Social Action Committee Report Society for the Study of Social Problems

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The Social Action Committee received four nominations for the Social Action Award. The nominees were the Asian Pacific Environmental Network, Free Battered Women, Shimtuh, and the Women of Color Resource Center. All the nominees were very strong. Three out of the four nominees were the result of my outreach with San Francisco Bay Area activists. We determined the award recipient through a two-fold process. First, the committee members generated comments and information they had about each nominee. Then the committee ranked its preferences. The clear preference and award recipient was Free Battered Women.

Each organization received a number for each committee member based on ranking (1 for 1st choice; 2 for 2nd choice, etc). The candidate with the lowest number received the award. The results were as follows:

Free Battered Women: 12

Shimtuh: 18

Women of Color Resource Center: 24

Asian Pacific Environmental Network: 27

Because the work was completed prior to the SSSP meeting, the Social Action committee voted to cancel its meeting at the SSSP.

Sincerely, Andrea Smith Chair, Social Action Committee