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Grassroots Action Alert

To Our Members and Partners

January 31st, 2007

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Governor Schwarzenegger will propose saving hundreds of millions of dollars in this year's state budget by **halting welfare payments to children** if their parents do not meet welfare to work requirements. This regressive policy would create a system where our government punishes children for some

Dear John,

Grassroots Leadership Network is pleased to report on the success of the 9th annual Martin Luther King Jr Day Celebration. Thanks to everyone who attended, participated and contributed to the overall success of the celebration. **Go to www.maringrassroots.org to see pictures from the 9th annual Martin Luther King Jr Day Celebration.**

Grassroots Leadership Network joins the coalition to fight for a state EITC!!!

The Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC) is the country's best anti-poverty program. Currently the federal EITC provides a refundable tax credit for working families resulting in thousands of dollars being returned to Americas most needy families. In addition to the federal EITC, AB 21 would create a refundable tax credit for California families who currently receive the federal EITC thus refunding thousands of additional dollars to California's most needy families. Call Grassroots at 415-451-4350 ext 301 to learn what you can do to help pass AB 21 and return thousands of dollars to our communities.

"Understanding the Budget" Training February 22

Join the Grassroots Leadership Network and CA Partnership members from our Bay Area Chapter in a half-day of budget training, analysis, and advocacy where you will learn how the budget process works via the budget timeline (State Budget 101); receive information about the Federal budget and how it affects

alleged shortcomings of their parents. The Governor's plan also proposes to **suspend the Cost of Living Raise** owed to Calworks recipients as well as **cutting off aid to children of undocumented parents** after five years if their parents have not become legal residents by that time in order to balance his budget. **The time to act is NOW!** We must come together with one voice and send a message to Governor Schwarzenegger that we will not allow him to balance his budget on the backs of the poor!

Take Action-Sign our online petition by going to our website at www.maringrassroots.org and sign our online petition to Save Cal-WORKS funding.

the State budget; how to set up and conduct legislative visits; and what we as advocates can do to impact the decision-making in Sacramento. We also want to provide you with an in- depth analysis from the folks who work directly with our elected officials at the State Capital. Call Grassroots at 415-451-4350 to sign up.

January is Cancer Prevention Month!!!

Quit smoking. Eat more boroccoli. These are a couple of ways you can take action to prevent cancer. As part of Cancer Prevention Month GLN is promoting "30 Actions You Can Take to Prevent Cancer". Go to our website at www.maringrassroots.org and learn what steps you can take to prevent cancer.

• Join our 2007 Civic Engagement Campaign

During the Civic Engagement Campaign

GLN conducts a number of activities geared at increasing civic participation. It can be as simple as registering your neighbor to vote or attending a meeting and as involved as serving on a committee or running for public office.



Join us by contacting Steve at (415) 451-4350 x 301.

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