

Public meeting in Los Angeles

The way forward in the fight against budget cuts in California

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The working class of California is under vicious and sustained attack.

In March, Governor Jerry Brown, with support from both parties in the state legislature, approved a budget that cuts more than \$8 billion from vital social programs, including education, health care and welfare. A second austerity budget is now being discussed in Sacramento to address the remainder of the state's multibillion-dollar shortfall. Brown is threatening to cut billions from K-12 education if a series of regressive taxes are not extended. Meanwhile, the richest Californians, like their counterparts around the globe, are doing better than ever.

There is growing opposition to this and to similar attacks in California, throughout the US and internationally. The question is: How can this be done? The trade unions and their supporters promoted Brown as a friend of working people. His election, however, has led to a marked intensification in the destruction of social programs and basic living standards.

A new political program and perspective is required. The Socialist Equality Party is spearheading the fight against budget cuts and the defense of the social rights of the working class. We encourage workers and students to attend this critical discussion on the way forward.

Time:

Saturday, June 4, 2011, 3 p.m.-5 p.m.

Location:

Neighborhood Church of Pasadena
301 North Orange Grove Boulevard, Room 21
Pasadena, CA 91103
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