, Archdiocese of New Orleans; Campaign for Human Development, Diocese of Houma-Thibodaux; Louisiana Conference of Catholic Bishops; Louisiana Right to Life Federation; Jesuit Province of New Orleans; Congregation of the Mission (Midwest Province); and the Archdiocese of New Orleans. Dr. Mikulich also works closely with the executive director of Louisiana for Alternatives to the Death Penalty, with whom he authored a white paper on the death penalty in Louisiana published in March, 2012. The coalitions continued to work to raise awareness about the death penalty and to do advocacy concerning individuals facing execution in Louisiana, including:

**Fall Semester**
Dr. Milulich presented two classes on death penalty in Christianity and Society course in collaboration with Dr. Terri Bednarz, RSM.

**November 8-9**
Dr. Mikulich arranged for *Jesus on Trial* to be held at the Loyola College of Law and at St. George Parish in Baton Rouge [press review].

**March 11**
Dr. Alex Mikulich met with State Senator Jean-Paul Morrell to discuss death penalty legislation.

**OTHER CRIMINAL JUSTICE ADVOCACY:**

**February 19**
Fr. Kammer addressed Catholic Day at the Capitol participants in Jackson, MS on criminal justice reform in support of the pending reform legislation which passed the legislature and was signed into law.
POVERTY:
Summer, 2014 JustSouth Quarterly: The KIDS COUNT Gulf South: Children in the region continue not to count much! -- Kammer

Medicaid Expansion: Louisiana, Mississippi, and Alabama
In June, 2013, Fr. Kammer joined a newly forming statewide Catholic advocacy group to advocate for Medicaid expansion after the Louisiana legislature’s failure to act on the expansion over-against the Governor’s persistent opposition. The committee met several times in the year, but has focused its attention on preparing to promote the issue in the 2016 gubernatorial election, despairing of any movement by Governor Jindal on the issue.

Minimum Wage:
March 12
Fr. Kammer and Ms. Baudouin met with staff of U.S. Senator Mary Landrieu about increasing the minimum wage.

February 2014 JustSouth Monthly -- Raise the Minimum Wage! It’s a Matter of Justice

Summer 2014 JustSouth Quarterly: Catholic Social Thought and Wages -- Kammer

Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP/foodstamps)

Fall 2013 Just South Quarterly
• The Relentless Assault on America's Hungry -- Kammer
• Catholic Social Thought and Hunger — Kammer

Health Care Reform:
• Winter quarterly: Catholic Social Thought and Health Care -- Kammer
• The Affordable Care Act: Who, Why, and What? -- Kammer

Special Institutional Advocacy: Social Responsible Investment Activity with the Largest Two Private Prison Companies in the United States:
This is a joint project between JSRI and the Jesuits of the New Orleans Province, who have purchased stock in the two largest private prison corporations in the U.S.—Corrections Corporation of America (CCA) and The GEO Group, Inc. (GEO). In collaboration with ten other religious investors, we filed shareholder resolutions requesting that CCA and GEO review their policies and practices related to human rights to assess where additional protections need to be adopted. We want the companies to conduct risk assessments to determine the potential for human rights abuses in their prisons and immigrant detention centers, to address any shortcomings with adequate resources, to develop procedures to integrate human rights policies throughout the company, and to monitor and report on their performance as it relates to human rights.

The Jesuit Social Research Institute and its partners are breaking new ground in filing shareholder actions against private prison corporations. Most work on corporate responsibility for human rights has been done in an international context where legal frameworks are weak. Often such efforts focus on environmental or community impacts. The experience that Jesuit-affiliated shareholders have gained from interactions with other corporations on the intersection of human rights and company policies provides us with much hope that this innovative approach will lead to substantive changes in the business cultures of CCA and GEO, to the great benefit of the tens of thousands of persons incarcerated or detained in CCA and GEO facilities every year. Progress over the first two years of the project [2012-14]:

1. In late October, 2012, JSRI organized a multi-day prison reform training for 12 members of the investor group on the Loyola campus, assisted by faculty of the Criminal Justice Department and the College of Law.
2. In December 2012, JSRI with other investors toured a CCA prison facility in Nashville and participated in a dialogue with CCA focused specifically on their staff training methodologies and our petition for them to adopt a verifiable human rights policy.
3. Jesuits of the California Province took over from the New Orleans Province as the lead filers on the GEO engagement, but Dr. Weishar and Ms. Baudouin continue to attend dialogues, the first of which was held on December 13, 2012 between a group of shareholders and key company officials, including the CEO and four vice-presidents. The company produced a draft human rights policy and sought shareholder input.

