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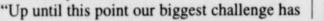
The current focus is on Ballot Measure 13, but the education and outreach are ongoing

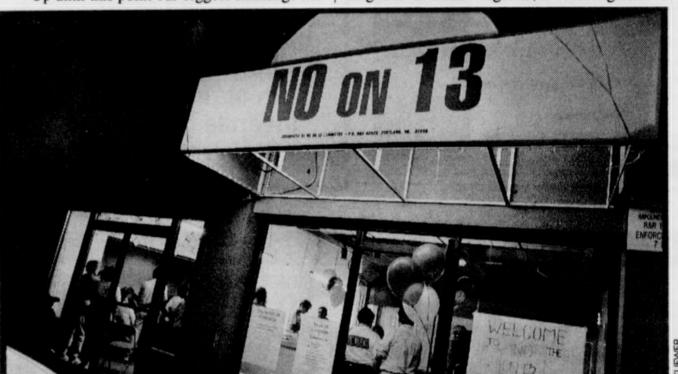
#### by Inga Sorensen

pponents of Ballot Measure 13, a proposed state constitutional amendment barring governmental "promotion of homosexuality," are making a last-minute push to raise funds and attract volunteers to defeat the initiative. With only 50 days before the Nov. 8 election, the No on 13 Committee, formerly known as Support Our Communities PAC, hopes to raise more than \$1.5 million dollars to fund a media blitz urging voters to reject the Oregon Citizens Alliance's latest discriminatory initiative.

Measure 9. The bottom line is that this would permanently legalize discrimination against a group of citizens," she says. "Over the next few weeks, we intend to actually put faces to stories of discrimination."

According to Davis, the No on 13 Committee has raised an estimated \$350,000 as of Sept. 9, and hopes to raise \$2 million by November. "But it's critical we get the money now," she says. "We need those individual contributions to come in immediately if we're going to fund an effective media campaign." No on 13 has hired Dawn Laguens of Cedar/Laguens, a Washington D.C.-





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been engaging people in this campaign," explains No on 13 campaign manager Julie Davis. "I think many people were waiting to see whether this measure would actually make it to the ballot. We [SOC PAC] have always operated as though it would, but, now that the initiative will definitely be on the ballot, I hope the public at large will be more inclined to get involved."

The Oregon Court of Appeals ruled Sept. 1 that citizens have a right to vote on Ballot Measure 13, which would prohibit

state and local governments from extending antidiscrimination protections to gay men and lesbians. It also bars governmental "promotion of homosexuality." In 1992, voters rejected the OCAsponsored Ballot Measure 9 by a 56 to 44 percent vote. That initiative would have declared "homosexuality...as ab-

normal, wrong, unnatural and perverse." While the new initiative does not include the inflammatory language found in Ballot Measure 9, Davis says Ballot Measure 13's goal is the same: to legalize discrimination.

"The message we want to get out through our media campaign is that this is no different than based firm, to direct the media campaign. Laguens reportedly specializes in using humor and emotional appeals to cut through the usual barrage of "political noise."

Though headquartered in Portland, No on 13 has also opened field offices in Corvallis, Bend, Medford, Salem and Eugene. The campaign is seeking volunteers statewide to phone bank, host house parties, and staff tables at public events. No on 13 signed up 500 volunteers during the Oregon

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State Fair in Salem. The group has also successfully sought the endorsements of more than 50 organizations representing the business, labor, religious and political communities.

The No on 13 Committee may also tap into an extensive human rights network stretching

throughout rural Oregon. More than 50 human dignity groups have sprouted up in small-town and rural Oregon since the 1992 election. The Rural Organizing Project can largely be credited with developing that network.

-Julie Davis

"ROP is different than political campaigns [such as No on 13] which focus on electoral politics,"