



Victory Tent City Newsletter #2 october 2003

Victory Squat Still Victorious!

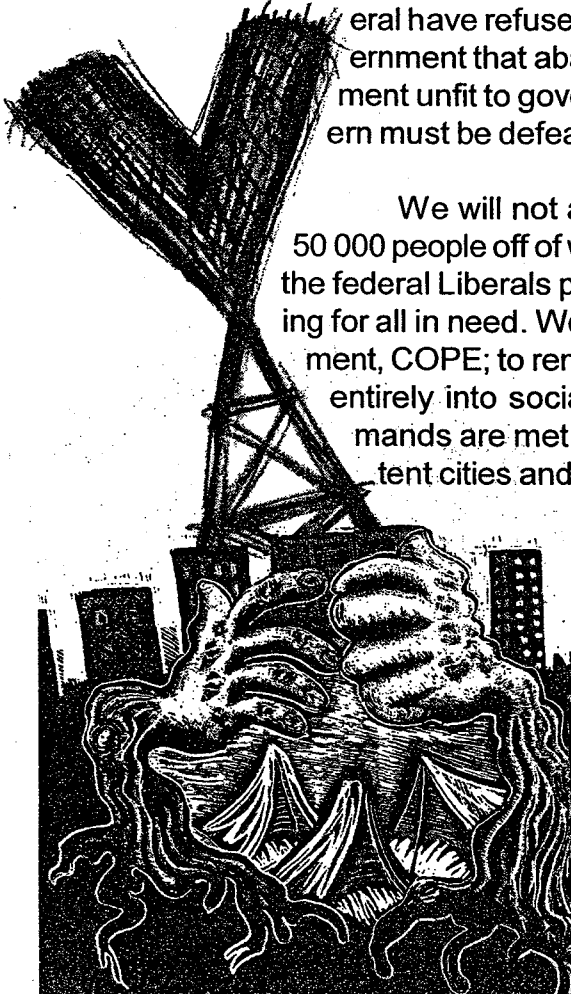
For three months the Victory Squat has stood strong. Escalating its campaign the squat has expanded into three different parks providing hundreds of people with shelter and political empowerment. **THIS IS US FIGHTING BACK!** We refuse to remain silent while our brothers and sisters sleep on the street! We refuse to remain invisible while the Liberals throw more of our brothers and sisters into the streets! We will fight back and we will win!

During the three months our demands have remained the same:

**SOCIAL HOUSING FOR ALL IN NEED
END THE TWO-YEAR WELFARE TIME LIMIT IMMEDIATELY!**

The three levels of government, municipal, provincial and federal have refused to meet our demands. A government that abandons the people is a government unfit to govern. A government unfit to govern must be defeated!

We will not allow the BC Liberals to throw 50 000 people off of welfare this April 1. We demand the federal Liberals provide funding for social housing for all in need. We call on our municipal government, COPE; to renovate the Woodward's building entirely into social housing units. Until our demands are met we will continue to fight, in our tent cities and in the streets, until we win!



Next Victory Squat meeting
Monday Sept. 29th
7:00pm
At gazebo at the
Victory Squat
Creekside Park,
Science World
All welcome!

Support and Solidarity

Over 60 organizations, comprised of unions and grassroots groups support tent city and endorse the squatter's demands. Although most are not standing on the front lines with the squatters, many are fight back on their own turf. Coalitions have sprung from tent city supporters to struggle against the welfare cuts and to fight for social housing. The Victory Squat has made the movement in BC realize that the only power poor people have is disruption. Because we do not have the resources to lobby the governments or buy them off we must force them to deal with a crisis. Bad publicity and economic disruption are two ways we are pressuring the state to deal with their crime of homelessness.

The Anti-Poverty Committee is a group of poor people who are determined to destroy this government by all means available. All squatters are welcome to attend the APC meetings and to use the APC office. United we will defend our brothers and sisters! United we will win!

Anti-Poverty Committee

Need help getting welfare or housing? We don't take no for an answer! Come to the APC office and together we will fight back!

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