



the ANTI-HUNGER ADVOCATE

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LET'S MAKE PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION MORE AFFORDABLE

AHAC is circulating a petition asking the Mayor and City Council of Salt Lake to create a \$20 monthly bus pass for city residents. The petition states:

Salt Lake City has the best public transportation system in Utah but not enough people use that system. This leads to worsening air quality and traffic congestion. Salt Lake City's government needs to take a leadership role in encouraging people to use public transportation and rewarding people who use public transportation consistently.

Hopefully, with enough signatures we will be able to convince the new Mayor and City Council of Salt Lake to work to create such a pass. With a monthly bus pass costing \$53.50 and in a little over a year that price rising twice to an ultimate cost of \$67, public transportation in the city is becoming more and more unaffordable. This discounted pass will make public transportation in Salt Lake City affordable once again.

To go out in the community and collect signatures with other AHAC members or to get copies of the petition so you can collect signatures on your own call Adam at 364.7765 ext. 131



Joe Cziryak has gotten over 70 signatures on the petition and is working to get more. He says that getting signatures is "easy because I believe in it and understand that a cheaper bus pass means more people will be able to ride."

Come to the 4th Annual People's Summit on Poverty

September 15

9:30 AM to 1:30 PM

Horizonte School

1234 South Main St.

Salt Lake City

Free and open to the public.
Lunch Provided

This year's summit will be a great chance to learn what different community groups will be working on this year during breakout groups on Healthcare, Transportation, Housing, Hunger and Economic Security.

State Senator Scott McCoy will be delivering the Keynote Address and will unveil his plan to provide insurance to more low-income Utahns that he will present to the legislature in the next General Session.

The day will end with a mayoral forum featuring the two final candidates for Salt Lake City's office of Mayor. The breakout groups will develop the questions so be sure to come so your voice can be heard!

UPP SUMMER BARBECUE

About 120 people came to the Utah Poverty Partnership Barbecue this summer. Several state legislators, city council candidates, and other local officials were also able to come answer questions, meet AHAC members, and have a great time.

Pictures taken by AHAC Board member Tia Thulin



AHAC Service Projects

Last month AHAC members gathered to collect trash along the street in the neighborhood around Crossroads Urban Center. It was a fun project and everyone who participated wanted to make this a regular AHAC activity.

If you are interested in participating in future AHAC service projects call 364.7765 to find out when the next service day will be.



The Anti-Hunger Advocate is a monthly newsletter of the Anti-Hunger Action Committee (AHAC).

Our Mission: The Anti-Hunger Action Committee is a membership organization composed of and led by food pantry clients and their friends.

- We unite many different kinds of people served by food pantries in order to increase community involvement of low income Utahns.
- We educate Salt Lake County residents about available resources and issues facing food pantry clients.
- We organize food pantry clients and their friends to take action on their own behalf.
- We promote solutions to problems that cause hunger and poverty in the lives of our members.

Our Supporters: AHAC receives funding from the Catholic Campaign for Human Development, the United Methodist Church's Domestic Hunger and Poverty Program, the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America Hunger Grant Program, the United Church of Christ Hunger Action Fund, MAZON: A Jewish Response to Hunger and the Crossroads Urban Center.

Submissions: To submit an item to the newsletter, please contact AHAC at Crossroads Urban Center, 364-7765.

Previous issues of the newsletter are available either at Crossroads, or on-line at: www.crossroads-u-c.org