Worker Co-operative Alliances and Federations

Organization ⁱ	Acronym, website, brief description	"Scale"
Valley Alliance of	VAWC	Local
Worker Co-operatives	www.valleyworker.org	
	" dedicated to building a sustainable local economy by facilitating the	
	support, development and promotion of worker co-operatives in Western	
	Massachusetts and Southern Vermont."	
University of	UMACEC	Local
Massachusetts Co-	http://www.umasscec.org/	Local
operative Enterprise	"A collaboration between the Valley Alliance of Worker Co-operatives and	
Collaborative	UMass Amherst students and faculty, the UMass Amherst Co-operative	
	Enterprises Collaborative (UMCEC) is dedicated to further learning and	
	research about worker co-operatives, and to foster partnerships between	
	academics and co-operators in the Pioneer Valley."	
New York City Worker	NYC NoWC ("nick-nock")	Local
Co-operatives	http://www.nycworker.co-op/	
	"Network is dedicated to sharing and cultivating the educational, financial	
	and technical resources of its members and supporting the growth of	
	worker co-operatives for social and economic justice."	
Portland Alliance of	PAWC ("posse")	Local
Worker Collectives	" a mutual aid and support group for worker collectives and co-	
	operatives in the Portland area. PAWC has not been active in recent years."	
Network of Bay Area	NoBAWC (pronounced "no boss")	Local
Worker Co-operatives	http://www.nobawc.org	Local
worker Co-operatives	"Grassroots organization of democratic workplaces dedicated to building	
M 1' W 1 G	workplace democracy in the San Francisco Bay Area and beyond."	T 1
Madison Worker Co-	MadWorC	Local
operatives	http://madworc.org	
	" new local group focused on supporting worker co-operatives in the	
	Madison, Wisconsin area"	
Eastern Conference for	ECWD	Regional
Workplace Democracy	http://east.usworker.co-op	
	" a non-profit co-operative organization established to aid in the	
	continued growth of the workplace democracy movement"	
Western Worker Co-	WWCC	Regional
operative Conference	http://west.usworker.co-op/	
	"a conference of and for worker co-operatives on the west coast (though	
	anyone from anywhere is welcome to attend)"	
United States	USFWC	National
Federation of Worker	http://usworker.org	Ivational
Co-operatives		
	" a national grassroots membership organization of and for worker co-	
	operatives, other democratic workplaces, and the organizations that support	
	the growth and continued development of worker co-operatives"	T
The International	CICOPA	Internatio
Organization of	http://www.cicopa.co-op/	nal
Industrial, Artisanal and	"a sectoral organization of the International Co-operative Alliance. Its	
Service Producers' Co-	full members are representative organisations of producers' co-operatives	
operatives	from different sectors: construction, industrial production, general services,	
	transport, intellectual skills, artisanal activities, health, social care, etc ^{3,iii}	1

