

FROM CANCÚN TO MINNESOTA

Reclaiming a People's Agenda for Climate Justice!

Even as our leaders falter on addressing climate change, frontline communities who do not have that luxury are continuing to fight for just solutions. Our communities here in Minnesota are fighting for alternatives to large energy transmission lines through the Phillips neighborhood, for transit justice along the University Avenue corridor, for farmworker rights and food sovereignty, and for our human right to live in safe and healthy communities—all fights that converge with climate change.

Tens of thousands of women and men affected by the destruction of the environment, farmers, landless, Indigenous Peoples and activists from around the world have gathered in Cancún, Mexico, at the global climate negotiations to propose just solutions to climate change. December 7 is the day a mass- farmer protest will be occurring in Cancún—along with actions in support of climate justice around the world.

We're coming together in solidarity to show that millions of people are behind us and we are behind them! Together, we will show local and world leaders our opposition to the false solutions to climate change, such as carbon trading, unjust infrastructure projects and geo-engineering. Here in Minnesota, we will hear from activists on the ground in Cancún while we celebrate our local grassroots organizing that has been building resilient communities and economic alternatives for decades—efforts that should be the building blocks for a just Minnesota response to climate change.

Local speakers: LeMoine LaPointe; Veronica Burt (Just Equity); Shalini Gupta (Center for Earth, Energy and Democracy at IATP); Deborah Ramos (Zenteotl Project); and Reginaldo Haslett-Marroquin (Rural Enterprise Center).

Reports from Cancún: National (U.S.) Environmental Justice Leadership Forum on Climate Change delegation members Cecilia Martinez (Center for Earth, Energy and Democracy at IATP) and Michele Roberts (Environmental Advocates for Human Rights). Victor Suarez Carrera, National Association of Rural Commercialization Enterprises, Mexico.

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While an RSVP is not needed to attend, please RSVP if possible to aid in planning. To RSVP, contact Eleonore Wesserle at ewesserle@iatp.org or (612)870-3425.

Midtown Global Market

920 E. Lake St., Minneapolis / in the former Jade Restaurant

Tuesday, December 7

5 – 7 p.m. / FREE

Light snacks will be provided
English/Spanish translation will be available



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