

## **Join MoveOn Sonoma County's Defend the Dream Rally to Fight Republican War on Middle Class, Unions & Children**

*March 15 Santa Rosa Courthouse Sq Event at 6 pm Features Local Activists, SEIU & New Agitprop Group "Billionaires for Budget Cuts"*

In response to an unprecedented, billionaire funded Republican assault on the American middle class, working families, college students, and poor women and children, concerned citizens will rally to tell legislators from Wisconsin to Washington that We, the People, want our government back.

The Republican-led House of Representatives is unleashing its War on the Middle Class Budget on March 18, just as legislators in Wisconsin, Ohio and Indiana vote to illegally strip teachers and other unions of the right to collective bargaining. **Their budget will eliminate or drastically reduce federal spending for Head Start, infant nutrition, Planned Parenthood, NPR, public television, the EPA, college grants, and aid for homeless veterans.**

In response, Sonoma County MoveOn members are harnessing People Power to **join hundreds of other Defend the Dream MoveOn rallies across the nation on March 15th**. Speakers will include Chip Atkin, from the SEIU Union, Marty Bennet, from the Living Wage Coalition, Lisa Maldonado, of the North Bay Labor Council, Andrew Merrifield, Political Science Professor at SSU, and Ben Boyce, from the Sonoma Valley Democratic Club.

Entertainment will be provided by the world premiere of Sonoma County's new agitprop troupe, **Billionaires for Budget Cuts**, who will be singing their Koch Brothers-financed song, "This Land is OUR Land!"

**Date:** Tuesday March 15 6:00 to 7:00 p.m.

**Where:** Santa Rosa's Courthouse Square, Mendocino Ave. between 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Street