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## Help to organize an Economic Human Rights Campaign in Maine

**Saturday, June 27th**

**9:30 AM-Noon**

**Augusta**

In April, Cheri Honkala, national coordinator for the **Poor People's Economic Human Rights Campaign**, spoke around Maine. MAIN leaders were involved in organizing some of these speaking events.

As a result of Cheri's visit, there are many in Maine who want to have an active Economic Human Rights campaign in Maine that will work toward those rights as well as having a connection to national efforts.

A group of about 25 people met on May 31st to talk about how to organize an EHR campaign in Maine. Following that, a small group met on June 6 to put together a mission and "Bill of Economic Human Rights for Maine." You can find a draft of this on the MAIN website:

[www.peacebreadjustice.org](http://www.peacebreadjustice.org)

### **What's next?**

Now it's time to finalize this Bill of Economic Human Rights and add to it at a meeting on Saturday, June 27th, 9:30 am-noon, at the Maine Equal Justice office, 126 Sewall St., Augusta. For directions, go to: [www.mejp.org](http://www.mejp.org). How to get economic human rights on everybody's agenda in Maine will also be discussed at this meeting.

### **Please come to this meeting.**

**People with low incomes are especially needed to help lead this campaign!** Those who have been most affected by the lack of economic human rights have the perspective and expertise needed to make change. The phrase "nothing about us without us" means their collective voice and experience must help shape a more just economic system.

**If you have questions or comments, contact Larry Dansinger, 161 Stovepipe**

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**Can't attend but want to be active?** If you can't come to the June 27th meeting but have ideas or want to be active on some part of an economic human rights campaign, contact Larry.

**Do you need a ride or can you give someone a ride?** Contact Larry.

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### **Poor People's EHR national conference**

**Are you interested in attending the national conference on abolishing poverty on July 16-19 in Louisville, Kentucky?** The Poor People's Economic Human Rights Campaign (PPEHRC) and the Social Welfare Action Alliance are sponsoring this conference. Three people from Maine are planning to go so far. Look for more information on the [www.socialwelfareactionalliance.org](http://www.socialwelfareactionalliance.org)

**IF YOU WANT TO GO AND NEED MONEY TO GET THERE, WE HAVE SOME AND SO DOES PPEHRC. CHECK WITH THEM AT (612) 821-2364.**

To learn about the Poor People's Economic Human Rights campaign, go to: [www.economichumanrights.org](http://www.economichumanrights.org)

### **What are Economic Human Rights?**

Economic Human Rights include the RIGHT to: quality health care; a job or income, living wages, equal pay, and the ability to join a union; affordable housing; adequate and nutritional food; free education, and a decent standard of living.

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