Public Meeting

Findings of the Citizens Inquiry into Dexter Avenue Fire

3 April 2010

The Citizens Inquiry into the Dexter Avenue Fire: Utility Shutoffs and the Social Crisis in Detroit will hold a report-back meeting on April 13 to release its findings. The meeting will be held on Dexter Avenue in Detroit, a few blocks from the scene of a January 5 fire that killed three people:

Tuesday, April 13, 6 p.m. Dexter-Elmhurst Center 11825 Dexter Avenue (between Elmhurst and Tuxedo) Detroit, 48206 Map

On March 20, the Citizens Inquiry held a hearing on the causes of the house fire on Dexter Avenue and a March 2 fire on Bangor Street. These two fires resulted in the deaths of six people, including two elderly, disabled brothers and three children aged three, four and five.

The hearing took testimony from area residents, firefighters and experts. Participants presented information on social conditions in Detroit, the impact of utility shutoffs, the policy of utility giant DTE Energy, and the role of government officials. Commissioners for the inquiry are reviewing the testimony, which will be the basis of the findings.



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