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“Many call for a revitalized Left to challenge the neoliberal war on the 99%, but few explain what that might look like. Chris Crass not only shows us what an energized radical movement looks like, he demonstrates that it is already here—in anti-racist movements, in women of color feminism, in queer politics, in anti-imperialist and anti-war movements, and in a movement-based anarchism grounded in the struggles of ordinary people to collectively resist oppression and dispossession while building liberatory, democratic communities of resistance. Crass understands all of these movements as a source of strength and solidarity, not diversions from the class struggle. *Towards Collective Liberation* ought to be essential reading for anyone who believes a different Revolution is possible.”

—ROBIN D. G. KELLEY, author of *Freedom Dreams: The Black Radical Imagination*

“In his writing and organizing, Chris Crass has been at the forefront of building the grassroots, multiracial, feminist movements for justice we need. *Towards Collective Liberation* takes on questions of leadership, building democratic organizations, and movement strategy, on a very personal level that invites us all to experiment and practice the way we live our values while struggling for systemic change. Chris Crass is a writer/activist who keeps his eye on the prize: to work for collective liberation, remembering that mine is interdependent with yours. To that end, the book draws crucial lessons from applying women of color feminism to anti-racist organizing in white communities, and feminist work with men, lessons that need to be studied and applied widely.”

— ELIZABETH ‘BETITA’ MARTINEZ, founder of the Institute for Multiracial Justice and author of *De Colores Means All of Us: Latina Views for a Multi-Colored Century*

“With compelling honesty, Chris Crass shares his journey toward understanding his own privilege in order to become a more effective ally in struggles for justice. *Towards Collective Liberation* provides inspiration and practical guidance for working across differences of race, class, sexuality and gender. It is a thoughtful and engaging handbook for our times.”

— BARBARA SMITH, co-founder of Combahee River Collective, and editor of *Home Girls: A Black Feminist Anthology*

“In his activism and writings, Chris Crass has been able to articulate and practice a transformative model for social change. Guided by a vision of collective liberation that centers the experience and leadership of women of color, Chris has done ground-breaking work to realize the revolutionary potential of grassroots multiracial alliances. His essays and interviews over the past two decades provide tremendously valuable and concrete lessons for all those deepening social, political, economic and spiritual change.”

— HARSHA WALIA, co-founder of No One Is Illegal and author of *Undoing Border Imperialism*

TOWARDS COLLECTIVE LIBERATION



ANTI-RACIST ORGANIZING, FEMINIST PRAXIS,
AND MOVEMENT BUILDING STRATEGY



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“These are words from the heart, overflowing onto the streets.”

VIJAY PRASHAD

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