4. At GEO’s annual shareholder meeting in May 2013, George Williams, SJ, read a statement congratulating the company for adopting a human rights policy and pledging the commitment of our shareholders’ coalition to continue to engage GEO twice each year to address human rights training, compliance, monitoring, and impact assessment. Sue Weishar attended that meeting as well.

5. Ms. Baudouin and Dr. Weishar attended the annual meeting of the company in May 2013, and Ms. Baudouin made a statement that focused on our responses to the company’s new statement on “Protecting Inmate and Detainee Rights”. This statement was reviewed both by our legal consultant and Loyola’s Law School Center for Social Justice. Ms. Baudouin and Dr. Weishar met with CCA staff after the annual meeting and were told that this initial statement is not meant to be their official human rights policy.

6. In July 2013, JSRI convened a small working group that included two prison experts, Fr. George Williams, SJ, a prison chaplain at San Quentin, Mark Potter of the Jesuits of the California Province, Ms. Baudouin, Dr. Weishar, and Keith Vernon, the Jesuit Conference consultant for Investment Responsibility. The primary goal of the convening was to engage the experts to develop a strategic approach to our ongoing shareholder engagements with CCA and GEO regarding human rights policy development, implementation, and impact assessment and ongoing monitoring. The meeting produced two resources that will be especially helpful in future dialogues: 1) A set of benchmarks to use to determine progress being made by the companies toward implementation of their human rights policies; and 2) a set of very specific questions regarding different aspects of the GEO human rights policy to use in future dialogues with GEO.

7. By late September, Mark Potter with the California Jesuit Province developed, with input from JSRI and others, A Position Paper on the Implementation of the GEO Group's Global Human Rights Policy. The paper recommends that GEO: a) articulate a general definition of human rights for the private prison context and identify baseline human rights expectations throughout its operations; b) provide appropriate processes for training management, front-line employees, and inmates and detainees about human rights; and c) establish meaningful and measurable outcomes to ensure long-term adherence to the policy.

8. On October 8th, Dr. Weishar and Fr. Fred Kammer, SJ, JSRI director, met with College of Law faculty member Bill Quigley and attorney Sara Rosenbaum to discuss a potential spring 2015 conference on International Human Rights and prisons/detention centers.

9. On November 12th, our shareholder group met with CCA officials in Nashville. The main purpose of the meeting was to provide our group with a preview of CCA's Human Rights Statement.

10. On December 17th, our shareholder group toured GEO’s Riverbend Correctional Facility in Riverbend, North Carolina. Afterwards, we had lunch and a three hour dialog with company officials to discuss implementation of GEO’s Human Rights policy.


12. On February 1, 2014 Dr. Weishar and Dr. Mikulich led Symposium entitled, "Jail for Sale: The Rise of For-Profit Prisons and the Catholic Response" at the national Catholic Social Ministry Gathering in Washington, D.C.

13. In May, 2014, project members met with GEO officials in Chicago and CCA officials in Nashville to discuss implementation plans, including preliminary work conducted to integrate Human Rights training into company-wide employee training programs. Ms. Baudouin and Dr. Weishar also attended the CCA shareholders’ meeting, at which Ms. Baudouin addressed the board regarding shareholder concerns.

14. On June 17th, Dr. Weishar met in NYC with Langeloth Foundation officers and other prison reform grantees regarding project updates, progress, and challenges.
3.2 Goals for 2014-15:

