

AFL-CIO, Milwaukee Area Labor Council commemorate Workers Memorial Day

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Wisconsin working families call for further safety measures in all workplaces

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Milwaukee, Wisconsin-On Sunday April 28th, local workers, elected officials and community leaders will gather at Zeidler Union Square for a ceremony to honor workers who have died or suffered illness or injuries while on the job. The commemoration will feature speakers on the topic of workplace safety and the names of workers that were killed on the job in the past year will be read. This year marks an especially urgent fight, as the Trump administration continues to roll back and weaken protections and rights for working people. These actions have ranged from repealing or weakening standards on toxic chemicals and safety hazards, to cutbacks in enforcement, to efforts to eliminate key job safety research and training programs. Meanwhile, the administration has refused to take action on critical safety and health problems like workplace violence, silica exposure in mining and other serious hazards. Injured workers and the relatives of workers who lost their lives on the job will share their stories at the ceremony and renew the fight for stronger worker protections across the country. Workers Memorial Day attendees will highlight how the administration's aggressive actions against workplace safety are a dangerous slap in the face to working people.

WHAT: Ceremony to commemorate Workers Memorial Day **WHEN:** Sunday April 28th at 2:30pm **WHERE:** Zeidler Union Square, 4th and Michigan Street in Milwaukee **WHO:** Labor Leaders, Local Elected Officials, Workers, Community Members