

Are You Walking?

Dear Freedom Fighter,

This year marks the 50th anniversary of the Walk to Freedom in Detroit---a historic event that is regarded as the place that Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. debuted his now-famous "I Have a Dream" speech.

And while we can all still get tremendously inspired every time we hear the passion ignited by those words, too often we focus on King's mountaintop dream and forget that Dr. King was *also toiling in the valley down below*.

On June 21st and 22nd right here in Detroit, we will honor that work and renew the call around his fight for jobs, justice and peace as part of "50 Years Later: We Shall Not Default on Our Freedom!"

[Will you sign up today to Take a Step in that effort?](#)

Tens of thousands not only marched down Woodward in 1963, but they met and devised ways to ensure better education, better jobs and better housing for persons of color. There is no new day when it comes to that fight for equality, only new ways.

That's why on June 21st we are hosting Voices for Action, where we are calling on the community to devise action plans to address discrimination, voting rights, economic parity and an end to racial discrimination of all kinds. The following day, we will meet up with thousands of walkers at 9 a.m. at Woodward and Forest to elevate those plans with our feet and our voices. We'll finish the afternoon with a rally at Hart Plaza.

[Join us and thousands of others on](#) June 21st and 22nd.

As Dr. King noted: *"For the hour is late. The clock of destiny is ticking out, and we must act now before it is too late."*

Dr. King did not default, nor will we, the inheritors of the Dream.

Yours for Freedom, Justice and Peace,

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