

United Campus Workers Join National May Day Strong Actions at University of Arizona



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The University of Arizona Chapter of United Campus Workers of Arizona (UCWAZ), CWA Local 7065, join national May Day Strong actions this Friday, May 1st. Local and community members will table, speak, and celebrate from 11am to 2pm on the University of Arizona mall.

Organizations co-sponsoring and joining the event include DeFlock Tucson, Pima County Justice For All, UA Resist, Take Action Tucson, Students for Socialism, Working Families Party, and Working Families Power.

“May Day is International Workers Day, which originates in the US with the winning of the eight hour work day. It doesn’t get celebrated as much in the US as it does internationally because our government devalues and dehistoricizes worker power,” remarked Juliet Saxton, UCWAZ CWA Local 7065 member.

This May Day, UCWAZ is calling for individuals, labor groups, and mutual aid organizations to join us:

1. To organize around our vision for free college for all students .
2. To make the University of Arizona a sanctuary campus, keeping our school safe for workers, safe for students, and safe for immigrants.
3. To build an alternative power structure that works for us, NOT billionaires and corporations.

“It’s important to celebrate it now because workers still have a shared international struggle. Students and workers on campus should feel safe to study and speak up, but they don’t because of Garimella’s complicity with the Trump administration’s attacks on higher education, immigrants, and Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, Accessibility (DEIA),” Juliet added.

UCWAZ CWA Local 7065 continues to fight for dignified working and learning conditions and for vulnerable community members until we achieve our vision for equitable and fair higher education.

UCWAZ-CWA Local 7065 unites Arizona's diverse public higher-education workforce, including part-time and full-time staff, faculty, and students, to address the critical issues we all face. Our mission is to defend the interests and well-being of all higher education workers and to build social and economic justice in our workplaces. For more information, visit www.ucwarizona.org.

