

To Member Groups of the U of C Coalition for Divestment,
plus the Women's union and GALA

We request that all member organizations appoint a permanent working representative and a contact person to the Coalition. A meeting will be held on Monday, April 20 at 8:00 in Ida Noyes to discuss plans for Spring Quarter.

Main Proposal: Building a Shantytown

We propose to build at least 5 shanties on the main quads during eighth week. The theme of this project would be "the poverty of racism", focusing on University divestment, black student enrollment, urban renewal, and the recent replacement of the school custodians. The shanties, constructed of plywood, corrugated metal and other materials, would remain on the quads for at least one week, relative to student and administration response. During seventh week interested dorms and organisations could construct and display a shanty to be moved onto the quads for eighth week.

Aims of Main Proposal:

A different strategy to provide information and give students an opportunity to participate.

To publicize the University's present support of racism to the community at large.

To involve a large segment of the student population.

Media coverage.

Generate support for divestment action.

Other proposals currently being considered:

Teach-in similar to teach-in of October 22, 1985.

Sit-in on administration building.

Mock elections/rally on May 6 to protest racist elections in South Africa.

Large, visible banners with anti-apartheid and anti-racist information.

Escrow account: alumni funds held in escrow until the University completely divests or the United Nations testifies that apartheid has ended.

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The meeting is an open one. All suggestions will be debated so that a common, workable, unified strategy may be arrived at for this spring. Continuous meetings will be held every Monday at 8:00 in Ida Noyes.

Thank you for your support,

The Steering Committee for the U of C Coalition for Divestment

Please call one of the contact persons this weekend for more information:

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