

National Day of Emergency

Community Speak Out Support Hurricane Victims!



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**Wednesday, September 7 at 5PM
Outside MLK Jr. Library
San Fernando and Fourth St., San Jose**

What is taking place today in Louisiana, Mississippi and Alabama has provoked an outpouring of concern for the victims of Hurricane Katrina. Millions of people here and around the world are watching in horror at both the scale of suffering and the lack of response by President Bush and the U.S. government. Thousands are dead or missing; millions have been displaced or lost their jobs and homes.

The South Bay community will come together September 7 along with other cities throughout the nation to demand real relief for the victims and demonstrate that those suffering in hurricane-affected areas are not alone.

While Americans, including babies and the elderly, go without food and water, and corpses lie in the street and float in the water, the Bush Administration continues to spare no resource in waging its over \$200 billion war and occupation of Iraq. The \$10.5 billion relief package allocated for hurricane devastated areas is the same amount it costs to occupy Iraq for only 7 weeks.

There is a dire need for medical attention in Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama, Texas and in other Southern states. Cuba offered on August 30 to send up to 1,100 doctors to aid the hurricane victims. The Bush administration has not even acknowledged this offer, proving that politics are more important to the administration than saving lives.

Speak Out: Money for Human Needs, Not for War! Yes to Relief & Justice! No to War & Racism!

There will be an open mic for all who want to speak or express themselves artistically in order to stand in unity with the people in the Gulf Coast.

Initiated by: South Bay Jubilee Coalition and ANSWER (Act Now to Stop War & End Racism)

Endorsed by (list in formation): South Bay Mobilization (www.sbm4peace.org)

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Donate to Veterans for Peace hurricane relief. A collection will be taken at the speak-out, or donate online: www.vfpoadtrips.org