

8036
Soweto Day '93
Walkathon

Registration Form

Please clip off, complete and bring this form and prepaid pledges to the Walkathon Registration

-Please Print-

Walker's Name _____

Address _____ Zip _____

Day Phone _____ Evening Phone _____

Organization/Church _____

Total Pledges _____

Turned in at
 Registration _____

Collected after
 the Walkathon _____

Total Received _____

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**To Support Voter Education
 in South Africa**

June 12, 1993

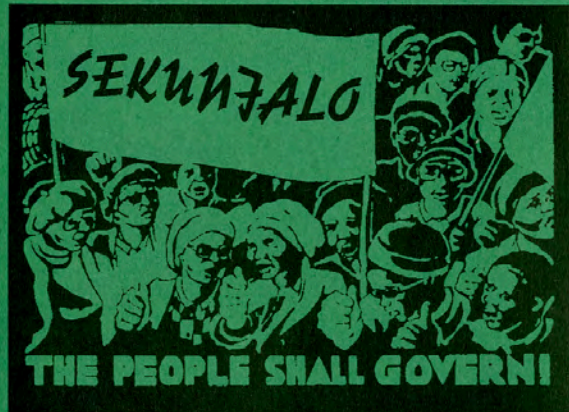
Registration 9AM
 Prayer Service 9:30 AM
 Step Off 10AM from

Trinity United Church of Christ
532 West 95th Street, Chicago

End at

Third Baptist Church
1551 W. 95th Street, Chicago

transportation back to Trinity will be provided



Sponsored by

**Chicago Committee in Solidarity with
 Southern Africa**

**Chicago-Alexandra Sister
 Community Project**

**Committee for Church in Society of
 Trinity United Church of Christ**

WHY ARE WE WALKING?

Soweto Day

On June 16, 1976, over 20,000 students, ranging in age from 6 to 20, marched to protest the use of Afrikaans as the medium of instruction in their schools in Soweto, South Africa. The protest was met with violent police action. Over 1000 children were killed and wounded; many were shot in the back as they ran to avoid the conflict. Out of this terrible massacre at Soweto came a new resolve of the South African people to free themselves. June 16th is commemorated throughout the international anti-apartheid movement in honor of the courageous students who gave their lives in the struggle for freedom. The annual Soweto Day Walkathon in Chicago raises material aid funds for those who continue the struggle against apartheid throughout Southern Africa today.

In Memory of Tambo and Hani

In addition to commemorating the deaths of the children of Soweto, the 5th Annual Soweto Day Walkathon is dedicated to the memory of Oliver Tambo and Chris Hani who dedicated their lives to the struggle against the injustice of apartheid. Oliver Tambo, one of the founders of the African National Congress (ANC), led the organization during its many years of exile. He recently died of a stroke at age 75. Chris Hani, general secretary of the South African Communist Party and former head of the ANC's military wing, Umkhonto we Sizwe, was assassinated by pro-apartheid forces as part of a plot to derail negotiations for democracy in South Africa. We mourn the passing of these heroic leaders and rededicate ourselves to the struggle that was the focus of their lives.

**WALKATHON FUNDS
 VOTER EDUCATION IN
 SOUTH AFRICA**

In the three years since the release of Nelson Mandela the drive for community empowerment has been met with brutal violence unchecked, indeed often aided, by the South African police and security forces. Refusing to be put off any longer, anti-apartheid forces say, "Sekunjalo - NOW is the time!"

The anti-apartheid struggle continues in the drive for voter education as negotiations move toward setting a date for the first democratic elections. Organizers are working to convince people disenfranchised for generations that each person can indeed vote for the leaders of their country. They are countering the common association of registration with the hated apartheid regime. Facing the problem of high illiteracy, organizers are teaching voters to recognize symbols of various parties and candidates and to familiarize them with voting procedures.

In contrast, pro-apartheid forces have a well organized political machine. Considering the lengths to which these forces have gone to derail the negotiation process, violent attacks, intimidation and misinformation campaigns are expected to escalate as the election date gets closer.

A strong voter education campaign is essential to assuring the majority population makes its voice heard in the first one-person-one-vote elections. Community organizations like the Alexandra Civic Organization (ACO), Chicago's sister community in South Africa, are critical to the success of the voter education campaign.

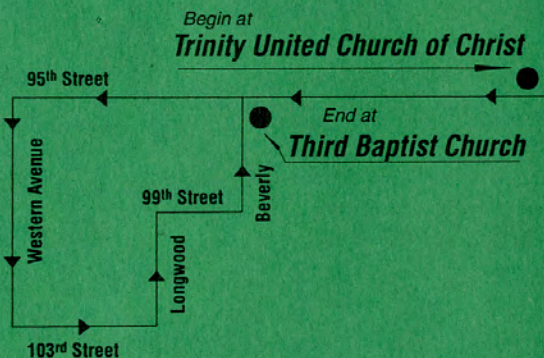
The Alexandra Civic Organization

The ACO, formed in 1982, works to improve housing, health and education in Alexandra. Today, residents still reeling from the devastating violence of this past year, have begun to rebuild their community in an atmosphere of fragile peace. Organizing is difficult as many residents are still displaced and certain areas remain "no go zones". However, the ACO is committed to voter education in the township. In solidarity with our sister community, proceeds from the 5th Annual Soweto Day Walkathon will be forwarded to ACO for their voter education campaign.

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Walkathon Map



Total Distance~10 kilometers (6.2 miles)

Return this pledge form and collected pledges

- during registration at the Walkathon
- to your organization's pledge coordinator
- or mail to

Soweto Day Walkathon Treasurer
C/O CCISSA
P.O. Box 578066
Chicago, Ill 60657-8066

For more pledge forms or additional information call

Chicago Committee in Solidarity with Southern
Africa: (312) 427-9868

Chicago-Alexandra Sister Community Project:
(312) 421-5513

Walkathon Pledge Form

Please Print -Total Walk~10 kilometers (6.2 miles)

Make Checks Payable to Soweto Day Walkathon

Walker's Name _____ Phone _____

Organization / Church _____

Address _____ Zip _____

Name	Address	Zip	Phone	\$Per km	Total
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Walkathon Sponsors

Chicago Committee in Solidarity with Southern Africa

CCISSA is working to increase public awareness of the situation in southern Africa in order to mobilize political and material support for the struggle against apartheid. CCISSA pursues these goals by providing speakers on anti-apartheid issues, participating in public forums and presenting educational programs. CCISSA mobilizes support for demonstrations, letter writing and material aid campaigns. CCISSA sponsors the Chicago-Alexandra Sister Community Project and the Southern Africa Action Response Network.

Chicago-Alexandra Sister Community Project

The Chicago-Alexandra Sister Community Project initiated the 1990 Chicago City Council resolution which established an official sister community relationship between Chicago and the Alexandra Civic Organization. (ACO) The Project supports ACO's struggle for self-determination and human rights with political, material and technical aid. Alexandra, one of the oldest and poorest townships in South Africa, is located in the midst of Johannesburg's most affluent white suburbs.

Committee of Church in Society of Trinity United Church of Christ

The Committee for Church in Society of Trinity United Church of Christ works to make the church and community aware of ongoing issues that involve Black people. The Committee sponsors activities that promote African-American heritage, and social, economic, political and spiritual growth.