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HOW TO SUPPORT THE SQUAT

Coalition of Woodward's Squatters and Supporters
Corner of Abbott and Hastings St. Vancouver, BC
Phone (604) 682-2726 FAX (604) 687-4347
September 30th 2002

Dear Friends,

We the Woodward's Squatters are struggling to sustain our presence outside the Woodward's Building in our fight for social housing and we need your help.

Last night our security team counted 125 squatters, homeless, and their supporters, sleeping around the building. Everyday our numbers grow which is both exciting, but also increases our need for more resources.

We need your support in the form of donations (see list below). In return for your help, we will add your name to the list of our endorsers and supporters in our upcoming poster campaign, press conference and website. Anonymous donations are also respected.

Any resources you can contribute would greatly benefit the cause and society as a whole. Join the supporters in your community by supporting the Woodward's Squat.

How to help: There are two ways you can contribute: 1. Bring down your donations, or 2. Items can be picked up.

1. Bring down your donations: Donations can be brought down directly to the squat at the corners of Abbott and Hastings, or to the office at #42 Blood Alley PH (604)682-2726

2. Items can be picked up: If you need help getting your donation down to us, just call us (604) 682-2726 and we will co-ordinate a pick up.

Things we need (ongoing): Food and Spices, Blankets, sleeping bags, etc., Water, Juice, Coffee, Pillows, Quilts, Large cooking pots, Warm jackets, sweaters, socks, Disposable dishes and cutlery, Mattresses, foam pads and tents, Fuel-Fed Cooking Stoves and Fuel, Tarps and Rope, Cleaning supplies, Rolls of Plastic, Art materials (paint, markers, large rolls of paper etc.), Hammers, pliers, nails etc., Money for cooking materials and security (radios etc.), Staple guns, 8 1/2 x 11 and 11x 17 paper, Computer, printer, Ongoing photocopying access, Toilet paper, tampons and napkins, Soap, towels and toiletries.

We appreciate your support towards the fight for social housing.

In Solidarity,

The Woodward's Squatters

THE "WOODWARD'S 58" NEED YOUR SUPPORT!

In the early morning hours of Saturday, September 22, 2002, the Vancouver Police Department Riot Squad stormed into the Woodward's squat which homeless people and their supporters had been occupying since the previous Saturday. 58 people were arrested and charged with violating a Supreme Court injunction. The squatters and their supporters have to return to court November 7, 2002 to face civil contempt charges. The two lawyers who have so far represented us cannot possibly handle all of our cases themselves. THEREFORE, IT IS ESSENTIAL THAT WE RAISE SUFFICIENT FUNDS FOR OUR LEGAL DEFENCE. PLEASE DONATE WHATEVER YOU CAN TO THE "WOODWARD'S 58 LEGAL DEFENCE FUND" AND ASK YOUR FAMILY, FRIENDS, CO-WORKERS, UNION, HOUSING CO-OP, CHURCH OR COMMUNITY GROUP TO DO THE SAME.

Please make checks payable to the "People's Opposition" and write "legal defence" on them. Checks can be mailed to:

Woodward's 58 Legal Defence
c/o Anti-Poverty Committee
42 Blood Alley Square
Vancouver, BC, Canada
V6B 1C7

CONTACT INFO

W.O.O.D.S.Q.U.A.T. is printed by the Friends of the Woodward's Squat and does NOT represent the squat. We are a support group that helped with supplies and garbage removal during the occupation & now with legal assistance for the Woodward's 58, people who were subsequently attacked by police on 22 Sept, and people who lost their stuff in the garbage trucks after the Sunday night attack. Please direct questions about demands to the Woodward's Coalition or another of the many groups and individuals involved in defense activity. We can put you in touch.

Friends of the Woodward's Squat
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www.woodsquat.net (will be up over the weekend)

For back issues of *W.O.O.D.S.Q.U.A.T.* drop us a line attn. Crazyhorse Junior.

*Legal Meeting for W58 tonight at 6pm @ APC
Coalition Outreach Committee Friday at 2pm @ APC*