

What You Can Do on Workers Memorial Day

- Hold a candlelight vigil, memorial service or moment of silence to remember those who have died on the job and to highlight job safety problems in your community and at your workplace.
- Organize a rally to highlight the job safety and health problems in your community or at your workplace and how the union is fighting to improve protections.
- Create a memorial at workplaces or in communities where workers have been killed on the job.
- Distribute workplace fliers and organize a call-in to congressional representatives during lunchtimes or break times. Tell your representatives to support stronger OSHA, MSHA and worker safety and health protections.
- Organize petition and letter-writing campaigns to urge the Bush administration and Congress to issue a new ergonomics standard to protect workers from crippling injuries. Petitions and sample letters are available from the AFL-CIO.
- Hold a public meeting with congressional representatives in their home districts. Bring injured workers and family members who can talk firsthand about the need for strong safety and health protections. Invite local religious leaders and other allies to participate in the meeting.
- Write a letter to the editor of your local paper. Talk to reporters you know and encourage them to write a story about how the threat to job safety protections endangers workers in your community.