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re:power Welcomes New Board Members, Kelley Robinson and Angela Ferrell-Zabala

re:power, a national training and capacity-building organization that exists to build a critical mass of social justice movements and their leaders who embody the ideology and practice of liberatory organizing, is excited to announce two new additions to our Board of Directors: Kelley Robinson and Angela Ferrell-Zabala.

Robinson and Ferrell-Zabala embody our core values of community, collective action, and abundance through their years-long commitment to organizing for material change in the lives of the most impacted. Most importantly, Robinson and Ferrell-Zabala are both leading organizations that have built strong organizing coalitions and fought for necessary legislative and narrative change on issues that affect so many of us: Gun Violence Prevention and LGBTQIA+ rights. re:power’s Executive Director Karundi Williams shared, “In this critical time where states are rolling back human rights and gun violence is soaring, Kelley and Angela’s work is more critical than ever and their leadership on re:power’s board is in recognition of the need for more training and infrastructure support for their movements.”

Kelley Robinson is the ninth president of the Human Rights Campaign — the first Black, Queer woman to lead the organization. The Human Rights Campaign is America’s largest civil rights organization working to achieve equality and liberation for lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and queer people. Robinson is widely respected for her work over the last 15 years creating and leading winning campaigns and programs and has been at the forefront in the fight for bodily autonomy and racial and gender equity.

“At a time when LGBTQ+ people face a State of Emergency and our basic freedoms are on the line, I’m honored to join re:power on the frontlines of the fight for social, racial, and economic justice,” said Robinson. “Together with activists, organizers and advocates, re:power is building a collective of effective leaders who are committed to the fight for liberation without exception.”
Angela Ferrell-Zabala serves as the first ever Executive Director of Moms Demand Action where she is responsible for leading and growing the largest gun violence prevention grassroots network in the country. Angela has been with the organization since 2019 leading its movement building work and overseeing grassroots organizing, external, cultural and corporate engagement, and national partnerships and programming.

“As an organizer at heart, I am deeply honored to join re:power’s board and to help develop a powerful community fighting for our collective liberation”, said Farrell-Zabala. “We don’t have to accept a reality where people’s livelihoods are threatened simply for existing. In order to realize the better, safer world that we all deserve, it’s critical that we invest in strong organizing training for leaders across movements — and re:power is doing exactly that.”

Our two new board members will bring their powerful leadership and deep experience to our already dynamic board. Their vision will be invaluable as we continue to move toward our northstar of a multiracial democracy, liberated from the oppressive systems of white supremacy and patriarchy.

re:power is a national organization seeking to build a critical mass of social justice movements and their leaders who embody the ideology and practice of liberatory organizing, an organizing practice that is pro-Black and grounded in community, collective action and abundance. We work towards our vision by offering training and strategic support to leaders and organizations across the progressive ecosystem. Since 2019, re:power has been led by Karundi Williams, our first Black woman Executive Director, who has led our small but powerful organization to success. In the last four years, re:power has trained over 5,000 organizers, candidates, campaigners, and leaders across our movement. 65% of our alumni identify as BIPOC as do the majority of our trainers, 61% are women, and 22% are youth (ages 18–24). We are proud of what we’ve accomplished together in such a short time, and also know that in order for our communities to continue winning and driving positive change, we must keep building our skills, capacities and networks. At re:power, we thrive in this transformational work.