- Continue research, education, and advocacy on diverse topics under the headings of race, poverty, and migration.
- In advocacy, more specifically:
  - Bring members of Louisiana for Responsible Lending back together to focus again on payday lending in the 2015 session of the Louisiana legislature, but also work with federal regulators to promote national relief.
  - Continue immigration advocacy focused on the members of the U.S. House of Representatives, especially in the pre-election and lame duck sessions, in light of Senate passage of a comprehensive immigration reform bill in summer 2013.
  - Move private prison corporations to implement training and reporting on human rights standards, the next step in our multi-year shareholder advocacy project.
- Increase emphasis on economic policy and poverty. In spring of 2013, JSRI received a $200,000 grant from the Kellogg Foundation in light of its new heavy investment in New Orleans and Mississippi to hire an economic policy analyst to deepen economic analysis and publication on family economic security, specifically to support work on payday lending, immigration, Medicaid expansion, state and local taxation, and JustSouth Indicators project. The first “deliverable” should be a report on the actual cost of living in Louisiana and in key metro areas of the state.
- Review students’ social justice research projects and provide a forum for students to report on their research experience and skills, as funded by the Keller Family Foundation.
- Begin team-teaching the freshman Honors Seminar (Kammer, Mikulich, and Weishar) and work with Honors students as teachers and small-group mentor (Dr. Weishar).
- Continue refinement of the matrix for the JustSouth Indicators Project.
- Continue publication of the JustSouth Quarterly and the JustSouth Monthly e-newsletter.

3.2 Logic model

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3.3 Loyola University Community Engagement Objectives

One of the primary ways in which JSRI engages the community is through an array of organizational coalitions, some formed and led by JSRI (e.g. LA for Responsible Lending) that include the following organizations:

**Payday:** LA for Responsible Lending; AARP Of LA; United Way of Southeast Louisiana; Resources Benefiting Families of Fire Ministries; Helen Godfrey Smith (Shreveport Federal Credit Union); Habitat For Humanity St Tammany West; Louisiana Budget Project; *Puentes* New Orleans; Louisiana Association Of Nonprofits and Louisiana Fair Housing Alliance. Louisiana Conference of Catholic Bishops (LCCB); and LSU School of Social Work have been deeply involved but cannot formally join any coalition. Together Baton Rouge and Together Louisiana are also informal partners. Center for Responsible Lending Legislative Director Uriah King assisted in drafting the APR cap legislation.

**Death Penalty:** we work thru two primary coalitions: Louisiana Catholics Committed to Repeal the Death Penalty and Louisiana for Alternatives to the Death Penalty. Key players include: The Louisiana Conference of Catholic Bishops; the New Orleans Jesuit Province (now the USA Central and Southern Province); the national Catholic Mobilizing Network; the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops; and the Capital Post-Conviction Project of Louisiana.

**Medicaid Expansion:** Catholic Charities of New Orleans; the Louisiana Conference of Catholic Bishops; the Life and Justice Committee of the LCCB; the Louisiana Interchurch Conference; Together Baton Rouge; Together Louisiana.

**Comprehensive Immigration Reform [and opposing anti-immigrant legislation]:** the USCCB Justice for Immigrants Campaign; Catholic Charities Justice and Peace Office; the Archdiocesan Office of Racial Harmony; *Puentes*; The New Orleans Worker Center for Racial Justice (i.e. *Congreso* of Day Laborers; Women United for Justice; and National Guestworker Alliance); St. Anthony Catholic Church (Caffé con Ingles); Catholic Charities Justice for Immigrants Committee; and Interfaith Worker Justice New Orleans; Leadership Conference of Women Religious; NETWORK; *El Pueblo*/Seashore Mission of the Methodist Church; Migration and Refugee Services of the Diocese of Biloxi; Moving Forward Gulf Coast; Steps Coalition of Biloxi; and Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Jackson.

**Private Prison Human Rights:** Eight U.S. Jesuit Provinces; Two Canadian Jesuit Provinces; United Methodist Church Foundation; Evangelical Lutheran Church; Sisters of Charity of the Blessed Virgin Mary; the U.S. Jesuit Conference; Sisters of Mercy; Dominican Sisters of Hope; Congregation of St. Joseph; Mercy Investment Services; General Board of Pension and Health Benefits of the United Methodist Church; ; Northwest Coalition for Responsible Investment; American Baptist Home Mission Society; Catholic Health East; Congregation of Sisters of Charity of the Incarnate Word; Loyola University Chicago; Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate; Midwest Capuchins; Sisters of the Holy Names of Jesus and Mary; and Socially Responsible Investment Coalition.
JSRI contributes primarily to the following 5 university-wide community engagement objectives:

