



## ANTI PSYCHIATRY

### Principles of Unity

We Believe:

- That psychiatry is not a legitimate field of medicine.
- That psychiatry is a tool of social control which enforces conformity to the prevailing social order.
- That "mental illness" is a semantically absurd concept which falsely conflates the abstraction known as the "mind" with the physical brain to mislead people into believing they have literal diseases.
- That the psychiatric system cannot be reformed but must be abolished.
- An end to all state support for psychiatry, including but not limited to the use of psychiatric testimony in legal proceedings; psychiatric screenings in schools, prisons, and workplaces; licensing of psychiatrists; and the use of public monies to support psychiatric programs or research.

We assert -- and plan to exercise -- our right as an oppressed class to self determination.

**Yours Truly,**

Survivors of Psychiatry