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Anti-Hunger Advocate

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AHAC and Obama agree: This is the year for healthcare

President Obama says healthcare reform needs to happen this year. We members of the Anti-Hunger Action Committee agree. Our top priority in healthcare reform is insuring people living in poverty. We urge legislators to expand Medicaid to cover everyone under the federal poverty level—regardless of age, ability, or parental status. AHAC has adopted this campaign, and we invite you to join our efforts.

There are several ways you can help out:

1. Ask three people you know to sign statements of support for our Medicaid campaign. Then invite them to our July barbecue! (See #3.)

Return the signed statements to AHAC headquarters at Crossroads Urban Center (347 South 400 East, Salt Lake) so we can collect them and

deliver them to our federal senators. Get copies of the statement of support, and other resources, by going to Crossroads or printing them off from www.utahpovertypartnership.org. (If you're receiving this newsletter in the mail, we're enclosing three copies of the statement and three mini-flyers for the barbecue.)

2. Come to the AHAC meeting on Tuesday, June 16 at 5:30 p.m. at Crossroads Urban Center (347 South 400 East, Salt Lake). We will discuss how the campaign is progressing and plan for the July barbecue (see below).

3. Enjoy a FREE barbecue on Wednesday, July 8, from 6 p.m. – 8 p.m. at Liberty Park in Salt Lake City. We will meet on Rice Terrace. The barbecue is open to all, and represents communities that care about people living in poverty.

Any questions? Contact Sarah at sarah@crossroads-u-c.org or call (801) 364-7765, ext. 130.

Another advocacy group, the Coalition of Religious Communities, will also be collecting statements of support, particularly from members of various faiths throughout Utah. They'll hold a press conference with faith leaders and CORC members on June 24, as part of the Interfaith Week of Prayer for Health Care for All. The week lasts from June 19 - 26, 2009. On June 24 at the national level, thousands will gather at Freedom Plaza in Washington, D.C. to proclaim the moral imperative of health care for all.

Now is the time for change! Join the effort to bring health insurance to all people living in poverty!

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The Anti-Hunger Advocate is a monthly publication of AHAC, a group that works on poverty issues. We accept submissions of **artwork, poetry, short stories, memories/reflections, puzzles, word-searches, jumbles, cartoons, jokes**, etc.

To submit, contact Sarah at (801) 364-7765, ext. 130, or sarah@crossroads-u-c.org

Utah Poverty Partnership's
**Barbecue promoting healthcare for
all low income Americans**

Wednesday July 8, 2009



6 PM to 8 PM



Liberty Park

More than one third of all uninsured Americans are living under the federal poverty level. This year Congress will vote on legislation to expand Medicaid eligibility to cover all Americans under the poverty level and make healthcare affordable for millions of people. Come show support for this bill while eating food and having a good time.

This barbecue is free and open to everyone who believes all Americans should be able to afford basic healthcare.

The Barbecue will take place at the Rice Terrace in the northeast section of the park. For more information contact Bill Tibbitts at Crossroads Urban Center,

801-364-7765 ex 131 or: bill@crossroads-u-c.org

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