

## **GOAL: JOBS FOR PEOPLE WHO NEED THEM MOST**

**Issue #1: Exclusion of minority workers and contractors from major projects**

The Westlawn Project, the largest in Milwaukee's history is being targeted as MICAH is:

- Following the money at every level by meeting with HUD, WHEDA, Housing Authority, Mayor and Aldermen to advocate for jobs
- Checking on race, hours, wages, Milwaukee residence of workers
- Working in coalition with other groups for mutual jobs goals
- Making public witness at the Westlawn site and to public officials
- Pressuring all parties to admit the state of crisis that exists and what each will do to address it

**Issue #2: Lack of training and a prison record, keep many minorities without jobs**

MICAH has:

- Initiated the Milwaukee Transitional Jobs Collaborative, with other organizations to advocate for TANF-funded transitional jobs in Milwaukee  
Almost 1000 people have been in jobs and more than half had a prison record
- Succeeded in getting transitional jobs dollars reinstated in Gov. Scott Walker's 2012 budget
- Spread the word through MICAH congregations to apply for these jobs. See [www.transitional-jobs.com](http://www.transitional-jobs.com) for current information
- Received regular reports from agencies administering the transitional jobs program and helped improve it.

**Issue #3: Transportation to Work**

MICAH is:

- Advocating in public hearings and with county officials for more bus routes to connect workers to jobs
- Organizing workers to tell their stories in public hearings and forums so the issue has a human face
- Forming a strong Transportation Committee
- Connecting MICAH with WISDOM at the state level and the national Transportation Equity Network to improve transportation locally

If you, or someone you know is affected by this, we encourage you to help by joining this committee which is taking a new look at what can be done.

## **YOU CAN HELP BY**

- **Adding the work of MICAH to your congregational prayers**
- **Informing your congregation of MICAH job events and actions**
- **Personally participating in public witness and prayer events around jobs**
- **Recruiting by one-on-ones members to represent your congregation at jobs events or on the Jobs Task Force**
- **Checking out the Westlawn Project at 62<sup>th</sup> & Silver Spring to see what minority workers you see, or try to apply for a job. Call MICAH (264-0805) to report result**

**INVITE A LEADER  
FROM THE JOBS TASK  
FORCE OF MICAH TO  
SPEAK TO YOUR  
CONGREGATION OR  
ITS LEADERS ABOUT  
HOW MICAH IS  
WORKING ON THE  
JOBS CRISIS IN OUR  
CITY**

**Call Barbara Wilson Walker at  
414-344-7463 or Todd Sprewer at  
678-8506 to book a speaker, to learn  
more and to be part of the solution**

**THE MICAH JOBS  
TASK FORCE NEEDS  
YOUR HELP**



**JOBS save lives...  
JOBS save families...  
JOBS save cities...**

**JOBS NOW!**