



PORTLAND JOBS WITH JUSTICE

February 2019 Solidarity Calendar

Below is the February 2019 Solidarity Calendar. These events are being organized by Portland JwJ or have been endorsed and sponsored by our Steering Committee. How will you show up in support of other people's struggles this month? To view this event calendar online and access the links, visit www.jwjpdx.org/solidaritycalendar/

Hands Off Venezuela! Rally



Join your community members at [Terry Schrunk Plaza](#) (431 SW Madison St) this **Friday, February 8** at **5pm** to tell the US government HANDS OFF VENEZUELA! No more military intervention in Latin America!

President Trump pushed his advisors to plan a military intervention in Venezuela to remove president Maduro. The US administration was also in direct discussions with coup plotting Venezuelan army officers. Washington has repeatedly encouraged the removal of the Venezuelan government by an Army coup. There are now a series of right wing Latin American governments which have escalated aggressive rhetoric against Venezuela and there is a concerted attempt to use the issue of Venezuelan migrants to justify an imperialist intervention.

None of these governments have the interests of Venezuelan people at heart. Economic sanctions do not help Venezuela, on the contrary, they are designed to inflict pain in the hope that it will lead to the overthrow of the government. These actions have a real negative impact on the Venezuelan economy which is already suffering a deep crisis. Threats by Washington should not be dismissed.

No Sanctions, No Coup, No Military Intervention: Hands Off Venezuela!

[Click Here](#) for more information, to share this event on social media, y para español.

Tell City Council to Withdraw Portland from the Joint Terrorism Task Force!



There will be a **city council hearing** on the resolution to withdraw from the JTTF on **Wednesday February 13th at 2pm**, with a **rally** outside **City Hall** starting at **1pm**. Come out to show the mayor and council that Portland demands our city withdraw! City Hall is ADA accessible.

In 2015, Portland rejoined the FBI's Joint Terrorism Task Force (JTTF). [Portlanders have long expressed concerns with the JTTF as it entangles local officers in surveillance and police practices that violate the state laws that protect Oregonians from being targeted based on our political, religious, or social views, or based on our real or perceived immigration status.](#)

Now, under a president who targets people based on their religion (Muslims), national origin (immigrants), and political beliefs (protesters, Black Lives Matter), it is more important than ever to stop participating in the federal government's dragnet surveillance and spy program.

The FBI and ICE, the biggest players in the Joint Terrorism Task Force, regularly engage in profiling and surveillance that is prohibited under Oregon law. Portland Police officers simply cannot comply with Oregon law while also operating as deputized JTTF agents. Furthermore, these officers operate without local oversight, as neither their supervisors, the city attorney, nor the mayor have the security clearance needed to monitor their work.

[Click Here](#) to share this event on social media.

[CLICK HERE](#) to Take Action and tell the Portland City Council to withdraw from the JTTF.

[Click Here](#) to read the Portland JwJ OpEd on why we should withdraw.

Tell Big Banks to Break Up With Private Prisons & Family Detention!



While professing respect for human rights, Wells Fargo and JPMorgan Chase continue to fund GEO Group and CoreCivic; the biggest operators of private prisons and immigrant detention centers.

On Valentine's Day #FamiliesBelongTogether and National Jobs with Justice are coordinating actions across the country to deliver cards and signatures to Wells Fargo and Chase branches telling them to break

up with private prisons. Portland JwJ is leading a delivery here in Portland to let big banks know that if they don't take action, we will -- by pledging to encouraging others to break up with Wells Fargo and JPMorgan Chase and switch to credit unions that actually respect our communities instead! [#RealMoneyMoves](#)

Come out and join us on **Valentine's Day, Thursday February 14 at 10am** at the **Wells Fargo Bank** in downtown Portland (900 SW 5th Ave) for this fun and meaningful action to hold corporations accountable and keep the pressure on them in support of immigrant rights!

[Click Here today to sign and share the petition](#) that we'll be delivering, to let Jamie Dimon (Chase) and Timothy Sloan (Wells) know that their customers and potential customers are not afraid to align our money with our values.

[Click Here](#) to share this event on social media.

Film Screening: Big Money Agenda



The Portland Jobs with Justice Healthcare Committee and [KBOO Community Radio](#) are excited to host a screening and discussion of the film "Big Money Agenda" at the Clinton Street Theater!

The film and discussion will explore why Americans are sicker than they should be, poorer than they ought to be, and less safe than they deserve to be, as well as the money in politics that is preventing real change.

Sunday February 10 at the [Clinton Street Theater](#). 2522 SE Clinton St.

doors open at 6:30pm. Program and film starts at 7pm.

\$5-20 sliding scale, but at JwJ we never turn anyone away for lack of funds.

The Clinton Street Theater is ADA accessible. English subtitles will be provided for the film.

[Click Here](#) to get admission online today!

[Click Here](#) to share this event on social media.

March for Our Students



Huge class sizes and caseloads. Room clears. Missing support staff. Our students deserve better.

It's time to show our lawmakers that our schools need funding now.

