



Western PA. Postal Workers Solidarity Committee

September 18, 2015

Dear Pittsburgh Metro Member,

Uniontown report: Whenever the Committee schedules a Staple's demonstration far from the Pittsburgh area where most of our members work and reside, we understand that the number of participants can be a challenge. For the recent action in Uniontown, which is as far from our base as many of the areas where we demonstrate, we were prepared to work with whoever attended, regardless of numbers. Therefore, when we arrived at Staple's at @ 10:45 Sunday September 13, we were unsure what the attendance would be, since we seemed to be alone in the parking lot.

Not to fear, the cavalry was on the way! Literally! Here they came, a large group trudging down the small hill that guards the Staple's driveway entrance. Unbeknown to us, most had parked their vehicles off site and assembled themselves into a phalanx to come en masse to the demonstration. It was a wonderful sight to see that large group coming to support the activity. And even after they picked up t-shirts and placards and leaflets to distribute, a few more trickled in. Needless to say, we were overjoyed to see such a large positive response to our call for action.

There were clerks and letter carriers from the Uniontown Post Office, and others from Connellsville and Pittsburgh, as well as retirees from Charleroi, Beaver County, and the Pittsburgh area. We even had a retired Postmaster put on a Stop Staple's t-shirt and join the demonstration!

There were more than ample demonstrators, enough so that both large banners and sign holders lined the entrance to the parking lot, cheering as motorists honked and waved their support. Others took up their stations at the store entrance, to the consternation of the manager who came out and wanted to know who was in charge. Leaflets were handed to those who would accept them, but the facts are we turned so many customers away due to our presence that not too many made it to the store.

Ultimately, two State Police cars pulled in, at the behest of the store manager. But by then we were winding down getting ready to take group pictures. (See 21cpw.com) We were not hassled away. The police left before we even began to line up for picture taking!

We are so proud and grateful that you have risen to the challenge. **You have taken that extra step to support your Union and your employment. Thanks and a tip of the hat in respect for your contribution. You are our heroes!**

Please see the reverse for upcoming actions. The struggle continues!

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Stop Staples Rallies
All Rallies 11:00am to 12:30pm

Sunday September 27th, 2015

Greensburg-Staples

1027 Hempfield Plaza

6207 Route 30 Greensburg Pa 15601

Sunday October 18th, 2015

Monaca-Staples

3938 Broadhead Road

Monaca Pa 15061

Sunday November 1st, 2015

Cranberry-Staples

1675 Route 228

Cranberry Township Pa 16066

**ALL POSTAL WORKERS FAMILY AND
FRIENDS INVITED**

**STOP THE PRIVATIZATION OF THE
US POSTAL SERVICE**