Standing up for a Fair Economy

Growing economic inequality is undermining our communities.

In eastern Iowa and across the country, working families and the poor are being left behind by the so-called economic recovery. Recent headlines tell a disturbing tale:

- Unemployment Rate Rises to 9.2% in June
- 60,000 Teachers Will Lose Their Jobs This Coming School Year
- Workers Pay 14 percent more for Health Insurance Than Last Year
- CEO Pay Up 23% in 2010
- General Electric Pays No Income Tax

It’s just not right, and Iowans need to respond.

Several eastern Iowa unions and progressive community groups recently formed a coalition called *Iowans for Strong Communities*. The Coalition will work to defend the pillars of our communities: good schools, decent jobs, a clean environment, and public services. But in order to move forward, we need your ideas, energy, and commitment to creating a better tomorrow!

**Join us Saturday, August 6th for an Activist Academy on “Mobilizing for Economic Justice”**

Sponsored by the Iowa City Federation of Labor and *Iowans for Strong Communities*, this will be a hands-on training where you will have the opportunity to talk about how the current economy and budget decisions are affecting eastern Iowa communities, find out how other communities around the country are responding, and work to plan actions that promote economic justice. Facilitators will include instructors from the University of Iowa Labor Center and members of organizations affiliated with *Iowans for Strong Communities*.

**Mobilizing for Economic Justice**
Saturday August 6th, 2011
9am to 3pm
University Capitol Centre (Old Capitol Mall), Room 1117
200 S. Capitol St, Iowa City

There is no cost to attend, and lunch will be provided. To register, please call 319-335-4144.