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<td>Community looks to Loyola to provide effective and useful services to alleviate persistent community needs.</td>
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<td>Students have an introductory familiarity with social justice and can identify injustice. Students are prepared to begin examining the consequences of their own choices on the well-being of others.</td>
<td>Sustainable campus-community partnerships help build the community’s capacity to address injustice and meet its own needs. Increase in the pool of community members advocating a more just world.</td>
<td>Loyola is a model Jesuit university; having earned distinction as an anchor institution “with and for” the community.</td>
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<td>Students have a more sophisticated understanding of social justice; with the ability to identify root causes of injustice and recognize effective methods for preventing and responding to injustice. Students have explored the boundaries of their empowerment in shaping social conditions.</td>
<td>Systems affecting; and social norms surrounding; social justice and injustice are improved.</td>
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<td>Loyola graduates uphold the principles of dignity; equality; and solidarity as they navigate the complex path to a more just world; including an advanced understanding of social justice; and the ability and commitment to contribute to social justice in their personal; professional; and spiritual lives.</td>
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Section 4: Budget for Current Academic Year – 2013-14—Actual
Personnel budget [Salaries, Fringe, and Consultants]: $310,416
**Operating Expenses: $367,414 [all expenses]**
Surplus: $127,876 [including designated foundation funds for following years]

Revenue sources and amounts:
Jesuit Province Endowment $141,750
Loyola – Endowment $150,000
WKKellogg Foundation $100,000
Langeloth Foundation $51,727
Keller Foundation  $11,000  
Stipends  $11,000  
Gifts  $23,940  
Grants  $5,873  
Total Revenue  $495,290

The Jesuit Province and Loyola University each committed in 2006 to donate $150,000 annually for the establishment of the endowment. After the market collapsed in 2008; both dropped to lower donations and have steadily risen back toward the original commitment. The budget, with active fundraising, meets basic staffing configuration of three fellows (including the director) and an administrative assistant. Special funding is needed for many projects and significant funding is needed to add staff—essential for even minimal 5-state outreach.

In-kind resources provided by Loyola: Space and utilities for offices and conferences; publications and IT expertise and technical support with the quarterly and e-news. Hiring and funding for work study students.

Section 5: Assessment Report / Program Outcomes –
Assessment within JSRI is conducted in a variety of ways. Some events are assessed using feedback forms with participants. For example, written evaluation forms were distributed to the participants in the anti-racism workshop on campus on February 8th and the fifth Catholic Dialogue on Immigration held on April 2nd. These are collected by staff, studied by them, and used in planning JSRI activities. One learning from these is a current preference by JSRI staff in favor of single-event speakers as in the case of Fr. Massingale and Sister Prejean rather than more complex multi-event conferences—due to financial and staff-time costs/constraints and number of participants.

Progress on our research projects is assessed by the Board of Advisors of JSRI, which meets twice a year. Project proposals are submitted to the twelve-member board in writing and written project updates are presented by the fellows at every board meeting to solicit ongoing board input and advice. The board members also evaluate each of their meetings in writing. Participants in the responsible shareholder dialogues with private prison management evaluate the dialogues after each session in person or by conference call. Death penalty and payday coalitions are engaged in ongoing evaluation and action planning as their work progresses.

Monthly staff meetings also contain regular assessment pieces regarding the work of the fellows, and institute events are discussed regularly by the members at a three-hour monthly meeting. Periodic accountability reporting on the progress of implementing the strategic plan takes place at staff meetings using a “person responsible” and “target dates” written format for the entire plan. Partial or complete reviews of the same worksheet are built into most of the semi-annual meetings of the Advisory Board. The due dates are adjusted at times, new tactics added, and some planned tactics discarded after further experience.

Assessment of our JustSouth E-newsletter includes a review at periodic staff meetings of the number of recipients who open the newsletter, click through it, and what items they review—information available from MyEmma. We also compare the responses over time, looking at the number of persons in each category—students, faculty-staff, and the wider community—who open and click through the e-news. These assessments prompted JSRI to revise the format of the e-newsletter and to change to a monthly frequency in October 2013. See statistical reports for January, March, and July, 2013 E-Newsletters contained in the JSRI intranet. Each is divided into four sub-groups: JSRI external list, Loyola faculty, Loyola staff, and Loyola students.

We have also received reports from the web-team through Google on the number of “hits” on our website and on various pages. These are attached as “Website Analytics” for the months of October, November, and
December, 2013 and February, March, April, and May, of 2014. They are reviewed by the JSRI Director upon receipt and shared with staff as appropriate at staff meetings.

