









## Western PA. Postal Workers Solidarity Committee

March 15, 2016

Dear Member,

The Staples demonstration at the McKnight Road Store on Sunday, March 6, was an event not to be missed! There was a tremendous showing of solidarity that saw Clerks, Letter Carriers, Mail Handlers, Maintenance, and Motor Vehicles Services Postal Workers from a number of facilities, joined by representatives from the Beaver County Central Labor Council, Service Employees International Union, or SEIU, Health Care workers, college students, scores of children, and many others "on the line"! The demonstrators were decked out in the blue Stop Staples Tee Shirts that are distributed at each event. It was a sea of blue all over the area. Many motorists honked their support as the demonstration continued.

KDKA TV appeared and conducted interviews. The coverage, however, was not aired later in the day due to the death of Nancy Reagan which was given saturation coverage by all the media. It is unsure at this writing if the footage will have been used in one forum or another.

The new leaflet, frequently asked questions, was distributed along McKnight Road and the driveway leading into the complex where Staples is located. The large banners were displayed on the driveway and at the entrance to the area.

A number of demonstrators guarded Staples entrance, brandishing Stop Staples signs while distributing literature to any who dared approach the store. It was obvious to the demonstrators that many turned away when they observed the strength of our group.

Now that the weather is breaking, we anticipate that interest in attending the demonstrations will increase. At least we hope that is the case. In any event, the schedule for the next three demonstrations has been set. Full particulars are on the reverse.

It is obvious that Staples cannot prevent our demonstrations from occurring, despite their many efforts of police intimidation, which has failed. We urge our members and their families that are able to join us on the line as we continue the effort to kick Staples out of subcontracting Post Office work. With your continued assistance, we cannot fail. We will be looking for you!

FOOD DRIVE ALERT! Our Union Sisters and Brothers in Branch 84, NALC, will be part of the Letter Carrier annual food drive that will occur on May 14. This is a heads up alert that the drive will occur at that time. The Solidarity Committee is in full support of the drive. We call upon all active and retired members to give full participation by making generous contributions. A mailed notice will be given prior to the drive and a bag will also be mailed to you for you to use to place the food stuffs in. The Committee appreciates your

Chuck Pugar, President Pittsburgh Metro Area Postal Workers Union

Kelly Dickey, President Local 322, National Postal Mail Handlers Union

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John P. Richards, President

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Pittsburgh Area Retiree

Mike Plaskon, President Branch 84 National Association Of Letter Carriers

Frank Wozniak, Assistant District Representative

National Rural Letter

Carriers Association

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## STOP STAPLE'S RALLIES ALL RALLIES 11:00 AM TO 12:30 PM

Sunday, March 20, 2016 Monaca Staples 3938 Brodhead Road Monaca PA 15061

Sunday, April 3, 2016 Greensburg Staples 6207 State Route 30, Ste 1027 Greensburg PA 15601

Sunday, April 17, 2016
Robinson Township Staples
Robinson Town Center
6521 Steubenville Pike
Pittsburgh PA 15205

ALL POSTAL WORKERS, FAMILY AND FRIENDS INVITED
STOP THE PRIVATIZATION OF THE US POSTAL SERVICE