Make your Presidents Day count by showing up for students and marching to tell legislators that our students can't wait.

Join educators in Salem to march for education funding!

Monday, February 18th

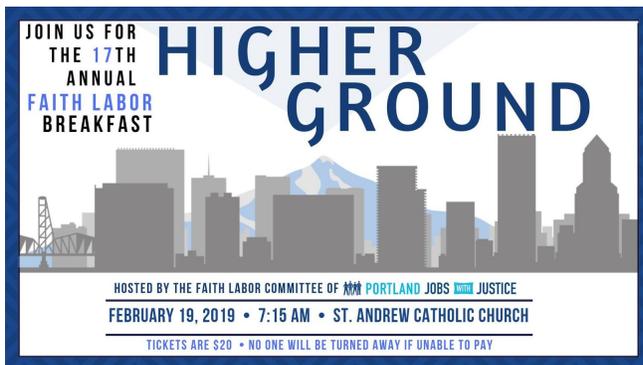
10am-12pm

[Oregon State Capitol Building](#)

900 Court St. NE, Salem, OR 97301

[Click Here](#) for more information and to share this event on social media.

17th Annual Faith Labor Breakfast: Higher Ground



You are invited to gather with workers and local faith leaders as we break bread, hear powerful stories, and sing out in celebration for workers' rights victories!

Tuesday, February 19

from 7:15-9am

at **[St. Andrew Catholic Church](#)**

Tickets are \$20 but no one will be turned away for lack funds.

The space is ADA accessible. ASL interpretation will be provided upon request! If needed, please use the messenger function on this page, or email A.J. Mendoza (aj@jwjpdx.org) no later than two-weeks from the event to ensure enough time to make necessary arrangements.

[Click Here](#) to purchase tickets.

[Click Here](#) to share this event on social media.

Apply for JwJ's Second Labor History for Labor Activists Class!



Portland Rising, a committee of Portland Jobs with Justice, is excited to announce its second Labor History for Labor Activists class!

The class will meet six consecutive **Monday evenings** from **7-9 pm** starting April 1, 2019, and will **explore US labor history through the choices and dilemmas faced by past labor activists** with the aim of strengthening our current understandings and practice.

The class size will be limited to 15 in order to promote active engagement among participants and with the material. Therefore, we ask those who wish to take the class to complete a short, on-line application form. **Class selection will begin February 17, 2019**, so get your application in ASAP!

For more information and to access the application form visit the [class webpage](#).

Save the Date: 2019 Labor Notes Troublemakers School!



Saturday April 6, from **9am-4:30pm** at [Pacific Northwest Carpenters Institute](#)
4222 NE 158th Ave. Portland, OR 97230

The 2019 Labor Notes Troublemakers School will draw on the experience of local labor and community campaigns and successful struggles around the country.

The school will have workshops for new members, old hands, organizers, and shop stewards such as: Turning an issue into a campaign, Taking action at your job, Effective communication strategies, Building a member-driven union, Labor-community alliances, Defending our unions.

JwJ Committee Meetings

Portland Rising Committee



Join the JwJ Portland Rising Committee at its next meeting **Wednesday February 13** from **6:30-8pm** at [SEIU Local 49](#), 3536 SE 26th Ave. Portland, OR 97202.

We hope to design and organize a series of public presentations to help us chart the road ahead and build collective power. The topics to be covered are:

- post-election strategies for pressuring elected leaders to adopt the policies we need
- the promise & challenges of a Green New Deal
- the state of our economy and the growing dangers of recession
- new forms of worker organizing

We welcome all who are interested in these topics and in helping us think about how to structure the presentations to ensure that they address the relevant issues in ways responsive to our movement. The first two topics were discussed at our January meeting. This February's meeting will take up the state of our economy.

Healthcare Committee



The JwJ [Healthcare Committee](#) works to promote healthcare as a human right at the local, state, and national level, to defend union health plans, and to fight for fair, equitable and comprehensive health care that covers everyone and is paid for with public funds.

The next committee will take place on **Tuesday February 19** from **5:30-7pm**. at 5804 SE 77th Ave. Portland, OR 97206.

Faith Labor Committee



Our [Faith Labor Committee](#)'s next meeting is **Wednesday February 27** from **12-2pm** at the [JwJ office](#).

The Faith Labor Committee is made up of labor and faith activists and leaders who come together to build sustained relationships between the labor community, and individuals and congregations in the faith community. Based on these relationships, the committee

works to develop and implement outreach strategies to facilitate the faith community showing up in support of the struggles of working people in our city.

Global Justice Committee

Come out for our next [Global Justice Committee](#) meeting

Wednesday February 27 from **7-9pm** at [Oregon Fair Trade Campaign](#) office
2701 SE 14th Ave Suite E.

GLOBAL JUSTICE COMMITTEE



Portland Jobs with Justice has long history of global justice and international solidarity work ranging from organizing caravans to the 1999 WTO summit in Seattle and supporting striking GM in workers in Columbia, to mobilizing war resistance and exposing the lies of

companies like Nike about their treatment of workers.