Regular evaluation of the overall work of JSRI also takes place in the annual performance appraisals of the director and fellows, as well as in six-month interviews by the director with the fellows.

Reports to funders are also another way in which JSRI assesses its work—our interim 2012-13 and 2013-14 reports were submitted on-line to the Langeloth Foundation in February, 2013 and January, 2014 on our prison human rights project, including an updated “impacts” section in the Langeloth logic model format. The reports are attached on the JSRI Intranet, as is a June, 2014 report delivered in person by Dr. Weishar.

KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS

Research

General: The institute conducts, gathers, and publishes research on social and economic conditions of the poor, migrant, and ethnic communities in the Gulf South, including factors affecting the movement of migrants and immigrants into and across the region. This research is focused through the lens of Catholic social thought and core Jesuit values—the service of faith, promotion of justice, dialogue with world religions and cultures.

Current action-research projects: Current action-research projects, described above, focus on: payday loans in Louisiana; the death penalty in Louisiana; responding to state anti-immigrant legislation in Louisiana, Mississippi, and Alabama; and a responsible shareholder initiative to have the two largest private prison corporations in the United States adopt and implement Human Rights policies and practices to better protect the persons in their custody.

Key Performance Indicator No. 1: Staff will report semi-annually to the JSRI Advisory Board on the progress of its work on the ongoing action-research projects, soliciting from the board members questions and recommendations regarding the projects. Particular assessment: In AY14, this took place at two-day Advisory Board meetings in November 2013 [with specific review of the following projects: immigration reform, payday lending, death penalty, shareholder advocacy, social indicators, and Alabama work] and April, 2014 [specific reviews included: immigration reform, payday lending, shareholder advocacy, death penalty, social indicators, and Alabama work]. Staff will continue to rely on the Advisory Board to screen new proposals and evaluate and advise on ongoing projects.

See also Indicators No. 2 and 3, below, for indicators applying to both research and education.

Education

General: Institute staff and collaborators disseminate this research and analysis and education on Institute core issues and Catholic Social Teaching through a variety of means.

Key Performance Indicator No. 2: Staff will publish four issues of the JustSouth Quarterly addressing issues of race, poverty, and migration, especially in the Gulf South and work to increase the recipients by actively soliciting readers at various events, talks, dialogues, and meetings who are interested in our work. Particular assessment: In AY13, the number of recipients of the mailed quarterly increased from 1335 at the end of AY12 to 1541 in the fall of 2013, in addition to those distributed on campus or by hand. In AY14, the number printed increase from 1700 in the winter to 1725 in the spring to 1750 in the summer, 2014 to accommodate both mailing and distribution on campus and by hand. Staff will continue to solicit new readers for our publications, while also using facebook, twitter, YOUTUBE, and our website for educational purposes.
**Key Performance Indicator No. 3:** Staff will publish twelve issues of the *JustSouth Monthly* e-newsletter addressing the core issues of race, poverty, and migration and including brief reports of JSRI past and upcoming events and activities. Particular assessment: In AY14, changing to monthly format in October, 2013, JSRI published ten issues of the e-news, beginning with its new format as a *Monthly* in October 2013.

**Advocacy**

General: JSRI staff, collaborators, and stakeholders engage in advocacy on social and economic issues through providing testimony to legislative bodies, meeting with legislators and staff members of the region, and conducting public events such as hearings and press conferences. JSRI offers assistance to other advocates by providing background research for testimony and undertaking campaigns promoting values such as the common good and the preferential option for the poor, and by integrating public ethics into the fostering of public policy.

**Key Performance Indicator No. 4:** The *JustSouth Quarterly* and *JustSouth Monthly* will include a focus on current legislative and administrative issues and initiatives dealing with poverty, race, and migration in the region, the nation, and in sending countries. Particular assessment: In AY14, the *JustSouth Quarterly* and the *JustSouth Monthly* continued to focus on advocacy issues in the region and nationally; issues can be reviewed on the JSRI website under “publications” at [http://www.loyno.edu/jsri/publications](http://www.loyno.edu/jsri/publications). Staff will continue to use our educational vehicles as support for our advocacy projects.

