

U.S. workers plan May Day “People’s Strike” to demand safer workplaces

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Workers at some of the biggest corporations in the United States are planning an unprecedented wave of strikes on May 1st, International Workers’ Day.

Employees of Amazon, Whole Foods, Walmart, FedEx, Target and Instacart will walk off the job demanding compensation for unpaid time off work, hazard pay, sick leave, personal protective equipment and cleaning supplies at workplaces.

Many of the workers are part of a growing coalition that will join a May 1st People’s Strike launched by worker cooperatives in Mississippi.

Kali Akuno, co-director of Cooperation Jackson, said: “We’re asking everybody to start with these basics: no work, no shopping, no rent, no mortgage, no school, no borders, no prisons. Let us all take joint action together.”

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