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APPALACHIAN WOMEN'S ALLIANCE <http://appalachian-women.org>  
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The Appalachian Women's Alliance is a grassroots network of women from six states who are identifying common issues, defining a common vision, practicing new ways of being and relating to each other, and beginning to share a common hope. Challenging traditional stereotypes, we are black, white and Cherokee, wage earners and welfare mothers, rural and urban, with and without traditional education. We organized ourselves to make certain that the voices and visions of Appalachian women are taken into account when decisions are made that affect the lives of women and families in Appalachian communities.

#### PROJECTS INCLUDE:

- Appalachian Women's Journal - writings by women celebrating women's lives in Appalachia
- Women's Caravan enables women to raise awareness of women's issues in our own communities and to reach out to those living in isolated areas.
- Local Circles are a safe space for women to work on self-esteem and leadership skills.
- Sister Gathering brings together women from all over the region to celebrate, to share skills and resources, and to plan for regional and national events -- like our Women's Delegation to Washington D.C. where we spoke to a crowd of 250,000 people about the issues of Appalachian women.
- Ironweed Festival is a place to celebrate our diverse culture and many talents as Appalachian women, to support Appalachian women's issues, and to build solidarity among ourselves and with others.