**Key Performance Indicator No. 5:** JSRI staff and associates will work actively with Catholic and other advocates this year to promote comprehensive immigration reform even in an increasingly frustrating congressional context. Particular assessment: In AY14, JSRI staff and associates worked with a broad range of individuals and organizations to promote reform (the activities are listed earlier in this report).

**Key Performance Indicator No. 6:** JSRI staff will continue advocacy coalition-building and specific legislative advocacy to promote legislation in Louisiana in regard to payday predatory lending and capital punishment. Particular assessment: In AY14, the Louisiana for Responsible Lending coalition building efforts continued, sponsors were recruited, and legislation drafted. Reform bills were introduced in both the House and Senate where they prompted extensive lobbying by the industry. A reform bill almost passed out of a House committee. This will continue in the 2015 session, as will efforts to promote federal administrative regulations to reform the practice.

**Key Performance Indicator No. 7:** JSRI staff and associates will continue advocacy work in support of a responsible investor coalition working to improve human rights in private prison corporations. Particular assessment: In AY14, JSRI and the New Orleans Province, working with National Jesuit Advisory Committee on Investment Responsibility and others persuaded both GEO and CCA to adopt human rights policies which, while not as strong as we desired, were the first major steps in a multi-year project. The efforts of the coalition will focus on implementation, training of prison personnel, and eventually reporting to shareholders on an annual basis.

**Organizational Mission and Advancement**

General: As a young organization now only completing its seventh year, JSRI needs to develop further its planning function and to increase financial support for the organization and its projects.

**Key Performance Indicator No. 8:** JSRI will work with Loyola’s Institutional Advancement staff to develop and submit funding proposals for both the general support of the organization and specific action-research projects.
Particular assessment: In AY14, JSRI successfully achieved the following by working with Institutional Advancement:

1. a second gift of $20,000 from an individual in Louisiana who has indicated an interest in making a total gift of $50,000 to JSRI over three years;
2. successfully completed its progress report for the second year of the shareholder private prison advocacy project and was awarded the third year of funding for $152,152 from the Langeloth Foundation of New York; and
3. successfully completed a William K. Kellogg Foundation major project proposal and was awarded for $200,000 for its economic security for families project.

Staff will continue efforts to identity/solicit good prospects, complete the project funded by the AY13 Keller Family Foundation grant student research, and implement the new project funded by the Kellogg Foundation.

Section 6: Summary of Achievements – Some highlights of the past year include:

- A broad range of educational presentations on race, poverty, and migration in the light of Catholic Social Thought, including:
  - An Anti-Racism Workshop for faculty, staff, and students conducted February 7-8, 2014, with a follow-up meeting with interested participants on March 28th to consider ongoing efforts in the Loyola Community; and the fifth Catholic Dialogue on Immigration held at St. Dominic Church in New Orleans.
  - 10 on-campus presentations by JSRI fellows and 40 off-campus presentations, including talks in Houston, St. Cloud (MN), South Bend (NDU), Washington DC, Jackson, Baton Rouge (testimony twice), St. Louis, San Diego, Alcala (Spain), NYC, and on MSNBC and Fox 8 (local).
  - Four editions of the JustSouth Quarterly.
  - Ten issues of the JustSouth Monthly e-newsletter.

- Payday coalition matured and carried out a comprehensive affirmative effort in the 2014 Louisiana Legislature, with wide participation and extensive media coverage, even though finally unsuccessful.

- Shareholder advocacy coalition work led to adoption of human rights policies by the two largest private prison corporations in the United States: GEO and CCA.

- Almost $400,000 in new funding for general support, shareholder private prison advocacy, and for economic security for vulnerable children and families.

- Loyola community service: Service Learning provider meetings [Weishar]; Human Trafficking Working Group [Weishar]; Community Engagement Service Learning Grants committee [Weishar]; Ignatius Chapel Presiders’ group [Kammer]; Loyola University Corporate Members [Kammer]; Anti-Racism working group formation [Mikulich]; Ignatian Faculty Fellows [Mikulich]; Ignatian Staff Fellows [Weishar]; and Faculty Senate [Mikulich].

Section 7: Supporting Documents –

The following documents have been uploaded into the JSRI Intranet as Attachments: 3 conference evaluations; 5 dialogues on immigration; 5 statistical reports on the JustSouth E-News from AY13; Langeloth Foundation reports; and 7 website analytics from AY14.

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