

The Philadelphia Unemployment Project

November 2010 Update

Emergency Unemployment Benefits to END November 30th. Don't Let it happen!

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Emergency Unemployment Compensation (EUC) for laid off workers will end on November 30th, leaving thousands of unemployed people in Pennsylvania without the money needed to take care of their families!

Unemployment in Philly is at 11.7%. Right now, unemployed workers can get up to 99 weeks of Emergency Unemployment Compensation, and these emergency additions are very important to the health of Philadelphia and our city's economy. These extended benefits will END on November 30th if Congress does not vote YES for an extension, and 83,000 unemployed PA workers will LOSE their Emergency Unemployment Compensation in December ALONE!



If you are already getting emergency benefits, you will only be able to finish your CURRENT tier. Thousands of people in our our state and nation will start to lose EUC benefits in the first week in December. Without the extensions workers will only be able to get 26 weeks of UI benefits. By April 2011, over 280,000 unemployed workers in Pennsylvania

will COMPLETELY EXHAUST their Unemployment Benefits

PUP is organizing unemployed people who need these checks. We are fighting for our families. We need these extensions until jobs open up! Come to PUPs Jobs Committee meetings to get involved. For more information, contact PUP at 215-557-0822

Getting Emergency Unemployment Benefits?!?

Come To Our Jobs Committee Meetings at the PUP every other Thursday at 3:00pm!

Learn how you can FIGHT for Jobs, Extended UC Benefits, and Economic Justice for Unemployed Workers!

Meetings on Nov. 4th, Nov. 18th, and Dec 2nd at 3:00 PM at PUP- 112 N. Broad Street, 11th Floor (next to McDonald's at Broad and Arch)

PUP is Fighting to STOP FORECLOSURES!



In recent weeks, massive fraud and deceptive practices by mortgage companies around the state and the country have been uncovered by the media. The same companies pushed the fraudulent sub prime mortgages that led to the recession.

These mortgage companies have also refused to offer affordable workouts for people behind on their mortgages, despite a large scale government program that pays them to

do so (the HAMP program). Because of mortgage companies have foreclosed based on fraudulent practices, and because these banks have refused to offer affordable work outs for delinquent mortgages, on October 21, 2010, over 150 homeowners, housing counselors, attorneys, lawmakers, and housing advocates rallied on at City Hall to call for **a freeze on all foreclosures !**

Speakers at the rally included homeowners

affected by the mortgage crisis, housing counselors who work with hundreds of clients on a weekly basis in an effort to save homes, and Philadelphia City Council leaders. The speakers had one message in common: Foreclosures should cease in our state and nation until mortgage companies stop fraud, offer affordable work outs for delinquent mortgages and new federal funds are made available to eligible homeowners. Until people have a chance to apply for these federal programs, no one should lose their home!



Foreclosure Crisis Committee Meeting:

Tuesday, November 9th, 6 PM at the PUP office- 112 N. Broad St, 11th Floor in Philadelphia

Call 215-557-0822 for more information

New Program for Unemployed Homeowners!

There is a new HUD program to assist unemployed homeowners!



PUP led the fight for this program for a year and now the financial reform bill has given \$1 billion to HUD to create the Emergency Homeowners Loan Program (EHL) Program. This program will offer unemployed workers with a "bridge loan" for up to 24 monthly payments to help them make their mortgage

payments while looking for work. This important emergency mortgage relief for unemployed homeowners is under a major new federal program authored by Pennsylvania Congressman Chaka Fattah. In August, PUP held a Press Conference with Rep. Fattah and Senator Robert Casey to unveil the new program at our office. Call PUP for info.

Looking for Work? PUP is Here to Help!

Come into PUP to get the help you need while you're out of work!

The Philadelphia Unemployment Project has computers for Internet

job search and to work on your resume and cover letter. At our office, you can have access to our fax machine to send out resumes, and you can

look through our job listings.

Our Jobs Developer, Faith Whitehead, offers career counseling and job placement assistance.



Jobs Club- Tuesdays from 10 to 12 noon



Come to the Philadelphia Unemployment Project EVERY Tuesday from 10-12pm at our office for our Jobs Club!

The Jobs Club is a program that provides a source of career information and job placement services for the people of Philadelphia and the surrounding area. It provides support for you while you look for work.

Feel free to take advantage of our Jobs Club and the PUP offices to help you in your job search!

Need Access to the Internet For Your Job Search?

PUP has a 10 station computer lab to work on cover letters, resumes, and go on the internet to search for jobs!

Navigator Helps Jobless with Health Care!

Our Health Care Navigator can connect you will free or low cost health services!

If you are uninsured, call TODAY to find out about city and federally qualified health services, access to hospital care, low cost

insurance, dental care, etc. You can also get help applying for food stamps and medical benefits. For more information, contact Health Navigator Katy Weeks at 215-557-0822, ext. 106 TODAY!



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**First Things
First: JOBS!!**



We're on the Web!
WWW.PHILAUP.ORG

The Philadelphia Unemployment Project Fighting for Fair Wages and Jobs for over 30 Years!

Since 1975, the Philadelphia Unemployment Project has organized the unemployed to fight for economic justice, bringing diverse groups together to bring about major changes that benefit millions of unemployed and low income people.

These victories prove that, once organized, working people and the unemployed can be a powerful voice in the city, state, and nation!

PUP is open M-F from 9:00-5pm. Our office is located at 112 N. Broad Street, 11th Floor, in Center City, Philadelphia near Arch and N. Broad Street. The coffee pot is always on. Come on in.

If you want more information about the Philadelphia Unemployment Project, contact us at 215-557-0822.

PUP is Celebrating Our 35th Anniversary!



The Philadelphia Unemployment Project's 35th Anniversary Honoring!
Friday, November 12th at 6:00 pm at The View- 800 N. Broad Street,
Philadelphia, PA 19102

Honorees:

John Meyerson, Legislative Director, UFCW Local 1776

Former PUP members State Senator Shirley Kitchen and State
Representative Vanessa Brown

Cost: \$35 for PUP members, \$70 for General Admission