



News Advisory – Global and Local Special Event

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“Stand Up and Take Action San Francisco Bay Area” Joins Millions of People Worldwide in Setting a New Guinness World Record to Promote the Millennium Development Goals.

On October 16-18, people in the San Francisco Bay Area will join millions all over the world to “Stand Up and Take Action” against poverty and in support of the Millennium Development Goals. The Stand Up and Speak Out initiative is planned to coincide with the International Day for the Eradication of Poverty. On this weekend last year, over 116 million people (116,993,629) at over a thousand events worldwide, stood up against poverty - setting a new Guinness World Record.

Stand Up and Take Action, coordinated by the UN Millennium Campaign (endpoverty2015.org) and the Global Call to Action Against Poverty (www.whiteband.org), is a global event in which citizens urge their leaders to keep their promises to achieve the Millennium Development Goals and act locally to end conditions of extreme global poverty. There are five local Stand Up events on Friday and Saturday reflecting the spectrum of the bay area’s commitment to support the worldwide citizens movement to “make poverty history”.

San Francisco - Friday October 16, 2009 12:00 pm -2:00 pm

Steps of San Francisco City Hall, SF Civic Center Plaza

1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, San Francisco, CA 94102

Join students, citizens, interfaith and civic leaders at City Hall to Stand Up and Take Action.

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Berkeley - Friday October 16, 2009 5.00 pm - 8.00 pm

145 Dwinelle Building, UC Berkeley Campus

Campus map: <http://www.ocf.berkeley.edu/~atwu/firstcultural/berkeleyguide.html>

Join students, professors and community leaders in an early evening Forum & Stand Up action featuring speakers, a student panel, poetry, and performances

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San Francisco - Saturday October 17, 2009 11.30 am – 1:00 pm

IDEX Conference Room - 827 Valencia Street, (near 19th St.) Suite 101, San Francisco, CA 94110

Join RESULTS volunteer activists in over 100 communities for a telephone conference call with Paul Farmer, founder of Partners in Health to celebrate the International Day for the Eradication of Poverty and the movement for global public health. The Stand Up action and photo opportunity will follow.

Contact: jrubinstein@igc.org 415-759-5075

Martinez - Saturday October 17, 2009 10:15 am to 1:15 pm

Nicholson Residence - 729 Sterling Drive, Martinez, CA 94553

Join RESULTS volunteer activists in over 100 communities for a telephone conference call with Paul Farmer, founder of Partners in Health to celebrate the International Day for the Eradication of Poverty and the movement for global public health. The Stand Up action and photo opportunity will follow. Contact:

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Los Altos - Saturday October 17, 2009 10:15 am to 1:15 pm

Fiekowsky Residence - 952 South Springer Road, Los Altos, CA 94024

Join RESULTS volunteer activists in over 100 communities for a telephone conference call with Paul Farmer, founder of Partners in Health to celebrate the International Day for the Eradication of Poverty and the movement for global public health. The Stand Up action and photo opportunity will follow.

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The San Francisco City Hall event is scheduled for Friday, October 16, 12:00 pm to 2:00 pm. The Stand Up will happen at 12:45 PM on the front steps of City Hall in Civic Center Plaza. **This will be the largest and most visible Stand Up event in the Bay Area.** The event is sponsored by **San Francisco Supervisor David Campos**, the **SFSU College of BSS Students of Color** and the **SFSU International Relations Students Association**. Speakers representing City, State and the Federal government will participate.

Local representatives of national and international groups active in many aspects of both policy and field work will be on hand to give their perspective how millions of people and thousands of groups are all pushing in the same direction to achieve the Millennium Development Goals. These groups include: The ONE Campaign (www.one.org & www.onesf.org), RESULTS (www.results.org & www.resultssf.org), the United Nations Association – San Francisco (www.unausa.org & www.una-sf.org), The Interfaith Millennium Development Goals Coalition (www.point7now.org) IDEX - International Development Exchange, CARE, Amnesty International USA, Art of Living USA and others.

Community organizations, schools, sports teams, religious groups, companies, clubs, associations and all people everywhere are invited to participate. All will have the opportunity to be photographed as part of the world's largest humanitarian event!

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