

# **Everyone Could Have a Job, Everyone Could Have Decent Wages!**

The economists say we've been in a recovery since June 2009 – but this recovery was built on wealth the capitalists stole from the workers' labor.

- Corporate profits, measured as a share of the national income, are higher than they've been in more 60 years.
- But profits were not invested in new production – which would have meant more jobs.
- Instead, they went to increase dividends and stock buy-backs, making the wealthy wealthier still. Today, the richest 10% of the population owns 85% of the financial wealth of this country. The richest 1% owns 42%.
- And the banks are awash in money – they hold trillions of dollars handed over to them by the government and the Federal Reserve.

But for working people, 4½ years of recovery mean only high unemployment and wages that don't keep up with prices.

- The share of people with jobs is the smallest it's been in 30 years.

There will be no recovery until that stolen wealth is taken back, used to provide a job and an adequate wage for everyone.

- **No company making a profit should be allowed to lay off a single worker!**
- **No company should be allowed to pay wages that leave a family in poverty!**
  - **The capitalist class must be made to provide work for everyone who is ready to work!**
- **Everyone could work fewer hours – with no loss of pay for anyone! The wealth is there to pay for it!**

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