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Posted by AJ on 6/9/2010, 4:56 pm

Rally in Hamilton: DEFEND THE SPECIAL DIET.

RAISE WELFARE AND ODSP RATES NOW!

GET ON THE BUS FROM TORONTO: Bus leaves from Queen and Sherbourne:
Thursday, June 17, 11.00 AM
(We can arrange a Parkdale pick-up if enough people are wanting to go from the West-End).

*Packed Lunch to be provided

Poor people in all parts of Ontario are taking up the fight to save the Special Diet and win the right to decent income. On June 17, it will be the turn of people in Hamilton to take to the streets. OCAP is sending a bus that day, to stand with those in Hamilton who are rallying and building the fight back.

The McGuinty Liberals have delivered a massive and devastating blow to people in poverty with their vicious elimination of the Special Diet. Come with us to Hamilton and be part of the strggle to stop this cutback.

To make sure of your seat on the bus, call us today.

The Ontario Coalition Against Poverty (OCAP) (416) 925-6939

STOP THE SPECIAL DIET CUT!

RAISE WELFARE / DISABILITY RATES NOW!

HAMILTON RALLY AGAINST CUTS TO SOCIAL ASSISTANCE

Thursday, June 17th

1pm

Gore Park, Hamilton

On June 17th, we will rally in Hamilton against the Liberal Government's decision as part of their 2010 budget to CUT the Special Diet Allowance.

The Special Diet Allowance is money that people on Welfare (OW) and Disability (ODSP) rely on in order to access healthy food and pay the rent. For hundreds of thousands in Ontario, the Special Diet is the only means left to try to survive on shamefully inadequate OW and ODSP rates.

In March, the Ontario Liberal Government, including local Hamilton-Mountain Liberal MPP Sophia Aggelonitis, put forth the most anti-poor budget since Harris in 1995. In cutting the Special Diet Allowance, the Liberals are only the third Government in Ontario's history to cut Social Assistance. It is a 200 million dollar cut to Social Assistance! This is a brutal move that will make hundreds of thousands of people hungry, sick, at risk of being evicted, or homeless.

In Hamilton this cut to Social Assistance will be devastating. Hamilton is a community that has faced huge job losses in this economic crisis and attacks on the Public Sector. It is clearly a Liberal attack on single mothers, immigrants and the disabled. Statistics estimate that 22% of Hamilton residents live below the Poverty Line, with official unemployment being well over 8%.

We are demanding that the Ontario Government reinstate the Special Diet immediately, and that they finally reverse the 1995 Harris cut by raising OW and ODSP rates at which people can live with health and dignity.

Contact the Ontario Coalition Against Poverty
www.ocap.ca / (416) 925-6939

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