VAWC Businesses and Non-member Allies

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Brattleboro Holistic Health Center	Worker owned co-op providing services in	Newest member of VAWC,
www.watercourse-way.com	acupuncture, massage, herbal, lifestyle, and	received consultation during
	dietary consultation. Formerly operating as	conversion to worker
	Watercourse Way.	ownership.
Collective Copies	Worker owned collective opened in 1983 after	One of the founding
www.collectivecopies.com	a strike against a regional copy chain. Offers	members of VAWC.
	full copying and printing services, co-op retail	
	center and publishing company.	
Co-op 108	Worker owned co-op "out to change the world	Joined VAWC in 2010
	one balm at a time". Uses high quality natural	
	ingredients whenever possible, "tested on our	
	friends, not our pets".	
Gaia Host Collective	Worker owned co-op, providing Internet	One of the founding
http://www.gaiahost.coop/	hosting services, domain registration, web &	members of VAWC.
	email hosting services, managed web	
	applications, and managed large scale	
	(clustered) web site hosting.	
Pedal People	Worker owned co-op providing human-	One of the founding
http://www.pedalpeople.com/	powered delivery and hauling services. Started	members of VAWC.
nop.,, www.peda.peopre.com	in December 2002 they now have 12 worker	memoris of view c.
	owners and two apprentices.	
Pelham Auto Parts and Repair	Worker owned collective providing repair	One of the founding
http://www.pelhamautoparts.com/	services and selling parts for European and	members of VAWC.
nttp://www.pemamautoparts.com/	Asian vehicles since 1972.	members of VAWC.
Pioneer Valley Photo Voltaic	Worker owned co-op formed in 2002 providing	One of the founding
(PV2d)	turnkey renewable energy system installations	members of VAWC.
		members of VAWC.
http://www.pvsquared.coop/	at homes, businesses, municipalities and institutions.	
W-11 Corres Front		Lained MANNO in 2011
Valley Green Feast	Worker owned co-op providing local, organic	Joined VAWC in 2011
http://www.valleygreenfeast.com/	food delivery service to residents of the	received consultation during
	Connecticut River Valley of Massachusetts.	conversion to worker
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Food For Thought Books	Not-for-profit, workers' collective bookstore	<i>In-active</i> member of VAWC
http://www.foodforthoughtbooks.	features radical & progressive media "all	(inactive membership is
com/	manner of nourishment for the heart & mind".	available to worker
Green Mountain Spinnery	Worker co-op designing and producing "richly	<i>In-active</i> member of VAWC
http://www.spinnery.com/	colored, must-touch classic and contemporary	
(non-member worker co-op)	yarns".	
Neighboring Food Co-op	A network of food co-ops committed to a	Works interco-operatively
Association	shared vision of a thriving regional economy,	with VAWC on various
http://www.nfca.coop/	rooted in a healthy, just and sustainable food	projects.
	system and collaboration among co-ops	
Co-operative Fund of New	Community development financial institution	Developing a high risk
England	(CDFI) that is a bridge between socially	capital fund for worker co-
http://www.cooperativefund.org/	responsible investors and cooperatives,	ops.
(non-member ally)	community oriented non-profits, and worker-	
	owned businesses in New England.	
University of Massachusetts Co-	See Table 1	See Table 1
operative Enterprise Collaborative		
http://www.umasscec.org/		
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^{*}VAWC supports all worker co-ops in marketing, media and education including "inactive members". Co-ops in the region who do not regularly attend meetings or pay dues are considered inactive members.

Figure 1

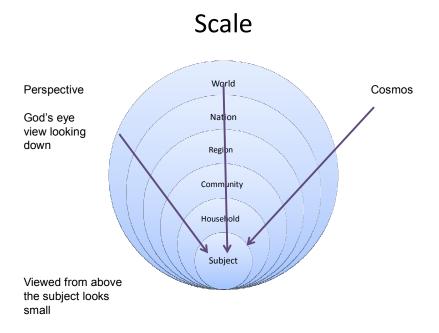


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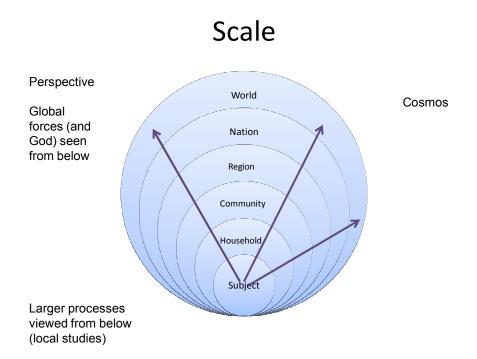
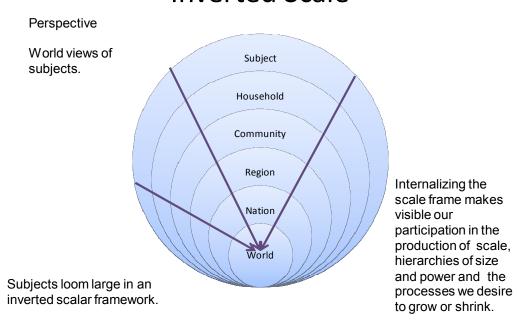


Figure 3

Inverted Scale



VAWC Map



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"All short descriptions taken from www.usworker.co-op (accessed 5/30/11)

"www.cicopa.co-op (accessed 5/30/11)