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# **TOGETHER WE WILL STOP THE APRIL CUTS**

**JOIN US TO PLAN AN ACTION CAMPAIGN TO ADDRESS  
THE HOMELESSNESS AND POVERTY BEING CREATED BY  
THE PROVINCIAL AND FEDERAL GOVERNMENTS**

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## **UNITE TO FIGHT HOMELESSNESS AND THE APRIL 1<sup>ST</sup> CUTS**

**CARNEGIE CENTRE AUDITORIUM**

**401 Main Street, Vancouver**

**9:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. FRIDAY OCTOBER 17<sup>TH</sup>**

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### **Morning**

**hear and work with the homeless and poor as we identify the barriers and  
possible strategies and solutions to end the homelessness and the impending  
Provincial social assistance disentanglement campaign.**

### **AFTERNOON**

**Strategy Planning in smaller groups.**

**Come prepared to suggest strategies and to commit to take part in a campaign  
to end the cuts which are creating rampant homelessness and threatening  
wholesale disentanglement and help set up contingency plans.**

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## **401 Main St.** **THE DAYS AGENDA**

### **MORNING ACTIVITIES**

**9:30 a.m. Opening Address – Linda Corbin -  
City Proclamation of the International Day  
For The Eradication OF Poverty – Ellen Woodsworth  
Days overview – Jim Leyden**

**9:40 a.m. Opening Speech - Jean Swanson**

**10:00 a.m. The Affects of Homelessness and Poverty (open mike)**

#### **to address topics**

- **Why are you homeless**
- **Barriers to Welfare**
- **Barriers to Employment**
- **Do you use Emergency Shelters**
- **What Do You Need To Thrive**

**11:15 a.m. Recap**

**11:30 a.m. Lunch for Participants**

### **AFTERNOON ACTIVITIES**

**12:30 p.m. Key Note Speech - Libby Davies  
Introductions to Afternoon Session – Jim Leyden**

**12:45 p.m. The Battle Field and The Battle Plan**

**a) 1:00 p.m. - April 1<sup>st</sup> Cuts – What will it look like – an advocates view  
– DERA – Open mike**

**b) 1:30 p.m. - Who is responsible for homelessness – the Federal  
connection to Provincial cuts – Canada Assistance Plan and Social  
Accords - Gwyn Brodski – Open Mike**

**c) 2:00 p.m. – April 1 Contingency Plans - Social Housing and  
Homelessness – TRAC – Linda Mix – Open Mike**

**2:30p.m. – Coffee Break**

**2:45 p.m. April 1 - the battle plan – a team and a strategy – Steering  
Committee – Open Mike**

**Steering Committee, sub-committees and Next Meeting Dates.**

***Check out the community table and put notes on the wall charts during  
breaks and lunch***

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