

# Free legal clinic for people facing possible foreclosure

Sunday, September 30, 2012

***If you need help keeping your house or know someone else facing possible foreclosure, here's a group that can help.***

UAW Local 140's Civil and Human Rights Committee in partnership with other UAW locals, Southeast Michigan Jobs with Justice and Moratorium Now! are offering a free legal clinic and a group discussion about how to fight foreclosures.

Where: UAW Local 160 at 28504 Lorna, Warren, MI 48092. (near E. 12 Mile and Van Dyke Roads)

When: Saturday October 6, 2012.

Time: Informative speakers from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm and a free legal clinic from 12:00 pm to 2:00 pm or later.

Foreclosures and evictions are devastating working families around the country. One in nine homeowners nationwide is either behind in their mortgage payments or their family homes are in foreclosure. Over 80,000 homeowners have lost their homes in the Detroit area alone. The vacant home rate in Detroit is 25 percent, second only to New Orleans.

Michigan has led the nation in foreclosures caused by the predatory sub-prime lending crisis on top of a severe economic downturn. One in every 137 homes in Michigan is in foreclosure. Michigan leads the country in unemployment and poverty.

Since the federal government has now taken over and bailed out the big mortgage firms of Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac at taxpayer expense, it is the government's responsibility to bail out and protect those who need it most -- working people and their families, the elderly and the disabled who are facing foreclosure and eviction.

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