

Please support the 2017 Justice for Injured Workers Bike Ride

When: May 31, 2017, 3pm

Where: Toronto City Hall, 100 Queen Street West

Once again, for the third year in a row, several dedicated injured workers will be riding to focus attention on the current shameful situation for Ontario's injured workers, and to defend their historic rights under a system that reflects "Full Compensation/No Half Measures" in exchange for the 1915 historic compromise of relinquishing the right to sue to employers for work-related injuries and illnesses.

Growing numbers of injured workers are seeing their legitimate benefits slashed by severe cost cutting measures at the compensation board. When denied fair compensation, they are downloaded onto welfare systems as they struggle to gain access to shelter, a liveable income, accessible and caring workplaces and respect. Many injured workers end up in poverty, relying on short term disability, Canada Pension, Ontario Disability Service Programs (ODSP), paid for by the tax payer, instead of by the WSIB. This is not how the compensation system is supposed to work.

We know that we are entitled to a compensation system that functions in the best interests of injured workers while it saves employers from lawsuits; a system that guarantees a life of dignity for injured workers and prevents us from falling into poverty, despair and exclusion.

Please support this bike ride by welcoming our cyclists as they arrive at City Hall, and helping them deliver their message to the Mayor.