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Hunger Strike Reaches 72 Hours at Tacoma Immigration Prison Supporters Expect Hunger Strikers' Decision

Tacoma, WA - Today at noon will mark 72 hours since immigrants incarcerated at the Northwest Detention Center (NWDC) began refusing meals, launching a hunger strike to protest their treatment inside the immigration prison. Supporters received news on Wednesday morning that over 750 people were refusing meals. Today at noon defenders of human rights are expected to communicate with their supporters in the outside whether they will continue their hunger strike or not.

WHAT: Rally to hear from people detained on hunger strike decision to continue or end action.

WHO: Defenders of human rights currently detained and on hunger strike, and their supporters.

WHERE: North side of main entrance to the NWDC – 1623 E J St Tacoma

WHEN: Thursday April 13, 2017 at 12:00PM PT

Community members have set up an encampment at the gates of the facility, planning to stay for the duration of the strike. For live updates, visit <https://www.facebook.com/NWDCResistance/>.

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NWDC Resistance is a volunteer community group that emerged to fight deportations in 2014 at the now-infamous Northwest Detention Center in Tacoma, WA as part of the [#Not1more](#) campaign, and supported people detained who organized hunger strikes asking for a halt to all deportations and better treatment and conditions.