

# <u>May Day - Dia Internacional del Trabajor - at</u> <u>Oregon's Capitol in Salem</u>

Come to the Oregon State Capitol building on May 1, 2024, at 12:00 P.M. noon to celebrate International Workers' Day.

Enjoy music, speakers, resource tables of local non-profit organizations, plus join the march for workers' rights around the Capitol, 900 Court St. N.E., Salem, OR 97301.

#### Modified from an original email from Farm Worker Ministry Northwest

Join PCUN, Farm Worker Ministry Northwest, OR UU Voices for Justice and community organizations for a powerful celebration of International Workers' Day on May 1st!

We will gather at the Oregon State Capitol in Salem for a day of impactful community speeches, vital resource booths, and a mighty march around the Capitol Block. Let's unite and demonstrate our deep appreciation for the hardworking and dedicated individuals who keep our society moving forward. The year 2023 marked a significant milestone for workers' rights, and we are determined to carry that momentum forward into 2024 and beyond with unwavering determination.

Let's continue to build our collective power and advocate fiercely for the rights and well-being of workers everywhere. 12 Noon at the Salem Capitol.

## Event page here: https://www.facebook.com/events/793312129295747/?acontext=%7B%22event\_action\_history%22%3A[]%7D

#### Register here:

International Workers' Day 2024 (everyaction.com)

### From the Rev. Ed Brandt, board member, Farm Worker Ministry Northwest:

In Oregon, we observe *farm workers* doing different tasks throughout the year--shaping, cutting and bundling Christmas trees; backpack spraying herbicides on grass seed fields; planting, pruning and harvesting grapes; and working in berry fields and hazelnut orchards.

Blessed with over 200 agricultural products, Oregon depends on 120,000+ farm workers--of which 30% are women--as community members, consumers, tax-payers and workers--to support our \$5 billion agricultural production and \$2.6 billion agriculture export economies.

If you drive roads and highways *throughout* our state--and look for farm worksites--you will see feedlots and dairies in eastern Oregon, vegetable fields and nurseries in the Willamette Valley, fruit orchards in the Hood River and Rogue River Valleys, and flocks of sheep in southeastern and western Oregon. Guest workers migrant and seasonal farm workers play a vital role at most of these worksites. These workers deserve our support!

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