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****Advisory: May Day Rally and March – May 1, 10am****

Hundreds of Workers to Rally for May Day in Washington Sq Park

NEW YORK – Hundreds of workers and elected officials will hold a May Day rally and march on **Monday, May 1, at 10:00am EST** to demand stronger labor protections and access to the safety net for workers who have been left out.

The rally will bring together a wide spectrum of workers who have been marginalized and excluded from labor protections, including union members, construction workers, excluded workers, domestic workers, sex workers, street vendors, freelancers, incarcerated workers, workers in re-entry, and workers with arrest or conviction records.

The rally comes as legislators in Albany are still finalizing the FY24 state budget and appear poised to exclude any major demands from workers, including a meaningful increase to New York's minimum wage and a permanent program to provide excluded workers with access to unemployment. Instead, lawmakers have rolled back common sense bail reforms, choosing to criminalize our communities rather than invest in them.

At the rally, workers will call for a radically inclusive labor movement that refuses to leave any workers behind, including higher wages and real access to unemployment support.

WHAT: May Day rally for worker protections

WHEN/WHERE: May 1, 2023

- **10:00am EST:** Press Conference – Washington Square Arch
- **11:00am EST:** March from Washington Square (12:30pm arrival at Foley Square)

WHO: Workers, community organizations, and elected officials, including;

NYC Councilmember Tiffany Cabán

NYC Councilmember Carmen de la Rosa

Make the Road NY

Fund Excluded Workers Coalition

Secure Jobs Coalition

NYC Street Vendor Justice Coalition

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New York Communities for Change
Laborers' Local 79
Teamsters Local 804
UAW 9A
The Legal Aid Society
Citizen Action of NY
13th Forward
Clean Slate Coalition
PLAN Act
Decrim NY
NYC Coalition for Domestic Work

LIVESTREAM: The rally and march will be livestreamed on Make the Road NY's [Facebook page](#).