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Who we are

Sacramento Solidarity Network (SacSol) uses our collective strength as workers and neighbors to win fights through direct action.

When a boss or landlord is exploiting someone, we use a variety of tactics (protest, publicizing the issue, organizing strikes, etc.) to pressure them to do the right thing.

We are not experts, and we do this work voluntarily--hoping that through our fights, you too will help others experiencing injustice and exploitation. Through solidarity we can build strong communities that aren't afraid to fight for what's right

How we work

- Direct action - We're not professionals and we're not trying to be. We're a group of people in the jobs and neighborhoods of Sacramento, who fight for our needs by supporting one another and relying on each other rather than politicians, lawyers, and professionals. With solidarity we can control what we win. When we beg others to give us what we deserve, they have control to take it away just as quickly.
- Direct democracy - We take a horizontal approach to our work so everyone's voice has equal weight in the way we make decisions. We're against hierarchical organization where decisions are made by a powerful few.
- Volunteers not careers - Everyone involved in SacSol experiences the problems of work and making a meaningful living in our neighborhoods. No one gets paid for being involved, and no one makes a career of our struggles that could make them be more loyal to their position than justice.
- Internationalism and equality - An injury to one is an injury to all, no matter where someone is born, their race, gender, or sexual preferences. SacSol organizes against the systematic discrimination and oppression that poisons our society. We don't believe in the legitimacy of nations or geographical borders, and work to undo the destruction created by them.

- Self-organization - Our project aims to build the world we want to see starting today. A world in which all people can develop themselves as they wish and have control over their lives. Against this, the State and wealthy, reshape the world to fit their needs. They use their power and resources to control institutions throughout society. For this reason, we do not participate in, endorse, or ally with any political parties, governments, churches, or hierarchical non-profits.

What we fight for

Whether it's an abusive boss, bad work, unfair rents, or having to deal with a slumlord; we've all been there. In the thick of it, we feel alone, but our problems are systemic, not individual. When someone in authority hurts a person and gets away with it, it only encourages more abusive behavior. When we stand up for each other we can change our circumstances in ways that we can't alone. SacSol encourages people to stand up for one another because no one will fight for us but ourselves. United, our voice is much louder. SacSol exists not just for one-time offenses, but also works to build long-term unions at our jobs, buildings, neighborhoods, and schools.

Why we fight

The problems we face are not random or temporary. They are part of systematic exploitation and oppression due to capitalism and the State. Basic survival needs shouldn't be used as leverage to force people into wage slavery or worse, be locked out of society. We work for a life where everyone has the capacity to develop themselves and their aspirations to the fullest extent possible, and where our labor is aimed at both the common good and our interests. We fight for a society that produces to meet its own needs rather than endless production that benefits the few and destroys the earth. SacSol is an organization that unites our values and methods with the goal for a world where hierarchy, exploitation, and oppression are overcome and replaced with self-government, equality, and solidarity. People of all political beliefs are welcome to participate as long as they respect our aims.