

# Be a Hero for a Better World



"A century that began with children having virtually no rights is ending with children having the most powerful legal instrument that not only recognizes but protects their human rights."

-- Carol Bellamy

## Carol Bellamy

(1942-)

Like many young people who want to make a difference in the world, Carol Bellamy joined the Peace Corps after college. She spent two years volunteering in Guatemala and then went back to get her law degree. She was elected as a New York State Senator and then as the first woman President of the New York City Council. Carol Bellamy returned to the Peace Corps in 1993 as its director. Two years later she was appointed as the Executive Director of UNICEF, the United Nations Children Fund. For the next ten years she helped UNICEF to champion the safety, health and rights of children around the world. She challenged leaders of governments to invest in children, arguing that only if children are allowed to grow up in health, dignity and peace can we eliminate poverty and create a safer world. Under her leadership UNICEF made many advances for children's rights, and UNICEF's resources and global image grew tremendously. In 2005 Carol Bellamy began a new chapter of service for a better world when she was chosen to head the nonprofit, World Learning, one of the oldest nonprofit international educational organizations.

Carol Bellamy was born on January 14, 1942 in Plainfield, New Jersey

### Be A Hero For A Better World!

1. Find out more about this hero
2. Hold an event to raise awareness about human rights issues
3. Contribute to organizations working to defend human rights

### Human Rights Organizations

- Amnesty International ([amnesty.org](http://amnesty.org))
- Carter Center ([cartercenter.org](http://cartercenter.org))
- Human Rights First ([humanrightsfirst.org](http://humanrightsfirst.org))
- Human Rights Watch ([hri.org](http://hri.org))
- Rights International ([rightsinternational.org](http://rightsinternational.org))
- UN Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights ([ohchr.org](http://ohchr.org))
- Witness ([witness.org](http://witness.org))
- Women's Human Rights Net ([whrnet.org](http://whrnet.org))

For more information: [www.BetterWorldHeroes.com/bellamy.htm](http://www.BetterWorldHeroes.com/bellamy.htm)

**BetterWorldHeroes.com**

© The BetterWorld Project - Distribute for non-commercial uses only

BetterWorld Heroes are included for illustration purposes only. No celebrity endorsement is implied.