**Feminists for a Gift Economy**

**Position Statement for a Peaceful World 2001
Excerpt**

WE WANT A MARKET‑FREE SOCIETY, NOT A FREE‑MARKET SOCIETY

We want:

‑ A world of abundance where bodies, hearts and minds are not dependent on the market.

‑ A world where gift‑giving values of care are accepted as the most important, the leading values of society at all levels.

‑ A world where women and men enjoy taking care of children and each other.

‑ A world where everyone is able to express their sexuality in life‑loving ways, where their spirituality is treasured and their materiality is honored.

‑ A world where trust and love are the amniotic fluid in which all our children learn to live.

‑ A world where boys and girls are socialized without gender limits as gift‑giving humans from the very beginning.

‑ A world where mother nature can be seen as the great gift giver, her ways understood and her infinitely diverse gifts celebrated by all.

‑ A world where humans and all species can reach their highest potential in relationship rather than their lowest potential in parasitism and competition.