Fight Back



CUT RED TAPE

NO DELAYS FOR GETTING FEDERAL EXTENSION OF BENEFITS

HIRE MORE CLERKS END THE LONG WAITS AT THE DEPUTY SECTIO

STOP HARASSING PARENTS

ALLOW PARENTS TO BRING THEIR CHILDREN WITH THEM
PROVIDE A LICENSED CHILD CARE CENTER
AT THE UNEMPLOYMENT BUILDING

NOTIFY PEOPLE

S.U.A. IS SPECIAL UNEMPLOYMENT ASSISTANCE

JOBS, NOT WAR

PROVIDE JOB TRAINING,
JOB COUNSELLING, AND JOBS

INCREASE BENEFITS

RAISE THE MINIMUM

WHO NEEDS UNEMPLOYMENT

The Department of Labor reported that D. C. is on the Critical List.
The economic crisis is not a short term problem..
Over 8 million people are out of a job in the U. S. People's needs are as great as ever for better housing, more medical facilities, and better public transportation. In Washington, D. C. rents and food prices are going up.

Factories and offices have plenty of unused machines and equipment to produce the things we need.
Why don't the big corporations hire the millions who need a job to produce the things people need?
The answer is simple: It isn't profitable for business to hire the unemployed.
In fact, the owners of big corporations are actually benefitting from the recession. They hope to get working people to fight amoung themselves for the few remaining jobs--employed against unemployed, white against Black, women against men, citizens against immigrants, old against youth. Employers are more able to divide working people during times of economic crisis. They hope workers will be to divided to resist wage cuts, speed ups and union-busting.
Profits are going up right now.
We did not make the crisis, why should we pay for it?

WHY DOESN'T THE GOVERNMENT DO SOMETHING

Why doesn't the government provide jobs for the unemployed instead of just paying out unemployment compensation?
Everyone knows that the government cares mainly about the big corporations and the wealthy campaign contributors, not about working people. Corporation spokesmen urge the government to "GO SLOW" in providing jobs and the government listens.

The only reason we have unemployment compensation at all is that in the Great Depression of the 1930's many thousands of unemployed workers marched in the streets and organized the Unemployed Leagues. Together with employed workers, they forced the government to grant unemployment compensation!

But unemployment compensation provides just enough to enable us to survive.
The government hopes this will keep us quiet and force us to work for Scab wages and in Work-fare programs.
We get hassled in endless ways when we are unemployed. They give us the impression that unemployment compensation is a gift--actually that money comes from the wealth that we produce then we have a job!

FIGHT BACK

Today unemployed workers are again beginning to join together to demand their rights.

The ALLIANCE FOR LABOR AND COMMUNITY ACTION's UNEMPLOYMENT COMMITTEE calls on all unemployed workers to join with us to Fight Back against the economic crisis! We are planning a demonstration at the unemployment office in late October.

Come to the next meeting of the ALLIANCE UNEMPLOYMENT COMMITTEE phone 667-4461 after 4:00 or write BOX 21066 for the location

We welcome your suggestions and participation.

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