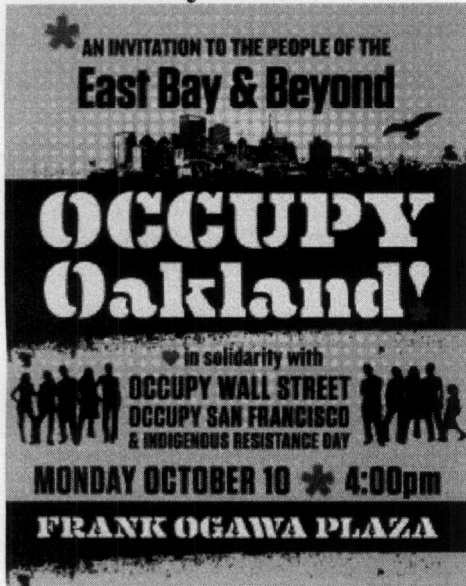


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In solidarity with Occupy Wall Street, the many occupations underway across the country and Indigenous Resistance Day...



To the people (aka the 99%): Our only demand is an invitation: Join Us!

We are reclaiming public space to use as a forum for the people to come together, meet one another, listen to each other, and build power for ourselves. *Occupy Oakland* is more than just a speak-out or a camp out. The purpose of our gathering here is to plan actions, to mobilize real resistance, to defend ourselves from the economic and physical war that is being waged against our communities.

We look forward to making this occupation a space that is welcoming and inclusive of the diverse communities of Oakland (and the bay area). We will acknowledge and learn from each other's histories of struggle. And we commit to challenging oppressive ideas, behaviors, and politics, even – or especially – when they come from ourselves or our comrades.

Oakland represent!

To the Politicians and the 1%: This occupation is its own demand.

Since we don't need permission to claim what is already ours, we do not have a list of demands to give you. There is no specific thing you can do in order to make us "go away". And the last thing we want is for you to preserve your power, to reinforce your role as the ruling classes in our society.

It may not be obvious to you, but the decisions you make daily, as well as this system you are a part of, these things are not working for us. Our goal is bring power back where it belongs, with the people, so we can fix what politicians and corporations have screwed up.

Stand aside!

To the Media: Our struggle won't fit in a 15 second soundbite.

This occupation is a beginning, and we have a long way to go. And while we have much in common, we believe the people are stronger united behind many banners, rather than a single one. We want to make it very clear that Occupy Oakland is not putting forward leaders, tactical or strategic directives, or a uniform message or political platform.

Current list of needed equipment:

URGENT: MORE FOLDING TABLES! and wooden pallets.

KITCHEN COOKING SUPPLIES

forks, plates, spoons (reusable, not disposable)
cups and mugs (reusable, NOT paper or styrofoam plz!)
pots and pans
HUGE bowls and platters
Latex or Nitrile gloves
Baby wipes
Tongs!
Coolers, Ice

FOOD

lemons and limes
Cooking oils (veggie, canola, etc)
veggie broth
potatos
Coffee
lentils
salt and pepper
Garlic
Fresh fruits & veggies

*NOTE: WE HAVE TONS OF RICE/BEANS, thank you! no more rice or beans for now.

SUPPLIES

tents
sleeping stuff: sleeping bags, blankets, tarps
toilet paper
tarps
batteries
lights, flash lights
candles
FOLDING TABLES
buckets with lids
rain gear
garbage bags
dry, clean socks (oh so important!)

large plastic containers with lids
sunscreen
White Boards

Vinegar
Gauze
Bandages
Medical Supplies
Art Supplies
Medics
Childcaretakers
Herbal First Aid
Maalox

Medical and Childcare specifics:
non-toxic paint
brushes
cardboard/paper
wheat flour
newspaper magazines
markers/crayons
chalk
clean recyclables
scissors