

MISSION STATEMENTS OF THE AFFILIATES OF RBH

The mission of the **American Humanist Association** is to be a clear, democratic voice for Humanism in the United States, to increase public awareness and acceptance of Humanism, to establish, protect and promote the position of Humanists in our society, and to develop and advance Humanist thought and action.

The Institute for Humanist Studies (IHS) is a think tank whose mission is to promote greater public awareness, understanding, and support for humanism. The Institute specializes in pioneering new technology and methods for the advancement of humanism. Founded in 1999 as an educational non-profit institute, IHS operates business offices and meeting facilities in Albany, New York.

The Center for Inquiry, an international nonprofit organization, was established in 1976 to promote and defend reason, science and free inquiry in all areas of human endeavor. Through research, education, publishing and social services, we offer a positive secularist alternative to an ethical system based on religion and belief in the supernatural. We are also deeply committed to upholding the American tradition of religious liberty, coupled with absolute separation of church and state, that guarantees the right to practice any faith or no faith.

The New Jersey Humanist Network is a vibrant and growing community of secular humanists. We believe that virtues like morality, kindness, justice and generosity function best independent from religious dogma, from belief in supernatural powers, and from belief in a spiritual afterlife. Please consider joining us for our free monthly meetings held in the Bridgewater area.

The Council for Secular Humanism cultivates rational inquiry, ethical values, and human development through the advancement of secular humanism. To carry out its mission the Council for Secular Humanism sponsors publications, programs, and organizes meetings and other group activities. The Council's specific objectives are:

To promote secular humanist principles to the public, media, and policy-makers

To provide secular humanist activities and communities to serve the needs of nonreligious people and foster human enrichment

To demonstrate the viability of the secular humanist eupraxophy as an alternative naturalistic life-stance

To engage in research relating to the critical examination of religious and supernatural claims and the humanist outlook

To conduct educational programs for all age levels